

# #YES2JRA

## JOINT REGIONAL AUTHORITY

The City of Ryde, Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Councils say "Yes to a JRA". We have developed a collaborative model of a Joint Regional Authority (JRA) to address the NSW Government's Fit for the Future proposal. The JRA will centralise key functions across the three council areas, including subregional planning, procurement, infrastructure delivery and other services where economies of scale exist. Under this option, each Council and its community retains their unique local identity and, most importantly, the City of Ryde is not split. To view the submission, go to [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/fitforthefuture](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/fitforthefuture)



Clr Jerome Laxale - Mayor at the Eastwood Lunar New Year Press Conference

### The Mayor's Community Message Lunar New Year

I recently attended the launch of the Lunar New Year celebrations planned for Eastwood in February.

This event, now in its eighth year, grows from strength to strength, and is a huge drawcard for kids and adults.

The Saturday Night Markets at Eastwood (4.00 – 10.00pm) will be an added attraction for this year's festivities, which start on Saturday 13 February with the annual cooking competition (11.00am – 2.00pm).

The big day-long celebration on Saturday 20 February that attracts thousands of locals and visitors includes the street parade, lion dancing, fire crackers, table tennis, and of course lots of eating.

The celebration heralds the Year of the Monkey.

### Back to School and our Education Needs

For the many thousands of children and young people who returned to school or took their first steps of their education journey this week, I wish you all the best for 2016.

But like many local parents, I am very concerned that the current education infrastructure in Ryde does not meet our City's needs.

I have called on the NSW Government to purchase the Masters site in North Ryde and return it to educational use. You only have to read the population forecasts for Macquarie Park and North Ryde that are expected to increase by 350% to see that decisions must be made now.

### Celebrating our Diversity

At our recent Australia Day celebrations, I was once again struck by the incredible diversity of people who make up the City of Ryde.

I am always proud to welcome new Australian citizens to Ryde and I look forward to the contribution they will make to our city and our nation.

Congratulations to our Citizen and Young Citizen of the year, Joy Piotrowski and Nicholas Purcell. It was a pleasure to honour them on behalf of the City – their years of dedication to our community have made Ryde a better place to live.

Since becoming Mayor, I've asked that we feature a full welcome to country ceremony at our Citizenship ceremonies. It is important that we acknowledge the traditional owners of Ryde and give them pride of place at our events. One of our guest speakers and performers, Gumaroy Newman, told us of his pride to be an Australian of Aboriginal, Italian and Chinese descent as he welcomed new citizens to Ryde.



Sincerely,

Clr Jerome Laxale - Mayor  
Phone 9952 8222 or  
email [mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mayor@ryde.nsw.gov.au)

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Council and Committee Meetings 2016

All meetings are held at the Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde:

- **Council Meeting**  
Council Chamber, Level 6
- **Planning and Environment Committee**  
Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Level 5
- **Works and Community Committee**  
Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Level 5
- **Ryde Civic Hub Committee Meeting**  
Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Level 5
- **Finance and Governance Committee**  
Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Level 5

Date	Time	Meeting
9 Feb	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
16 Feb	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
23 Feb	7.00pm	Council
8 Mar	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
15 Mar	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
22 Mar	7.00pm	Council
12 Apr	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
19 Apr	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
26 Apr	7.00pm	Council
10 May	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
17 May	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
24 May	7.00pm	Council
14 Jun	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
21 Jun	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
28 Jun	7.00pm	Council
12 Jul		No Meetings (Mid-year Recess)
19 Jul	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
26 Jul	7.00pm	Council
9 Aug	5.00pm 6.00pm	Planning and Environment Committee Ryde Civic Hub Committee
16 Aug	5.00pm 6.00pm	Works and Community Committee Finance and Governance Committee
23 Aug	7.00pm	Council

A list of agenda items for meetings and reports can be found prior to a meeting on Council's website at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings)

All meetings are subject to change and cancellation.

Parking is available in the customer parking area at the rear of the Civic Centre.

### GRANTS NOW OPEN

#### Community Grants Now Open Apply for funding up to \$5000

Local not-for-profit community groups, clubs and organisations are invited to apply for a 2016 City of Ryde Community Grant.

#### Need help to prepare your submission?

A Free Information Session is being held:

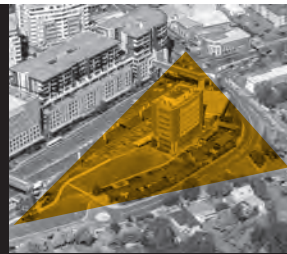
**When:** Tuesday 23 February, 6.00 – 7.30pm

**Where:** Eucalyptus Meeting Room (Level above Ryde Library), 1A Pope Street, Ryde.

Bookings essential. Phone 9952 8222, or register at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/communitygrants](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/communitygrants)

City of Ryde Community Grants applications close Monday 14 March 2016.

### DESIGN OUR RYDE



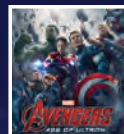
RYDE HUB PRECINCT  
International Design Competition  
**NOW OPEN** [www.DesignOurRyde.com](http://www.DesignOurRyde.com)

### EVENTS AROUND YOUR CITY



## CINEMA IN THE PARK

FREE MOVIE NIGHTS AT A PARK NEAR YOU



Friday 19 February 2016  
**AVENGERS 2: AGE OF ULTRON** [PG-13]  
Morrison Bay Park,  
Frances Road, Putney



Saturday 27 February 2016  
**INSIDE OUT** [PG]  
Yamble Reserve,  
Quarry Road, Ryde

### CINEMA AT THE UNIVERSITY

THE FOLLOWING MOVIE IS INTENDED FOR MATURE AUDIENCES ONLY



Friday 26 February 2016  
**WHIPLASH** [MA15+]  
Lakeside Lawn, Gymnasium Road,  
Macquarie University  
(Under 15 must be accompanied by an adult,  
proof of age required). Contains strong language.

All movies include subtitles for the deaf and hearing impaired.  
Movies will be shown on an inflatable screen with excellent clarity and stereo sound.  
**MINIONS** will be screening on Friday 4 March!  
For more information visit [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cinema](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cinema)

## WEST RYDE Easter PARADE & FAIR

9AM - 3.30PM SATURDAY 19 MARCH

Easter Parade from Miriam Park from 9.15am  
Easter Fair in the West Ryde Plaza,  
Graf Ave and Market Street

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN  
for Stallholders, Performers and  
Parade Participants.

Applications close Friday 19 February.

For more information and to download  
an application form visit:

[www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/easterparade](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/easterparade)

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