

Meeting Date: Tuesday 18 April 2017
Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde
Time: 5.00pm

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1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 21 February 2017

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Governance
File No.: CLM/17/1/2/2 - BP17/156

REPORT SUMMARY

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, a motion or discussion with respect to such minutes shall not be in order except with regard to their accuracy as a true record of the proceedings.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Works and Community Committee 1/17, held on 21 February 2017, be confirmed.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1** Minutes - Works and Community Committee Meeting - 21 February 2017

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ATTACHMENT 1

**Works and Community Committee
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 1/17**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 21 February 2017

Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde

Time: 5.00pm

Councillors Present: Councillors Maggio (Chairperson), Laxale, Li, Perram, Stott and Yedelian OAM.

Apologies: Councillor Etmekdjian.

Leave of Absence: Councillor Pendleton.

Absent: Councillor Simon.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM arrived at the meeting at 5.13pm during discussion on Item 4. He was not present for consideration or voting on Items 1, 2 and 3.

Staff Present: Acting General Manager, Acting Director – Customer and Community Services, Acting Director – Corporate and Organisational Support Services, Acting Director – City Planning and Development, Director – City Works and Infrastructure, Manager – Operations, Manager – Asset Systems, Manager – Project Development, Acting Manager – City Planning, Senior Coordinator – Infrastructure Programs, Senior Coordinator – Parks and Recreation, Senior Coordinator – Civic Assets, Senior Coordinator – Stormwater and Catchment, Acting Senior Coordinator – Program Delivery, Commissioning Coordinator, Team Leader – Traffic Services, Team Leader – Landscape Architects, Project Manager, Stormwater Engineer, Open Space Planning Coordinator, Roads Safety Officer and Project Manager, Senior Coordinator – Governance and Administration Officer – Councillor Support.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 13 December 2016

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Stott)

That the Minutes of the Works and Community Committee 10/16, held on 13 December 2016, be confirmed.

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Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This is now a resolution of Council in accordance with the Committee's delegated powers.

2 PLAYGROUND RENEWAL AND UPGRADE CLUSTER 2016/17 - Lynelle Park and Nunook Reserve Playgrounds

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Stott)

- (a) That Council endorse Option A as outlined in this report.
- (b) That Council write to participants in the consultation thanking them for their submissions and notifying them of this resolution.

Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This is now a resolution of Council in accordance with the Committee's delegated powers.

3 GRANT FUNDING - ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES - PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Stott and Perram)

- (a) That Council accepts the grant funding from RMS as follows:
 - i. \$100,000 for the 2016/2017 financial year, and
 - ii. \$350,000 for the 2017/2018 financial year.
- (b) That the funding received from the RMS be consolidated as an income and increased program expenditure budget at the next Quarterly Review within the Traffic and Transport Program.

Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

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Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held on **28 FEBRUARY** as it is outside the Committee's delegations.

4 PROJECT STATUS REPORT JANUARY 2017

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM arrived at the meeting at 5.13pm during discussion on this Item.

Note: A verbal presentation was provided to the Committee by Council's Project Manager and Team Leader – Landscape Architects regarding the Morrison Bay Seawall Project. Photographs and Plans were tabled by Council staff in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Laxale and Perram)

- (a) That Council receive and note the report.
- (b) That the Morrison Bay Seawall Project presentation which was presented to the Works and Community Committee as part of the Project Status Report be received and noted.
- (c) That arising from the Morrison Bay Seawall Project Presentation, the 2016/2017 Morrison Bay Seawalls Refurbishment Renewal Project scope of works be amended as discussed in option 2.
- (d) That Council's 2017-2021 Draft Delivery Plan Morrison Bay Park Seawalls Refurbishment Renewal Program and budget be amended accordingly to reflect the new scope of works.

Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held on **28 FEBRUARY** as substantive changes were made to the published recommendation.

The meeting closed at 5.40pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 21ST DAY OF MARCH 2017.

Chairperson

2 NIGHT TIME ECONOMY STUDY REPORT

Report prepared by: Neighbourhood Activation Officer

File No.: URB/08/1/39/1 - BP17/172

REPORT SUMMARY

In late 2016, a City of Ryde Night Time Economy (NTE) Study was undertaken. The study included:

- an audit of the existing NTE in City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres;
- a review of planning and policy context in relation to NTE;
- a review of best practice approaches to activating and managing a NTE;
- extensive engagement with the community, businesses, committees and Council staff.

Through consultation with more than 700 residents, workers and key stakeholders, there was a clear desire from the community for a more activated NTE that has a diversity of offer (not just shopping centres and restaurants), is safe and easy to get around, is family friendly, and well-lit. 86% of those surveyed indicated that they had no concerns about making the City of Ryde more vibrant, activated, and accessible at night; between 64% and 84% thought that each of the town centres could be more activated at night.

Benefits of a more diverse and activated NTE include economic growth, community and cultural cohesion, job and wealth creation, as well as creative and cultural growth. A balanced NTE is important for a growing and changing population, particularly in Macquarie Park where there are high numbers of workers seeking a place to socialise locally after work. However this desire must be balanced by the needs of the local community, providing a diversity of uses, a safe environment, and measures that will reduce the likelihood of anti-social behaviour.

An audit of NTE activities across the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs shows that the current NTE is limited to the core activities of Food and Alcohol, and the non-core activities of Transport, Retail and Education.

The study identified strategies to achieve a more activated NTE across the Ryde and Hunters Hill LGA's. These include:

- Making night time places and activities more family friendly;
- Improving lighting and wayfinding and more creative/colourful lighting throughout town centres;
- Encouraging small wine bars rather than large pubs;
- Exploring extended retail and dining hours;
- Encouraging restaurants and activities located outside of shopping centres to activate the streetscape; and
- Providing more cultural/community events/festivals/popups.

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The *City of Ryde Night Time Economy Draft Action Plan* was developed to respond to these findings. The City Activation team is undertaking projects that have been identified in the Draft Action Plan including the coordination of the City of Ryde Food Truck Trial.

The Food Truck trial is running throughout 2017 and aims to:

- Identify opportunities for food truck businesses within the City of Ryde;
- Understand the current demand for mobile food vending in the City of Ryde;
- Investigate and trial locations which are identified by the food truck businesses as their preferred locations in which to trade;
- Understand the impacts of food truck businesses on existing businesses;
- Understand other potential issues that may arise as a result of food truck operations; and
- Establish appropriate fees and charges for future food truck operations.

Council has, to date, received twelve applications to participate in the Food Truck Trial; these applications are currently being assessed for an approval to operate.

Further to this initiative, the City Activation team has sought funding through the Four Year Delivery Plan to implement a creative lighting project (Night Time Economy Implementation Stage 1) which will support and facilitate a NTE in response to the recommendations coming out of the NTE Study.

Council will also continue to work with developers to encourage the delivery of appropriate mixed-use developments and to deliver upgrades to the public domain.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council note the key findings of the City of Ryde Night Time Economy Study.
- (b) That Council endorse the draft Action Plan which will deliver programs and projects that implement the key findings of the Night Time Economy Study.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1** City of Ryde Night Time Economy Report - CRED Consulting
- 2** Draft City of Ryde Night Time Economy Action Plan

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Background

At Council's meeting of 24 November 2015, it was resolved:

That Council endorse the preparation of a Night Time Economy (NTE) Study for the City of Ryde, and that Council consult with the Macquarie Park Forum, Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Events and Promotions Committees prior to the finalisation of any brief and budget for the study and that the outcomes of the consultation be reported back to Council.

In early 2016, Council officers consulted with the Macquarie Park Forum, the Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Events and Promotions Committees to confirm the brief for the NTE Study.

The NTE Study aimed to:

- Start the discussion with our community;
- Engage with key stakeholders including businesses, retailers, Police and residents to better understand their views;
- Understand the existing night time experience and identify gaps;
- Identify opportunities to develop frameworks and strategies to support a night time economy.

CRED Consulting was engaged by Council to undertake the study and a report, the final report is **ATTACHED** (Attachment 1).

Project Scope

The NTE study focused on the City of Ryde's town centres of Eastwood, Gladesville, Macquarie Park, Meadowbank, Top Ryde, and West Ryde. Following discussions with Hunters Hill Council, it was agreed to extend the study to include Boronia Park and Hunters Hill Village.

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Figure 1. provides a geographical scope of the study areas.



Figure 1.

The scope and methodology of the NTE Study included:

- Review of related plans, strategies, controls and legislation;
- Analysis of the resident and worker profiles in the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs and of the individual town centres;
- Audit and mapping of the existing NTE in the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres including mapping, measuring activities and their values;
- Review of the NTE in other comparable centres;
- A comprehensive community engagement strategy which included Ryde After 5 Have Your Say web page, project postcard and posters, online survey, pop ups and intercept surveys, Social Pin Point community map and ideas wall, Staff workshops, consultation with committees, Instagram competition and #RydeAfter5;
- An analysis of the opportunities and constraints to activating the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres; and
- Development of principles and recommendations to stimulate the NTE.

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Key Findings

Components of a great NTE and how our Town Centres compare

Based on best practice research and NTE strategies, the criteria to achieve a great NTE were found to be:

- Diversity of offer – at least four different NTE activities available in a variety of locations including outside shopping centres;
- Access to public transport and parking – train station and a major bus route;
- Wayfinding and connectivity – clear connections between transport and NTE venues;
- Creating a safe public domain and venues and reducing risk;
- Good governance and partnerships including flexibility to encourage quality night time activities – NTE included in the DCP, partnerships between local businesses, Chamber of Commerce, Council;
- Quality public domain – public plazas and open space, footpaths, seating and lighting to support night time activity;
- Creative and functional lighting, public art and functional public space design – creative lighting installations, night lights, public art; and
- Temporary uses and pop ups – regularly used for temporary uses eg. Markets, busking.

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Figure 2. provides a summary of how the City of Ryde town centres meet the criteria for a great night time economy.

Green indicates that the criteria to achieve a great NTE exists at a high level.

Orange indicates that the criteria exists, however may not be at a level to achieve a great NTE.

Red indicates that there may be an absence of criteria to achieve a great NTE.



Figure 2.

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Existing NTE in our town centres

Through consultation with more than 700 residents, workers and stakeholders, there is a clear desire for a more activated NTE that has more diversity of offer (not just shopping centres and restaurants), is safe and easy to get around, is family friendly, and well-lit. 86% of those surveyed had no concerns about making the City of Ryde more vibrant, activated and accessible at night, and between 64% and 84% thought that each of the town centres could be more activated at night.

Three strategic directions are recommended for the City of Ryde to further activate the NTE. These include:

- A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience.
- A safe, welcoming and functional place.
- A responsive city.

These directions are explained in more detail in the attached Draft Action Plan.

Opportunities identified to support these directions and to activate the NTE include:

- Improving lighting throughout all town centres including lighting for better wayfinding at night and creative lighting projects in key laneways, sites and strips to create a sense of place and activity;
- Implementing the Ryde Food Truck Program to activate town centres lacking public spaces and night time infrastructure (Macquarie Park and Meadowbank);
- Holding night time food markets, cinema and family friendly events in town centres and parks at night;
- Preparing a NTE Policy that clearly states Council's objectives relating to a more activated NTE;
- Continuing to implement and expand an innovative late night library program at Ryde and West Ryde;
- Auditing vacant commercial buildings to initiate an Empty Shopfronts project with a pilot in West Ryde;
- Working with developers to ensure future developments include street activation, mixed uses, public space designed for night time use and NTE core and non-core uses;
- Improving town centres to support NTE activities including places to gather, power and Wi-Fi; and
- Including guidance around night time activities (pop-ups, events) in the review of Council's policies and strategies including the Events Strategy, the Footpath Activity Policy, and Food Trucks.

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Figure 3. provides a summary of the key findings of the NTE Study.

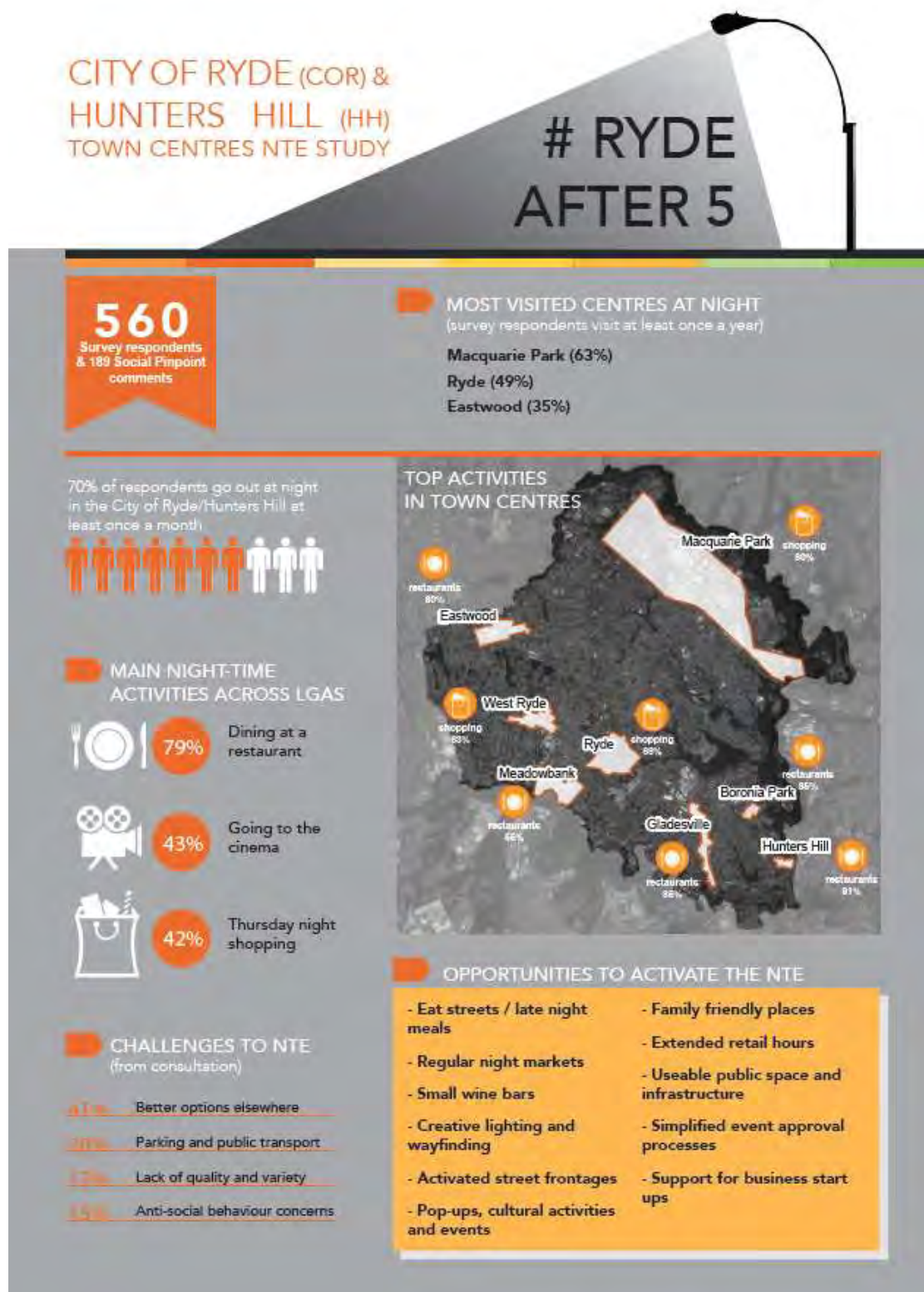


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To follow is a summary of the NTE in each of the eight town centres included in the study.

Eastwood

Eastwood is Ryde's most activated town centre, due to the high number of restaurants and shops in the area. It has the most potential to be classified as an 'entertainment precinct'. The area is characterised by a strong community and cultural energy, and streets are activated heavily as a result of locally owned shops opening onto the street as opposed to activity occurring predominantly inside shopping centres.

While Eastwood Town Centre is vibrant and activated at night for shopping and eating, the NTE could be improved through an enhanced public domain (including colourful lighting in the Rowe Street Mall and wisteria arbor as recommended by the Eastwood and West Ryde Town Centres Community Connection Study), better seating and tables for gathering, improved parking, and encouraging cultural and social activities at night in the Rowe Street Mall and Eastwood Oval including yoga, dancing, and tai chi.

To improve safety, better lighting is recommended throughout the town centre, particularly to safely connect people from the train station, to the mall, and through the underpass.

There is currently a high number of students in Eastwood, as well as a high proportion of Korean and Chinese residents; both these groups have a high level of participation in the public domain activation at night. To respond to this, creating a more accessible, comfortable, and attractive public domain should be a priority for activating the NTE. In particular, in the Rowe Street Plaza, outside the Library and the Eastwood Oval. This could include free Wi-Fi, seating/tables, courts that are lit at night and a greater diversity of retail trade that is open later at night.

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Gladesville

With a high number of restaurants along Victoria Road, and a strong desire of the community, there are opportunities to improve the NTE in Gladesville Town Centre. Consultation identified that there is a desire for small bars to provide the opportunity for a 'sophisticated drink after work'.

There have been a number of studies relating to Gladesville Town Centre including Masterplanning, the Gladesville Ageing Strategy and the Future Gladesville study, all of which focused on improving wayfinding and amenity in the town centre.

Therefore, opportunities to improve the Gladesville Town Centre require enhancing wayfinding and lighting throughout, to enable people to safely engage in the town centre through better connections between shopping and restaurant areas and Council facilities (such as Trim Place and the library).

There may be opportunities for an "entertainment precinct" near the Hunters Hill commercial precinct, encouraging small bars/wine bars, and activation of Trim Place for pop-up events. There are also opportunities to capitalise on the success of new restaurants such as Zeus and Mercato E Cucina to create a NTE precinct and al-fresco dining.

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Macquarie Park

Macquarie Park is a thriving business centre which is dominated by large corporate companies; this has not been conducive to support a NTE. However this reality is changing, with the emergence of the Priority Precincts at Macquarie University and North Ryde Train Stations. In addition, master planning by Macquarie University and AMP Capital (Macquarie Centre) indicates venues and facilities are currently being planned which will support a more vibrant NTE.

The NTE study highlighted a strong desire by workers for a more sophisticated night time offering in Macquarie Park. A more activated NTE will see a broader offering outside the Shopping Centre; greater activation at street level and into the nearby Shrimptons Creek Corridor.

There is currently a Planning Proposal which will see a public park being delivered at 45-61 Waterloo Road under the control of City of Ryde. The Proposal and associated masterplan includes a public park of 7,000m² (a pedestrian link to the Lane Cove Road bus stop, two new roads and 6 buildings facing the park). This space presents an opportunity to activate the night time economy in Macquarie Park with retail and dining shop fronts facing the park, lighting, and the provision of public open space for night time activities including markets and busking.

Future activation of the NTE in Macquarie Park could include:

- Pop up events and bars in available public and private spaces, such as food trucks and pop up venues to create an interest in night time activities. These should be early evening as the majority of workers travel home to other parts of Sydney;
- Clustering of future permanent NTE venues nearby the proposed Central Park
- Improving lighting and pedestrian access through the town centre including the lighting of Shrimpton Creek to access ELS Hall Park and encouraging social sports through business partnerships, and sports events at ELS Hall Park;
- Connecting workers to Macquarie University facilities for social sport;
- Improving lighting and pedestrian access through the town centre and encouraging street activity rather than internalised activities within the Shopping Centre;
- Event partnerships with the University such as programs/events like “Raising the Bar”, bringing the University into Macquarie Park pubs and restaurants;
- Working with the State Government to maximise the benefit of the Priority Precincts Program; and
- Continue to work with the Macquarie Park Innovation District to facilitate night time events.

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Meadowbank

Meadowbank's night-time activity is currently minimal; limited by the density of the residential development that overlooks public spaces. High levels of activation in this area, particularly extensive lighting, noise and people, could disrupt residents due to the nature of the development as open balconies, large picture windows and multiple awnings.

However, there are great opportunities to create a public domain that encourages informal night-time activity, particularly around the riverfront. Restaurant/small bars could be located near the riverfront and there are opportunities to improve links and access through creative lighting and activated walkways between restaurants and the park and wharfs. Additionally, Meadowbank Oval is activated at night with team sports and practice, and there may be opportunities to better utilise the oval for community and cultural events at night. Given Meadowbank Parks' large level open spaces, there could be the possibility for small scale festivals and night markets.

There also opportunities to activate Meadowbank Wharf and Memorial Park through temporary activations and pop-ups (eg. food trucks). Meadowbank Wharf has good connectivity to bus and ferry services and ample parking. This area also offers excellent links to Memorial Park and Meadowbank Park.

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Ryde (Top Ryde)

The Ryde Town Centre is a popular destination for night-time activities; however, most of the activity is confined to the Top Ryde Shopping Centre which creates a barrier to activating street life through outdoor dining, for example, in Church Street.

The City of Ryde has previously encouraged outdoor dining in Church Street by creating a more consistent look and feel and the creation of outdoor dining spaces; to date, take up has been low to lease these spaces. Major barriers are a lack of street/pedestrian activity outside the shopping centre, poor amenity (eg. lighting, colour, road noise, construction works), and a lack of diverse offer (eg. only restaurants). There is minimal lighting over the footpaths in Church Street, as lighting is concentrated on the street edge and many businesses along this section operate only in office hours. There is however good connectivity to Top Ryde Shopping Centre through a dining plaza.

Through consultation it was confirmed that there was a desire for extended retail operating hours in town centres, and small wine bars/more sophisticated dining offer. There are also opportunities to better utilise Ryde Park for cultural and theatre activities. It is recommended that Council work with Top Ryde Shopping Centre to consider later retail shopping centres and family friend events/pop-ups in the central plaza. Ryde Library has previously trialed late night programs, and with appropriate resourcing, could deliver this program regularly.

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West Ryde

Research conducted for this study, and also the previous Eastwood and West Ryde Community Connections Study identified that the main barriers to activating the NTE in West Ryde is the poor amenity and design of the town centre, the lack of street activation (people shop in the shopping centres and do not come out to the shops on the streets) and a lack of public open spaces to deliver community and cultural activities and events.

The entrance to the town centre on Victoria Road with a number of run-down and vacant shop fronts is uninspiring. Masterplans for the town centre have recommended improved wayfinding to make the town centre more legible and improve pedestrian access to activate the streets, which would also support more people coming out at night and engaging in night time activities. Previous studies have also focused on a need to improve safety (and perceptions of safety) particularly to address inadequate lighting in the town centre, carparks and connecting public transport to the shopping precinct. Perceptions of safety greatly impact on people coming out at night.

West Ryde Plaza has few attractors and the public space is underutilized; the Plaza needs to be embellished to create a place for the community to gather and be encouraged to participate in night time activities. This could be achieved through creative lighting in the Plaza (see Walkley Arcade) and improved seating, shelter and tables, and also improved wayfinding and lighting between the Plaza and Train Station. The entry to West Ryde Town Centre could be improved through embellishments to the restaurants on Victoria Road and improved wayfinding through laneways to the Plaza and restaurants. There are opportunities to support night time activities such as the existing restaurants through embellished public domain on Ryedale Rd. Council could partner with local community and cultural groups, within this highly diverse population, to deliver pop-up and temporary community, cultural and family events. There are also opportunities to activate the town centre at night through night events and activities at the library and the community centre.

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WEST RYDE TOWN CENTRE

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Boronia Park

Responsibility of Boronia Park is currently shared between Hunters Hill Council and City of Ryde.

The Boronia Park Town Centre received five comments within the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool. The What's Happening Now comments identified two local businesses as places people go to eat. It was suggested in one of the comments to increase the trading hours to allow for trading to occur at night. Pedestrian safety issues were also raised, identifying Princes Street and Earl Street as unsafe areas at night.

It is recommended that Council look to improve the public domain in Boronia Park through creative and functional lighting which would improve the perception of safety and create a more activated streetscape. Residents also suggested that extended trading hours and more diversity of offer could enliven night time activity in Boronia Park.

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BORONIA PARK TOWN CENTRE

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Hunters Hill

The main reasons respondents visited Hunters Hill Village at night were to go to restaurants and to go shopping. All respondents generally arrived between 6pm – 8pm and leave between 8pm and 10pm.

Nearly half of respondents thought that the NTE in Hunters Hill was satisfactory, however, they identified that the addition of more creative lighting would improve the perception of safety and amenity. Residents were also interested in more cultural and community events at night that were family friendly and that supported older residents to come out at night.

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IDEA
A small wine bar/whiskey bar would be great

NOW
There's so many new restaurants here now

CHALLENGE
Antisocial behaviour from HHH patrons

Legend

- 1 - Hunters Hill Hotel (HHH)
- 2 - IGA shopping centre
- 3 - Community Centre
- 4 - Figtree Park
- 5 - Restaurants



48% regularly visit at night
33% think it could be more activated at night

Top Activities:



restaurants
91%



shopping
36%



pubs/bars
36%

Opportunities to activate the NTE*:

- Lighting throughout town centre
- Improved wayfinding
- More restaurants and outdoor dining
- Small bars
- Community and cultural events e.g. Street Food and live Jazz music

*No percentages shown as there were less than 30 respondents for this town centre

HUNTERS HILL VILLAGE

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Recommendations for a more activated NTE in our Town Centres

On 27 October 2017, CRED consulting conducted an internal workshop to present the key findings of the study and discuss proposed recommendations with internal stakeholders.

The following departments were represented at this internal workshop:

- City Strategy and Planning
 - Strategic City
 - Environmental Health and Building
- City Works and Infrastructure
 - Business Infrastructure – Property Management
 - Operations - Sportsground Management
- Corporate and Community Service
 - Community Services
 - Library Services
- Communications, Customer Service and Events

This workshop developed actions and timeframes to take up the strategies identified in the NTE report and these are outlined in the **ATTACHED** *Draft City of Ryde Night Time Economy Action Plan* (Attachment 2).

Planned Projects and Initiatives

The projects and initiatives outlined in the attached Draft Action Plan will be implemented by the City Activation team within its town centres.

Immediate activities include the Food Truck Trial throughout 2017 which responds directly to Action Item 1.6 to implement a Ryde Food Truck Trial Program.

The Food Truck Trial aims to:

- Identify opportunities for food truck businesses within the City of Ryde;
- Understand the current demand for mobile food vending in the City of Ryde;
- Investigate and trial locations which are identified by the food truck businesses as their preferred locations in which to trade;
- Understand the impacts of food truck businesses on existing businesses;
- Understand other potential issues that may arise as a result of food truck operations; and
- Establish appropriate fees and charges for future food truck operations.

