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## RYDE PROVIDES MISSING LINK IN HARBOUR WALK

A 'missing link' in the Parramatta River Walk has now been completed with the inclusion of the first 10km section of the walk between Gladesville Bridge and Ryde Bridges.

The newly mapped section, on the northern side of the Parramatta River, is the City of Ryde's contribution to a 275-kilometre continuous network of walking tracks along Sydney's iconic waterways - Sydney Harbour, its tributaries and coast.

The Mayor Clr Artin Etmedkjian said the project was a great example of Council partnering with community volunteers and State Agencies to develop the route, improve access and produce the map for the Sharing Sydney Harbour program.

"This 10 km bridge-to-bridge walk explores a remarkable sweep of the northern shore of the Parramatta River and visually captures the important role our City plays in the life and history of greater Sydney.

"The new trail incorporates the popular and award winning Ryde RiverWalk which, since it opened three years ago, has seen the emergence of increasing numbers of walking groups, guided walks and both walking and riding commuters."

The Parramatta River Walk provides walkers with breathtaking river and city skyline views. The route winds along parts of the foreshore into pays, parks and playgrounds, through bushland, past historic buildings and Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

### HOW TO GET A MAP

Pick up your copy of the ***Parramatta River Walk – Gladesville Bridge to Ryde Bridge***, from City of Ryde Customer Service, Libraries, Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre, Ryde Community Sport Centre (ELS Hall Park) or go to: [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/xxxxx](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/xxxxx), [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/harbour](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/harbour), or [www.walkingcoastalsydney.com](http://www.walkingcoastalsydney.com).

For details of City of Ryde Guided Walks and local Walking Groups go to: [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/xxxxx](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/xxxxx)

For a copy of the City of Ryde Bike Map is available from Customer Service, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde.