City of Ryde

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CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL MEETING OUTCOMES – OCTOBER MEETING

Council held its latest Ordinary meeting on 30 October 2018. Here is a summary of the main outcomes from the meeting:

Council resolves to close College Street

The City of Ryde unanimously resolved to implement the full closure of College Street in Gladesville. A large number of residents and business owners from College Street and neighbouring roads made representations to Council during the October meeting.

The decision to permanently close College Street comes after a trial closure of the street was implemented by Council from November 2016 arising from Councils consideration of the Bunnings Development traffic and parking study. Council will liaise with Roads Maritimes Services (RMS) and Bunnings as part of the process to implement the closure.

Council in liaison with Roads Maritimes Services (RMS) will also consider the installation of a 'No Through Road' sign on the western approach to Frank Street on Victoria Road.

Funding allocated under Community Grants Program

Council allocated more than \$215,000 to local not-for-profit community groups, clubs and organisations as part of the Community Grants Program. The grants are designed to support local community groups to grow, prosper and carry out special projects or events that contribute to community well-being and help build a vibrant community culture.

Community get to have their say on artworks proposed for Wilga Park

Further community consultation will be undertaken on new artworks proposed for Wilga Park. The consultation will occur for two weeks and be completed before Christmas.

If the results of the consultation are in favour of the designs, then the artworks will be considered as endorsed by Council.

Council tackles youth unemployment

In an effort to tackle youth unemployment, the City of Ryde will partner with a local job active partner to provide up to four work experience placements each year.

The planned partnership follows a report undertaken by Council which showed the organisation currently has an active and ongoing program that facilitates internships, traineeships, apprenticeships and work experience placements. Over the past year, 25 opportunities have been provided to students across 14 of Council's 18 departments.

Baseball cages for local parks

A report will be produced by Council staff outlining the viability of installing baseball cages at Pioneer Park and Magdala Park. The parks are utilised by the Macquarie Saints Baseball Club and North Ryde RSL Baseball Club respectively.

Mobile phone unit in East Ryde

The City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, will invite TPG and interested Councillors to a meeting with the residents who are concerned about a proposal by TPG to erect a mobile phone unit in Shaw Street, East Ryde.

Proposal for more sanitary bins and hand soap dispensers

Council staff will investigate the most appropriate sanitary bins and hand soap dispensers to be installed in restrooms operated by the City of Ryde.

Staff will also undertake an audit of the cleanliness of public restrooms throughout the City of Ryde and present a report back to Council.

Meeting proposed to improve grounds at Putney Bowling Club

Council staff will seek a meeting with the Member for Lane Cove, Anthony Roberts, and the Putney Bowling Club Board of Directors to discuss funding opportunities for the beautification of the club's grounds.

Plaques to remember local residents

Two plaques are to be installed in the City of Ryde to commemorate two local residents who recently passed away.

A plaque will be installed at Banjo Paterson Park in Gladesville in memory of Zane Urasli, while another plaque will be installed at Kissing Point Wharf in Putney in memory of Justin Aria.

Council will consult with the Urasli and Aria families about the specific location and inscription for both plaques.

Next meeting

The next Ordinary Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 27 November.

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