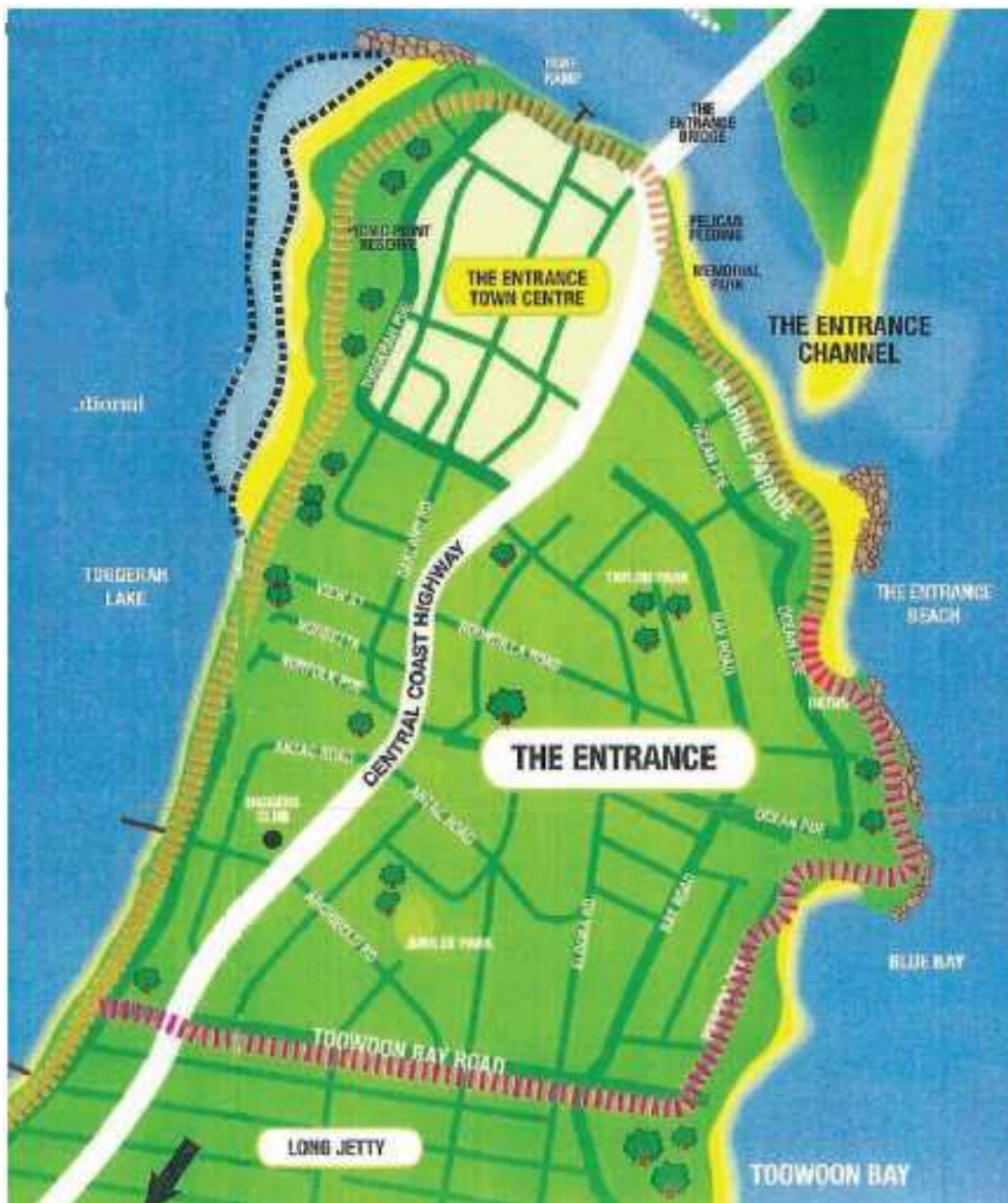


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Mr McBride and Mr Harris welcomed the announcement.

“This will be an asset for the whole Central Coast community,” Mr Harris said.

“I am very pleased my long held plan for improvements to the lake foreshore with enhanced swimming and public recreation areas, walking and cycle ways is gaining momentum,” Mr McBride.

“Part of that vision is today’s unveiling of an award winning artist’s sculpture in Marine Parade.

“The sandstone sculpture by Michael Purdy is a gift from the NSW Government to the local community under an initiative to enhance Crown reserves with sculptures.

“This work, called ‘*the stack*’, is said to represent contentment and I hope that is what people feel when they see it in this seaside setting.”

The idea of bringing sculptures to Crown reserves arose out of the Land and Property Management Authority’s sponsorship of Sculpture by the Sea at Bondi.

Mr Kelly said not everyone can go to Sydney to see the exhibition, so the Government is bringing the sculptures to local communities and enhancing Crown reserves in the process.

“The stack was one of the works in this year’s Sculpture by the Sea and the artist was a people’s choice winner in 2005,” the Minister said.

“The sculpture will become a central feature of the broader lake and coastal foreshore integrated development and beautification program.”
