City of Ryde

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## **OUTDOOR MARKETS RETURN TO THE CITY OF RYDE**

The City of Ryde is pleased to confirm that the Ryde Wharf Market and the Eastwood Night Markets will return in November.

Both outdoor markets were postponed during the Greater Sydney lockdown, but will now resume in line with the easing of COVID-19 restrictions by the NSW Government.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said the reopening of the popular markets was welcome news as the community emerges from lockdown.

"Make sure to grab your family and friends and check out these fantastic markets when they return next month," Clr Laxale said.

"The Ryde Wharf Market has been a huge hit with the community since it started late last year, and I have no doubt it will be the place to be as the weather starts to warm up and people can enjoy a bite to eat while taking in the beautiful waterfront location.

"Meanwhile, the return of the Eastwood Night Markets will provide a welcome boost to the economic recovery of Eastwood by encouraging shoppers to return to the town centre in a safe environment.

"This lockdown has been extremely tough for everyone in our community, but the return of these popular markets is yet another indication that we are gradually and safely returning to normal."

Both markets will operate with COVID-Safe plans with social distancing measures and density limits in place to ensure everyone's health and safety.

The Eastwood Night Markets are staged every Saturday at Eastwood Plaza and feature a variety of stalls and food vendors.

The Ryde Wharf Market takes place on the second Sunday of every month and has proven extremely popular since it began operating in November last year. Situated at Ryde Wharf Reserve along the Parramatta River, it showcases a variety of stalls offering food, fresh produce as well as arts and craft.

The Eastwood Night Markets will resume from 4pm on Saturday 6 November and will operate as a takeaway food only market until the first Saturday in December.

The Ryde Wharf Market will resume from 8am on Sunday 14 November and will be a completely fenced event. Due to there being a mix of retail and food stalls, proof of vaccination will be required upon entry.

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