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COUNCIL TO PLANT MORE THAN 600 NEW TREES

The City of Ryde will plant an additional 657 new trees after securing funding through the NSW Government's Greening Our City grant program.

The trees are being planted in streets located between Coxs Road and Epping Road, North Ryde.

The \$100,000 funding for the new trees was secured from the NSW Government after Council matched the grant funding dollar for dollar and committed to planting 615 trees in Ryde along Gardener Ave, Boyce Street and surrounding streets earlier in the year.

City of Ryde, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said Council was committed to substantially increasing tree canopy over the next decade.

"More trees provide improved air quality, vital shade for our community and help mitigate the urban heat-island effect," Cllr Laxale said.

"The 1200 trees in total that will be planted this year will increase the amenity and character of our City and help us to achieve our ultimate goal of increasing tree canopy by 40 percent by 2030.

"This goal is in line with NSW Government targets to plant five million new trees across Greater Sydney by 2030.

"I would like to thank the NSW Government for helping fund this project and I look forward to Council working with them on similar projects in the future."

This project is part of the Greening Our City grant program that is proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with Local Government NSW.

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