

**City of Ryde COVID-19 update**

The City of Ryde has announced a raft of financial assistance measures to assist members of the community to cope with the challenges posed by the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

These include:

- The establishment of a \$500,000 Eastwood Small Business Hardship Fund Program which will provide support grants of up to \$2,000 for eligible businesses in Eastwood that are experiencing economic hardship
- The waiving of fees for outdoor dining establishments
- Considering all applications for rent deferrals from café and restaurant owners operating from a Council premises
- Fast-tracking a process for financial hardship applications to be received in regard to payments and rates
- The waiving of cancellation fees for swim schools and swimming carnivals that were due to be held at the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre between January and March this year.

As this crisis continues, Council will try and identify ways in which we can provide additional assistance over the coming weeks and months.

This is likely to be the biggest economic challenge we will ever face, and it is clear that our community want Council to support those who need it wherever possible.

**Changes to parking enforcement**

The City of Ryde has announced temporary changes to its parking enforcement guidelines as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Under the changes, no parking enforcement will be undertaken by Council in time-limited parking zones.

Council rangers will continue to take appropriate action where vehicles are parked over driveways or where they pose a public safety risk.

All parking areas signposted as red regulatory zones – such as No Stopping, No Standing, Disabled Parking and Loading Zones – will continue to be enforced.

**Playgrounds, outdoor gyms and Meadowbank Skate Park closed**

Following an announcement by the Federal Government, all City of Ryde playgrounds, outdoor gyms and the Meadowbank Skate Park have been closed until further notice.

Park visitors are also reminded that a new rule has been put in place restricting the number of people permitted to gather indoors and outdoors to two. This does not apply to people who live together.

**COVID-19 updates**

As the COVID-19 outbreak is an evolving situation, I would strongly encourage everyone to regularly check the dedicated COVID-19 section on the City of Ryde website at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/covid19](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/covid19).

This has the most up-to-date information including news, frequently asked questions and status updates on Council services.

You can also follow the City of Ryde on Facebook and Twitter for all the latest announcements.

Sincerely,



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice of Adoption of City of Ryde Section 7.11 Development Contributions Plan 2020 and City of Ryde Fixed Rate Levy (Section 7.12) Development Contributions Plan 2020**

*Pursuant to Clauses 31 and 32(2)(a) of the Environmental Planning and Regulation 2000.*

Council has adopted two (2) new Development Contributions Plans under Section 7.11 and 7.12 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act*, which will come into effect on 1 July 2020.

At the 24 March 2020 Council Meeting, Council resolved to adopt the following Developer Contributions Plans:

- City of Ryde Section 7.11 Development Contributions Plan 2020
- City of Ryde Fixed Rate Levy (Section 7.12) Development Contributions Plan 2020

Both plans were adopted without change from the publically exhibited draft plans.

Council's current Section 94 Developer Contributions Plan 2007 (Interim Update 2014) will be repealed by the City of Ryde Section 7.11 Development Contributions Plan 2020 on 1 July 2020.

The City of Ryde Section 7.11 Development Contributions Plan 2020 and City of Ryde Fixed Rate Levy (Section 7.12) Development Contributions Plan 2020 will become operational on 1 July 2020.

You may view the above Developer Contributions Plans on Council's website, they are unchanged from the exhibited draft plans:

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

If you have any queries regarding the above Development Contributions Plans please contact David Matthews, Development Contributions Coordinator on (02) 9952 8222.

[Note this is a public notice only; the submission period has closed]

**PUBLIC NOTICE**



**Eastwood Small Business Hardship Fund APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**

Council has established a Small Business Hardship Fund to support businesses located in Eastwood Town Centre.

The fund is in response to the downturn in trade many businesses in Eastwood have experienced since concerns were first raised in January 2020 about the alleged risks posed by the novel coronavirus.

Under the endorsed Council resolution, Eastwood businesses with annual turnover of less than \$2 million can apply for grants of up to \$2,000 via the fund to help them cope with a reduction in customers.

Eastwood Small Business Hardship Grant applications are open until **30 April 2020**.

To access the full criteria and to apply visit Council's website at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ESBHF](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ESBHF) or call our Customer Service Centre on 9952 8222.

**REMEMBER:**  
The best way to protect yourself from COVID-19 is to follow these simple steps:



Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or use an alcohol-based sanitiser.

Cover your sneeze or cough with an elbow or tissue and avoid close contact with people who are ill.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Stay home if you are sick. Self-isolate if you have been overseas.

Maintain a social distance of 1.5 metres.