To date, Council have received twelve applications to participate in the Food Truck Trial, and these applications are currently being assessed for an approval to operate.

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Throughout the Study, the community identified that an increased prevalence of creative lighting would contribute to an improved night time experience in all town centres. Creative lighting would also contribute to a perception of increased activation in the public domain. There was a clear desire from the broader community for additional creative lighting to be installed at all town centres.

In response to this desire, the City Activation team has sought funding through the Four Year Delivery Plan to implement a creative lighting project (Night Time Economy Implementation Stage 1) which will support and facilitate a NTE in response to the recommendations coming out of the NTE Study. This key recommendation is noted at item 2.5.

The project proposes that dynamic, creative and landscaping lighting be installed at locations identified in the night time economy as hubs for night time activity. These locations include, but are not limited to Eastwood Plaza, Anzac Park West Ryde, and Meadowbank foreshore area. The installations will respond to the community desire identified in the Study for Council to provide more creative lighting experiences within our town centres. The focus of the project is not specifically to provide functional lighting; however, may contribute to improving existing functional lighting in the public domain. The project will contribute to increased night time activity and a more activated street life. It will improve wayfinding within our town centres and public domain as well as improve connections between existing night time pedestrian access points (for example the River Walk at Meadowbank Wharf area). The project will provide opportunities to enhance night time activity such as food truck activities, night markets etc.

Financial Implications

The Creative Lighting Project highlighted will be funded through the Four Year Delivery Plan 2017-2021 (subject to the Plan being approved by Council).

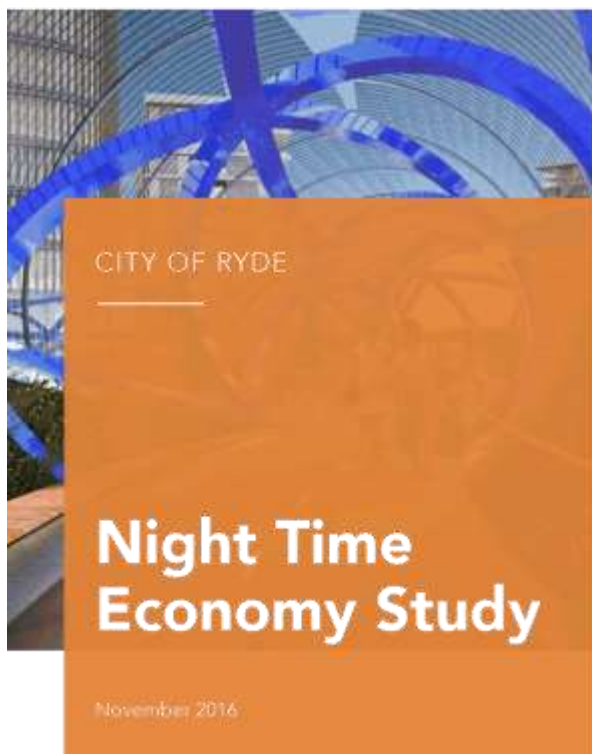
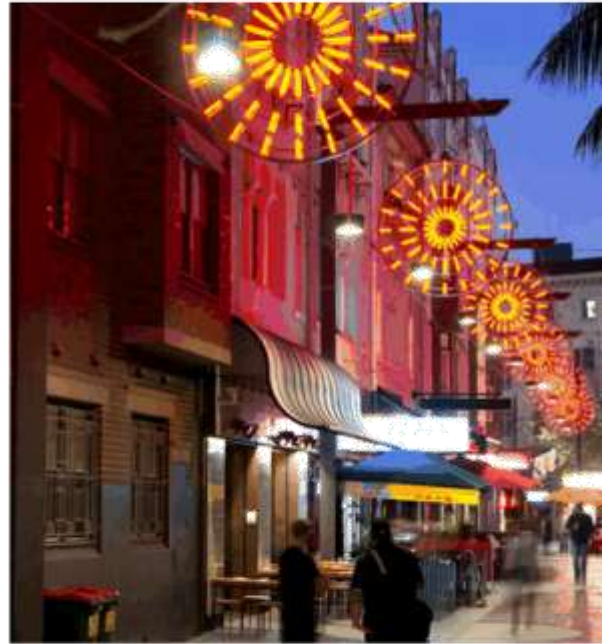
Any other projects identified through the Action Plan will form part of future bids via the delivery plan process, and pursued through existing base budget activities such as Council's late night library program and via Council's Events Strategy.

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NIGHT TIME ECONOMY STUDY

Report Title: Night Time Economy Study
Client: City of Ryde Council
Version: Final Report
Date: 10 November 2016



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CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL

NIGHT TIME ECONOMY STUDY

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Summary of key findings

Background

The Night Time Economy (NTE) is the economy that operates in the early evening after (5pm to 9pm) into the late night (2am to 6am). In the City of Ryde most night activity in town centres is between 6pm and 12pm. The NTE consists of Core (Food, Alcohol, and Entertainment) activities and Non-core (Transport, Accommodation, Retail, Education Services eg libraries, universities, TAFEs) activities. The activation of the NTE in the City of Ryde is driven by the City of Ryde's *Community Strategic Plan, Ryde 2025* which aims to deliver town centres that are activated, vibrant and attractive place for the growing number of residents and workers to live, work and visit.

This is a summary of findings of a study of the NTE in the City of Ryde's town centres of Eastwood, Gladesville, Macquarie Park, Meadowbank, Top Ryde, and West Ryde and the Hunters Hill town centres of Boronia Park and Hunters Hill Village. The purpose of the study is to summarise the size and character of the NTE experience and to identify strategies to enhance NTE activations.

What we did

This study included an audit and mapping of the existing NTE in City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres, review of planning and policy context including opportunities and barriers, review of best practice approaches to activating and managing the NTE, and extensive consultation including 560 survey respondents, 189 Social pinpoint community map comments, a #RydeAfter5 Instagram account with 16 images submitted, and stakeholder meetings.

Desire from the community for a more activated NTE

Through consultation with more than 700 residents and workers and key stakeholders, there is a clear desire from the community for a more activated NTE that has more diversity of offer (not just shopping centres and restaurants), is safe and easy to get around, is family friendly, and well-lit. 86% of those surveyed had no concerns about making the City of Ryde more vibrant, activated, and accessible at night and between 64% and 84% thought that each of the town centres could be more activated at night.

Benefits and Impacts of the NTE

In 2016, there are an estimated 121,322 residents in the City of Ryde LGA and a workforce of around 93,841. The City's residential population is forecast to grow by an additional 45,000 residents by 2036. Benefits of a more diverse and activated NTE include economic growth, community and cultural cohesion, job and wealth creation, and creative and cultural growth. A balanced NTE is important for such a growing and changing population, particularly in Macquarie Park where there are high numbers of workers seeking a place to socialise locally after work. However, it must be balanced with the needs of the

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local community, by providing a diversity of uses, a safe environment, and measures that will reduce the likelihood of anti-social behavior.

Criteria for a great NTE

Based on best practice research and NTE strategies the key criteria to create a great NTE are:

- Diversity of offer (not just alcohol related or targeting young people)
- Access to public transport and parking
- Wayfinding and connectivity
- Creating a safe public domain and venues and reducing risk
- Good governance and partnerships including flexibility to encourage quality night activities
- Creative and functional lighting, public art and functional public space design, and
- Temporary uses and pop-ups.

The current NTE in City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs

An audit of NTE activities across the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs shows that the current NTE is limited to the core activities of Food and Alcohol, and the Non-core activities of Transport, Retail and Education. City of Ryde has a lower proportion of NTE industries than NSW (10% compared to 13%) and a lower proportion of the population working in NTE (4.8% compared to 7.1% NSW, 4.6% Parramatta, 7.2% Canada Bay, 5.5% North Sydney). There is a clear gap in entertainment and cultural activities/events that do not involve eating or shopping and a lack of venues such as usable well designed and lit public spaces, small wine bars, theatres and other cultural venues.

At least 70% of both City of Ryde and Hunters Hill residents and workers surveyed go out at least monthly in local town centres. Across the two LGAs the three main reasons for residents and workers to go out at night were limited to Eating/dining at restaurants (79%), Going to the cinema (43%) and Thursday night shopping (42%). The main reasons people don't go out at night in City of Ryde LGA were: There are better options elsewhere (45.1%)/There is nowhere to go (41.5%); There is no parking available (19.5%); or Parking is too expensive (12.8%); and There is not enough public transport (18.7%). For Hunters Hill LGA, the main reasons were: There are better options elsewhere (36.4%)/there is nowhere to go out at night in Hunters Hill LGA (18.2%); and, there is not enough public transport (18.2%).

Community ideas for a more activated NTE across the LGAs

- Making night time places and activities more family friendly
- Improved lighting and wayfinding and more creative/colourful lighting throughout town centres
- Small wine bars rather than large pubs
- Extended retail and dining hours
- Restaurants and activities located outside of shopping centres to activate the streetscape, and
- More cultural/community events/festivals/popups.

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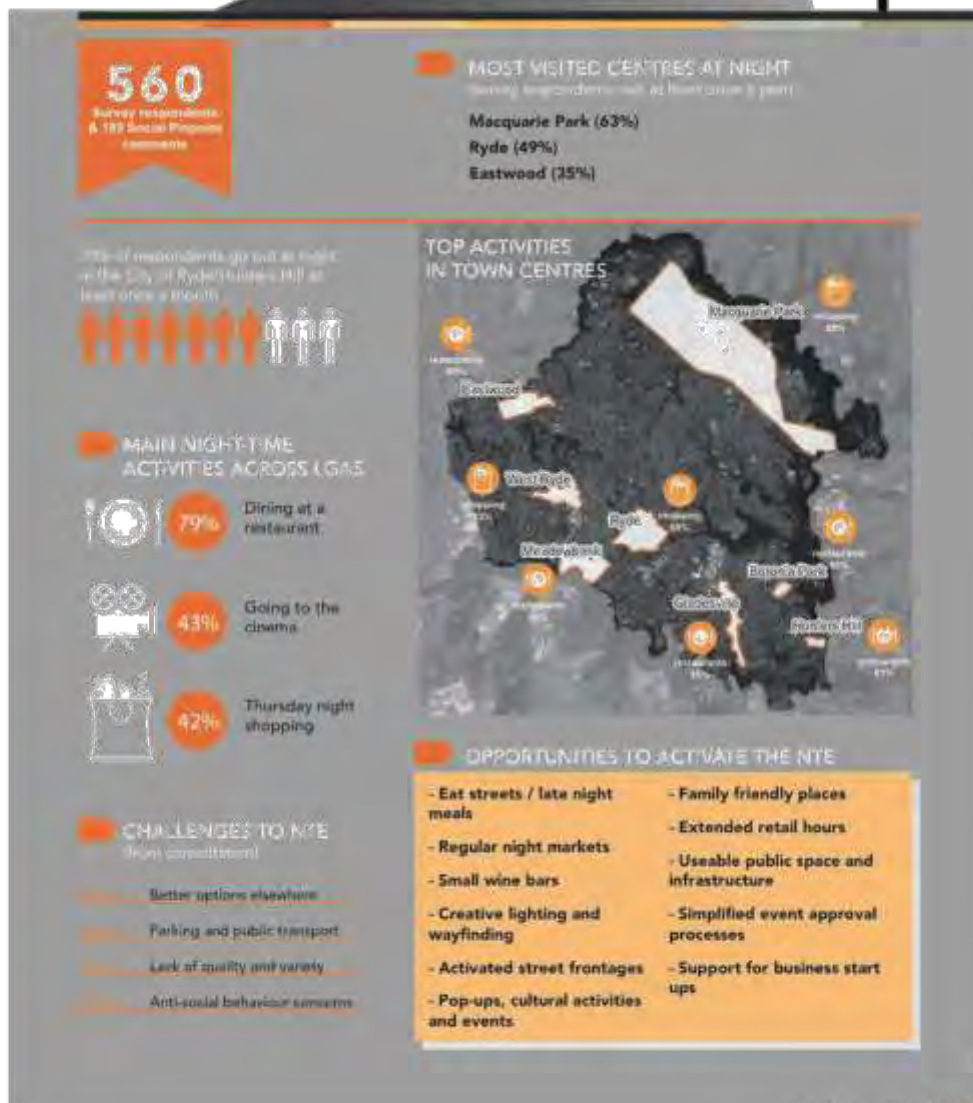
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Barriers to activating the NTE

- There are no specific objectives in Council's DCP or a clear Council policy relating to Council's intentions or aspirations for night time activation or management
- There is no central source of information for businesses relating to NTE events, start-ups, or approvals. Approval processes (eg Footpath Activity, Event, Small Bars) need to provide more guidance on what is permissible at night
- NTE activity in a number of Ryde's town centres is internalised in shopping centres (eg. Macquarie Centre or Top Ryde) which impacts on the ability to activate streets
- In some town centres, restaurants are located on busy main roads (such as Victoria Road or Church Street) with poor amenity or are overlooked by residents creating incompatible land uses
- There is a need to improve the amenity of town centres (look, feel, lighting, public space, wayfinding, seating, shelter) to support community and cultural events, festivals and informal night activity
- There is a lack of diversity of NTE offer, limited mostly to restaurants and shopping centres.

Opportunities to activate the NTE

The following three strategic directions are recommended for the City of Ryde to activate their NTE:

1. A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience.
2. A safe, welcoming and functional place.
3. A responsive city.

Opportunities to activate the NTE include (provided in more detail in Section 7 and include:

- Prepare a NTE Policy that clearly states Council's objectives relating to a more activated NTE
- Continue to implement and expand an innovative late night library program at Ryde and West Ryde
- Hold night time food markets, cinema and family friendly events in town centres and parks at night
- Audit vacant commercial buildings to initiate an Empty Shopfronts project with a pilot in West Ryde
- Work with developers to ensure future developments include street activation, mixed uses, public space designed for night time use and NTE core and non-core uses
- Implement the Ryde Food Truck Program to activate town centres lacking public spaces and night time infrastructure (Macquarie Park and Meadowbank)
- Improve lighting throughout all town centres including lighting for better wayfinding at night and creative lighting projects in key laneways, sites and strips to create a sense of place and activity
- Improve town centres to support NTE activities including places to gather, power and Wi-Fi, and
- Include guidance around night time activities (busking, pop-ups, events) in the review of Council's policies and Strategies including the Events Strategy, the Footpath Activity Policy, and Food Trucks.

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1. Introduction

1.1. Background

Night-time activity is an important and diverse part of Australia's economy. In 2011¹, the Australian Night Time Economy (NTE) was valued at \$92 billion. Increasingly, local, national and global cities aspire to provide well-managed, diverse, vibrant and safe environments that appeal to a wide cross-section of their communities at both day and night. As identified by the *Australian Night Time Economy, A First Analysis 2009 to 2011*:

"Night Time Economies are an economic entity capable of helping to change the nature of place for interests across the community."

As the City of Ryde's diverse resident and worker populations continue to grow and change, so too does the demand for access to services, entertainment, and venues that are accessible both day and night. The NTE typically centres on food, alcohol and entertainment supported by transport, public places and retail. While the town centres of Eastwood, West Ryde, and Gladesville are developing a strong food culture, other centres are looking for ways to activate place at night and respond to the expectations of workers and residents, in particular Macquarie Park.

The development of a successful NTE in the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs is an emerging opportunity for both councils, their residents, workers and local business. A more activated NTE can deliver economic, social, and cultural benefits. However, such activation may cause impacts such as noise, anti-social behavior and traffic for nearby residents which needs to be considered and planned for. Any plan to build a NTE must balance the wishes of business and workers and that of the local community.

1.2. Purpose of the study

The purpose of this study is to summarise the size and character of the existing NTE experience in the major town centres of the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs. The study also documents strategies and initiatives to enhance activation within centres having consideration to community interests and ideas, legislative constraints, the strategic directions of both councils, and best practice approaches to activating and managing the NTE.

The Study aims to assist both councils to deliver greater vibrancy and activation in their centres, supporting business while addressing the needs and expectations of workers and the broader community, exploring creative clusters and opportunities to build places that people want to visit and congregate. This study provides a comprehensive audit and analysis of the current NTE in town centres in both the City of Ryde Local Government Area (LGA) (Eastwood, Gladesville, Macquarie Park,

¹ National Local Government Drug and Alcohol Advisory Committee, *The Australian Night Time Economy, A First Analysis*, 2013

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Meadowbank, North Ryde, Ryde, and West Ryde) and Hunters Hill LGA (Boronia Park and Hunters Hill town centres) as shown in Figure 1. While not part of this study, the smaller centres of Cox's Road and Shepherd's Bay have also been identified as having opportunities for a more activated NTE.

Figure 1 Map of Town Centres included in the study



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1.3. Methodology

The study has been undertaken using the following methodology:

- Review of related Plans, Strategies, Controls, and Legislation
- Analysis of the resident and worker profiles of the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs and of the individual town centres
- Audit and mapping the existing NTE in the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill Town Centres including mapping, measuring activities and their values
- Review of the NTE in other comparable centres and international and local best practice strategies and innovation
- Community engagement as detailed in Table 1 below
- Analysis of the opportunities and constraints to activating the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres, and
- Development of Principles for NTE and recommendations for each town centre.

Table 1 Community and stakeholder engagement completed for the Ryde NTE study

Consultation method	Details	Results
Ryde After 5 Have Your Say Page	Dedicated project page on City of Ryde's Website	NA
#RydeAfter5 Project Postcard and Posters	500 postcards and 20 posters	Distributes at events and at Council venues
Online survey	Online survey for City of Ryde Town Centres and separate survey for Hunters Hill Town Centres (included post-project commencement) Live 1 July to 11 September 2016	533 City of Ryde Town Centre Surveys completed 27 Hunters Hill Town Centre surveys completed
Pop ups and Intercept surveys	Intercept surveys at Eastwood Night Markets, Macquarie University, Macquarie Station Pop up street stalls at Optus Markets Macquarie Park, Gladesville Shopping Centre, West Ryde Town Centre, Boronia Park Village and Hunters Hill Village	90 surveyed at intercept surveys 120 surveyed at the pop up street stalls
Social Pinpoint Community Map and Ideas Wall	Online community mapping tool on Council's Have Your Say Page	189 comments on the map (51% ideas and opportunities (149 total ideas), 29% what's happening,

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Consultation method	Details	Results
		20% challenges)
Staff workshop	Workshop with City of Ryde staff from across Council	12 staff attended
Instagram #RydeAfter5	Competition inviting locals to post their favourite NTE activity or place	22 photos posted
Committee meetings	Attended EDAC and East Ward committees, Youth Advisory Council and Macquarie Park Forum	4 Committees consulted



#RydeAfter5 Project Postcard



Pop up at Gladesville Shopping Centre



Social Pinpoint Community Map



Talking with workers at Optus Lunch Market

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2. Components of a great NTE

2.1. What is the NTE?

The term Night Time Economy (NTE) captures certain social and business activities happening at night. The emergence of the NTE as an idea within planning and urban governance dates from Britain in the early 1990s. Academic and policy research suggests that many cities over the past two decades have deliberately fostered NTEs as a renewal strategy, often in combination with 'cultural planning' or 'creative cities' strategies. The NTE is the economy that operates in the evening in towns and cities across the following core and non-core activities:

Core NTE activities	Non-core NTE activities
Food	Transport
Alcohol	Accommodation
Entertainment (film, theatre, live music, sporting and leisure: Performance venues)	Retail (post 6pm)
	Education services

The night time economy can be divided into distinct time periods. Based on the online survey (560 participants) night time activity in the City of Ryde is mostly between 6pm and 10pm.

Time period	Time
Early evening	6pm to 9pm
Evening	9pm to 11pm
Night	11pm to 2am
Late night	2am to 6am

(source: City of Sydney, Open Sydney Future Directions for Sydney at Night)

2.2. Costs and benefits of the NTE

Invariably discussion relating to the NTE centres around the control and regulation of night time outlets and behaviour including relating to alcohol. A study of the NTE in Parramatta identified that the

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development of an NTE can bring concerns about law and order, rubbish, alcohol-oriented culture and questions around participation and exclusion for certain groups in the community².

However, a strong and vibrant NTE can bring economic, cultural and social benefits to a city. It can attract new residents, workers, and visitors to an area and support creative industries such as fashion, music, media and performance. It can be a major driver for local industries such as food and beverage, transport, retail and security. It will be beneficial to the health and wellbeing of a city's residents, providing them with a place to meet, socialise, eat, drink and unwind³.

Studies in the USA, UK and Australia clarify that NTE activities deliver anything between 10 and 20 times Benefits to Costs ratios. This includes costs associated with local government services and regulation, hospital and ambulance services, policing and transport. In 2011, the City of Sydney commissioned research into the economic benefits and costs of Sydney's night time economy. It found \$15.1 billion was generated in 2009, and represented 28.4% of all jobs. Of this:

- \$425 million was generated by beverage-led businesses (liquor retail, pubs),
- \$1.4 billion came from cafés, restaurants and takeaway food shops,
- \$868.6 million was generated by entertainment-led businesses.
- Shops and retail turned over \$3.9 billion, \$2.3 billion was generated by infrastructure services, and
- \$3.4 billion was attributed to other (libraries and archives, architectural etc.).

The City of Sydney study also identified that the NTE is not without its costs, which were about \$125 million in 2009 for both state and local government. This includes transport, police, health and local services such as cleansing. Of that figure, \$30 million is attributable to the City of Sydney.

2.3. Factors contributing to a strong NTE

Given the identified costs and benefits of the NTE, much of the research and literature about planning for and managing the NTE has therefore been focussed either on ways to stimulate the night time culture or control it; on either economic development or law and order. However, more recently, the practice of place management has provided a new focus that balances these two concerns. It involves managing the NTE by fostering diverse attractions that appeal to a range of genders, age and cultural groups and through improved public space design and service delivery. A literature review of local, national and international research highlights a number of factors to grow a sustainable.

Appendix 1 provides a summary of best practice case studies relating to NTE Strategies and local government activations relating to the NTE including City of Sydney, Parramatta, Penrith and Newcastle.

² Centre for Cultural Research, UWS, *The City After Dark: Cultural Planning and Governance of the Night-Time Economy in Parramatta*. 2008. ONLINE. Available at: http://www.uws.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/47000/City_After_Dark.pdf

³ Kolvin, P. 2016. Manifesto for the Night Time Economy.

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1. Diversity of offer

A great NTE should attract every sector of the population, regardless of age, gender, cultural background or ability. It should cater to a wide range of interests and offer a variety of activities; eating, drinking, dancing, music, performance, art, or simply gathering. It should be attractive and accessible to people from different socio-economic backgrounds. Research into NTEs around Australia and the world has found that they often cater only to narrow interests, such as drinking, or to a narrow segment of the population – the young.

"Getting the balance right between residential, tourism and economic growth is vital at night. Noise is a significant factor for residents living in a busy night-time city. An overdeveloped night-time economy with a focus only on drinking venues can put the daytime economy out of balance, leaving venues to open in the evening only, with shopfronts inactive during the day".

Open Sydney, City of Sydney

2. Transport

A successful NTE must be accessible by frequent, high quality public transport, or on foot/cycle. When trains end at midnight and bus frequencies decline, negative impacts such as alcohol related violence are more likely. Or, when parking is not available, people simply do not venture out. Availability of free/low-cost and/or accessible car parking has also been found to improve numbers in the town centres at night as well as good pedestrian links between public transport, and entertainment precincts.

3. Wayfinding and connectivity

Different venues and precincts within a city should be well connected by logical, well used and well-lit routes, pathways or circuits. This can assist in facilitating a critical mass of people in a particular place and lead to other businesses and activities setting up along these routes within clusters or hubs.

In Adelaide, the Adelaide Oval to Market Link is one of a series of "safer paths" connecting NTE areas with transport. The route is well sign-posted, well-lit including the use of light-inspired public art, and is covered by the monitored City Safe CCTV network.



4. Safety and risk

Perception (real or imagined) of high risk to personal safety at night will keep people at home. Good governance, including a visible police and security presence, good design (CPTED principles) and

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lighting can have an impact on real crime and perceived safety. Great transport, connectivity, diverse activities and types of people will all impact on perceptions of safety in the NTE.

The images below are of Llanckelly Place a formerly vacant and unsafe laneway in Kings Cross that has become one of the most activated, safe and loved lanes in the area through lighting, increased activity (restaurants/gallery) and improved amenity.



(source: Cross Arts Project)

5. Governance and partnerships

Local Government should ensure its vision and desired outcomes for the NTE are taken into account and reflected in all of its plans, policies and regulations. It should commit to ongoing communication and consultation with business and residents to ensure that the community's needs are understood and being met. Coordination with dining, drinking and accommodation sectors must be a priority. Partnerships between all those with a stake in this area - police, local authorities, emergency services, businesses and communities - are an essential foundation on which to create a successful and safe night time economy.

Legislative restrictions on opening hours and liquor licensing may limit nightlife in many towns and cities. Reasonable review of these laws, in conjunction with initiatives in other areas discussed here, can go a long way to rejuvenate a NTE while balancing the needs of the local community.

Prior to amalgamation, Leichhardt Council was amending Schedule 2 of Leichhardt Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2013 to introduce a 'change of use' exemption to allow small bars in existing restaurant and café premises and vice versa in B2 Local Centres without the need for a development application. There were also proposed amendments to Leichhardt Development Control Plan (DCP) 2013 as it relates to licensed premises and small bars. The changes aimed to make development controls easier for 'low-impact' premises such as small bars, restaurants and cafes.

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The University of Sydney has joined Raising the Bar to bring the popular worldwide initiative to Sydneysiders. Established in 2014, Raising the Bar began with a group of students from Columbia University and New York University who were looking to share unique learnings from the world's greatest minds with the general public. Students at Macquarie University suggested that their academics could give night talks as part of Macquarie Park Raising the Bar in bars and restaurants in the area.

6. Outdoor activities and quality public domain design

People should be able to enjoy outdoor dining, civic spaces and other activities. Making it easier for businesses to offer outdoor dining will help to activate and enliven streets. Public events in the outdoors, such as concerts and night markets further bring people into the streets and can be supported by good public domain design including seating/tables, shelter, outdoor power outlets, and free Wi-Fi.

"High-quality, well-serviced and active public spaces are fundamental to thriving night-time economies. The quality of our public spaces at night is dependent on the right balance of public infrastructure, active street frontages and space management."
OPEN Sydney, City of Sydney.

