

Lake Macquarie City Council is working with consultant WMAwater to prepare a flood study of North Creek.

As part of this work, residents from suburbs along North Creek, including Warners Bay, Lakelands and part of Speers Point, were invited to share their stories and observations of historical flooding in the area.


## WHAT WE ASKED

- Has your property been affected by flooding in the past?
- How long have you lived in the property?
- Where has your property been affected by flooding?
- During which storm events has your property been impacted?
- Can you describe the flooding that occurred in each event?
- Do you have any photos or videos of past floods or flood level marks?
- Are you aware of any other locations within the North Creek Flood Study area that have experienced flooding in the past?

## We reached

 **345** visits to our Shape Lake Mac webpage

 **11** survey responses

 **2800** letters/flyers sent to properties within the study area

 **7115** recipients reached through Council e-newsletters

## ENGAGEMENT SNAPSHOT



Residents from Warners Bay, Lakelands and Speers Point shared their experiences of flooding around North Creek.



Respondents have lived around North Creek for varying periods from 12 months to 24 years, and experienced flood events in February 1990, April 2001, June 2007 and April 2015.



The majority of respondents (81.8 per cent) said their property hadn't been affected by flooding in the past.



Of the properties that had been affected by floods, flooding occurred in the front and backyards and in a garage/shed.

## COMMUNITY COMMENTS

*"We had to get our pool fixed from the June [2007] floods. We had rocks and dirt in our pool from the hill behind our house".*

*"Deep across back and down [the] side of building – mud everywhere".*

*"The roundabout near Warners Bay High School, the creek at Walker Street [has experienced flooding in the past]. Lots of places I have seen in my years living in Warners Bay".*

## NEXT STEPS

Community feedback will be combined with other data sources to develop modelling that will help us better understand and manage future flood risks along North Creek.

We expect the North Creek Flood Study will be complete and presented to Council for adoption in early 2025.