

Supplementary
Submission
No 87b

**INQUIRY INTO PLANNING PROCESS IN NEWCASTLE
AND THE BROADER HUNTER REGION**

Organisation: Friends of King Edward Park Inc.

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Background

The Headland Reserve was always part of the park. It is completely landlocked within the park with no access to outside roads.

It is within the original Government Domain on which Government House was sited.

This was given to the people in 1856, and the Borough Council was made trustee in 1863. In 1910 it was named King Edward Park.

In 1963 the HR was excised from the park (though remaining entirely within it) and leased in perpetuity for a bowling club as long as it remained a sporting facility. This lease was revoked in 2005 and the land, was dedicated under s87 of the CLA in 2005 to the public for the purpose of public recreation. It was never returned to the Park despite several requests from the Council and the general manager at the time, Janet Dore.

We respectfully urge the Upper House Committee to please consider making the following further recommendations:

That the King Edward Headland Reserve be incorporated back into the King Edward Park as an integral part of the Park itself as it was in the original grant in 1863.