Previously very much a "9 to 5 town" where restaurants closed after lunch, Adelaide has a new day and night time energy; the product of simple and inexpensive strategies for activating its public spaces. The council set aside \$150K into "lighter, quicker and cheaper" projects targeted at pop-up entertainment, events, arts projects and an "anything goes" approach to placemaking.

7. Lighting and public art

Creative (such as public art) and functional lighting (wayfinding and safety) can facilitate the growth of a great NTE. It can increase the sense of safety and surveillance, allow the night time use of traditionally day time spaces, such as parks, and facilitate the movement of people down preferred pathways or circuits. It can also be beautiful – an attraction and activity in itself. The City of Sydney plans to facilitate workshops between lighting experts and businesses and property owners to assist with lighting up the streets in beautiful, creative and functional ways (City of Sydney, 2013).

Images below are of lighting and public art projects in the City of Sydney including an information kiosk in Chinatown.

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(source: City of Sydney, Open Sydney)

8. Temporary uses and pop ups

There has been increasing attention on temporary uses as a tool for activating underutilised space and creating pleasant urban spaces. Overmeyer (cited in Shaw 2015) says that temporary uses can act as an experimental zone for the future of the city and, in places such as Berlin, have led to longer term urban regeneration of areas. Blank spaces have been used as community gardens, bars, sculpture parks or alternative living. They have enlivened areas and can bring considerable urban benefit when incorporated sensitively into Urban Planning. Through the activation of underutilised sites, temporary use

- can create an increased perception of safety in the city, particularly at night, as people have an increased perception of safety when there is an adequate critical mass of people in their surroundings
- bring people to an area on a continual basis due to offering them a changing environment.

In October 2012 the first Parramatta Lanes event was held, offering gourmet street foods, craft beers, cocktails, live music, and art installations within previously underutilised sites throughout the Parramatta CBD over 4 days. In 2014, the City of Parramatta launched their Twilight Friday Nights programs to stimulate the NTE.



(source: City of Parramatta)

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3. Strategic context and controls

This section reviews relevant local and State Strategies and controls that impact on planning for the NTE in the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs.

3.1. City of Ryde strategies

The activation of the NTE is driven by the City of Ryde's *Community Strategic Plan, Ryde 2025*. The delivery of NTE outcomes is led the City Strategy Unit, and in particular, the City Activation Team. The key deliverable for City of Ryde is to develop its Town and Neighbourhood Centres into activated, vibrant and attractive places for people to live, work and visit. While the term 'activated' has multiple meanings, activated cities (places/spaces) have the common characteristic that they are destinations people want to visit. By creating public spaces that attract people, facilitate economic activity and empower community participation, City of Ryde can successfully activate its Town and Neighbourhood Centres.

Table 2 City of Ryde Strategic directions for NTE

Plan/Strategy	Implications for the NTE
Ryde 2025 Community Strategic Plan	
Outcome: City of Liveable Neighbourhoods This outcome includes strategies and goals for safe and vibrant neighbourhoods, with a variety of uses and activities, local identity and character and active public places and spaces.	The NTE is an opportunity to add to the vibrancy of neighbourhoods. Development of the NTE should also focus on the safety of town centres and opportunities to activate public places and spaces and should reflect local identity and character.
Outcome: A City of Prosperity Goals and strategies are for an environment of innovation, progression and economic growth, and to create a strong economic direction with incentives that encourages new and diverse business investment and opportunities, to design retail places that encourage and attract a diversity of jobs, and to take a leadership role to improvement movement to, from, through and within Macquarie Park.	Potential location for NTE activities at the intersection of the university and the business park in Macquarie Park. An active NTE will make Macquarie Park attractive to a younger workforce. The NTE should support innovation, new business investment and opportunities, and local jobs. Development of the NTE should consider impacts and improvements to, from, through and within Macquarie Park.
Outcome: A City of Connections This outcome includes goals and strategies for improved transport connections within City of Ryde that are accessible and safe, and improved	Development of the NTE should consider impacts and improvements to transport connections within City of Ryde including safety and accessibility and free Wi-Fi in town centres.

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Plan/Strategy	Implications for the NTE
connections including through free Wi-Fi.	
<p><u>Outcome: A City of Harmony and Culture</u></p> <p>Goals and strategies include to create distinct local identity, activate diverse cultural spaces, support opportunities for creative industries, and provide activities and opportunities for people to share and celebrate their unique cultures.</p>	<p>The NTE in each town centre should reflect its distinct local identity and include opportunities for people to celebrate and share their unique cultures.</p> <p>The NTE should activate diverse cultural spaces and support opportunities for creative industries.</p>
Ryde Economic Development Plan 2015-2019	
<p>The REDP has been prepared to stimulate the economy by fostering new small business, supporting employment and training, and encouraging investment. Underlying principles include reducing the rate of unemployment in the local area, increasing the success rates of new small businesses and attracting investment into the city. Goals include Macquarie Park continuing to attract a talented workforce, vibrant and attractive town centres and sustainable modes of transport.</p>	<p>The NTE in Macquarie Park should be attractive for local workers.</p> <p>Small businesses operating in the NTE should be supported with relevant information, networking and training.</p>

3.2. Regulations and controls

Local planning controls and State regulations relating to the night time economy can assist in the management of impacts, however can also act as a barrier to community-led initiatives.

3.2.1. City of Ryde

Development controls

Unlike, other local government areas, such as the City of Sydney, the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill Councils do not include any explicit objectives or development controls relating to late night activation or management of the potential impacts of activities that contribute to the late night economy. See **Appendix 2** for a summary of the City of Sydney's DCP. However, it must be noted that planning controls can only really provide a framework that allows late night activities to occur, and must be considered and implemented within a suite of other opportunities - such as business partnership, marketing and branding etc.

The City of Ryde Development Control Plan (DCP), for the Eastwood and Ryde Town Centres already provide some indications that activation of the night time economy is a desired land use outcome.

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Alcohol free zones

Council consults with Ryde Local Area Command in determining whether the implementation of an Alcohol Free Zone is an appropriate means of addressing alcohol related crime such as assault and malicious damage, as well as anti-social behaviour and under-age drinking. Currently there are five Alcohol Free Zones in City of Ryde, extending to 2018:

- Trim Place, Gladesville (this is Gladesville Town Centre's only public gathering place for small events and pop-ups)
- West Ryde Railway / Bus Interchange
- Meadowbank, encompassing Bowden Street and Bay Drive in the vicinity of Meadowbank Wharf
- Eastwood Town Centre (this includes the Pedestrian Mall which is a highly utilised area for community activities).

Event applications

Council has some good practices to encourage events in parks. For example, it is simple to submit an event to the What's On page through an online form and to apply for vehicle access through public reserves and parks. The City subsidises booking fees for individual/organisation events and gatherings including a full subsidy for events with less than 50 people. Booking parks and reserves for events is simplified by having just one form that enables a large range of activities from stalls, food sales and music to fireworks and amusement rides. The event application is required 4 weeks' in advance. However, this form and notice period may be daunting for smaller organisations and community events and the process could be simplified.

Outdoor dining

Council has had a specific policy on outdoor dining since November 2006. In 2009, a comprehensive review of the policy and associated processes was carried out and a major revision of the policy was adopted by Council in November 2009 to assist in simplifying and streamlining the controls and procedures. Council is currently operating a trial program to encourage café/restaurant operators to embrace alfresco dining by giving a on-off fee relief incentive to new approved café/restaurant owners. This would support the creation of dining hubs/clusters which have been identified as a need through this study.

Footpath activity

The Footpath Activity Controls govern activity in public plazas and footpaths. The Controls have an emphasis on street vending and commercial activity, election activities and charitable organisations' fundraising. All activities permissible under the policy require written approval from Council, and applications are generally required to be submitted 28 days from the commencement of the activity. This policy and process is not enabling of night time activity. There is no guidance about night time activity and no guidance on busking. There are areas that are already approved by Council for footpath activity, however this information is only available by contacting Council. No amplified music is allowable without

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the approval of council. For activities such as busking, street theatre etc it is unclear what is required for approval, as the form focuses on outdoor dining and street vending.

Food safety

Council Environmental Health Officers carry out random inspections of retail food businesses (other than butcher's shops) and take enforcement action where necessary.

Mobile food vending and food trucks

The City of Ryde has been working on a food trucks program, with a focus on activating the NTE in Macquarie Park which has few opportunities for more permanent night time venues or spaces. Currently, approval for mobile food vending is required from Council under Section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993 to use a standing vehicle or other article for the purpose of selling in a public place. Any person wishing to obtain approval to use a mobile food vending vehicle for street vending (ie. making brief intermittent stops to sell ice creams and similar products) must complete a Mobile Vending Application Form and submit it to Council with the approved fee. There are no separate policies for Mobile Food Trucks - which serve a different purpose to activating places than food vending vans. Currently, approval will not be granted to sell within 200 metres of any business selling the same or similar products or on any Prohibited Roads making it difficult for food vans to set up in town centres across the LGA. By way of comparison, the City of Sydney's food trucks are not permitted to sell within 50 metres of an existing, trading takeaway food or drink premises open for business that is serving the same or similar offer.

The City of Sydney defines two types of mobile food vending operations that are permitted in the city. The City of Sydney food trucks program emerged from the OPEN Sydney consultations where many people said they wanted more late-night quality food options in the city. The city defines food vans and food trucks differently:

1. Food vans: Restricted to serving food that is not potentially hazardous or involves low-risk practices such as frothing milk. Food vans can only trade for a maximum period of 15 minutes, for example, an ice cream van or a van serving coffee and cakes.
2. Food trucks: No restrictions to their menu and can trade for a maximum period of 5 hours. Food trucks are essentially a kitchen on wheels, for example, a gourmet food truck made to order hot food such as tacos.



Image source: City of Sydney



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Small bar approvals

Currently, small bars are defined under Council's LEP within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007. Small bars are a type of food and drink premise. Currently, City of Ryde does not offer a simple process or information for applying for a small bar license or approval including development consent requirements and how to apply for a liquor license (through Liquor and Gaming NSW).

3.2.2. NSW Government

Liquor license⁴

You must hold a liquor license to sell alcohol in NSW. The standard trading period for most venues is 5am to midnight, Monday to Saturday and 10am to 10pm on Sunday.

The standard trading period for small bars (capacity of 60 patrons, with no gaming machines, sale of takeaway alcohol, or minors allowed in any area during liquor trading hours) is from midday to midnight, Monday to Sunday. Small bars outside of the Kings Cross and Sydney CBD Entertainment precincts are automatically granted extended trading to 2am.

A small bar licence application costs \$350. An on-premises licence lets you serve alcohol with meals at your café or restaurant, and costs \$700 to apply.

This study has identified a desire from residents and workers for more small bars in Ryde, Gladesville and Hunters Hill town centres.

Dining⁵

Cafes, restaurants and similar retail food outlets need to notify the local council of their business and food activity details, and comply with food safety legislation.

Entertainment⁶

The NSW government has removed the requirement for venues to have a Place of Public Entertainment (POPE), venues can now have live entertainment as part of their main business without the need for separate approval.

Venues are responsible for ensuring that noise levels are managed appropriately for the local area.

The Office of Liquor, Racing and Gaming manages noise from licensed premises. Typically, this is with environmental noise conditions being placed on the license, that the noise from pubs and clubs should not be heard inside any home between midnight and 7am on any night.

⁴ Liquor and Gaming NSW, "Liquor Licenses", <https://www.liquorandgaming.justice.nsw.gov.au/Pages/liquor.aspx>

⁵ NSW Food Authority, "Cafes, restaurants and retail outlets", <http://www.foodauthority.nsw.gov.au/retail/cafes-restaurants-and-retail-outlets>

⁶ Department of Planning, "Bringing back the music", <http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/~media/Files/DPE/Factsheets-and-faqs/bringing-back-the-music-fact-sheet-for-venue-operators.eslx>

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3.3. Barriers

The main barriers relating to Council's plans, controls, and approval processes are an absence of specific guidance for business/groups wanting to deliver events and NTE activities and a need for more simplified processes to support these activities happening. Specifically:

- There are no specific objectives in Council's DCP relating to night time activation or management of the potential impacts of activities that contribute to the NTE (other than the Eastwood and Ryde Town Centre DCPs)
- There are currently no identified "Night Time Entertainment Precincts" in Council's DCP - which refers to a concentration of businesses open after 5pm
- Council's event approvals processes and forms are complex, even for small events and could deter night events occurring
- Council's footpath activity policy does not provide any guidance about what is permissible at night (including for example, pop-up stalls, eat streets, and buskers) and act as a barrier to community-led activation of the NTE
- There is no policy or guidance for those businesses wanting to open small bars
- Council's existing controls for Mobile Food Vans act as a barrier to Mobile Food Trucks being trialled in key areas such as Macquarie Park, where temporary activations are important to try to stimulate the NTE, and
- Alcohol Free Zones provide an appropriate means of addressing alcohol related crime. However, they limit the ability of licensed pop-up events and festivals to be held at night in key places such as Trim Place (Gladesville), Rowe Street Pedestrian Mall (Eastwood) and Meadowbank Wharf.

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4. The NTE in Ryde and Hunters Hills LGAs

This section provides an overview of:

- City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGA resident and worker populations
- 2014/15 registered NTE businesses,
- Resident participation in, and desire for, the NTE across City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs (this is provided by town centre in Section 5), and
- LGA-wide opportunities, ideas and barriers for the NTE.



4.1. LGA-wide resident population

City of Ryde

The City of Ryde population is estimated to be 121,322 in 2016 and is forecast to grow to 166,431 by 2036. Compared to Greater Sydney, City of Ryde has a lower proportion of young children aged 0 to 4 years (6.1% vs 6.8%) a higher proportion of 18 to 24 year olds (11.7% vs 9.5%), including local and international students, and young workforce 25 to 24 (17.1% vs 15.4%), and a higher proportion of seniors 70 to 84 (8.2% vs 7.2%), and elderly aged 85 and over (2.3% vs 1.8%).

The area is culturally diverse, with 42% of people speaking a language other than English at home, compared to 32.5% in Greater Sydney. The most spoken languages are Mandarin (8.6%), Cantonese (7.1%), Korean (1.1%) and Italian (1.6%). City of Ryde has a median household income of \$1,466, higher than Greater Sydney (\$1,447). City of Ryde has a higher proportion of people attending university than Greater Sydney (9.1% vs 5.2%). This diverse population of families, young workers and students and older people, indicates the need for a diverse range of night time activities, including for families, young people, workers and older people ranging from restaurants and bars, to outdoor seating and gathering spaces, retail options, and social/cultural events and programs.

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Hunters Hill

In 2016, the resident population of the Hunters Hill LGA is estimated to be 14,500 people and is forecast to grow to 15,750 by 2036. Hunters Hill is forecast to have an additional 250 dwellings by 2036, an increase of 0.8%. Compared to Greater Sydney, Hunters Hill has a higher percentage of seniors aged 70 to 84 (8.0% vs 7.2%), a smaller percentage of 25 to 34 year olds (13.8% vs 15.4%) and a smaller percentage of young children aged 0 to 4 (6.0% vs 6.8%).

In Hunters Hill, 28.7% of residents speak a language other than English at home, compared to 32.5% in the Greater Sydney Area. Hunters Hill has a median household income of \$2,291, significantly higher than greater Sydney (\$1,447). Hunters Hill LGA has a lower unemployment rate compared to Greater Sydney (4.6% vs 5.8%). The population of Hunters Hill is older and family oriented indicating a focus on restaurants, safety and family friendly activities.

4.2. NTE employment and business

Workforce and business data is not available for Hunters Hill LGA. For the City of Ryde, according to Economy.id there were 69,491 total workers in the City of Ryde in 2014/15. The centre of employment (all industries) in City of Ryde is Macquarie Park. Accommodation and Food services workers are distributed across the LGA with centres of employment in Eastwood, Top Ryde, Macquarie Park (Macquarie Centre) and East Ryde. The industries most closely relating to the NTE (food and beverage, accommodation, other store-based retailing, creative and performing arts activities) employed 9,483 people or 10% of workers in City of Ryde, compared to 13% of workers in New South Wales in 2014/15.

Night-Time Economy Industry	2014/15		Change	
	Number	%	NSW %	2009 - 2014
Other Store-Based Retailing	5,039	5.4	5.9	+1,003
Accommodation	517	0.6	1.2	+40
Food and Beverage Services	3,764	4.0	5.7	
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	164	0.2	0.4	+60
Night Time Economy Industries	9,483	10	13	+1,103
Total industries	93,841	100.0	100.0	+10,882

(source: City of Ryde economy.id 2014/15)

As shown below, in the City of Ryde, the percentage of businesses registered in industries most closely linked to the NTE make up 5.8% of all registered business, comparable with NSW and City of North Sydney. However, City of Ryde has a lower proportion of the population working in the NTE within the LGA compared to other comparable LGAs, indicating that there are less NTE activity businesses and

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opportunities in the area. In 2014/15 there were 269 registered cafes and restaurants, 14 pubs, taverns and bars and 13 accommodation services. See **Appendix 3** for the number of registered businesses in each NTE-related industry in the City of Ryde.

Area	Percentage of the population working in the NTE in this area	Percentage of businesses registered in the NTE in this area
City of Parramatta	2014/5 - 4.6%	Not available
City of Ku-ring-gai	2011 - 6%	Not available
City of Lane Cove	N/A	Not available
City of Canada Bay	2011 - 7.2%	Not available
City of North Sydney	2014/5 - 5.5%	2016 - 5.6%
New South Wales	2014/5 - 7.1%	2014/5 - 5.5%
City of Ryde	2014/5 - 4.8%	2016 - 5.8%

(source: City of Ryde, *economy.id* 2014/15)

The employment and business data indicates that there are opportunities to increase the range of night time businesses in the City of Ryde and resulting employment opportunities, particularly for local students and young workforce.

The high number of workers in places such as Macquarie Park indicates the need for more places, spaces and activities after work hours to support social connections and activate the public realm. This was clearly articulated through the consultation outcomes where around 37% of all respondents were workers, and 156 of these workers were from Macquarie Park.

4.3. Participation in the NTE in City of Ryde and Hunters Hills

Participation in the NTE was collected through the online survey, intercept surveys and pop ups. A total of 533 people completed the City of Ryde NTE survey and 27 the Hunters Hill/Boronia Park survey. It is important to note that only 27 people completed a survey for Hunters Hill town centres, therefore the data should not be considered representative.

The main reasons people go out at night in City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs

The majority of survey respondents (64.3%) stated they regularly go out at night in City of Ryde. Of the people who regularly go out at night in City of Ryde, most do so at least once a month (36.5%) and 27.8% do so at least once per week. 5.2% of respondents go out in City of Ryde every night (21 people).

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The main reasons City of Ryde residents and workers go out at night in the City of Ryde are:

- Eating/dining at a restaurant (79% of survey respondents)
- Going to the cinema (43% of survey respondents)
- Thursday night shopping (42%)
- Visiting or meeting up with friends (34.8%)
- Going to a pub/bar for drinks (19.7%).

Other reasons were health and fitness related including going to the gym/swimming or exercise.

The main reasons Hunters Hill residents go out at night in the Hunters Hill LGA are:

- Dining at a restaurant (87% of survey respondents)
- Visiting or meeting up with friends (39/1%)
- Going to a pub/bar for a drink (21.7%)
- Going to the cinema (17.4%)
- Going to the night markets/Thursday night shopping (8.7%).

Frequency of going out at night

Around 70% of City of Ryde survey respondents and 70% of Hunters Hill survey respondents go out at night in their respective LGAs at least monthly.

What deters people going out at night in City of Ryde and Hunters Hills LGAs

The main reasons that deter people going out at night in the City of Ryde LGA are:

- There are better options elsewhere (45.1%), and There is nowhere to go at night in Ryde (41.5%)
- There is no parking available (19.5%), and parking is too expensive (12.8%)
- There is not enough public transport (18.7%)

Other reasons (not included in the survey list) given by survey respondents included

- Family responsibilities (16 people)
- Lack of quality and variety (8 people)
- Everything is focused on shopping centres (5 people)
- Traffic, Parking (6 people each)

The main reasons that deter people going out at night in Hunters Hill LGA are:

- There are better options elsewhere (36.4%)

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- There is nothing that deters me (27.3%)
- There is nowhere to go out at night in Hunters Hill LGA (18.2%)
- There is not enough public transport (18.2%).

4.4. Ideas for improved NTE activities

Ideas for how to improve the NTE were collected through the online survey, intercept surveys and popups and through the social pinpoint community mapping tool.

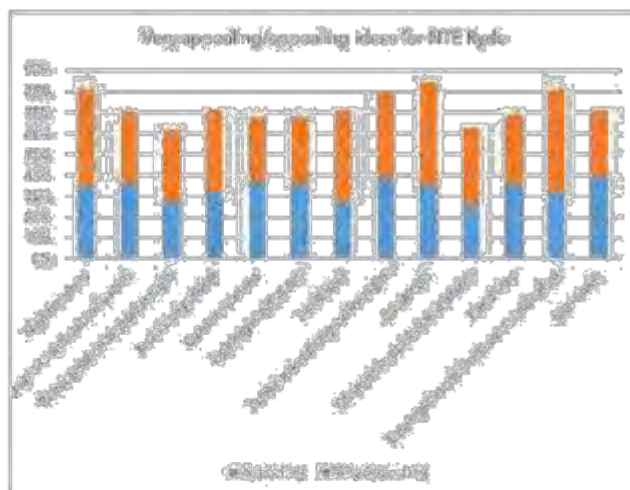
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The online survey showed that overall, all activities suggested in the survey were appealing to the majority of respondents (at least 62% of respondents) selecting "appealing" or "very appealing". The most appealing activities were:

- Eat Streets (Overall: 85.1%, Very Appealing: 50.4%, Appealing: 34.7%)
- Late Night Meals (Overall: 81.2%, Very Appealing: 48.7%, Appealing: 34.7%)
- Night Markets (Overall: 81.3%, Very Appealing: 46.0%, Appealing: 32.5%)
- Public spaces designed for night (Overall: 80.1%, Very Appealing: 40.6%, Appealing: 39.5%).

Other ideas suggested by people to make going out at night more appealing included:

- Creating more atmosphere on the street (9 people)
- Making it family friendly and lighting and seating (5 people each)
- Activities outside shopping centres (4 people).



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It is important to note that no activities were overall unappealing, or even neutral. The majority of respondents (85.4%, 321 people) had no concerns about making City of Ryde more vibrant, activated and accessible at night. The respondents who did have concerns (11%, 55 people) gave the following reasons, listed in order of frequency:

- Increased traffic congestion and difficulty finding parking,
- Increase in violence, crime and anti-social behaviour due to drinking,
- Increased noise, and
- Litter.

Other ideas suggested by the community, to make City of Ryde more activated at night were:

Ideas from community to make City of Ryde more activated at night	No.
More small wine bars and bars	42
Better lighting and night time public space	32
More family friendly events and venues	32
Extended trading hours (bars, dining, retail)	25
Events and festivals	23
Hubs and on street spaces, venues and activities	20
Night markets	14
Better quality eating venues	12
Arts and cultural activities	10

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey)

Some comments from community engagement that represented overall ideas included:

- "We really need some small bars with tapas and live music"
- "Don't forget about safety"
- "Need kid-friendly and accessible areas"
- "I don't have viable options for after work drinks, and so the social community of my workplace is lacking as a result. The most common option is to resort to travelling 30mins into the city"

Hunters Hill LGA

Overall, all activities suggested in the survey were appealing to the majority of respondents (at least 62% of respondents) selecting "appealing" or "very appealing". The most appealing activities were:

- Live music (Overall: 77.3%, Very Appealing: 36.4%, Appealing: 40.9%)
- Pop ups and cultural events (Overall: 72.8%, Very Appealing: 36.4%, Appealing: 36.4%)
- Public spaces designed for night activities (Overall: 68.2%, Very Appealing: 31.8%, Appealing: 36.4%)

The only idea that rated as unappealing in Hunters Hill was:

- Food vans (Overall: 45.2%, Very Unappealing: 13.6%, Unappealing: 31.8%)

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The majority of respondents (81% or 23 people) had no concerns about making Hunters Hill more vibrant, activated and accesible at night. The respondents who did have concerns listed:

- That activities are targetted to families, not drunken and anti-social behaviour
- Lighting will need to be improved - do things that will enable the most broad activities

Ideas for making Hunters Hill more appealing at night revolved around lighting, friends and family:

- "I'd love to see a wine or whiskey bar open in Hunters Hill or Woolwich"
- "More community-based things, get people out of their houses"
- "More lighting around the wharfs eg Greenwich. More lighting in the parks"
- "Outdoor live music near a restaurant/cafe at night time with fairy lights etc would be great.
- "I'm more interested in early evening activities because I have a young child"



Instagram winner, pizza in Macquarie Park.



Instagram winner, Outdoor cinema in the park

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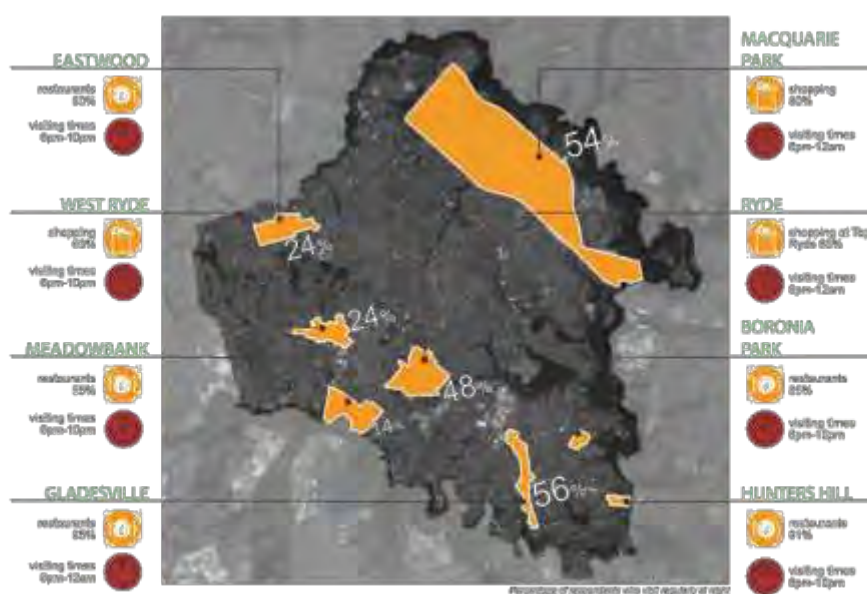
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5. NTE activity & participation by centre

This section provides a summary of the NTE in each of the eight town centres within the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs.

