

MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE

Ryde's future

The City of Ryde Council faces what seems to be an inevitable amalgamation with Hunters Hill and Lane Cove.

My recent election as Mayor has provided me with the sad honour of potentially being the last person to hold this office, but I sincerely hope that I and other elected Councillors may contribute in some way to shape the formation of a new amalgamated council under an administrator.

Ryde Councillors have unanimously opposed forced amalgamation of our local authority, and were largely behind the proposal for a Joint Regional Authority (JRA) which I proposed and initiated with neighbouring Hunters Hill and Lane Cove councils.

While this was not adopted by the State Government, I strongly argued the case against Ryde being carved up and it also provided a strong platform for me to lobby the Minister for Local Government when I was previously Ryde Mayor.

Ryde Councillors all determined not to go ahead with legal challenges for a number of reasons including the legal costs which would have to be borne by our ratepayers. We do however understand and respect the decision of our neighbouring councils to pursue legal challenges.

Thank you to residents

I am humbled by the many emails, text messages, phone calls and personal congratulations I have received after being elected as Mayor. I also understand from the feedback I have received, the concerns that a large number of you have expressed at the unacceptable coverage of myself in the other local publication, *The Weekly Times*.

While having endured many years of misinformed and unsubstantiated reporting in the *The Weekly Times* about myself, I believe that our residents may now be questioning the style of reporting by *The Weekly Times*.

Yours Sincerely,



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EVENTS AT YOUR LIBRARY

Musical Morning Tea:

Children's Choir and keyboard

Join the Ryde International School of Music as they present their local school children playing piano and singing together.



When Monday 10 October
Time 10.30 – 11.30am
Where Ryde Library
Cost Gold coin donation
Bookings 9952 8352

EVENTS AROUND YOUR CITY

Guided Walk Bird Watching in the Field of Mars Reserve

In preparation for the upcoming National Bird Week (19 - 25 October) and the annual Aussie Backyard Bird Count (17 - 13 October), join us for a very special bird watching guided walk through the Field of Mars Reserve and lower section of Buffalo Creek. The walk guide is a bird specialist and will be able to help you spot and identify a wide variety of native bird species including summer migratory birds.

For more information and to book, visit

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/guidedwalks



When Sunday 2 October or Saturday 15 October
Time 8.00 - 10.00am
Where Field of Mars Reserve, 220 Pittwater Road, East Ryde
Cost Free. Booking essential

The Fusion Foundation Gala Ball

Join us for The Fusion Foundation Gala Ball. Supporting Achieve Australia, Royal Rehab and Alzheimers Australia NSW. For more information visit

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/fusiongala



When Friday 14 October
Time 7.00pm for 7.30pm till midnight
Where Curzon Hall, 53 Agincourt Road, Marsfield
Cost \$250 per person or table of 10 for \$2,500

PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD

Garage Sales

Saturday 1 October from 9.00am

- 2 Elston Ave, Denistone
 - 35 Sobroan Rd, Marsfield
- To list your garage sale for free, go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/garagesales

Labour Day Public Holiday Closures

The City of Ryde Customer Service Centre, and all five City of Ryde Libraries will be closed for the Labour Day Public Holiday on Monday 3 October. The Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre is open from 10.00am - 5.45pm. Waste Collections will continue as usual. After hours return chutes will be available at all Library locations. For full details visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/publicholiday

New Location for Council Chambers

The City of Ryde Council Chambers are now located at Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde (above Ryde Library). All Council and Committee Meetings will be held at the new location, there will be no further meetings held at the Civic Centre.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Planning Proposal for 61 Lane Cove Road and 5 Myra Avenue, Ryde

A Planning Proposal for 61 Lane Cove Road and 5 Myra Avenue, Ryde is on public exhibition to seek community input.

The Department of Planning and Environment has issued a Gateway Determination on the 9 September 2016 enabling the proposed amendments to Council's LEP to be publicly exhibited under section 57 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*.

The Planning Proposal seeks to amend Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 (RLEP 2014) by:

- Amending the land Zoning Map for 5 Myra Avenue and 61 Lane Cove Road, Ryde, to change the zoning from part SP2 Infrastructure - Place of Public Worship and part R2 Low Density Residential to SP2 Infrastructure - Place of Public Worship and Educational Establishment.
- Amending the planning controls for 5 Myra Avenue and the part of 61 Lane Cove Road formerly known as 1-3 Myra Avenue by:
 - Amending LEP 2014 Lot Size Map to remove the current minimum lot size control of 580m² and have no minimum lot size (the remaining portion of 61 Lane Cove Road has no minimum lot size);
 - Amending LEP 2014 Height of Buildings Map to remove the current Maximum Building Height of 9.5 metres and have no height control (the remaining portion of 61 Lane Cove Road has no height control); and
 - Amending LEP 2014 Floor Space Ratio Map to remove the current FSR control of 0.5:1 and have no floor space ratio control (the remaining portion of 61 Lane Cove Road has no floor space ratio control).

Where can I view the Planning Proposal?

The Planning Proposal is available for viewing from Wednesday 28 September until Friday 28 October at:

- Online** www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay
In person City of Ryde Customer Service Centre
1 Pope Street, Ryde
(Monday to Friday, 8.30am - 4.30pm)
City of Ryde North Ryde Office, Level 1,
Building 0, 3 Richardson Place, North Ryde
(Monday to Friday, 8.30am - 4.30pm)
Ryde Library and North Ryde Library
during branch hours

Making a Submission

Submissions must be in writing and marked 'Planning Proposal - 61 Lane Cove Road and 5 Myra Avenue, Ryde'. They can be made as follows:

- Online** www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay
Email cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au
Post General Manager, City of Ryde, Locked Bag 2069, North Ryde NSW 1670

All submissions must be received by Council by 4.30pm on Friday 28 October 2016.

It is Council's policy that all submissions in relation to draft controls will be publicly available on request.

If you would like to arrange an appointment to discuss the Planning Proposal, please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222.