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## DESIGN OUR RYDE STAGE 2 FINALISTS ON DISPLAY

An expert jury and members of the community have selected four architectural concepts to compete in Stage Two of the Ryde Civic Hub *Design our Ryde* competition.

The four shortlisted contenders, including the People's Choice winner, were chosen from a total of 175 complying entries received from 47 countries, including 42 from Australia. They will go on public display from 11 July to 1 August and the public can provide comment on the four entries before the expert jury makes its final choice. The winning entrant will be announced in the week beginning 8 August.

During the Stage One three-week public exhibition, 2,653 votes were received in the People's Choice category. The shortlisted entries are:

- Entry 16
  Team2 & Arcadia Landscape Architecture (Australia St Leonards NSW/Hawthorn East VIC) People's Choice Winner
- Entry 299 Architensions (USA New York)
- Entry 392 **MORQ** (Australia/Italy Perth WA and Rome)
- Entry 572 Beijing Institute of Architectural Design (China)

*Design our Ryde* jury chairman, Peter Poulet said, "Great architecture can rejuvenate a city and the jury members have been impressed by the diversity and range of design responses."

From Monday 11 July, 9.00am, you can see the detailed concepts, including animated walkthroughs and provide comment at:

- Top Ryde City (Ground Floor, Plaza Level, area between Esprit and Sheike)
- Macquarie Centre (Level 4, area across from the escalators in front of Dusk)
- Or view online at <u>www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/designourryde2</u>

Jury Members: Chair, Peter Poulet, NSW Government Architect; Shaun Carter, President NSW Chapter, Australian Institute of Architects; Maria Atkinson AM, Greater Sydney District Commissioner and Sustainability Strategist.

*Design our Ryde* gives Council and the community a unique opportunity to revitalise Ryde's civic, commercial and cultural heart with a design, from the world's most creative minds, that reflects the site's iconic location and town centre status.

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