Figure 2 provides a summary of the most popular NTE activities and most common visiting times at night across all the town centres.

Figure 2 Main NTE activities across all town centres (source: online survey, social pinpoint)



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Town Centre	NTE Core/Non-core Activities	Main NTE Participation (from survey)	Ideas to activate NTE (from survey)
Eastwood	Train Station, Rowe Street Mall, Eastwood Night Markets, Eastwood Oval, Eastwood Library, Eastwood Hotel, The Eastwood Club, Landmark Hotel, Taiwan Night Markets, Restaurants	1. Restaurants (80%) 2. Shopping (59%) 3. Night markets (53%)	1. Parking (48%) 2. Improve/clean public space (19%) 3. Later trading (17%)
Gladesville	Victoria Road restaurants, Gladesville Shopping Centre, Trim Place, Gladesville Library, The Bayview Tavern, Gladesville RSL	1. Restaurants (85%) 2. Shopping (56%) 3. Pub/bars (50%)	1. Small bars (15%) 2. Parking (13%) 3. Quality food (13%)
Macquarie Park	Macquarie Centre, ELS Hall Park, Train Station, Macquarie University, The Ranch, Verace Pizzeria, UBar, The Hub, Trafalgar Place	1. Shopping (80%) 2. Cinema (57%) 3. Restaurants (46%)	1. More restaurants (12%) 2. More bars (10%) 3. NTE clusters (9%)
Meadowbank	Meadowbank TAFE, Ryde & Meadowbank Wharfs, Train Station, Takeaway restaurants at train station, Shepherd's Bay Community Centre, Meadowbank Park, Memorial Park	1. Restaurants (55%) 2. Shopping (45%) 3. Bars & community centre (12%)	1. Restaurants (22%) 2. Lighting (19%) 3. Use riverfront and night markets = 11%
Ryde/Top Ryde	Top Ryde Shopping Centre (restaurants, shops cinema), Ryde Park, The Royal Hotel, Ryde Library	1. Shopping (68%) 2. Restaurants (58%) 3. Eat at Top Ryde (57%)	1. More outdoor dining (10%) 2. Bars, Parking, more variety offer (8%)
West Ryde Town Centre	Shopping Centre, Victoria Road and Ryedale Road restaurants, West Ryde Hotel, West Ryde Station, West Ryde Plaza, West Ryde Library, Leagues Club, Once Upon a Time cafe	1. Shopping (63%) 2. Restaurants (57%) 3. Leagues Club (26%)	1. Restaurants (19%) 2. Use West Ryde Plaza area (17%) 3. Small bars/lighting (10%)
Boronia Park	Supermarkets, Boronia Park	1. Restaurants (85%)	Shops open later, more diversity and update the

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Town Centre	NTE Core/Non-core Activities	Main NTE Participation (from survey)	Ideas to activate NTE (from survey)
		2. Shopping (62%)	public domain, lighting
Hunters Hill Village	Hunters Hill Hotel, Shopping Centre, Community Centre, Restaurants, Figtree Park	1. Restaurants (91%) 2. Shopping (36%)	improve parking, wine bars, cultural events, lighting

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5.1. Eastwood Town Centre

About Eastwood

Eastwood Town Centre is located in the suburb of Eastwood approximately 16 km west of Sydney, in the South West of the City of Ryde LGA. It is highly accessible due to the Eastwood Railway Station (a non-core NTE element). It is a regional level, well patronised shopping centre with a wide variety of retail uses, community facilities and street life available. The centre is well known as an Asian shopping and dining precinct. Festivals and other cultural events are frequently celebrated in the urban and green spaces of the centre, most notably the Mall on Rowe St and Eastwood Oval. Recent approved developments in Eastwood will see mixed use buildings including residential apartments provided in the Town Centre. There is also a potential redevelopment of the Eastwood Shopping Centre.

Residents and NTE business

The 2015 Estimated Resident Population for Eastwood is 13,659. Its population is forecast to increase to 16,478 by 2036. The area is highly culturally diverse with 54.9% of the population speaking a language other than English at home. Most common non-English languages spoken are Cantonese (15.3%), Mandarin (15.2%), and Korean (8.4%).

Based on 2014/15 data, Eastwood has the largest number of food and beverage services of all Ryde's town centres with 87 services making up 20% of food and beverage services in City of Ryde. There are two night markets, the Eastwood Night Markets in Rowe St on Saturday nights, and the Taiwan Night Markets in Eastwood Plaza. There are no cultural or performance venues in the Town Centre. However, the Rowe Street Pedestrian Mall and the Eastwood Oval have the potential to be used for more cultural and community events at night.

Industry	No. registered businesses	% of industry in City of Ryde
Eastwood	2014/15	2014/15
Other/Store Based Retail	46	11%
Accommodation Services	0	0%
Food and Beverage Services	87	20%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	3	3.5%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id 2014/15)

Vision and planning controls relating to Eastwood Town Centre

The objectives for the Eastwood Town Centre, outlined in chapter 4.1 of the City of Ryde DCP, include an aim to facilitate the creation of town centres that contain a mix of land uses that service the needs of

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visitors and communities within the centre catchment; Improve pedestrian amenity and develop a sense of community place; and create a people-friendly place with active street life.

Participation in the NTE

Given the high number of restaurants and grocery stores in the area, it is not surprising that the main reasons people visit Eastwood Town Centre at night are:

1. Restaurants (80%, 68 people)
2. To go shopping (58.8%, 50 people)
3. To go to the Night Markets (52.9%, 45 people).

The majority of survey respondents (86.9%, 73 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 6pm-8pm (25.6%, 21 people) or 8pm-10pm (53.7%, 44 people).

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of survey respondents (70.3%, 52 people) said that Eastwood Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night. Fifty-six ideas for how to improve the NTE in Eastwood, were provided through the survey as grouped below

Ideas	No.	%
Improved parking	25	48%
Public space improvements and cleaning	10	19%
Later trading hours	9	17%
Pedestrian access and safety	6	12%
Lighting	5	10%

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey, September 2016)

There were only a small number of comments relating to Eastwood Town Centre made through the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool. The comments were both What's Happening Now Comments and they mentioned the attendance of a night time yoga class and the Eastwood Night Markets. The lack of awareness about the night markets was also raised in a comment.

Summary of opportunities and barriers

Eastwood is Ryde's most activated town centre currently, due to the high number of restaurants and shops in the area. It has the most potential to be classified as an "Entertainment Precinct". The area has a strong community and cultural feel and there are locally owned shops, meaning that the streets are activated, rather than people being forced inside shopping centres to engage in night time activities.

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Previous studies including a Community Cultural Analysis⁷ identified a need to improve the amenity of the Town Centre to include colourful lighting, improved seating and shelter, and places for the community to participate in community and cultural activities at night, particularly in and around the Rowe Street Mall.

While Eastwood Town Centre is vibrant and activated at night for shopping and eating, the NTE could be improved through an improved public domain (including colourful lighting in the Rowe Street Mall and Wysteria as recommended Eastwood and West Ryde Town Centres Community Connection Study⁸), better seating and tables for gathering, improving parking, and encouraging cultural and social activities at night in the Rowe Street Mall and Eastwood Oval including yoga, dancing, and tai chi.

To improve safety, better lighting is required throughout the town centre, particularly to connect people from the train station, to the mall. Another challenge is the connection over the railway line. Given the high number of students in the area, and also the high proportion of Korean and Chinese residents, who are accustomed to participating in the public domain at night, the creation of a more accessible, comfortable and attractive public domain, particularly in the Rowe Street mall, outside the library and the Eastwood Oval should be a priority for activating the NTE. This could include free Wi-Fi, seating/tables, courts that are lit at night and a greater diversity of retail trade that is open later at night.



The night time markets in Eastwood



Lining up for BBQ pork in Eastwood

⁷ Cred Consulting, Community and Cultural Analysis to Inform the Eastwood Town Centre Masterplan, 2011

⁸ Cred Consulting, Community Connections Study, Eastwood and West Ryde Town Centres, 2011

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Figure 3 The NTE in Eastwood Town Centre



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5.2. Gladesville Town Centre

Gladesville Town Centre, shared with the Hunters Hill municipality, services the southern part of the City of Ryde LGA. There is a shared vision with City of Ryde and Hunter's Hill Councils for the Gladesville Town Centre: the two councils aim to revitalise the Town Centre and breathe life into the Victoria Road corridor; to create a more inclusive and attractive place in which to live, visit, work and invest⁹. The centre will be safe, vibrant and easy to move around and do business.

Residents and businesses

Gladesville-Tennyson Point has an estimated population of 11,020 people in 2015. It is forecast to increase to 14,222 by 2036. Gladesville has 23% of City of Ryde's accommodation services. The suburbs of Gladesville also has the highest number of creative and performing arts activities, with nine registered businesses making up 10.5% of the industry in City of Ryde. While there is a library in the Town Centre there are no cultural or performing arts venues in the Gladesville Town Centre. There are no small bars/wine bars, a high number of restaurants (spread out along Victoria Road, not clustered) and the Bayview Tavern and Gladesville RSL, large and popular licensed venues.

Industry	No. registered businesses	% of industry in City of Ryde
Gladesville	2014/15	
Other Store Based Retail	27	6%
Accommodation Services	3	23%
Food and Beverage Services	15	8%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	9	10.5%

(source: *economy.id*, 2014/15)

Vision and planning controls

The Gladesville Village Centre is divided into two precincts - Commercial Core and South Gladesville precinct and "a major driver of change for the centre is the State Government's policy to see a large proportion of new housing accommodated in established areas near public transport and existing services. In addition, local aspirations for retaining heritage and local character, improved amenity and retail offering, housing diversity and traffic management continue to influence development in the area"

⁹ City of Ryde, "Gladesville Town Centre", <http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Business-and-Development/Town-Centres/Gladesville-Town-Centre>

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(Future Gladesville 2015:8). The stated key priorities for future development in the commercial core of the Gladesville Village Centre that relate to late night activities include:

- Consolidate and intensify a diverse range of retail, commercial, residential and lifestyle activities.
- Connect these activities within the precinct through the provision of a high quality, fine-grain pedestrian network and open spaces that support lively day and night public domain activation including sitting, socialising and eating places.
- Increase the amount, quality and diversity of open space throughout the centre in order to support pedestrian amenity, socialisation and outdoor trading both during the day and evening.

Participation in the NTE

Based on the survey, the three main reasons respondents visit Gladesville Town Centre at night are:

1. Restaurants (85.4%, 70 people)
2. To go shopping (56.1%, 46 people)
3. To go to pubs/bars (50%, 41 people)

The majority of respondents (87.8%, 72 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 8pm-10pm (45.7%, 37 people) or 10pm-12am (27.2%, 22 people).

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of respondents (68.4%, 54 people) said that Gladesville Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night. Around 44 ideas were given for how to improve the NTE in Gladesville as grouped below:

Idea	No.	%
Small bars (wine bars)	8	15%
Parking	7	13%
More and better quality restaurants	7	13%
Later trading hours	5	9%
Public space improvements to Victoria Road	5	9%
Pop-ups and markets; community events, and lighting (each)	4	7%

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey, September 2016)

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Comments and ideas from our Social Pinpoint community mapping tool highlighted dining on Victoria Road and the Bayview Hotel as places people go. More intimate drinking (small bars and wine bars) and dining options were mentioned as possibilities along with improvements to lighting in the area, Trim Place and landscaping on Victoria Road. The Challenges comments had similar themes, in that the quality of dining and drinking options could improve along with parking. Some residents thought that new high quality establishments such as Zeus and Mercato E Cucina could be enhanced through al fresco dining.

Summary of opportunities and barriers

Gladesville Town Centre has opportunities for an improved NTE, given the high number of restaurants along Victoria Road, and the desire from the community identified through consultation, including for small bars for a sophisticated drink after work.

There have been a number of studies relating to Gladesville Town Centre including Masterplans, the Gladesville Ageing Strategy and the Future Gladesville study¹⁰ all of which focussed on improved wayfinding and amenity in the town centre. Future Gladesville recommended DCP amendments that reflected the community values and aspirations for development that contributes to an exceptional public domain, high levels of social and commercial activity and an identifiable character for the centre.

Therefore, opportunities to improve the Gladesville Town Centre require improved wayfinding and lighting throughout to encourage people to safely engage in the town centre and better connections between shopping and restaurant areas and Council facilities (such as Trim Place and the library).

There may be opportunities for an "entertainment precinct" near the Hunters Hill commercial precinct, encouraging small bars/wine bars, and activation of Trim Place for pop-up events. There are opportunities to capitalise on the success of new restaurants such as Zeus and Mercato E Cucina to create a NTE precinct and al-fresco dining.



Gladesville Town Centre wayfinding needs improving to create safer more activated streets



Amber Daines, at her local cafe The Platinum Coffee House in Gladesville, says a memorable dining experience "doesn't have to be expensive". Photo: Louise Kennerley, Sydney Dining Analysis Study

¹⁰ Place Partners, Future Gladesville, 2013

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5.3. Macquarie Park

Macquarie Park is a nationally significant research and business centre, specialising in the communications, medical research, pharmaceutical and IT&T sectors. The town centre includes the Macquarie Centre, a major shopping centre (core NTE component), and Macquarie University (non-core). There is direct rail access on the Epping-Chatswood line (non-core). However, Council research and plans highlight that transport infrastructure has failed to keep pace with the speed of commercial development that has occurred within Macquarie Park. The lack of services (shops, restaurants, hotels) beyond those within Macquarie Shopping Centre was viewed by respondents of our survey as a shortcoming of Macquarie Park. Moreover, the location of the Macquarie Shopping Centre at the western end of the precinct means that it doesn't service the whole of the Centre effectively.

Residents, workers and business

The population of Macquarie Park is dominated currently by workers. The stand-alone office workforce within the Macquarie Park Corridor is estimated to be approximately 42,000 as at December 2015. Based on existing planning controls and land use zonings, the stand-alone office workforce is forecast to grow at an average annual rate of 2.9%, reaching a level of 55,800 by 2025. However, the estimated resident population in 2015 in Macquarie Park was 6,149. This is forecast to increase significantly to 27,253 by 2036.

Higher density development could be expected to result in a faster-growing and more diverse workforce and, in turn, attract more ancillary services and facilities to the Centre. Macquarie Park has a high number of food and beverage services (42, 10%) and other store based retail (48, 12%).

Industry	No. of registered businesses	% of industry in City of Ryde
Macquarie Park	2014/15	
Other Store Based Retail	48	12%
Accommodation Services	0	0%
Food and Beverage Services	42	10%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	0	0%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id 2014/15)

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Plans and controls

The Macquarie Park Investment Prospectus 2015 notes that activating the streetscape, especially around transport nodes, will help create a more sophisticated space and address the emerging needs of workers; street level shopfronts will offer cafés, drycleaners, newsagents, real estate agents and other essential services that help create a safe, vibrant place to be, day or night. North Ryde Station urban activation precinct: Cafés and restaurants with outdoor dining, cycle paths and community facilities will be a key part of the precinct.

AMP Capital, the owners of the Macquarie Centre, have submitted a development application for Stage 1 of a mixed use redevelopment of Macquarie Centre which includes a station plaza between the centre and the Macquarie University train station, an open entry plaza situated along Herring Road that provides for day/night time activities, four commercial/residential towers and possibly a community centre.

The Ivanhoe Estate will also undergo redevelopment including private, social and affordable housing. The City of Ryde has submitted design guidelines for this redevelopment which include enhancing and expanding the public domain to provide safe, attractive and well-lit pathways, addressing the public domain at street corners and the perimeter of blocks, providing primary street addresses oriented to the public domain and revitalizing Shrimptons Creek as a safe and activated place for recreation and social gathering.

Participation in the NTE

The three main reasons residents and workers visit Macquarie Park Town Centre at night are:

1. To go shopping (80.2%, 158 people)
2. To go to the cinema at Macquarie Centre (57.4%, 113 people), and
3. Restaurants (46.2%, 91 people).

The majority of respondents (85.6%, 167 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 8pm-10pm (52.8%, 102 people) or 10pm-12am (25.4%, 49 people).

The NTE is restricted mostly within the particularly for restaurants and entertainment. Siloe'd venues such as The Ranch Hotel, U-bar and The Hub at Macquarie University for students, and Verace Pizzeria, a new and awarded pizza restaurant located in the business park within a larger Kennards' Storage building, are located throughout the suburb.

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of respondents (66.8%, 127 people) said that Macquarie Park Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night. Around 75 ideas to activate the NTE in Macquarie Park were suggested through the online survey.

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Idea	No.	%
More restaurants	15	12%
More bars	13	10%
NTE hubs/venues outside the shopping centre/on the streetfront	12	9%
Better public transport and parking (each)	10	8%
Live music and later trading - retail (each)	8	6%

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey, September 2016)

Macquarie Park had the majority of comments through the community mapping tool. Ideas falling under the core activities included more wine bars, dining options, live music, outdoor dining and night markets. The non-core suggestions included outdoor exercise equipment, social sporting opportunities, better transport, better venues near public transport and better lighting in public space. Challenges included a lack of dining and drinking venues deterring people from wanting to stay in the area after work, not enough lighting affecting pedestrian safety and the traffic and public transport making it difficult for people to move around the area.



Consulting with workers at Optus

Placemaking at Optus Campus

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Summary of opportunities and barriers

There are limited options to create new NTE infrastructure in Macquarie Park due to the high amount of commercial development that has occurred in the area, limited public space and because almost all night time activities have been built within the Macquarie Centre shopping centre. However, it should be a priority to create a more activated NTE for the significantly high number of workers in the area (now and forecast) who have expressed demand for this and for the future increased resident population. This NTE should be encouraged outside the shopping centre, activating the streetscape and making the area feel safer and improving amenity for people to stay and socialise.

There is currently a planning proposal for amendments to the Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 which aims to facilitate the implementation of a new public park at 45-61 Waterloo Road Macquarie Park. This land is owned by the NSW Government. The proposal and associated masterplan includes a public park of 7,000m², a pedestrian link to the Lane Cover Road bus stop, and two new roads and 6 buildings facing the park. This space presents an opportunity to activate the night time economy in Macquarie Park with retail and dining shop fronts facing the park, lighting, and the provision of public open space for night time activities including markets and busking.

The planning process for the Macquarie Centre should consider opportunities to encourage street facing development. Council should continue to encourage street facing development and the revitalisation of Shrimptons Creek including with lighting and wifi for active recreation and night time events through the Ivanhoe Estate redevelopment.

Future activation of the NTE in Macquarie Park could include:

- Pop up events and bars in available public and private spaces, such as food trucks and pop up venues to create an interest in night time activities. These should be early evening as the majority of workers travel home to other parts of Sydney
- Clustering of future permanent NTE venues nearby the proposed Central Park
- Improved lighting and pedestrian access through the town centre including the lighting of Shrimpton Creed to access ELS Hall Park and encouraging social sports through business partnerships, and sports events at ELS Hall Park
- Connecting workers to Macquarie University facilities for social sport
- Lighting and pedestrian access through the town centre and encouraging street activity rather than internalised activities within the shopping centre
- Event partnerships with the University such as programs/events like "Raising the Bar", bringing the University into Macquarie Park pubs and restaurants
- Continue to work with the Macquarie Park Innovation District to facilitate night time events
- Consider how North Ryde Station urban activation precinct is an opportunity for the NTE with restaurants and outdoor dining planned.

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The Verace Pizzeria is a popular restaurant destination for people from across Sydney. However, it is located in a commercial building surrounded by Kennard's hire in a commercial precinct with no opportunities for increased night time activity. Because of this, additional night-time activity is unlikely to occur nearby and the surrounding areas are inactivated and vacant of activity after office hours.



The Ranch is a bar frequented by Macquarie University students. It is accessible only by the carpark on Herring Rd, and is surrounded by detached residential housing. Although this is a popular high-time venue, it would not work for further co-located night time venues, given the surroundings of residential development, lack of pedestrian amenity on the way to and from the site towards the station,

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Figure 5 NTE in Macquarie Park Town Centre



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5.4. Meadowbank Town Centre

The Meadowbank Employment Area (commonly known as Shepherds Bay) lies adjacent to the northern shore of the Parramatta River. The area is undergoing a fundamental change from an industrial area to a high density residential area. Both the State government and the City of Ryde's current vision for this area is for it to be a high density residential area with retail and commercial uses focused within the precinct adjacent to the railway station. This precinct is immediately adjacent to the Meadowbank TAFE. It includes a small cluster of shops either side of the railway station that provide a limited range of services. Some of the shops front a small urban plaza at the railway station. This precinct remains largely undeveloped and has the potential to develop as a village that would provide a focus for the surrounding residential areas. Meadowbank TAFE is located adjacent to the Meadowbank town centre. Courses include information and technology, beauty, sports, accounting, and nursing subjects.

Residents, workers and business

The estimated resident population of Meadowbank in 2015 was 5,934 people. The population is forecast to increase to 9,410 by 2036. In 2014/15 there were an estimated 38 NTE related businesses in Meadowbank which were all either retail businesses or food and beverage services. There were no accommodation services or creative and performing arts activities. High residential population growth and increasing density in a small geographical area will make it difficult for night time activities near residential areas (due to noise and other impacts), but it will be important to activate the area at night to create a safe and connected place.

Industry	No. registered businesses	% of industry in City of Ryde
Meadowbank	2014/15	
Other Store Based Retail	22	5%
Accommodation Services	0	0%
Food and Beverage Services	16	4%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	0	0%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id, 2014/15)

Plans and controls

City of Ryde DCP 2014 – 4.2 Shepherds Bay Meadowbank does not specifically discuss night-time activities, however, it has the following objectives that relate to the NTE:

- Encourage new development or the adaptive re-use of existing buildings containing a mix of residential, commercial and local retail

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- Facilitate convenient access between work, home and leisure
- Create a place specifically designed for the enjoyment and use of pedestrians and cyclists
- Facilitate uses and development that are compatible with, and complement public use of the Parramatta River and its foreshores
- Provide for safe, attractive and convenient public spaces that are well used.

Participation in the NTE in Meadowbank

The three main reasons respondents visit Meadowbank Town Centre at night are:

1. Restaurants (54.8%, 23 people)
2. To go shopping (45.2%, 19 people)
- 3 (equal). To go to pubs/bars (11.9%, 5 people)
- 3 (equal). To go to the Shepherd's Bay Community Centre (11.9%, 5 people)

The majority of respondents (92.9%, 39 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 6pm-8pm (27.5%, 11 people) or 8pm-10pm (47.5%, 19 people).

The Social Pinpoint community mapping tool identified that Meadowbank Park is a popular place for sports such as tennis and jogging in the evenings.

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of respondents (66.2%, 27 people) said that Meadowbank Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night.

Seventeen ideas were suggested by respondents of the online survey to activate Meadowbank at night. They are grouped below:

Idea	No.	%
Restaurants	6	22%
Lighting	5	19%
Use wharf and riverfront	3	11%
Night markets and food stalls	3	11%

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey, September 2016)

Through the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool, similar ideas to other town centres came across in the Ideas and Opportunities and What's Happening Now Comments. It was expressed that people were traveling outside the Meadowbank Town Centre to engage with core night time activities and that the area could benefit from a local night time economy to supplement the growing population and development in the area.

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Summary of opportunities and barriers

Meadowbank night-time activity is currently minimal and limited due to the density of residential development that overlooks public space. The main barriers are the nature of the development as a residential precinct, as any activation with extensive lighting, noise and people will, be highly disruptive to surrounding residences due to the high frequency of open balconies, large picture windows and multiple awning windows. However, there are great opportunities to create a public domain that encourages informal night-time activity particularly around the riverfront. Restaurant/small bars could be located near the riverfront and there are opportunities to improve links and access through creative lighting and activated walkways between restaurants and the park and wharfs. Additionally, Meadowbank Oval is activated at night with team sports and practice, and there may be opportunities to better use the oval for community and cultural events at night. Given Meadowbank Parks' large level open spaces, there could be the possibility for small scale festivals, night markets. Issues however around lighting as there is minimal light for most of the park. Infrastructure is concentrated on certain areas for Cricket and Netball facilities.

There also opportunities to activate Meadowbank Wharf and Memorial Park through temporary activations and pop-ups (eg. food trucks). The ferry Wharf has good connectivity and ample space for people to gather for bus and ferry services, good amount of parking spaces- linking to Memorial park which connects to Meadowbank Park.



The Stone Bar café is located directly opposite the ferry wharf. There are few opportunities for new venues at this location. However, there may be opportunities for pop-ups and temporary activations such as food trucks at the Meadowbank Wharf or Memorial Park - this would require amenity improvements such as lighting and wayfinding.



While the Shepherd's Bay Community Centre is a popular place for night-time activities, it is limited by its conditions of consent which preclude some activities.

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Figure 6 NTE in the Meadowbank Town Centre



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5.5. Ryde (Top Ryde) Town Centre

Ryde Town Centre (also referred to as Top Ryde) is located approximately 14 kilometres from Sydney CBD and 10 kilometres from Parramatta. Ryde Town Centre is home to significant heritage buildings such as St Anne's Church, Willandra, and Ryde Public School, as well as residential and shopping areas. The night time economy in Ryde is centred on the Top Ryde shopping centre, including cinemas, Thursday night late night shopping and "the Piazza" restaurant area with outdoor dining and large screens for events. The Royal hotel is a large licensed venue, and Ryde Park is popular in the evenings with young people. The City of Ryde customer service centre will relocate to an upgraded premises on Devlin St, across from the Top Ryde Shopping Centre.

Residents and NTE businesses

The estimated residential population of Ryde (Top Ryde) in 2015 was 5,558. By 2036 the population is forecast to almost double to 10,312 people. In 2014/15 there were 43 NTE related businesses in Top Ryde including retail, food and beverage and creative and performing arts activities, however, much of this activity occurs within the Top Ryde shopping centre and not at street level.

Industry	Number of Registered Businesses 2014/15	% of industry in City of Ryde
Ryde (Top Ryde)		
Other Store Based Retail	18	4%
Accommodation Services	0	0%
Food and Beverage Services	22	5%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	3	3.5%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id, 2014/15)

Plans and controls

City of Ryde's vision for Ryde town centre is:

Ryde Town Centre will be a vibrant, attractive and safe place to live, work, visit and invest, with a diversity of public spaces and opportunities for leisure, learning, shopping and business that reinforce the role of Ryde Town Centre as the civic and commercial hub of the City of Ryde. The centre will be enlivened by outdoor dining, civic events and festivals that are set within high quality public domain.

