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## **QR CODES INTRODUCED AT POPULAR PLAYGROUNDS**

The City of Ryde will introduce QR code check-ins at popular playgrounds and exercise areas as an additional proactive step to assist in keeping the community safe during the current COVID-19 outbreak.

Under the current NSW Health Public Health Orders, and in keeping with advice prepared in consultation with relevant public health officials, the NSW Government has urged councils to keep parks and playgrounds open. Users are advised to use caution, maintain social distancing and practice good personal hygiene while using these facilities.

The introduction of QR code check-ins at Council's largest playgrounds and exercise areas is to send the message that when utilising these facilities users need to do so as safely as possible and to adhere to the health guidelines provided to the community.

Anyone who sees a QR code at a playground or exercise area is able to check in using the Service NSW app, and check out once they have left the area.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said Council had taken the proactive step of introducing QR code check-ins at playgrounds and exercise areas as part of its continued efforts to keep the community safe.

"For the kids and parents in lockdown, we know how important our playgrounds are for physical and mental wellbeing. Closing them should be an absolute last resort, particularly when there is no evidence of transmission through their use," Cllr Laxale said.

"We also need to be proactive and give ourselves every opportunity to keep them open and safe.

"By checking in when you visit one of our playgrounds or exercise areas, you will not only be keeping yourself safe, but also your loved ones and the entire community."

"We will continue to work with the community as well as the police and health authorities to ensure our public facilities are utilised safely during this COVID-19 outbreak."

A complete list of where the QR code check-ins will be installed is available on the following page.

## Playgrounds

- Anderson Park, Ryde
- Anzac Park, West Ryde
- Banjo Paterson Park, Gladesville
- Blenheim Park, North Ryde
- Darvall Park, Denistone
- Eastwood Park Upper, Eastwood
- Elouera Reserve, Macquarie Park
- ELS Hall Park, North Ryde
- Fontenoy Reserve, Macquarie Park
- Kissing Point Park, Putney
- Lachlans Line, Macquarie Park
- Lardelli Park, Ryde
- Lions Park, West Ryde
- Magdala Park, North Ryde
- Memorial Park, Meadowbank
- North Ryde Park, North Ryde
- Pioneer Park, Marsfield
- Putney Park, Putney
- Ryde Park, Ryde
- Santa Rosa Park, North Ryde
- Waterloo Park, Marsfield
- Yamble Reserve, Ryde

## Skate Parks

- Lachlans Line, Macquarie Park
- Meadowbank Skate Park, Meadowbank

## Basketball Courts

- Blenheim Park, North Ryde
- Kings Park, Denistone East
- Lions Park, West Ryde
- Memorial Park, Meadowbank
- Morrison Bay Park, Putney
- Tuckwell Park, Macquarie Park
- Waterloo Park, Marsfield

## Fitness Equipment

- Anderson Park, Ryde
- ELS Hall Park, North Ryde
- Kissing Point Park, Putney
- Lachlans Line, Macquarie Park
- Memorial Park, Meadowbank
- Morrison Bay Park, Putney
- Waterloo Park, Marsfield

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