

## MAYOR'S COMMUNITY MESSAGE

### TG MILLNER RALLY

I want to thank the City of Ryde community for showing up in force at the Save Our Open Space rally on Saturday 19 July.

Together, we were able to send a powerful message to the state and federal governments that the necessary residential uplift we're shouldering as part of our response to the housing crisis needs to be accompanied by essential infrastructure – including active open space.

There was some justified anger that our beloved TG Millner Fields are facing destruction for a housing development, potentially adding to what is becoming an acute shortage of active open space for our local sports teams to call home. Both levels of government are architects of the significant residential uplift that will occur in the nearby Macquarie Park Innovation District

through the ambitious targets set by the National Housing Accord. I hope they both step up to support the maintenance and provision of more active open space in our rapidly growing LGA – this is just as important to the wellbeing of local communities as building more townhouses and apartment towers.

### RYDE RESILIENCE

It's no secret that weather events are occurring with more frequency and severity, as evidenced by the storms that battered us in January, the east coast low that struck in May and the so-called 'bomb cyclone' of only a few weeks ago.

So, our Ryde Resilience session being held at Ryde Library on 30 July from 2.00 – 4.00pm is very timely. Council's Resource and Resilience officer will be providing emergency preparedness information and the opportunity to Get Prepared using the Red Cross REDI app to improve the

ability of our community to adapt and respond to emergency situations such as severe weather events.

For more information, go to:

[www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/)

**RydeResilience**

### BANJO UPDATE

I know many members of our community are curious about the progress of work at the historic Banjo Paterson Cottage.

I'd like to remind everyone that Council's priority is to ensure this treasured and iconic heritage site is preserved and utilised for the ongoing enjoyment of the entire community for many generations to come.

This is a site of national significance and while it may not be looking its best at the moment, I can assure you that its future use will be carried out thoughtfully and sympathetically in line with heritage requirements and community expectations.



Sincerely,

**Trenton Brown – Mayor**

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## WHATS ON IN OUR CITY



### GRANNY SMITH FESTIVAL APPLICATIONS CLOSE SOON

Get involved at this year's Granny Smith Festival! Applications for parade participants, performers, stallholders and volunteers are still open. Apply now to be part of this exciting event before applications close on **Sunday 3 August!**

Find out more: [ryde.events/GSF](http://ryde.events/GSF)



### KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL AND FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

The City of Ryde will be unveiling a Korean War Memorial and hosting a flag raising ceremony in honour of the Australians who served in the Korean War.

**When:** Sunday 27 July

**Time:** 2.45pm for a 3.00pm start, followed by light refreshments

**Where:** Memorial Park, Meadowbank

Find out more: [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/KoreanFlagCeremony](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/KoreanFlagCeremony)

## HAVE YOUR SAY

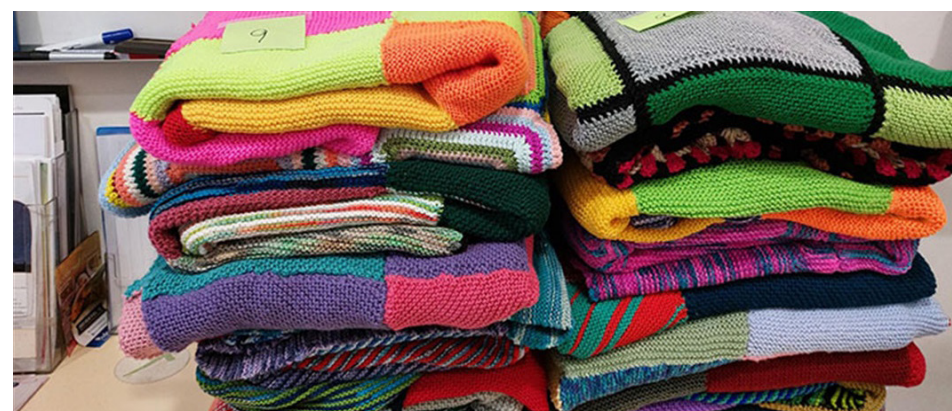
Your views and suggestions are important in shaping the City of Ryde's future. We invite you to have your say on initiatives, plans and proposals that are open for community feedback, including:

- Draft Key Workers Affordable Housing Policy (Closes 3 August)
- Putney Park - Draft Masterplan and Plan of Management (Closes 3 September 2025)
- Meadowbank Skate Park - Lighting Extension Trial (Closes 6 October)

### Want to find out more?

Please visit [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/HaveYourSay](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/HaveYourSay) or call Customer Service on 9952 8222 to learn more about the above project(s) and for information on how to have your say.

## LIBRARY NEWS



### WRAP WITH LOVE ANNUAL KNIT-IN

**When:** Friday 1 August

**Time:** 10.00am – 2.00pm

**Where:** Ryde Library

Bring along your knitting needles, crochet hooks and sewing needles and join us at Ryde Library for the Annual Knit-In while supporting the not-for-profit organisation Wrap With Love. Light refreshments provided.

Bookings not required, drop-in any time between 10.00am – 2.00pm.

Learn more: [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/KnitIn](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/KnitIn)



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