This vision includes aims for 11 precincts, including for the "main streets":

Precinct 3: Main Street; - Council aims to enhance the role of Blaxland Road and Church Street as "main" streets through public domain enhancements and encouraging development that activates the streets and a vibrant atmosphere with outdoor dining, markets and the like particularly in Church Street.

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Being a higher order centre, the planning objectives for the Ryde Town Centre do make reference to an evening activities. The first objective is to *"reinforce Ryde Town Centre as an important cultural, civic, commercial, retail, employment, education, residential and recreation location"*. To achieve this, the plan recognises the importance of creating *"residential development that contributes to village life with increased activity at the weekends and in the evenings"* and *"enrich the neighbourhood by accommodating a diverse population in a wide range of housing types"*.

Additionally, another objective is *"to create an attractive, safe, convenient and well-used pedestrian environment and public domain"* and achieve this by *"create[ing] a high quality public domain that is safe and accessible for all, during and outside business hours"*.

Like for all other centres, the DCP includes specific provisions relating to acoustic privacy. However, for the Ryde Town Centre area, there are specific controls that talk to the relationship between residential and entertainment/dining uses that may be restrictive and have a negative impact on future opportunities to activate the night time economy. These development controls include:

- Where retail and commercial development adjoins residential development, the use of mechanical plant equipment and building services will be restricted and must have acoustic insulation.
- Loading and unloading facilities must not be located immediately adjacent to residential development.
- Design restaurants and cafes to diminish the impact of noise associated with late night operation on nearby residents.

The Town Core Precinct, within the Ryde Town Centre, will *"service the needs and expectations of local communities and include new public spaces and community facilities, residential and commercial opportunities. It will demonstrate design excellence and environmental sustainability"*. The specific land use controls for this precinct outline the following compatible land uses, which are relevant to the night time economy:

- Public open space will be the subject of Management Plans that will safeguard use of public open space for community events, define minimum access requirements and maintenance regimes.
- Apartments near public open space must have built-in acoustic mitigation controls to ensure that activities in the public domain will not adversely affect the amenity of residents. The objective of this provision is to protect the long term use of public open space for civic and community events.
- The boundaries between adjoining publicly owned and privately owned public domain spaces should be indiscernible. Paving, soft landscaping, street furniture and the like shall be in accordance with the Ryde Town Centre Public Domain Plan.
- Outdoor dining, street markets and other active uses are encouraged in the public domain, subject to Council consent. Refer to Ryde Town Centre Public Domain Plan and Council's Footpath Activity Policy and discuss lease arrangements with the City of Ryde Property Services.

Participation in the NTE

The three main reasons respondents visit Ryde Town Centre at night are:

- 1. To go shopping at Top Ryde Shopping Centre (68.1%, 113 people)

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- 2. To go to restaurants (57.8%, 96 people)
- 3. To eat at Top Ryde Shopping Centre (56.6%, 94 people)

The majority of respondents (87.7%, 143 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 8pm-10pm (48.1%, 77 people) or 10pm-12am (28.8%, 46 people).

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of respondents (59.9%, 91 people) said that Ryde Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night.

Forty-seven ideas were suggested through the online survey as grouped below:

Ideas	No.	%
Use the outdoor dining area for entertainment	9	10%
Bars	7	8%
Parking	7	8%
More variety of NTE activities apart from formal restaurants	7	8%
Later trading hours	7	8%
Restaurants	5	5%
Night markets and food stalls	5	5%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id 2014/15)

There were a total of nine comments made about the Ryde Town Centre through the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool. The majority of these comments were Ideas and Opportunities, which all mentioned the need for more drinking venues outside the Top Ryde Shopping Centre. The What's Happening Now comments highlighted the Top Ryde Shopping Centre as a place to have dinner. However, in the Challenges comments concern for the lack of night time economy activities outside the shopping centre and the lack of quality pubs were expressed. An Idea and Opportunity to bring Vivid festival to Top Ryde was also mentioned which received seven 'likes'.



Summary of opportunities and barriers

The Ryde Town Centre is a popular destination for night-time activities, however, most of the activity is confined to the Top Ryde Shopping Centre, which creates a barrier to activating street life through outdoor dining, for example, in Church Street. There is minimal to no pedestrian traffic on the shopping

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side of the street. Foot traffic on the opposite side is gathering for a bus or walking to cross at Blaxland Rd.

The City of Ryde has previously, unsuccessfully, aimed at encouraging outdoor dining in Church Street. Major barriers are most likely a lack of street/pedestrian activity outside the shopping centre, poor amenity (eg. lighting, colour, road noise, construction works), and a lack of diverse offer (eg. only restaurants). There is minimal lighting over the footpaths in Church Street, as lighting is concentrated on the street edge and many businesses along this section operate only in office hours. While the area recently underwent renewal and has a consistency in street furniture, style and paving. Introduction of recessed parking bays and terracing with seating, provides a barrier to traffic for the foot path, though leaves the footpath narrow when considering on street dining. There is however good connectivity to Top Ryde Shopping centre and walk through dinning plaza via a less then 1 min walk across Blaxland Rd.

Through consultation there was a desire for extended retail operating hours in town centres, and small wine bars/more sophisticated dining offer. There are also opportunities to better utilise Ryde Park for cultural and theatre activities, night time cinema, and Shakespeare in the Park. Work with Ryde Shopping Centre to consider later retail shopping centres and family friend events/pop-ups in the central plaza.

Ryde Library has previously trialled late night programs, and with appropriate resourcing could deliver this program regularly.



Views of Church Street, Top Ryde (source: Cred Consulting)

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Figure 7 Ryde Town Centre



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5.6. West Ryde Town Centre

West Ryde Town Centre is located 16 km west of the Sydney CBD. The town centre is bisected east-west by Victoria Road and north-south by the Northern railway line. The centre is highly accessible due to the West Ryde Railway Station which serves as a major interchange for bus and rail services. The focus of the centre has turned to the streets behind and to the north of Victoria Road. The West Ryde shopping centre has recently been developed and includes a supermarket, library, retail space, community centre and residential units. Future development and public domain improvements will be focused on the eastern side of the centre along Ryedale Road, surrounding Anzac Park and along Victoria Road. Employment uses will be protected and enhanced. West Ryde Hotel and the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club are two large licensed venues, and there are also restaurants along Victoria Road.

Residents and NTE businesses

The 2015 estimated resident population of West Ryde was 13,372. By 2036, the population is forecast to increase to approximately 16,445 people.

In 2014/15 there were 53 registered NTE businesses in West Ryde as shown below these included mostly retail and food and beverage with 3 creative/performing arts activities including the West Ryde Community Centre. While there is street level retail and dining, much of the activity is confined to within the shopping centre.

Industry	Number of Registered Businesses 2014/15	% of industry in City of Ryde
West Ryde		
Other Store Based Retail	23	6%
Accommodation Services	0	0%
Food and Beverage Services	26	6%
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	3	3.5%

(source: City of Ryde economy.id, 2014/15)

Plans and controls

Part 4.3 of the City of Ryde DCP provides controls for the West Ryde Town Centre. This centre again is focused on a mix of land uses by "creating a convenient community and retail centre" and "encouraging higher density development surrounding the town centre and provide a transition to surrounding suburban areas".

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Section 3.1.2 Mixed-Use Development provides controls for new development that “encourage a mix of retail and commercial activities to be located on a single level or at ground level. Residential uses should be provided within upper levels of the building”.

Section 3.1.6 Active Street Frontages and Street Address does identify that active frontages should be achieved using one or a combination of retail shop front; entrance to a retail arcade; frontage to open space; glazed entry to a commercial or residential lobby; cafe or restaurant; outdoor dining areas; and active office uses (including community uses), some uses which are fundamental to the night time economy. The acoustic amenity objectives for the West Ryde Town Centre demonstrate a clear priority towards the residential component of the mixed use, by stating that “to ensure adequate visual and acoustic privacy of residential development in the Town Centre and to associated private open space.”

Participation in the NTE

The three main reasons respondents visit West Ryde Town Centre at night are:

1. To go shopping (63%, 51 people)
2. To go to restaurants (56.8%, 46 people)
3. To go to the Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club (25.9%, 21 people)

The majority of respondents (87.3%, 69 people) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave either between 6pm-8pm (25.6%, 20 people) or 8pm-10am (51.3%, 40 people).

Ideas to activate the NTE

The majority of respondents (64.9%, 48 people) said that West Ryde Town Centre could be improved to be more vibrant, activated and accessible at night. 41 ideas were suggested to activate the NTE in West Ryde Town Centre as grouped below.

Ideas	No.	%
Restaurants	9	19%
Use West Ryde plaza area	8	17%
Small bars	5	10%
Lighting	5	10%
Night markets and food stalls	4	8%
Public space and aesthetic improvements	4	8%
Parking	3	6%
Live music	3	6%

(source: #RydeAfter5 online survey, September 2016)

Five Ideas and Opportunities comments proposed a night market “representing the cultural diversity of the area” and improving lighting in the area for pedestrians. Accessibility issues were raised in the Challenges comments, identifying pedestrian access and night time public transport as areas for improvement.

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Summary of opportunities and barriers

Research conducted for this study, and also the Eastwood and West Ryde Community Connections Study¹¹ identified that the main barriers to activating the NTE in West Ryde is the poor amenity and design of the town centre, the lack of street activation (people shop in the shopping centres and do not come out to the shops on the streets) and a lack of public open spaces (well set up with infrastructure) to deliver community and cultural activities and events.

There are also issues with the entrance to the town centre on Victoria Road with a number of run-down and vacant shop fronts. Masterplans for the town centre have recommended improved wayfinding to make the town centre more legible and improve pedestrian access to activate the streets, which would also support more people coming out at night and engaging in night time activities. Previous studies have also focussed on a need to improve safety (and perceptions of safety) particularly to address inadequate lighting in the town centre, carparks and connecting public transport to the shopping precinct. Perceptions of safety greatly impact on people coming out at night.

West Ryde Plaza has very little public open space and therefore, the plaza needs to be embellished to create a place for the community to gather and participate in night time activities. This can be achieved through creative lighting in the plaza (see Lankelly Place) and improved seating, shelter and tables, and also improved wayfinding and lighting between the plaza and train station. The entry to West Ryde Town Centre should be improved through embellishments to the restaurants on Victoria Road and improved wayfinding through laneways to the plaza and restaurants. There are opportunities to support night time activities such as the existing restaurants through embellished public domain on Ryedale Rd. Council should partner with local community and cultural groups, within this highly diverse population, to deliver pop-up and temporary community, cultural and family events in plaza and Town Centre. There are also opportunities to activate the town centre at night through night event and activities at the library and the community centre.



Families congregating in the plaza



Consulting with residents at West Ryde town centre

¹¹ Cred Community Planning, 2011

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Figure 8 NTE in West Ryde Town Centre



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5.7. Boronia Park Town Centre

Boronia Park is located approximately 8km northwest of Sydney, in on the border of the Hunters Hill and City of Ryde Councils. It is a local shopping centre with a small variety of retail uses, community facilities and parks close by. The centre contains large supermarkets such as Woolworths and a mixture of smaller food outlets. The commercial area is restricted to Pittwater Road, Thompson Street and Princes Street. Festivals and other cultural events take place near the centre such as the Moocooboola festival in Boronia Park.

The resident population of Hunters Hill was 13,216 in 2011. There is no suburb data available for Boronia Park. There are no plans and/or controls related to Boronia Park Centre.

Participation in the NTE

The three main reasons respondents visit Boronia Park Centre at night are:

1. To go shopping (84.6%, 11 people)
2. To go to restaurants (61.5%, 8 people)

The majority of respondents (100%) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave between 8pm and 10pm.

Ideas to activate the NTE

Around 38.5% of respondents thought that Boronia Park could be improved at night, however 42.6% "didn't know". Some reasons given for how included:

- Shops could be open and more lighting
- Update the place – shops and restaurants
- More diversity in shops

The Boronia Park Town Centre received five comments within the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool. The What's Happening Now comments identified two local businesses as places people go to eat. It was suggested in one of the comments to increase the trading hours to allow for trading to occur at night. Pedestrian safety issues were also raised, identifying Princes Street and Earl Street as unsafe areas at night.

Summary of opportunities and barriers

It is recommended that Council look at ways to improve the public domain of the Boronia Park Town Centre through creative lighting and lighting to improve safety and a refreshed look and feel. Residents suggested that extended trading hours and more diversity of offer could enliven night time activity.

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Figure 9 Boronia Park NTE



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5.8. Hunters Hill Town Centre

Hunters Hill Village is located approximately 7km northwest of Sydney, in the south of the Hunters Hill Council Area. It is a local level, well-patronised shopping area with a variety of retail, community and public uses. There is a range of restaurants, retail outlets and a large pub. The commercial area is restricted to Gladesville Road and parts of Ryde Road. The centre is located next to Burns Bay Road a busy main road and is accessible by bus. The centre is also near St. Josephs and Hunters Hill High School, both large schools.

The resident population of Hunters Hill LGA was 13,216 in 2011.

Council plans and controls

The desired future character statements for the Hunters Hill Village Centre indicate a preference for reinforcing the existing scale and character, with a subtle priority towards residential development. For example, chapter 4.5.3 of the DCP outline the character controls relating to the village core precinct which include:

- Encourage a mix of residential accommodation above commercial and retail uses at street level
- Respect the scale and form of existing buildings
- Protect the amenity of adjoining residential neighbourhoods
- Ensure high levels of street-amenity by encouraging active uses at street level, and by improvements to the public domain

Under section 4.5.7 Active Frontages, the DCP identifies active uses which contribute to pedestrian activity, which include uses that commonly contribute to the late night economy such as; restaurants or cafes; entertainment facilities and function centres and pubs.

While not specifically related to night time economy, the above character controls may limit the opportunities for future activation within the Hunters Hill Village Centre.

Participation in the NTE

The main reasons respondents visit Hunters Hill Village at night are:

1. To go to restaurants (90.9%, 10 people)
2. To go shopping (36.4%, 4 people).

Other reasons given were Boronia Park oval for rugby, fishing at Woolwich.

Ideas to activate the NTE

All respondents (100%) generally arrive between 6pm-8pm, and leave between 8pm and 10pm.

Around 44.4% of respondents thought that Hunters Hill could not be improved at night, and 33% thought that it could. Some reasons given for how included:

- Parking improvements and traffic improvements around Woolwich

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- The latest restaurants and outdoor seating has made it more vibrant. More of these would enhance it particularly if we closed off sections like Gladesville Road near the IGA, making it a bit quieter.

The majority of comments through the Social Pinpoint community mapping tool in Hunters Hill Town Centre were Challenges. These were mostly to do with noise and anti-social behaviour around the Hunters Hill Hotel. An accessibility issue was also raised highlighting the uneven pathways being a deterrence to go out at night. The What's Happening Now comments praised the restaurants along Gladesville Road and the Hunters Hill Hotel as "a good meeting place". A wine bar was suggested in an Ideas and Opportunities comment complimenting the existing night time businesses along Gladesville Road.



Summary of opportunities and barriers

Improvements for Hunters Hill Town Centre to activate the NTE revolved around improved and creative lighting for safety and amenity. Residents also were interested in more cultural and community events at night that were family friendly and that supported the older residents to come out at night.

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Figure 10 NTE in Hunters Hill Town Centre



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6. Comparable town centres

This section provides a summary of comparable town centres (neighbouring City of Ryde and Hunters Hill LGAs) and lessons for City of Ryde. This section looks at the local legislation and controls impacting the NTE, the core/non-core activities of the NTE, and local amenities that facilitate the NTE in Rhodes, North Sydney, Lane Cove, Lindfield and Parramatta town centres. For more detail on the town centres including legislation and controls impacting on the NTE, see **Appendix 4**.

6.1. Characteristics of the NTE in comparable town centres

Parramatta

The activity within the NTE in Parramatta occurs along Church Street and around Centenary Square. The core night time activities that occur in this area include bars, restaurants and entertainment venues.

The NTE in Parramatta is supplemented by public space that comes alive at night such as Centenary Square. The Parramatta City Centre DCP identifies a need for maximising active frontages to parks, public squares and the river foreshore. The City encourages outdoor dining including providing outdoor dining infrastructure within Centenary Square. Parramatta Laneway Strategy aims to have all laneways well-lit around the town centre for safety and to facilitate commerce at night. This is supported by the Parramatta Lanes annual festival, which brings attention to the year-round NTE in Parramatta with entertainment, food and art in the laneways.

The City also supports the NTE by publishing a newsletter called Discover Parramatta with all information regarding the NTE in one place, through Pop Up Parramatta which injects creative enterprise and infrastructure into unused buildings and spaces in the CBD, and the Parramatta Economic Development Strategy which aims to encourage non-core NTE businesses to operate for longer hours to supplement core night time businesses trading at night.



Centenary Square



Lively pedestrian environments



Safe informal seating areas

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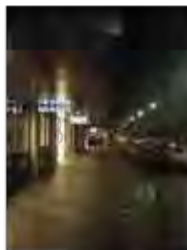
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Rhodes

Activity in Rhodes NTE occurs in the commercial area located near the train station (Walker St).

Canada Bay DCP emphasizes pedestrian safety including lighting, minimizing shadows and concealment spaces, awnings over activity strips, and overlooking of public areas. The Rhodes West DCP 2015 specifically targets Walker St as a spine that should have the highest level of illumination, along with the civic and urban streets that link Walker Street with the retail centre and the foreshore.

Infrastructure improvements in Rhodes support the enhanced night time use of open space. The City of Canada Bay has trialled food trucks in the area.



Well-lit awnings over activity areas in Walker St



Walker St



Engaging, well-lit public spaces to support core NTE activities

North Sydney CBD, Cammeray, and Crows Nest

A large working population in North Sydney supports core NTE activities of bars, restaurants and entertainment venues. In Crows Nest, vibrant public spaces support the NTE.

The main initiative in the North Sydney Community Safety Plan is to activate the NTE as a way to improve safety in the area. The North Sydney DCP was recently amended to include a late night trading hours section in order to standardize trading hours for all night time businesses, to stimulate the NTE within commercial and mixed-use areas.

Twilight Food Fairs have been held every Friday night since 1990. The North Sydney Council food van legislation restricts food vans so that they do not operate in town centres or after 8pm.



Well-lit pedestrian thoroughfares



Public space that comes to life at night



Multiple businesses close together trading at night creates a vibrant atmosphere

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Lane Cove

Lane Cove Council legislation and controls focus on public space improvements and pedestrian safety to support the NTE including the recent upgrade of the Lane Cove Plaza and transform existing arcades and pedestrian walkways into publicly accessible connections, 24 hours per day.

Lane Cove Council runs night time events including Chinese Lunar New Year, and facilitates residents and private groups to rent out parks at night for events and markets.



Safe pedestrian connections



Creative lighting



Upgraded Lloyd Rees Bandstand

Lindfield

Ku-ring-gai Council will support the NTE in Lindfield through the development of the Lindfield Hub (expected construction and completion 2021), which will be a mixed use precinct with community buildings, boutique shops, cafes, restaurants, apartments and a below-ground supermarket, and a large open space to provide for a range of day and night uses and different age groups.

6.2. Lessons for City of Ryde

Strategies from comparable town centres that have been successful in stimulating an accessible, activated and vibrant NTE include:

- Acknowledging that activation of the NTE increases community safety
- Locating NTE areas near public transport, and providing safe and well-lit pedestrian connections to NTE areas
- Investing in public spaces around core night time activities
- Consistent hours of operation for core night time businesses within commercial centres
- Regularly and consistently holding night time events in order for them to gain momentum
- Allowing residents and private entities to use public spaces to create night time events
- Allowing pop-up businesses to operate within unused spaces.
- Encouraging night time events and activities that respond to the local cultures e.g. Chinese New Year
- Reducing red tape around food van operation
- Creating less stringent mobile food van regulations to allow for smooth operation in Ryde

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- Providing outdoor dining infrastructure in public places
- Creating lively social media campaigns and publications advertising night time activities in Ryde
- Installing creative lighting in public spaces.

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7. Barriers and opportunities to activate the NTE

This section provides a Strategic Action Plan to activate the NTE across the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill town centres based on outcomes of this study including:

- Strategic planning context
- Council controls
- Best practice approaches to activating and managing the NTE (research, strategies, comparable centres), and
- Outcomes of consultation with residents, workers, business, Council and other agencies.

7.1. Barriers to activating the NTE

A number of barriers have been identified to activating the NTE. These include:

- There are no specific objectives in Council's DCP relating to night time activation or management of NTE impacts and no identified "Night Time Entertainment Precincts" in Council's DCP
- Council's event approvals processes and forms are complex, even for small events
- Council's footpath activity policy does not provide any guidance about what is permissible at night
- There is no policy or guidance for those businesses wanting to open small bars
- Council's existing controls for Mobile Food Vans act as a barrier to Mobile Food Trucks being trialled
- Alcohol Free Zones provide an appropriate means of addressing alcohol related crime. However, they may limit the ability of licensed pop-up events and festivals to be held at night in key places
- NTE activity in a number of Ryde's town centres is internalised in shopping centres (eg. Macquarie Centre or Top Ryde) which impacts on the ability to activate streets
- In some town centres, restaurants (across a range of quality types) are located on busy main roads (such as Victoria Road or Church Street) with poor amenity
- There is a need to improve the amenity (look, feel, lighting, signage, seating, shelter) of all town centres to encourage people to engage in them at night, creating a destination, sense of safety and infrastructure for activation
- There is a low residential population in some town centres which limits the captive audience for night time activities (Macquarie Park)
- There is a lack of public open spaces and plazas in town centres, however those that do have plazas (such as West Ryde) are looked upon by residential towers, limiting the ability to hold NTE and increasing the risk of noise and other complaints by neighbours, and

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- There is a lack of diversity of NTE offer, limited mostly to restaurants and shopping centres.

7.2. Strategic directions and opportunities for Ryde's NTE

The strategies and actions provide a roadmap for improving City of Ryde's NTE. Like other successful NTE strategies, the plan should be implemented in partnership with local business, cultural and community stakeholders.

The three strategic directions for City of Ryde's NTE are:

1. A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience – Including diverse and family friendly options, quality venues and a range of permanent and temporary activities in appropriate town centres
2. A safe, welcoming and functional place – Including a well-lit and designed public domain, improved wayfinding for pedestrians, improved transport, a more activated street life, and secure places and venues
3. A responsive city - Supporting local business and the community to activate and manage the NTE through simplified processes, localised planning, support, and marketing and promotion.

The following opportunities are recommended to be included in an action plan for the City of Ryde's NTE:

- Prepare a NTE Policy that clearly states Council's objectives relating to a more activated NTE
- Continue to implement and expand an innovative late night library program at Ryde and West Ryde
- Explore holding night time food markets, night time cinema and family friendly events in town centres and parks at night, with a pilot project in West Ryde Plaza
- Audit vacant commercial buildings to initiate an Empty Shopfronts project with a pilot in West Ryde
- Work with developers to ensure future developments include street activation, mixed uses, public space designed for night time use and NTE core and non-core uses
- Implement the Ryde Food Truck Program to activate town centres lacking public spaces and night time infrastructure (Macquarie Park and Meadowbank)
- Improve lighting throughout all town centres including lighting for better wayfinding at night and creative lighting projects in key laneways, sites and strips to create a sense of place and activity
- Improve all town centres to support NTE activities including places to gather, power and Wi-Fi
- Communicate the findings of this study through Economic and Business Forums and Networks
- Create a central NTE information portal relating to the NTE, and
- Include guidance around night time activities (busking, pop-ups, events) in the review of Council's policies and Strategies including the Events Strategy, the Footpath Activity Policy, and Food Trucks.

Opportunities by town centre

Analysis of how well each town centre meets the criteria for a great NTE and suggested opportunities to make each town centre more activated at night are provided in the table overpage.

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Criteria for a great NTE	
▪ Diversity of offer: At least four different NTE activities available in a variety of locations including outside shopping centres	
▪ Transport: Train station and a major bus route	
▪ Wayfinding and connectivity: Clear connections between transport and NTE venues	
▪ Safety and risk: As identified in survey	
▪ Governance and partnerships: NTE included in the DCP, partnerships between local businesses, Chamber of Commerce, Council	
▪ Quality public domain: Public plazas and open space, footpaths, seating and lighting to support night time activity	
▪ Lighting and public art: Creative lighting installations, night lights, public art	
▪ Temporary uses: Regularly used for temporary uses e.g. markets, busking	

RYDE TOWN CENTRES AT NIGHT											Ways to activate the NTE	Opportunities
Diversity of offer	Transport	Wayfinding and connectivity	Safety & risk	Governance & partnerships	Quality public domain	Lighting & public art	Temporary uses	Public domain	Public art		Ways to activate the NTE	Opportunities
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Appendix 1 Best practice NTE strategies and activations

“The City After Dark: Cultural Planning and Governance of the NTE in Parramatta”

Parramatta has a defined and lineal spatial structure to its nightlife, with Church St being the connector of major entertainment and leisure facilities, nightlife precinct, the football stadium and train station. This produces a high volume of pedestrian activity and traffic. However, the three key night venues - Roxy's, PJ Gallagher's and OneWorldSports - are sparsely located without much movement of patrons between venues, leading to bleak areas of little activity in between. With more movement between venues and a clear, natural route, more activity would occur in these areas. In addition, limited lighting in many areas as well as day-centric street furniture and signage, negatively impacts the place as a night time destination.

In summary, Parramatta's NTE was found to be limited, non-diverse (only drinking establishments, age and ethnic segregation), spatially constrained, and disconnected to other venues and businesses.

Community consultation found:

- exaggerated perceptions of risk and safety
- a tendency toward single and focussed leisure activities (such as seeing a film or going to dinner) rather than multi-directional flows between spaces and activities.
- Few opportunities for spontaneity due to the number and types of available activities
- An over-reliance on cars, which contributed to the above.
- fears about licensed venues and alcohol consumption dominating Parramatta's night-time economy, raising questions about any ongoing liberalisation of drinking venues.

Key actions

Theme	Actions
Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote street festivals and displays • Support local business to open longer hours • Extend the opening hours of library and other cultural facilities (which in turn diversify their activities) • Establish cultural precincts which have venues for a range of activities where art is produced and consumed, such as performance and rehearsal spaces, galleries and artists' studios, retail facilities, restaurants, and locations for street entertainment. Local tertiary education facilities should be encouraged to become involved. Their presence may take the form of student galleries, media centres and studio spaces, as well as student accommodation.
Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stronger connections between the different parts of the night-time city by ensuring the spaces are well lit, more systematic use of urban and parkland space at both ends of Church Street, improved civic placemaking signage, and anti-clustering policies that would encourage pedestrian flow towards new, different venues and facilities between the 'bookends' of Church Street

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Theme	Actions
Safety and risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate zoning which encourages people to live and work in the inner city (for example, shoptop housing, student residences, inexpensive living and studio accommodation for artists - which currently exist in a limited form - as well as more expensive apartment development) • Use lighting functionally and as entertainment to both beautify the city and promote security • NTE Regulation which includes a mix of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committed policing • Use and supervision of private security at venues (including police checks of individual guards) • Diverse types of guards/security officers • Strict adherence to RSA practices • Close liaison between licensing police and venue operators
Outdoor activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote street festivals and displays
Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use lighting functionally and as entertainment to both beautify the city and promote security
Temporary Uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote street festivals and displays

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Open Sydney Strategy 2013-203

In 2009 Sydney City's NTE accounted for 28.4% of all jobs, generated \$457 million in tax revenue and generated \$15.1 billion. Costs involved included state and local government transport, police, health and cleaning to a total cost of \$125 million. The Study found that there was a lack of diversity:

- in age ranges in the city after dark, with only 6% of those in the city at night over 40.
- In activities available after dark in the city:
 - with pubs, taverns and bars accounting for the greatest number of businesses after 11pm
 - only 9.7% of all weekday trips between 6PM and 6AM for shopping, as opposed to 6AM to 6PM where 90.3% of all trips in the city were for shopping.

Bus service frequency declines after midnight and trains stop around 1am; the very time crowds are at their greatest. 58% were not satisfied with night transport and wanted more bus and rail, while just 20% of over 45s were satisfied with taxi availability.

The strategy focused on creating more diversity of offer in its NTE, particularly not focused around alcohol, around arts and cultural activations and improvements to public space. It also focused on the goals below¹²

1. A Global Sydney - including innovative solutions, good governance and coordinated action
2. A Connected Sydney - including connected transport and connecting visitors, business and event
3. A Diverse Sydney - including diverse options and planned growth
4. An Inviting and Safe Sydney - including welcoming public spaces and a more civilised drinking culture
5. A Responsive Sydney - including responsive regulation, cutting red tape, and precinct plans providing locally tailored solutions



¹² City of Sydney, *Open Sydney: Future Directions for Sydney at Night. Strategic Action Plan 2013-2030*. 2013. ONLINE. Available at: http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0014/132224/2013-054826-OPEN-Sydney-Strategy-and-Action-Plan-FINAL-version-February-2013.pdf

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Strategies and actions

Theme	Actions
Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24 hour library <p><i>Increased retail:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New developments to contain ground floor retail that trades into the evening. ▪ Development consent assistance to alter existing trading hours. Provide new retailers with later hours ▪ Retail action plan and retail advisory panel to extend trading hours in key locations <p><i>Increased cultural activities:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Support artists to activate shopfronts in vacant city owned properties ▪ Live music taskforce, advocate to music & theatre industry to assist with growth in the sector ▪ Grants to small arts and creative organisations to promote ideas and events at night ▪ Annual night - museums, galleries stay open late one night a year
Transport	<p><i>Increased public transport at night:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Review bus stop, taxi design, security, lighting, signage, digital information, (real time next train and bus info) ▪ Data provision to app developers - users to compare price, time, location. ▪ Advocate amendment to Passenger Transport Act 1990 to facilitate shuttle buses and innovative services between precincts ▪ Advocate for increase in train and buses ▪ Increase taxi access - review of ranks; (advocate for) prepay system for fares after midnight to increase taxis; part time plates ▪ Doubling night-ride. Night time shuttle bus service trial
Safety and risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New CCTV, more toilets, bigger bins in select locations
Outdoor activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Late night food markets in public ▪ Make it easier for live music, cinema, other forms of temporary programming in public spaces and parks. ▪ Outdoor dining policy - cut fees, review hours ▪ Expand food truck culture

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Theme	Actions
Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Creative and functional lighting: functional and aesthetic in key areas, reviews, later park lights. Explore creative lighting and signage for commercial premises, work with leading lighting experts to provide workshops for private property owners
Temporary uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Make it easier for live music, cinema, other forms of temporary programming in public spaces and parks. Work with local music schools and colleges to enable live music in public spaces. Busking policy to encourage night time busking. ▪ Late night food markets in public ▪ Utilisation of spaces in city by cultural, low-scale live music, buskers, food trucks, markets, cinema, pop up dining. Map appropriate laneways, public & private spaces and parks, rooftops, train stations, forecourts of council buildings.

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Penrith Night Time Economy Study and Strategy

Penrith currently has a foot traffic precinct around Riley St. and a destination precinct around High Street. These currently lack a coherent connection. Consultation with the community found that people thought it was a ghost town at night, and had issues with unwelcoming design (e.g. security roller shutters and car parks). The Parramatta Night Time Economy Study and Strategy intends to create growth opportunities, change negative perceptions of the area, and build on existing strengths of:

- Diverse Business base
- Civic & cultural assets - Performing Arts Centre, Nepean Campus, Library
- Existing NTE - restaurants and licensed premises
- Leisure & rec assets: Penrith Panthers, RSL, - lots of regional patrons
- Unique built environment - plazas and arcades and strip shopping

Newcastle After Dark

"The Newcastle night-time economy is nationally significant and a major employer in the region. Done well, it can support revitalisation, and grow our visitor and cultural economies"

The Strategy was focussed on growing and improving the city after dark. Council conducted annual Newcastle After Dark Survey that found that 70% surveyed did not have any negative experiences in NC at night. However, the main reasons they don't visit at night is lack of transport and parking restrictions.

Strategic priorities identified through the Strategy included:

- Strategic Alcohol Management
- Night time economic development
- Public domain designed for night
- Cultural participation and activation
- Regulation, Planning and Licensing
- Research and Evaluation.

Strategies and actions

Theme	Aims and Actions
Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More refined dining ▪ Leverage activity from events at the Joan Sutherland Arts Centre ▪ Encourage creative business ideas and support diverse uses in strategic precincts.
Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create connections between High St. and Riley St. ▪ Implement a wayfinding plan to link night time precincts to public transport and parking

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Theme	Aims and Actions
Safety and risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Be family friendly ▪ CCTV improvements ▪ Review the DCP with regards to roller door installations ▪ Review night time bus stops, way finding and lighting design.
Outdoor activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Street art ▪ Activate its arcades, similarly to Melbourne's laneways ▪ Hold outdoor events such as trade fairs, food markets, concerts and displays
Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Review lighting policy, improve lighting on footpaths & public spaces that complements wayfinding and CCTV plans ▪ Implement a shopfront display lighting program
Temporary uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create an events calendar and ensure businesses are linked to events so they can leverage the activity

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Activation case studies

Parramatta Lanes¹³

Parramatta has approximately 50,000 professional workers. In 2012 Parramatta LGA found that just 2 in 5 employees were staying in the area after work or returning on weekends. Between 5 and 7% were attending cultural events and shows in the area. However, these workers wanted more of a connection between the corporate lifestyle and entertainment/food offering. In October 2012 the first Parramatta Lanes event was held, offering gourmet street foods, craft beers, cocktails, live music, and art installations within previously underutilised sites throughout the Parramatta CBD over 4 days. After identifying possible sites, Council consulted with local businesses around how it would affect them and how they could take part. It had the following objectives:

- **Primary:**
 - Offer a high quality food experience
 - Support new and emerging food culture in the city
 - Engage office workers in the cultural life of the city and offer different event on the Parra Calendar
 - Change perceptions of Parramatta
- **Secondary**
 - Activate hidden spaces in the CBD
 - Support Growth of emerging laneway culture
 - Improve safety and perceptions

The legacy of the event includes:

- Pop-up bars run by Park Royal in Erby Place every Friday in summer
- Business developing their own program of activation
- Increased safety through activation of lanes
- Stronger social fabric and community pride
- Connecting various types of businesses to work collaboratively
- A change in perception of Parramatta; safe, creative, gourmet.

¹³ Business Chamber of Commerce 2015; Local Government NSW 2014

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Splash Adelaide¹⁴

Previously very much a "9 to 5 town" where restaurants closed after lunch, Adelaide has a new day and night time energy; the product of simple and inexpensive strategies for activating its public spaces. The council set aside \$150K into "lighter, quicker and cheaper" projects targeted at pop-up entertainment, events, arts projects and an "anything goes" approach to placemaking.

Leichhardt LEP¹⁵ small bars

Prior to amalgamation, Leichhardt Council was amending Schedule 2 of Leichhardt Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2013 to introduce a 'change of use' exemption to allow small bars in existing restaurant and café premises and vice versa in B2 Local Centres without the need for a development application.

There were also proposed amendments to Leichhardt Development Control Plan (DCP) 2013 as it relates to licenced premises and small bars. The changes aimed to make development controls easier for 'low-impact' premises such as small bars, restaurants and cafes.

Parking levies of up to \$30,000 were eliminated for new bar operators in areas designated as 'recognised shopping precincts' and development approvals streamlined. Part of the rationale was that "Small bars typically attract patrons who are interested in a smaller, more intimate setting and often are visited as part of a journey - like visiting a small bar, cinema and restaurant in the same night."

The policy changes supported by Leichhardt Council included:

- Simplifying the development application process for small bars (classified as licensed premises with less than 60 patrons)
- Removing the requirement for small bars to provide off-street car parking in recognised shopping streets (such as Darling Street, Norton Street, Booth Street and Parramatta Road)
- Making it easier for restaurants and cafes to convert to small bars without the need for council approval by making these types of 'change of use' a type of 'exempt development', and
- Reinforcing business activity in the main streets.

Boston¹⁶ late night task force

Boston has a late night task force which has provided recommendations to improve their NTE:

- Extension of liquor license hours in designated downtown areas only

¹⁴ Shaw and Sivam, 2015; Johnson, S. 2015

¹⁵ Eventbrite, 2016; The Music.com.au, 2015; TheShout.com.au, 2015

¹⁶ <http://www.citylab.com/cityfixer/2016/01/the-plan-to-make-boston-more-fun/433755/>;
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/opinion/2014/06/14/better-nightlife-through-experimentation/eFNw32xKTNS9fWOCKCu1jJ/story.html>;
http://archive.boston.com/news/source/2014/03/boston_approves_late-night_pilot_program_for_food_trucks.html

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- Allow all restaurants with licenses limiting their hours to 10 or 11pm to stay open until midnight
- Allow restaurants to serve drinks on their patios without also serving food.
- Streamline processes for businesses to apply and renew their certificates of inspection and automatically schedule inspections with city officials to reduce administration.
- Let live entertainment take place on outdoor patios later into the night, provided local residents don't complain about the noise.
- Piloting late night (until midnight) food trucks at certain locations Copley Square, Boston University, and North-eastern University.

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**Appendix 2 Summary of City of Sydney Development Control Plan:
Section 3.15 Late Night Trading Management**

The City of Sydney DCP objectives are primarily focused on management of the late night activities. However, they do provide a guide for Ryde Council for future DCP objectives that overtly promote late night trading/activation.

- (i) Identify appropriate locations and trading hours for late night trading premises.
- (ii) Ensure that late night trading premises will have minimal adverse impacts on the amenity of residential or other sensitive land uses.
- (iii) Ensure that a commitment is made by operators of late night trading premises to good management through the monitoring and implementation of robust plans of management.
- (iv) Encourage late night trading premises that contribute to vibrancy and vitality, as appropriate for a Global City.
- (v) Encourage a broad mix of night time uses with broad community appeal that reflect the diverse entertainment and recreational needs of people who work and live in the City of Sydney as well as people who visit the City.
- (vi) Encourage a diversity of night-time activity in defined areas. (g) Prevent the proliferation of poorly managed high impact late night premises.
- (vii) Ensure that new late night trading premises do not reduce the diversity of retail services in an area.
- (viii) Ensure that applications are accompanied by sufficient information so that proposals for late night trading premises can be fully and appropriately assessed.
- (ix) Provide the possibility of extensions of trading hours for premises where they have demonstrated good management during trial periods.
- (x) Encourage premises with extended trading hours that are of a type that do not operate exclusively during late night hours and may be patronised both day and night.
- (xi) Ensure that appropriate hours are permitted for outdoor trading; and
- (xii) Ensure a consistent approach to the assessment of applications for premises seeking late night trading hours.

Uses are categorised into High Impact ('Category A) and Low Impact Premises (Category B)

Category A	Category B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a hotel within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007 that is not designated as a <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ general bar licence; (i) a hotel within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007 that has a capacity of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ more than 120 patrons and is designated as a general bar licence; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a hotel within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007 that has a capacity of 120 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ patrons or less and is designated as a general bar licence; (ii) premises that have a capacity of 120 patrons or less where the primary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ purpose is the sale or supply of liquor

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Category A	Category B
<p>(ii) an on-premises licence within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007 where the primary business or activity carried out on the premises is that of a nightclub with a capacity of more than 120 patrons;</p> <p>(iii) a club within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007;</p> <p>(iv) a premises that has a capacity of more than 120 patrons where the primary purpose is the sale or supply of liquor for consumption on the premises; or</p> <p>(v) premises that are used as a karaoke venue where the owner or occupier sells or supplies liquor for consumption on the premises.</p>	<p>for consumption on the premises;</p> <p>(iii) an on-premises licence within the meaning of the Liquor Act 2007;</p> <p>(iv) any premises where the owner or occupier sells or supplies liquor for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ consumption on the premises that is not a Category A Premises; and <p>(v) any other commercial premises which in the opinion of the Council may</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ impact on the amenity and safety of a neighbourhood resulting from its ▪ operation at night. This may include such premises as restaurants, 'BYO' ▪ premises, cafes, theatres, karaoke venues, convenience stores, takeaway ▪ food shops and the like.

The City of Sydney's DCP also has a hierarchy of areas based on location and the level of existing residential and other uses that may be impacted by late night activities.

- a. Late Night Management Areas;
- b. City Living Areas; and
- c. Local Centre Areas

Section 3.15.3 'Matters for consideration' provide the basis for a consistent approach to the determination of appropriate trading hours. It considers if the proposal is in an area that already has a vibrant night-time character, or is a predominantly residential in character where amenity impacts can be the greatest and most difficult to manage. The issues for consideration listed in the DCP are:

- (i) the location and context of the premises, including proximity to residential and other sensitive land uses and other late night trading premises;
- (ii) the specific nature of the premises, that is a pub, nightclub, restaurant, or other similar premises and the proposed hours of operation;
- (iii) the existing hours of operation of surrounding business uses;
- (iv) the size and patron capacity of the premises;
- (v) the impact of the premises on the mix, diversity and possible concentration of late night uses in the locality;
- (vi) the likely operation of the proposal during day time hours; (g) submission of a plan of management that demonstrates a strong commitment to good management of the operation of

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- the business, particularly in relation to managing potential impacts on adjoining and surrounding land uses and premises, as well as the public domain;
- (vii) the diversity of retail services within an area and the impact of a late night trading proposal on this diversity;
 - (viii) measures to be used for ensuring adequate safety, security and crime prevention both on the site of the premises and in the public domain immediately adjacent to, and generally surrounding, the premises; and
 - (ix) the accessibility and frequency of public transport during late night trading hours.

The Sydney DCP permissible trading hours table is provided below:

Table 3.7: Late night trading hours

		Category A - High Impact Premises		Category B - Low Impact Premises	
		Indoor areas trading hours	Outdoor areas trading hours	Indoor areas trading hours	Outdoor areas trading hours
Late night management areas	Base hours	8am to 12am	10am to 10pm	8am to 2am	8am to 10pm
	Extended hours	24 hours	10am to 1am	24 hours	8am to 1am
City living areas	Base hours	7am to 11pm	10am to 8pm	7am to 1am	8am to 8pm
	Extended hours	7am to 5am	10am to midnight	7am to 5am	8am to 12am
Local centre trading areas	Base hours	10am to 10pm	10am to 8pm	8am to 1am	10am to 8pm
	Extended hours	10am to 12am	10am to 10pm	8am to 12am	10am to 10pm
All other category A premises	Base hours	10am to 10pm	10am to 8pm		
	Extended hours	10am to 12am	10am to 10pm		

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Appendix 3 Registered NTE businesses City of Ryde

Industry	Number of Registered Businesses	% of City of Ryde businesses
City of Ryde	10,601	100%
Other Store Based Retail	415	3.9%
Accommodation Services	13	0.1%
Food and Beverage Services	442	4.2%
Cafes and Restaurants	269	60.9% (of food and beverage services)
Takeaway Food Services	140	31.7% (of food and beverage services)
Catering Services	12	2.7% (of food and beverage services)
Pubs, Taverns and Bars	14	3.2% (of food and beverage services)
Clubs (Hospitality)	7	1.6% (of food and beverage services)
Creative and Performing Arts Activities	87	0.8%
Performing Arts Operation	6	6.9% (of creative and performing arts activities)
Creative Artists, Musicians, Writers and Performers	78	89.7% (of creative and performing arts activities)
Performing Arts Venue Operation	3	3.4% (of creative and performing arts activities)

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Appendix 4 Comparable town centres

Rhodes

Rhodes town centre is located in the City of Canada Bay in the inner west of Sydney, 16km of the CBD and just South of the City of Ryde LGA. Activity in the Rhodes NTE occurs in the commercial area located along Walker Street, zoned B4 (Mixed Use). This area is located near Rhodes Train Station, which is on the T1 North Shore Line. The area has a large amount of core NTE activities, which are supplemented by non-core activities that enhance the night time experience.

Local legislation and controls impacting the NTE

Canada Bay DCP

Canada Bay DCP emphasises ensuring pedestrian safety around neighbourhood centres. This is noticeable in the Rhodes Town Centre as many different types of people engage with the centre at night. This has been achieved through creating adequate lighting, minimising shadows and concealment spaces, arranging windows to overlook public areas and streets and requiring awnings over activity strips.

Rhodes West DCP 2015

The Rhodes West DCP 2015 specifically targets Walker Street as a 'spine' that should have the highest level of illumination, along with the civic and urban streets that link Walker Street with the retail centre and the foreshore.

Rhodes Peninsula Open Space Master Plan and Program Strategy

Community engagement to inform the Rhodes Peninsula Open Space Master Plan found that increasing the vibrancy of streets, particularly at night, with bars and restaurants was a priority. Infrastructure improvements to open space as identified in the Strategy, and mixed use zoning, support the enhanced function of the open space and generated revenue to help sustain the spaces throughout the Peninsula.

Food trucks in City of Canada Bay

A trial was run in 2015/2016 with approved food trucks from the City of Sydney LGA to see how they would function in Canada Bay LGA. Food trucks are now able to operate within the LGA but there were no available guidelines.

North Sydney

North Sydney LGA is located in North of the Sydney CBD and to the South East of the City of Ryde. Activity in the NTE occurs in the Crows Nest, Cammeray and North Sydney town centres. These areas are zoned B1 (Neighbourhood Centre), B3 (Commercial Core) and B4 (Mixed Use). There is a train station located near the North Sydney CBD, and Crows Nest is located on a significant bus route. These areas have core NTE activities such as bars, restaurants and entertainment venues that are supported by a large working population in the North Sydney CBD and vibrant public spaces in Crows Nest.

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Local legislation and controls impacting the NTE

Community Safety Plan

The main initiative in the North Sydney Community Safety Plan is to activate the NTE as a way to improve safety in the area. The Plan acknowledges that if more people engage with the NTE, passive surveillance and community safety increase. This is evident in the Crows Nest Town Centre that is well lit, has minimal concealment spaces and good sight lines.

North Sydney DCP & Public Domain Strategy

North Sydney Council recently amended their DCP to have a late night trading hours section in order to standardise trading hours for all night time businesses. This was done to make sure night time businesses were operating in the same hours and to stimulate the NTE within the commercial and mixed-use areas. A further way to stimulate the NTE identified in the Strategy is for new buildings to be visually interesting at night.

Community Events

North Sydney Council operates Twilight Food Fairs every Friday night in summer. This has been very successful, running continually since 1990.

Mobile Food Van Strategy

North Sydney Council has strict regulations for food vans operating in the area. Food vans can only operate for a maximum of 20 minutes at any one position and must drive a minimum of 100 metres before again vending. They can only operate until 8 pm and cannot trade within any commercially zoned areas. These controls prohibit food vans from operating in the town centres within North Sydney and make it very hard for them to exist in the area.

Lane Cove

Lane Cove is part of the Lane Cove Council LGA and is located in North West Sydney to the East of City of Ryde. The Lane Cove Town Centre is located on Longueville Road and is accessible by bus. The area is zoned B2 (Local Centre) and the core night time activities that occur in this area include bars, restaurants and entertainment venues. The Lane Cove Plaza has recently been upgraded and complements the core NTE activities.

Local legislation and controls impacting the NTE

Lane Cove DCP

The Lane Cove DCP puts importance on buildings in the Longueville Road Town Centre having active street frontages, under awning recessed lighting and inclusive dining seating areas to stimulate the NTE.

Lane Cove Village Centre Development Control Plan

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The Lane Cove Village Centre Development Control Plan specifically aims to transform existing arcades and pedestrian walkways into publicly accessible connections, 24 hours per day. This helps facilitate core-activities in the NTE by creating safer pedestrian environments.

Lane Cove Special Event Strategy and Events

Lane Cove Council allows residents and private entities to rent out parks for night time events and markets. Lane Cove Council also runs night time events in Lane Cove Plaza such as the Chinese Lunar New Year, which targets the biggest cultural group in Lane Cove.

2011 Lane Cove Plaza Upgrade

In 2011 Lane Cove Council upgraded the Lloyd Rees Bandstand and associated areas of Lane Cove Plaza. New street lighting and decorative lighting were installed to aid the night time economy. This is a very vibrant area that attracts a lot of people.

Lindfield

Lindfield is part of Ku-ring-gai Council LGA and is located in Northern Sydney to the North East of Ryde. The Lindfield Town Centre is located on the T1 North Shore Line with a train station in the middle of the centre. Activity in the Lindfield NTE occurs in the commercial area zoned B2 (Local Centre) near the train station. The town centre is quite small compared to others in Sydney and has little core NTE activities. This is set to change with a new Lindfield Community Hub in the works set to boost the NTE in the area.

Local legislation impacting the NTE

Ku-ring-gai Local Centres Development Control Plan

The Ku-ring-gai Local Centres Development Control Plan requires active street frontages in new buildings in B2 zones to support a mix of activities, including after hours activities. It puts emphasis on the importance of under awning lighting to encourage safety. Shops are also encouraged to provide dual frontage to address rear lanes. This intends to activate Bent and Woodford Lanes, which are currently not active in the NTE. The implementation of new footpaths and street trees are to encourage this activation.

Lindfield Avenue Retail Area, Village Green & Lindfield Hub Master Plan

Lindfield Community Hub is located on the Western side of the Lindfield Town Centre and has an estimated construction cost of over \$150 million. The 1.3 hectare site will be a new mixed use precinct with community buildings, boutique shops, cafes, restaurants, apartments and a below-ground supermarket.

Community engagement was carried out during the creation of these plans and it was noted nightlife is missing from the area. Residents wanted a large open space to provide for a range of day and night uses and different age groups.

The Lindfield Hub will have a strong community focus with a new public park and public space supporting commercial uses. The Lindfield Hub master plan coincides with existing infrastructure delivery plans to improve the amenity of the area.

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Outdoor Dining and Footpath Trading Policy 2005

Outdoor dining is permitted in the area, but currently minimal outdoor dining exists.

Parramatta

Parramatta is located in Western Sydney to the West of Ryde and is part of the City of Parramatta LGA. The activity within the NTE occurs along Church Street and around Centenary Square. This area is zoned B4 (Mixed Use). There is a train station in the centre, which is a transport hub for people travelling into Parramatta CBD and to Sydney City CBD. Parramatta's night economy grew by 6.2% from 2009 to 2011 and was Australia's fastest growing night time economy with a \$44 million increase in sales revenue over 2011/2012. The core night time activities that occur in this area include bars, restaurants and entertainment venues. They are supplemented by public space that comes alive at night such as Centenary Square.

Local legislation impacting the NTE

Parramatta City Centre DCP

The Parramatta City Centre DCP acknowledges the importance of the NTE. They have identified need for active and interesting building exteriors and maximising active frontages to parks, public squares and the river foreshore.

Parramatta Laneway Strategy

The Parramatta Laneway Strategy Works in coordination with the Civil Infrastructure Department to have all laneways well lit around the town centre. This directly stimulates the core night time economy activities in these lanes by facilitating commerce at night.

Outdoor Dining Policy

The Outdoor Dining Policy stresses the need for adequate lighting to ensure the safety and amenity of patrons. This is very evident on Church Street, which is a lively thoroughfare with many dining options at night. Council has also created outdoor dining infrastructure within Centenary Square that local businesses can use. This has been very successful and draws a lot of people to the area.

Discover Parramatta

Parramatta Council Publishes a newsletter called Discover Parramatta with all information regarding the NTE in one place.

Council Events

Parramatta Lanes within Parramatta's Laneways held every year. This has been a highly successful festival and brings attention to the NTE activities that are available in these lanes year round.

Parramatta Economic Development Strategy

This strategy aims to encourage non-core NTE businesses to operate for longer hours to supplement core night time businesses trading at night.

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Pop-Up Parramatta

This project focuses on injecting creative enterprise and infrastructure into unused buildings and spaces in Parramatta CBD. They have had many pop-up businesses in public spaces such as a bar within the Erby Place precinct. This has helped activate public spaces in the area.

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Night Time Economy Study #RydeAfter5

Strategic directions	
1.	A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience
	<i>Including diverse and family friendly options, quality venues and a range of permanent and temporary activities in appropriate town centres</i>
2.	A safe, welcoming and functional place
	<i>Including a well-lit and designed public domain, improved wayfinding for pedestrians, improved transport, a more activated street life, and secure places and venues</i>
3.	A responsive city
	<i>Supporting local business and the community to activate and manage the NTE through simplified processes, localised planning, support, and marketing and promotion.</i>

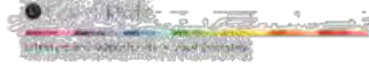
Timeframe	Years
Short term	1 to 2 years
Medium term	2 to 5 years
Long term	More than 5 years

Strategic direction 1: A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience

Including diverse and family friendly options, quality venues and a range of permanent and temporary activities in appropriate town centres.

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ACTIONS		Timeframe
1.1	Write a City of Ryde Night Time Economy Policy providing guidance on Council's objectives relating to creating a more diverse, vibrant and quality night-time experience in appropriate town centre and responding to the community's desire for a more activated place at night while considering the impacts of competing land uses. This Policy can be used to guide future development, business start-ups and decision-making around night time activities.	Short term
1.2	Continue to implement and expand an innovative late night library program delivering late night events from the Ryde and West Ryde libraries. Ryde Library is well placed to deliver a regular night time program given the success of previous events.	Short term
1.3	Explore night time food markets, night-time cinema and family-friendly events in parks and public spaces and link to Council's Event Strategy. Pilot a regular cultural food market in West Ryde in the West Ryde Plaza. There is potential for this event to be run by local community or cultural groups who could access one of Council's small grants as seed funding for the event.	Short term
1.4	Audit vacant commercial buildings/shopfronts that could support pop up, short or long term lease arrangements for creative of cultural activities or events (Empty Shopfronts Project).	Short to Medium term
1.5	Work with developers to consider opportunities for street activation and infrastructure to support night time activities and venues at Central Park in Macquarie Park includes street activation, and infrastructure to support night time activities and venues. This space presents an opportunity to activate the NTE in Macquarie Park with retail and dining shop fronts facing the park, creative lighting, and the provision of public open space for night time activities including markets and street performers.	Medium Term
1.6	Implement a Ryde Food Truck Program with pilot projects in Macquarie Park and Meadowbank Wharf and Memorial Park, Meadowbank – utilising these temporary activations as a way to encourage more permanent activities. See City of Sydney Food Truck Policy. Food Trucks and pop-ups will require approvals and inspections prior to commencing.	Short term

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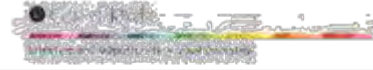
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Strategic direction 1: A diverse, vibrant, and quality night-time experience Including diverse and family friendly options, quality venues and a range of permanent and temporary activities in appropriate town centres.		
ACTIONS		Timeframe
1.7	Work with developers to consider opportunities in the future Macquarie Centre redevelopment for street and public facing development and activity (including Macquarie Library and Creativity Hub).	Short to medium term
1.8	Through the Ivanhoe Estate redevelopment, consider opportunities for street facing development (to activate streets) and the revitalisation of Shrimpton Creek including lighting and Wi-Fi for active recreation and night time events.	Short to medium term
1.9	Consider opportunities as part of the Eastwood Plaza redevelopment for street facing activity such as outdoor dining, active shop fronts, and seating and tables.	Short to medium term

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Strategic direction 2: A safe, welcoming and functional place Including a well-lit and designed public domain, improved wayfinding for pedestrians, improved transport, a more activated street life, and secure places and venues		
ACTIONS		Timeframe
2.1	Promote night time parking options in town centres (eg free parking after certain times) to business and community members to encourage more people to use town centres at night.	Short term
2.2	Review town centre delivery plans to identify opportunities to develop improved lighting throughout town centres for wayfinding, increased night activity by pedestrians, and perceptions of safety. Prioritise the following town centres for lighting for wayfinding improvements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ West Ryde Town Centre ▪ Gladesville Town Centre ▪ Eastwood Town Centre ▪ Meadowbank Wharf ▪ Shrimpton's Creek to ESL Hall Park in Macquarie Park 	Short to medium term
2.3	Work with private property owners to creatively and sustainably light their building facades in identified streets in town centre.	Short term and ongoing
2.4	Through the Place Activation Strategy, identify actions to improve the amenity in all town centres including improved seating, shading, shelter, Wi-Fi connectivity, and power outlets to support night time activities. This will encourage people to engage in town centres at night. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prioritise amenity improvements in the Shrimpton's Creek corridor and West Ryde Plaza. 	Short to medium term
2.5	Creative lighting installations (eg. Angel Place in the Sydney CBD) can provide a sense of place, joy, and safety and activate lanes and spaces at night. Investigate opportunities for creative lighting in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trim Place, Gladesville and the block bounded by Linsley St, Couller St and Victoria Road ▪ Rowe Street pedestrian mall, and in the Wysteria, with reference to previous Council studies for this area 	Short term

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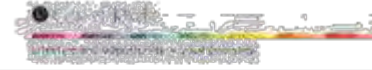
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Including a well-lit and designed public domain, improved wayfinding for pedestrians, improved transport, a more activated street life, and secure places and venues		
ACTIONS		Timeframe
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Walkley Plaza, West Ryde Plaza and/or commercial precinct on Eastern side of rail line in West Ryde ▪ Meadowbank Wharf 	
2.6	Council's Sport and Recreation Strategy identified parks across the LGA for improved lighting. Continue to implement the sportsfield flood lighting renewal program. This could encourage events in park and increase night time uses.	Ongoing

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Strategic direction 3: A responsive city		
Supporting local business and the community to activate and manage the NTE through simplified processes, localised planning, support, and marketing and promotion.		
ACTIONS		Timeframe
3.1	Review Council's online Events Calendar to promote night time events across all City of Ryde's town centres and ensure businesses are linked to events so they can leverage off them.	Short term
3.2	Communicate the findings of the NTE Study particularly relating to the community's desire for a more activated night time economy, later retail trading hours, and more diversity of offer, through existing business and economic development forums.	Short term
3.3	As part of Council's Events Strategy, review Council's event approvals processes to a more simplified format to encourage more small events.	Short term
3.4	As part of the review of Council's Footpath Activity Policy to provide guidance about what is permissible at night (including for example, pop up stalls, eat streets, and street performers) to encourage more diverse night time activity that is not just restaurants and pubs. The Policy should set out who is responsible for granting approvals.	Short term
3.5	Create a "RydeAfter5" section on Council's website, providing policy or guidance for businesses wanting to open small bars in appropriate town centres (e.g. Gladesville, West Ryde, Eastwood, Top Ryde) and other information about night time events and activities (including Food Truck policy, Outdoor dining, Busking, and Event approvals)	Short term
3.6	Utilise social media to promote night time activities in Ryde and to brand Ryde's town centres as place to go at night. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to use the #RydeAfter5 hashtag on all social media posts related to the night time economy Promote the use of the #RydeAfter5 hashtag among the business community via the business / Macquarie Park E-newsletter. 	Ongoing
3.7	Continue to work with Macquarie Park Innovation District to facilitate evening activities in Macquarie Park, including opportunities to partner with the University for delivery of events in local venues (for example, projects such as Raising the Bar).	Ongoing

3 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM - ALLOCATION OF FUNDING 2016/2017

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Community Services
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REPORT SUMMARY

Council's 2016/17 Community Grants Program consists of four Grant categories. These categories are Seniors, Capacity Building, Sports and Recreation, and Community Projects.

The total amount that can be allocated to an applicant under each category is:

- Seniors (up to \$2,000 per applicant)
- Capacity Building (up to \$3,500 per applicant)
- Sports and Recreation (up to \$3,500 per applicant)
- Community Projects (up to \$5,000 per applicant).

There are additionally three sub-categories that sit within the Capacity Building category. This sub-category aims to provide support to new and small community organisations, and at boosting their capacity. The sub-categories are:

- Events
- Emerging/Small Groups
- General sub-category which includes arts and cultural organisations.

All applications for Council's Grants Scheme are completed in the SmartyGrants on-line management system application tool. The use of SmartyGrants preserves the integrity of each application and automatically captures the information as it is entered into on each field by the applicant. These fields are then transposed onto a Grants reporting template.

A budget of \$150,000 has been allocated to the 2016/2017 Community Grants program.

In total 53 Grant applications were received amounting to \$192,689.65 in funding applications. After assessing the applications the panel, comprising of staff from Council's Community Services, Environment, Health and Building, Events, and Sports and Recreation Business Units have recommended 42 of these applications totalling \$111,660 worth of funding for projects.

Of the 11 applications that were not recommended, 1 application was withdrawn and 4 applications were from organisations that had submitted multiple applications. As a result, these organisations were only recommended to receive one grant in one category. The 4 organisations that submitted multiple applications were:

- Armenian Relief Society Araz Chapter, who were recommended for a \$ 2,500 Grant under the Community Projects category.

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- Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc, who were recommended for a \$1,250 Grant under the Events category.
- Different Abled People Association Inc, who were recommended for a \$3,500 Grant under the Capacity Building category.
- North Ryde Community Aid and Information Centre, who were recommended for a \$3,500 Grant under the General category.

This report provides a commentary on the applications received and advises Council of the panel's recommendations. The allocation of all funding is in line with Council's Community Grants Policy 2014 and the 2017 Community Grants Application Guidelines **ATTACHED**. Included in the attachments is the Final 2017 Community Grants Allocation Table that provides a commentary on each application.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Sports and Recreation Community Grant Category as follows:

Organisation	Project Name	Amount \$
Eastwood Ryde Netball Association Inc.	"L" to play Netball	3,500
Gladesville Sharks Football Club	Coaching for Junior Players-Boys & Girls	1,000
Putney Rangers Football Club	Equipment and coaching aids	3,327
Macquarie Combined Sports Club Incorporated – Macquarie Dragons FC	Equipment - noncompetitive football skills development	3,240
Eastwood St Andrews Association Football Club Inc.	Community Inclusion Program	2,000
Ryde Sports Foundation Inc.	Ryde Sports Foundation Personal Development Scholarship	3,500
	Total	16,567

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- (b) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Seniors Grant Category as follows:

Organisation	Project Name	Amount \$
Italian Leisure Group	Social Events	2,000
Catholic Healthcare Limited-Korean Day Centre	Special Art and Craft Day	1,752
Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Association	Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group	2,000
Indonesian Welfare Association Incorporated	2B Active Seniors	2,000
Ryde Multicultural Centre Incorporated	Active and Informed Seniors 2017	2,000
Probus Club Of Ryde	Subsidize Transportation and Excursion Costs	2,000
Italian Women's Group Marsfield	Promotes Health Initiatives	500
Total		12,252

- (c) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Capacity Building Grant – Event Category as follows:

Organisation	Project Name	Amount \$
Reach Community Initiatives Incorporated	Community Christmas Dinner	3,000
Sydney Latin American Film Festival Inc.	Human Rights in Latin America Film Festival	2,000
Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc.	Seniors Christmas Party	1,250
Rotary Club Of Macquarie Park Incorporated	Light Up East Ryde	3,500
Macquarie Chapel Presbyterian Church	Downtown Bethlehem	2,700
Eastwood Chinese Senior Citizens Inc.	Lunar New Year Celebration Luncheon (Year of Dog)	1,000

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Australian Asian Association of Bunnelong and Eastwood Chinese Senior Citizens Club	2018 Harmony Soccer Tournament	1,000
Language Festival Association	Ryde Language Festival 2017	1,000
	Total	15,450

- (d) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Capacity Building Grant – Emerging/Small Groups Category as follows:

Organisation	Organisation Support	Amount \$
Australia Han In Saenng Myung Line Inc.- Korean Life Line	Need financial assistance to maintain counseling service by telephone for Korean speaking community	3,500
Differently Abled People Association Incorporated- Friends of DAPA	The Friends of DAPA assist the organization to develop a smartphone app that helps disabled people to be independent in Australia	3,500
The Northern Centre - Together We Can	It is a support group for single mums from Korean speaking background	3,500
	Total	10,500

- (e) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Capacity Building Grant – General Category as follows:

Organisation	Project Name	Amount \$
Ryde Hunters Hill Community Transport Association Inc.	Future Capability Training	1,129
Australia Korean Art Therapy Association Inc.	Therapist Member Trainings	2,850
SydneySiders Mens Barbershop Chorus Inc.	SydneySiders Express Men's Chorus Open Night	2,600
Friends Of Lane Cove National Park	Capacity building, train the team leaders Friends of Lane Cove National Park	3,480
Artisans Ryde Inc.	Artisans Ryde Classes	2,180

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North Ryde Community Aid And Information Centre Inc.	Timebanking	3,500
The Ryde Chinese Carers Support Group	Becoming the most supportive CALD Carers support group	3,000
Total		18,739

- (f) That That Council endorse the allocation of the 2016/2017 City of Ryde Community Projects Grant Category as follows:

Organisation	Project Name	Amount \$
The Shepherd Centre - For Deaf Children	Ready Set Go -- A School Readiness Program for Children from Ryde who are Deaf or Hearing Impaired	3,400
Christian Community Aid - art4connection	art4connection Workshop	2,500
The Northern Centre	Tuning into Kids	4,952
St Andrews Socio Religious Justice, Harmony of FITA Inc.	Community Volunteering Training Project-Environment for Ryde Community	2,000
Buddhist Compassion and Relief Tzu Chi Foundation	Zero waste Ryde	4,000
Sydney Korean Women's Association Inc	Project Helping Hand	2,000
Northside Community Forum Limited	Care Support training for DARTS Bus drivers and DARTS Volunteers	5,000
Armenian Relief Society Araz Chapter	Self-Sustainability	2,500
Multicultural Integration Community Support	Old New Stories from abroad: A film project with aging immigrants	3,300
Taldumande Youth Services	Intensive Family Support Program	5,000
Feng Huang Yuan Spiritual Cultivation Centre Inc.	Restore Ways to Health and Wellness	3,500
Total		38,152

- (h) That the grant applicants be informed in writing of the outcome of their applications.
- (i) That \$38,400 being the remainder of the funding unallocated from current Grant round is transferred into the Community Grant Reserve Fund.

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- (j) That the Community Grant Reserve Fund which currently consisting of \$35,290 be accumulated to \$73,690, and that this funding is to be utilised in providing Small Grants funding through the year.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1** Community Grants Policy - December 2014
- 2** Community Grants Guidelines 2017
- 3** FINAL - 2017 Community Grants Allocation - UPDATED

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Background

The City of Ryde provides grants support to the local community through a yearly Community Grants Program. The grant categories as defined by Councils Community Grants Policy are; Seniors, Capacity Building, Sports and Recreation, and Community Projects.

This year's Community Grants Program was advertised by Council in November 2016 and closed on 17 February 2017.

Discussion

Council staff facilitated four Community Grants information sessions between December 2016 and February 2017. These information sessions were attended by 31 potential applicants.

All applications were assessed in line with Council's Community Grants Policy and Guidelines by a panel that was comprised of staff from Community Services, Environment, Health and Building, Events, and Sports and Recreation.

1. Seniors Grants

The Seniors Grants program provides grants of up to \$2,000 to support community initiatives that benefit seniors in the Ryde Local Government Area (LGA). In this current round of funding, 7 applications were received in the Seniors Category totalling \$12,252.

The aim of the Seniors Grants program is to facilitate projects which engage local seniors in projects aligned to key objectives of the 2025 Community Strategic Plan.

In particular:

- Provide local seniors groups in the LGA with financial support that will enhance existing or encourage new programs and activities.
- Provide seniors with opportunities for social interaction and connection to help reduce social isolation.

Priority was given to projects that:

- Connect people to each other and place
- Show the project to be a priority for Ryde Seniors
- Show that Senior groups were based in Ryde and are mainly ran by volunteers

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2. Capacity Building Grants

There are three sub categories included within this category consisting of Events, Emerging/Small Groups and General. The Capacity Building Grants program provides funding up to \$3,500 per grant application. In this current round of funding, 21 applications were received in the Capacity Building Category totalling \$ 70,057.

Capacity Building Grants are intended to support local organisations in achieving community benefits, building the organisation's skills, improving governance and the ability to sustain activities.

2.1 Events category

The aim of this sub-category is to enhance the ability of the organisations to sustain their activities based on their existing capacity. This is achieved by providing capacity building support to the groups or organisations through monetary and in kind support.

Priority was given to projects that:

- Benefit the City of Ryde residence
- Meet the needs of the community or a specific group
- Build the capacity of organisations, including financial and business planning aimed at reducing the reliance on City of Ryde funding

2.2. Emerging/Small Groups

This sub-category provides Grants to new and emerging community organisations that operate with limited funding and who rely mainly on volunteers and on one-off short-term funding for their operations, resulting in programs having limited sustainability and necessitating an ongoing reinvestment in resources and time to prepare new funding applications and pursue growth opportunities.

Priority was given to projects that:

- Are newly established groups addressing merging issues or needs within the community
- Are small and mainly ran by volunteers
- Need support to boost growth potential such as finding meeting places , developing programs and resource or managing volunteers
- Are based in the Ryde LGA and were services benefiting the City of Ryde residents

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2.3. General Category:

Applications in this sub-category are for initiatives that build the capacity of organisations that are working towards the provision of community benefit.

Priority was given to projects that:

- Build on existing abilities and strengths to identify and develop local long term solutions meeting community needs
- Require support to develop organisations to become self-sustaining

3. Community Projects

The Community Projects category is an open category aimed at supporting eligible and one off projects that focus on responsiveness, collaboration and innovation. Funding of up to \$ 5,000 is available per applicant. In this current round of funding, 18 applications were received in the Community Projects Category totalling \$ 88,616.

Priority was given to projects that:

- Demonstrated that they meet identified needs in the community through a strong evidence base
- Include a component of in-kind or cash contributions from the organisations
- Have the capacity to develop sustainably
- Invigorate arts and cultural life that promote health and sustainability

4. Sports and Recreation Community Grant

This category is only available to sporting organisations and aims at enhancing the ability of sporting organisations to promote their sporting and /or recreational activities delivered to the community. Funding is up to \$3,500 per application. In this current round of funding, 7 applications were received in the Sports and Recreation Category totalling \$24,464.65.

Priority was given to project that:

- Showed a direct benefit to a specific sporting group or groups within the community
- Have services, programs and initiatives aimed at benefiting the City of Ryde residents

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Financial Implications

Council has allocated \$150,000 towards the 2016/17 Community Grants Program. The recommendation of the panel is that projects totalling \$111,600 receive funding and that the remainder of this fund of \$38,400 be transferred to the Small Grants Program for 2017/18.

Finalisation of the funding and transfer will lead to a Small Grants Program fund totalling \$73,690 that will be available for future funding of Small Grants.

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Scope

Council's annual Community Grants Program is a strategic tool for capacity building, supporting innovation and addressing community need in line with the Council and community's vision. This Policy will provide an equitable, efficient, transparent and sustainable framework for allocation of Council's community grants to community organisations in Ryde.

Policy Context

The City of Ryde recognises the value of community grants as a key tool to meet the needs of its residents. Community grants extend the community's capability to conduct activities, create opportunities for community capacity building and develop strong partnerships.

Council has for a number of years provided financial assistance to not-for-profit groups in the categories of cultural, community welfare and community aid grants. These have been administered through distinct processes which in most part have been informed through historical arrangements. Council's contribution to the three community aid organisations and six community events in particular have evolved through historical arrangements over an extended period.

The local Community Development Support Expenditure (CDSE) program is the program where Registered Clubs direct part of club earnings to community services. Councils usually take part in assessment and administration of CDSE program in their areas. Ryde CDSE program will continue to be administered by Council, but will be a separate process to Council's Community Grants program.

Principles

The following principles underpin administration of community grants program

a) Servicing our community:

- Services, programs and initiatives are aimed to benefit the City of Ryde (CoR) residents. Funds will be provided to groups targeting CoR residents and that promote improved health and wellbeing.
- Initiatives or activities that do not discriminate or disadvantage groups within the community.
- Acknowledge and recognise the social value and benefits that community based not for profit groups have in our community and that Council has a role in supporting Ryde's needs being met.

b) Sustainability and Capacity Building:

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- Build on the existing abilities and strengths of individuals and organisations to identify and develop local long term solutions to meet community needs.
 - Support strategies to support the development of groups to enable them to be more self-sustaining.
 - Deliver processes which develop capacity of organisations and groups to reduce the reliance on Council funding.
 - Develop opportunities to link compatible groups and organisations to collaborate and form partnerships.
- c) Inclusion
- Ensure the community grants are accessible to a diverse range of service providers and the projects funded are inclusive of the needs of diverse groups and people within the community.
- d) Collaboration and Partnerships
- Encourage and foster a range of relationships with communities, Council, community groups to deliver improved outcomes for the community.
 - Maximise outcomes through collaboration and partnership projects.
- e) Equity
- Provision of information, services and opportunities for involvement is provided to all groups and services within the community in an open and transparent manner.
 - Deliver processes which are competitive, open to all and transparent.
 - Deliver processes that are consistent for the customers and Council and are aligned to Council's values and other corporate objectives
- f) Responsiveness
- Be proactive in identifying and addressing changing community needs.
 - Support groups who meet identified and emerging community needs.
 - Review and adjust policies and guidelines based on best available practice and feedback.

Objectives

The objectives of this policy are as follows:

- a) Provision of a consistent, equitable, transparent and efficient framework for administration of all community grant categories inclusive of historical arrangements, that is understood by services and Council.
- b) To support a range of projects that meet the diverse needs of the Ryde community.
- c) To optimise the outcomes of the community grants through improved access, a transparent and supported approach to promoting and allocation.

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- d) To continue to support community based not for profit groups targeting City of Ryde residents through the provision of financial support.
- e) To clearly identify the accountability requirements of organisations that receive funding.

Strategies

The key strategies Council will implement to meet these objectives are as follows:

- a) Development and implementation of the Community Grants Implementation Procedure (**ATTACHED**) that will clearly articulate implementation process, eligibility, objectives, selection criteria, and selection process.
- b) Development of annual priorities for each grant category in line with Council's strategic documents and identified emerging needs.
- c) Development of a funding method for historic funding arrangements.
- d) Development of support mechanisms to assist groups and organisations in accessing community grants.
- e) Development of opportunities to link compatible groups and organisations to collaborate and form partnerships.
- f) Deliver a program to build the capacity of organisations and groups to reduce the reliance on Council funding, which would enable Council to provide support to a larger group of community service providers.

CATEGORIES OF FUNDING

The City of Ryde provides annual grants through a variety of categories. These are a mixture of annual categories, for which applications are accepted once a year and a category for which applications are accepted once every three years.

Category	Principle	Objective
1. Seniors Funding Limit: Up to \$2000	Access, Equitable process, transparency, eligibility	This category targets social senior's groups focusing to fund social participation activities. The aims of the Seniors Grants program are to facilitate projects which engage local seniors in projects that are aligned with key objectives of the 2025 Community Strategic Plan. In particular: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide local seniors groups in the LGA with financial support that will

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		<p>enhance existing or encourage new programs and activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide seniors with opportunities for social interaction and connectedness to help reduce social isolation.
<p>2. Capacity Building</p> <p>Funding Limit : Up to \$3,500</p> <p>Three sub-categories are included within this category namely:</p>	Access, Equity, transparency, sustainability	This category intends to support the local organisations in achieving community benefits while building the organisations skills, improve governance and ability to sustain their activities.
2.1 Events	Capacity & Need	The aim of this category is to enhance the ability of organisations to sustain their activities based on their current capacity. This will be achieved by providing support to the organisations through a cycle of 3 years including monetary and in-kind support.
2.2 Emerging/ Small Groups	Application of the Definition , Capacity & Need	Grants will be provided to new and small community organisations that often operate on the basis of limited funding, relying largely on volunteers and on one-off, short-term and small grants to manage their operations. This often results in programs that they offer having limited sustainability, necessitating an ongoing reinvestment in resources and time to prepare new funding applications and pursue new opportunities
2.3 General	Available to all organisations, particular focus on sporting clubs, projects improving ability to deliver; training of volunteers, business planning.	Applications in this category may be for the initiatives that build the capacity of the organisations towards provision of community benefits. Funding in this Category will be advertised annually. The general category is open to all groups to access funds based on the current grants guidelines.

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3. Community Projects Funding Limit: Up to \$5000	Transparency, Inclusion, Access, Assessment	Open category to support eligible projects, one-off, focus on responsiveness, collaboration, identified need, innovation.
4. Sports & Recreation Community Grants Funding Limit : Up to \$3,500	Capacity & Need	The aim of this category is to enhance the ability of sporting organisations to promote their sporting and/or recreational activities delivered in the community.
5. Small Grants Funding Limit: Up to \$1000	Access, Equity, transparency, Flexibility	Enable small projects which emerge outside of the annual grants program time frame. A small grants program allows the City of Ryde to respond effectively and flexibly to changing circumstances in the community by providing a responsive program that can support emerging ideas and organisations. Enable small organisations to apply for small grants year round in an easy and accessible way.
6. School Excellence Award	No change	Recognise excellence, schools can nominate one student by application for a Certificate of Excellence and a Voucher. High School: \$100 primary school \$50

Relevant Legislation

The Local Government Act 1993, s356, states:

- (1) *A council may, in accordance with a resolution of the council, contribute money or otherwise grant financial assistance to persons for the purpose of exercising its functions.*
- (2) *A proposed recipient who acts for private gain is not ineligible to be granted financial assistance, but must not receive any benefit under this section until at least 28 days' public notice of the council's proposal to pass the necessary resolution has been given.*
- (3) *However, public notice is not required if:*
 - (a) *the financial assistance is part of a specific program, and*
 - (b) *the program's details have been included in the council's draft management plan for the year in which the financial assistance is proposed to be given, and*
 - (c) *the program's proposed budget for that year does not exceed 5 percent of the council's proposed income from the ordinary rates levied for that year, and*

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(d) the program applies uniformly to all persons within the council's area or to a significant group of persons within the area.

- (4) Public notice is also not required if the financial assistance is part of a program of graffiti removal work.*

S 377 of the Act states:

A council may, by resolution, delegate to the general manager or any other person or body (not including another employee of the council) any of the functions of the council, other than the following:

- A decision under section 356 to contribute money or otherwise grant financial assistance to persons.*

External Considerations

Changes to the state and federal government funding and the Community Development Support Expenditure scheme may impact local organisations which rely on these funding sources and may increase demand on Council for funding.

Related Policies/Strategies

- Ryde 2025 Community Strategic Plan
- Arts and Cultural Development Framework

Stakeholders

The key external stakeholders include community groups and organisations in Ryde who would apply for funding. Particularly community organisations which have had historical arrangements for receiving funding from Council are key stakeholders and the implementation of a new policy and guidelines may change the way these stakeholders are used to working with Council.

Implementation

This policy will be implemented through the Community and Culture Service Unit with assistance from Open Space and Events and Community Capacity Building and Events Units.

Implementation of this policy and guidelines will occur from financial year 2014-15.

Only one grant will be awarded to any one organisation.

Evaluation and Review

To ensure this policy develops over time to align with better practice and the changing needs of the community, it should be reviewed according to Council's Policy Development, Implementation and Review – Guidelines and Standards.

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Community Grants Policy December 2014

The following indicators should be considered in measuring the effectiveness of the development and implementation of this program within the first year:

- a) Feedback from staff and Councillors.
- b) General feedback from organisations and groups identified through an survey of grant applicants.
- c) Number and diversity of groups applying for community grants increased.

Resource Implications

The streamlined process and in particular management of all categories of grants through a single process will reduce the amount of staff resources required in delivering the Community Grants Program. Information relating to the allocation of community grant process needs to be collated in a manner to ensure appropriate reporting is provided through the management plan and the annual report.

Authorisation
Council

Ownership

The development, implementation, review and evaluation of this policy is the responsibility of the Community and Culture Unit.

Some of the strategies outlined within this policy will require other service units such as Open Space and Community Capacity Building and Events to assist.

Further Information

For further information on this policy and attached guidelines contact Council's Community and Culture Manager on 9952 8222.

References

- Parramatta Council Community Grants Program
- City of Sydney Community Grants and Sponsorship Policy
- Bankstown City Council- Draft Grants & Donations Policy
- Leichardt Council – Grants and Community Resourcing Policy
- Auburn City Council – Community Grants Program Guidelines
- Victorian Local Governance Association –Best Practice in in Local Government Grants Program

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ARABIC

إذا تعذر عليك فهم محتويات هذه الوثيقة، نرجو الحضور إلى مركز بلدية رايد Ryde Civic Centre على العنوان: Devlin Street, Ryde 1 من الاثنين إلى الجمعة بين الساعة 8.30 صباحاً والساعة 4.30 بعد الظهر أو الاتصال بمكتب خدمات الترجمة على الرقم 131 450 لكي تطلب من أحد المترجمين الاتصال بمجلس مدينة رايد، على الرقم 9952 8222، نيابة عنك.

ARMENIAN

Եթե այս գրութիւնը չէք հասկնար, խնդրեմ եկէք՝ Բայր Դելվին Սթրիթ, 1 Տեյլին փողոց, Բայր, (Ryde Civic Centre, 1 Delvin Street, Ryde) Երկուշաբթիէն Ուրբաթ կա. ժամը 8.30 – կէ. ժամը 4.30, կամ հեռաձայնեցէք Հեռաձայնի եւ Թարգմանութեան Սպասարկութեան՝ 131 450, եւ խնդրեցէք որ թարգմանիչ մը Բայր Քաղաքապետարանին հետ կապ հաստատէ ձեզի համար, հեռաձայնելով՝ 9952 8222 թիվին:

CHINESE

如果您看不懂本文，請在周一至周五上午 8 時 30 分至下午 4 時 30 分前往 Ryde 市政中心詢問 (Ryde Civic Centre, 地址: 1 Devlin Street, Ryde)。你也可以打電話至電話傳譯服務中心，電話號碼是: 131 450。接通後你可以要求一位傳譯員為你打如下電話和 Ryde 市政廳聯繫，電話是: 9952 8222。

FARSI

اگر این مدرک را نمی فهمید لطفاً از 8.30 صبح تا 4.30 بعد از ظهر دوشنبه تا جمعه به مرکز شهرداری رايد، Ryde Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde مراجعه کنید یا به سرویس مترجم تلفنی، شماره 131 450 تلفن کنید و از یک مترجم بخواهید که از طرف شما با شهرداری رايد، شماره 9952 8222 تلفن کنند.

ITALIAN

Se non capite il presente documento, siete pregati di rivolgervi al Ryde Civic Centre al n. 1 di Devlin Street, Ryde, dalle 8.30 alle 16.30, dal lunedì al venerdì; oppure potete chiamare il Telephone Translating and Interpreting Service al 131 450 e chiedere all'interprete di contattare a vostro nome il Municipio di Ryde presso il 9952 8222.

KOREAN

이 문서가 무슨 의미인지 모르실 경우에는 1 Devlin Street, Ryde 에 있는 Ryde Civic Centre 로 오시거나 (월 – 금, 오전 8:30 – 오후 4:30), 전화 131 450 번으로 전화 통역 서비스에 연락하셔서 통역사에게 여러분 대신 Ryde 시청에 전화 9952 8222 번으로 연락을 부탁드립니다.



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The guidelines have been developed to assist organisations and groups to apply for funding from the City of Ryde under the Community Grants Program.

Before you submit your application, you may make an effort to discuss your proposed project with staff from Community Services. It is in your best interest to contact Persis Koo on tel: 9952 8048 or email: pkoo@ryde.nsw.gov.au to clarify any component of your application.

Key Dates

- Applications open Monday, 28 November 2016
- Applications close MIDNIGHT Friday, 17 February 2017

To assist community groups and organisations in applying for funding, the City of Ryde Community Services staff will be hosting information sessions. Attendance is highly recommended and bookings are essential.

These free workshops will be held on:

Wednesday, 14 December 2016 at 10am – 12noon

Thursday, 15 December 2016 at 6pm -7:30pm

Wednesday, 1Feb 2017 at 10am to 12noon

Thursday, 2 Feb 2017 at 6pm – 7.30pm

Registrations for the workshops are via our website: <http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au>.



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Application Process

1. Attendance at one of the information sessions is highly recommended. Determine which suits you and register to secure your space.
2. Determine the eligibility of your organisation and project.
3. Please read this document – 2016/17 Community Grants Application Guidelines which can be downloaded from the City of Ryde website <http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au>.
4. Select ONE of the Community Grant Categories that best suits your project.
5. Answer questions relating to the Assessment Criteria in the application form.
6. Prepare and submit your application together with any required supporting documentation by the closing date, midnight Friday, 17 February 2017.
7. Application timeframe

Program publicised, call for applications	November
Closing date for all applications	Mid-February
Assessment of applications	Feb/March
Report to Council	April
Community Grants Announcement	May

8. How to apply
 - All applications are completed online.
 - To start the application processes go to City of Ryde website: <http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Community/Grants/Community+Grants+Program>
 - Answer all questions and attach all information as requested;
 - Late applications will not be considered, and no extensions will be granted.



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Introduction

These guidelines have been developed to assist organisations and groups to apply for funding from the City of Ryde under the categories listed on page 6. Applicants will need to choose the grant category into which their project fits.

The Council award only one grant to any one organisation in the Grants Program.

Eligibility

To be eligible for funding an organisation must:

- Be not-for-profit;
- Be Incorporated or have evidence of auspice from an incorporated organisation;
- Be located within City of Ryde or principally service Ryde residents;
- Be located within City of Ryde only for "Emerging Groups" category application;
- Be open to the general public, inclusive and not discriminatory;
- Have acquitted previous City of Ryde funding received and have no outstanding debts to the City of Ryde.
- Be commencing the Project after the Grant Commencement date – money can only be used on future expenditure not on money already spent.

Ineligibility

The City of Ryde does not provide grants for:

- Projects that duplicate existing services or programs;
- Project that seek funds for day-to-day operational expenses, such as rent and staff wages (with the exception of one off community events supported by Council, where a group may apply for a one off grant to cover the fees and charges for the use of Council's open spaces or community facilities. In all such instances, the recipient of the grant is to acknowledge Council's grant support on all promotional material).
- Projects that seek funds to cover the cost of capital works and equipment;
- Projects that locate outside City of Ryde;
- Projects that do not meet the identified priority needs of the City of Ryde;
- Projects that have commenced prior to Grant Announcement date;
- Commercial organisations/sole traders;
- Fundraisers or general donations to charities;
- Political parties or activities that are overtly political in nature;
- Religious activities or activities that are overtly religious in nature;
- Schools or tertiary institutions;
- State or federal government agencies/departments;
- Individuals

Auspicing

In order to ensure that Council's Community Grants are accessible to the community, Council will accept applications from incorporated organisations acting as an auspice provider for unincorporated groups. In these circumstances, Council's funding relationship is with the body providing the auspice (auspice body).

Assessment Process



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- Applications will be assessed and prioritised by a panel composed of a multidisciplinary team of Council staff.
- Applications will be assessed against assessment criteria.
- The panel will recommend a list of projects to Council for funding.
- Council will make the final decision on successful projects.

Community Grant Categories

If you are applying for more than one grant, you must complete a separate application form for every project.

Please note – Council will award only one grant to any one organisation.

1. Seniors Grant

Provide volunteer- run local seniors group in Ryde with financial support that will enhance existing or encourage new programs and activities.

Example of previously funded project: The Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group -

".....it is a social support group for aged Ryde residents of Italian background. The group offers luncheons and social outings for members. Occasionally luncheon includes information sessions on health and wellbeing of seniors as well as information on other relevant services.

Through the participation in the group the effects of social isolation are minimised, and relationships are strengthened. Through the information sessions members are better equipped to deal with the raising of health issues."

2. Capacity Building Grant

Intend to support local community organisations in achieving community benefits while building the organisation's skills in governance and capacity to sustain their core activities. There are three sub-categories within this grant category:

Events Category

The aim of this category is to enhance the ability of organisations to sustain their activities based on their current capacity. This will be achieved by providing support to the organisations through a cycle of 3 years including monetary and in-kind support.

Example of previously funded project: Light Up East Ryde -

"Bringing a community together in the spirit of Christmas. Utilising existing open space, to host an outdoor event to celebrate local identity and spirit, increase pride of living within Ryde City & belonging. Giving back. Supporting local charities, showcase local businesses and talent."

Emerging / Small Groups

An organisation growth grant will be provided to new and small groups that operate on the basis of limited funding, relying largely on volunteers and on one-off, short term and small grants to manage their operations.



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Example of previously funded project: Australian Korean Art Therapy Association Inc.

"To raise awareness of mental health in terms of management skills in intra/interpersonal, developing self-esteem, anger and aiding family's with mental issues by creating diverse art works as a medium, stimulating communication with participants in all ages and running regular workshops in collaboration with Relationship Australia, Aged Care groups etc."

General Category

This category is open to all groups including arts and cultural groups. Applications may be for initiatives that build the capacity of organisations towards provision of community benefits including volunteer trainings, business planning and governance training.

Example of previously funded project: Ryde Business Forum Inc.

"We are working through a re-branding and with that in mind we are seeking a grant for marketing materials, website hosting and development, advertising, business name registration to encourage business people to join their local chambers and grow a strong local economy which ultimately provides employment growth in the area."

3. Sports and Recreation Community Grant

Applications in this category aim to develop sports and initiatives that enhance existing activities to support sustainable, community orientated, specific local projects that increase the opportunity for participation in sports, recreation and physical activity.

Only sporting organisations are eligible to apply for this grant category.

Example of previously funded project: Kickstart –

".....to implement the Kickstart program for all our mini players (up to age 10) to assist with their skill development and enjoyment of the game. We are seeking assistance to expand the program to include ages 11 to 14. The project aims to help junior players build confidence and increase skills. The project will also help in building relationships among players as well as assisting with keeping these young people fit and active."

4. Community Projects

This category aims to provide funding to the local community organisations working towards building a cohesive and connected community based on the principles of inclusion, enhancing community wellbeing and cultural capacity building.

Example of previously funded project: Sewing Banners Project-

".....women from multicultural background will be trained by an experienced facilitator to sew bags and other artefacts using old banners..... After developing and improving design and sewing skills, social enterprise trainer will train the participants in managing and operating a social enterprise or small business. These workshops will be facilitated by an art and craft facilitator..... After completion of the first stage of the



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project, those participants interested to learn and earn some income from the skills they have gained, will be encourage to attend social enterprise and small business management course."

Please select the categories below which best suits your project.

Grants Categories	Assessment Criteria
Seniors Grant (Up to \$2,000)	<input type="checkbox"/> Connect seniors and eliminate social isolation <input type="checkbox"/> Activities enhance the health and well-being of seniors in Ryde <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors groups must be based in Ryde and mainly run by volunteers
Capacity Building Grant – Event Category (Up to \$3,500)	<input type="checkbox"/> Connect people to each other, place and neighbourhood <input type="checkbox"/> Promote cultural diversity and vibrancy of the community <input type="checkbox"/> Festival/Event must be based in Ryde and mainly run by volunteers
Capacity Building Grant – Emerging / Small Groups (Up to \$3,500)	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisation growth grant for newly established groups that address emerging issues or needs in the community <input type="checkbox"/> Small and largely run by volunteers <input type="checkbox"/> Need support to boost growth potential such as finding a meeting place, developing programs & resources and managing volunteers etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Must be based in the Ryde and services benefit the local residents
Capacity Building Grant – General Category (Up to \$3,500)	<input type="checkbox"/> Require support to develop organisation to become self-sustaining such as promotion, developing business plan, volunteer training, governance training and linking with compatible groups or organisations to collaborate and form partnerships
Sports and Recreation Community Grant (Up to \$3,500)	<input type="checkbox"/> Project will be of direct benefit to a specific sporting group or groups within the community <input type="checkbox"/> Services, programs and initiatives aim to benefit the City of Ryde residents
Community Projects (Up to \$5,000)	<input type="checkbox"/> Project demonstrates that it is meeting an identified need in the community through a strong evidence base <input type="checkbox"/> Project must include a component of in-kind or cash contribution from the organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Project must have the capacity to develop self-sustainability <input type="checkbox"/> Enliven arts and cultural life that promote health and wellbeing



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Conditions of Funding

1. City of Ryde reserves the right to require the successful organisation to enter into a partnership or service arrangement. This is to ensure that identified social needs priorities are satisfactorily addressed.
2. Where a service or partnership arrangement is entered into it should be jointly developed and ratified by the Council and the organisation prior to the funding being made available.
3. Funds provided by the Council must be deposited in an account in the organisation's name and the Council must be advised of the organisation's GST status.
4. All publicity relating to the project/service, including any annual reporting, must acknowledge City of Ryde's contribution.
5. At the end of the funding period, and as part of the grant acquittal process, organisations will be required to complete a project evaluation form.
6. Should there be any concerns regarding the completion of the funded project, the organisation is encouraged to discuss the situation with council officers with a view to putting the project back on course.

Documentation checklist

Do you have copies of all the relevant documentation required for your application?

- ☐ Your organisation's / auspice organisation's ABN (if applicable)
- ☐ Letter or statement of support from your auspice organisation (if applicable)
- ☐ Have you submitted an Acquittal form for previous City of Ryde Community Grants Funding?
- ☐ If requested are you able to provide a copy of your most recent Annual Report?
- ☐ Quotes and any supporting material for your budget.
- ☐ All applications must be submitted via online application.



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2016/2017 Sports & Recreation Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Eastwood Ryde Netball Association	"L" to play Netball	This program is part of a National Junior Development Program and will introduce primary school children to learn the skills of netball and also how to play the game.	\$3,500.00	\$3,500	Activities within the program are well designed with a clear pathway to encourage continued participation in netball.
Parramatta River Sailing Club	PRSC Security and signage project 2017	Funding will be used to replace signage and the very old broken gate located at the front ramp of the clubhouse.	\$3,464.65	\$0	Request for funding is for replacing of the club's infrastructure which does not meet the funding criteria.
Gladesville Sharks FC	Coaching for Junior Players-Boys & Girls	This project is a new initiative to give young players and those starting out the basics to enjoy the game of soccer.	\$2,000.00	\$1,000	Part funding was recommended as no comment was made on how the program will be promoted to non-members to encourage increased participation in sport/recreation.
Putney Rangers Football Club	Equipment and coaching aids	Little Rangers program for children in the ages of 3 - 5 years to help introduce them to football. Goals and equipment needed for the children in the kick start program as well.	\$3,500.00	\$3,327	The project meet the criteria and was supported for the quoted amount for equipment and advertisement.
Macquarie Dragons FC	Equipment - non competitive football skills development	Provision of portable goals to be used in non competitive football in City of Ryde. Able to be set up and packed up by volunteers and stored safely.	\$3,500.00	\$3,240	The project meet the criteria and was supported for the quoted amount for this equipment.

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2016/2017 Sports & Recreation Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Eastwood St Andrews AFC	Community Inclusion Program	The project aims to implement specialised coaching, clinics and general support for all payers - especially women (young and older) and children from all ethnic backgrounds.	\$3,500.00	\$2,000	Part funded was recommended as the budget was unclear as to what equipment the funding would support and how this directly impacts the running of the program.
Ryde Sports Foundation Inc.	Ryde Sports Foundation Personal Development Scholarship	To develop a scholarship programme that will identify athletes with a disability, and other athletes from within the multi-cultural community, who will benefit from a personal development scholarship, which will provide coaching, mentoring, training and travel assistance to enhance their performance in their chosen sport.	\$5,000.00	\$3,500	Meet criteria and was only eligible for \$3500 which is the maximum amount within the Sports & Recreation Category.
			\$24,464.65	\$16,567	

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2016/2017 Seniors Grants Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount requested	Amount recommended	Comments
Italian Leisure Group	Social Events	The group get together and play social games every Friday. Also, celebrate Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter, Valentine's Day and Seniors Week.	\$2,000	\$2,000	Meet criteria.
Catholic Healthcare Limited	Special Art and Craft Day	Provide two groups of older people of Korean background with art and craft sessions appropriate to the theme of the holidays (New Year's Day, Australian Day, Valentine Day, Easter, Anzac Day and Christmas).	\$1,752	\$1,752	Meet criteria.
Italo Australian Senior Citizens Association	Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group	The Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group is a social support group for aged Ryde residents of Italian background. Occasionally luncheon includes information sessions on health and well being of seniors as well as information on other relevant services.	\$2,000	\$2,000	Meet criteria.
Italian Womens Group Marsfield	Promotes Health Initiatives	The Italian Womens Group has met every Tuesday in the church hall of St Anthony's Parish. The group gets together to provide support to one another regarding all challenges and celebrations of life including the failing health of themselves and their loved ones.	\$500	\$500	Meet criteria.
Indonesian Welfare Association Incorporated	2B Active Seniors	The project will promote healthy-living focused activity to the Indonesian senior community that is culturally and linguistically appropriate.	\$2,000	\$2,000	Meet criteria.

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2016/2017 Seniors Grants Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount requested	Amount recommended	Comments
Ryde Multicultural Centre Incorporated	Active and Informed Seniors 2017	Organise health and well being sessions with guest speakers about dementia, hearth and other health related subjects. Also informing them about other available government community services. (Housing, health and immigration), direct seniors how to use computers in finding information and organise outings	\$2,000	\$2,000	Meet criteria.
Probus Club Of Ryde	Subsidise Transportation and Excursion Costs	The project is to organise day and short stay tours for the members of The Probus Club Of Ryde.	\$2,000	\$2,000	Meet criteria.
			\$12,252	\$12,252	

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2016/17 General Category					
Organisation Name	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Ryde Hunters Hill Community Transport Association Inc.	Future Capability Training	Seeking fund for a management staff to attend Certificate of Transport Management offered annually in July. Also seeking grants to provide volunteer drivers with individual assessments as a means of providing tailored training and feedback for each individual driver to better service for many local clients.	\$3,500	\$1,129	Part funded for training of volunteer drivers only.
Australia Korean Art Therapy Association Inc.	Therapist Member Trainings	The project will be focused on Member Development in three areas: to upskill handling art materials by attending classes in Art Gallery NSW; to update knowledge on current psychology theories with inviting local psychologists; and to continue regular group study each month at the Women's Rest Centre.	\$3,450	\$2,850	Part funded which excluded the cost of venue hire as budgeted.
Sydneysiders Mens Barbershop Chorusinc	Sydneysiders Express Men's Chorus Open Night	Sydneysiders Express Open Night is an outreach to men of all nationalities and ages. Following the Open Night men are invited to a free five week "Learn to Sing in Harmony" course.	\$3,000	\$2,600	Part funded which excluded the cost of venue hire as budgeted.
Friends Of Lane Cove National Park	Capacity building, train the team leaders Friends of Lane Cove National Park	This project will enable Friends of Lane Cove National Park engage professional Bush Regeneration Trainers to assist and train teams on City of Ryde sites within Lane Cove National Park.	\$3,480	\$3,480	Meet Criteria
Artisans Ryde Inc.	Artisans Ryde Classes	Artisans Ryde (AR) run courses and workshops on weekends, offering art and craft classes to the local community. The objective is to provide a fun environment for people to learn new skills or brush up on existing skills. It will also provide an opportunity for artists to share their knowledge with others, a key objective of our group.	\$3,500	\$2,180	Part funded which excluded the cost of venue hire as budgeted.

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2016/17 General Category					
Organisation Name	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
North Ryde Community Aid And Information Centre Inc	Timebanking	Timebanking will be promoted as a vehicle to broaden experiences of individuals, improve a person's community connectedness and wellbeing, engage a more diverse group of volunteers, and link compatible groups and organisations to develop timebanking volunteers into their own more permanent volunteering base.	\$3,500	\$3,500	Meet Criteria
Kyds Youth Development	Youth Engagement Resources for Counsellor Outreach Activities in Epping	Purchase youth engagement resources for use by KYDS counsellors and psychologists based at The Shack in Epping, when undertaking one-to-one counselling services and at outreach activities in school and community settings in the area.	\$2,777	\$0	Project located outside of Ryde LGA.
The Ryde Chinese Carers Support Group	Making the most supportive CALD carers support group in the Northern Sydney region	The carer support group is open and accessible to CALD carers who need information, support, training, respite and relaxation in Ryde.	\$3,500	\$3,000	Part funded which excluded the cost of administration and catering.
			\$26,707	\$18,739	

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2016/2017 Event Grants Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Reach Community Initiatives	Community Christmas Dinner	The Community Christmas Dinner will provide inclusive access for people who may otherwise feel isolated and/or economically disadvantaged during the Christmas period.	\$3,500	\$3,000	Part funded for publicity, catering and venue hire.
Sydney Latin American Film Festival Inc	Human Rights in Latin America Film Festival	The event will include a film screening, panel discussion and cultural performance in partnership with Macquarie University. The project will develop partnerships with the wider community to access, educate and entertain new audiences, particularly CALD communities; as well as to foster positive participation and dialogue.	\$5,000	\$2,000	Part funded for film screening fees, sound equipment and promotion of the event.
Armenian Relief Society Araz Chapter	ARS Araz Chapter 10th anniversary	The event is to celebrate Armeniann Relief Society Araz Chapter 10th anniversary.	\$3,500	\$0	The applicant has applied for more than one grant and funding was recommended in the Community Projects Category for the amount of \$2500.
Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc	Seniors Christmas Party	The provision of a fully catered Christmas lunch for up to 100 elderly and disabled clients and prospective clients of North Ryde Community Aid and Hunters Hill Ryde Community Services.	\$1,250	\$1,250	Meet criteria.
Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc	North Ryde Rotary Fun Run	This is a Fun Run with a focus on physical and mental health working in partnership with Macquarie University Sports Association (use of grounds free of charge) to provide a Fun Run in and around the sports grounds.	\$2,000	\$0	The applicant has applied for more than one grant in the Event category and funding was recommended for the Seniors Christmas Party for the amount of \$1250.

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2016/2017 Event Grants Category					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Rotary Club Of Macquarie Park Incorporated	Light Up East Ryde	Twilight Market & Street Fair. Free community event brining a neighbourhood together to celebrate the coming of xmas.	\$5,000	\$3,500	Meet criteria and maximum amount of \$3500 recommended within the Event Grants Category.
Macquarie Chapel Presbyterian Church	Downtown Bethlehem	The event is called 'Downtown Bethlehem' and will be held on the 3rd of December 2017.	\$5,000	\$2,700	Part funded for staging, stalls and promotion of event.
Eastwood Chinese Senior Citizens Inc	Lunar New Year Celebration Luncheon (Year of Dog)	It is a 2018 Lunar New year Celebration Luncheon. A total of one hundred guests will be invited. They will comprise of members of the local multicultural community groups including Chinese, Indonesian, Korean, Italian and Australian.	\$2,400	\$1,000	Part funded to assist with the cost of catering to encourage community members from non-Chinese speaking background to participate in the celebration.
Australian Asian Association of Bennelong and Eastwood Chinese Senior Citizens Club	2018 Harmony Soccer Tournament	This is Bennelong electorate's largest community based soccer tournament which first began in 2013. The event brings together a large cross section of the community from business, government, emergency services, and religious and multicultural groups.	\$1,000	\$1,000	Meet criteria.
Language Festival Association	Ryde Language Festival 2017	The Ryde Language Festival is a cultural and educational event devoted to celebrating and teaching language diversity.	\$1,500	\$1,000	Part funded which excluded the cost of venue hire as the event was held at Council library last year.
			\$30,150	\$15,450	

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2016/17 Emerging/Small Group				
Organisation	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Australia Han In Saeng Myung Line Inc. (Korean Life Line)	To provide the emergency and general counselling service by the telephone and personal contact basis for Korean speaking community in Australia and Ryde LGA.	\$3,500	\$3,500	Meet criteria
Differently Abled People Association Incorporated- Friends of DAPA	The Friends of DAPA assist the organisation to develop a smartphone app that helps disabled people to be independent in Australia. The group will continuously evaluate the ManyMinds Link smartphone app for development and improvement.	\$3,500	\$3,500	Meet criteria
The Northern Centre - Together We Can	The volunteer group is made of mums to share parenting skills and experiences. It is a support group for single mums from Korean speaking background.	\$3,500	\$3,500	Meet criteria
		\$10,500	\$10,500	

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2016/2017 Community Projects					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
The Shepherd Centre - For Deaf Children	Ready Set Go -- A School Readiness Program for Children from Ryde who are Deaf or Hearing Impaired	The Shepherd Centre is seeking funding to provide a school readiness program for children who are deaf or hearing impaired and their families from Ryde Community. Comprised of a children's group and a parallel parent's group, the aim of the program is to successfully transition the children into mainstream schooling.	\$5,000	\$3,400	Part funded which excluded the cost of payment to volunteers.
Christian Community Aid art4connection	art4connection Workshop	Four workshop events facilitated by four trained and experienced art therapists in the Ryde community to connect local residents through positive and creative art therapy processes, which provide well-being, mindfulness, personal growth, improved self-esteem and build resilience and gratitude.	\$4,800	\$2,500	Part funded for cost of facilitators and promotions only. Excluded the cost of venue hire, Support workers and administration fee.
The Northern Centre (the new Ryde Family Services)	Tuning into Kids	This initiative, aims to give parents helpful ways of teaching children the skills of emotional intelligence (for both parents and grandparents residing in the Ryde LGA) through a 6 week evidence based parenting program (Tuning into Kids/ TIK) delivered in a community language.	\$4,952	\$4,952	Meet criteria.
Eastwood Occasional Child Care Centre	LET'S BE GREEN	To build a garden area and replace a barren space with planter boxes that are at a child's level.	\$5,000	\$0	This is a capital work program and does not meet criteria.
St Andrews Socio Religious Justice, Harmony of FITA Inc.	Community Volunteering Training Project- Environment for Ryde Community	The project is to train new volunteers to care for the local environment.	\$5,000	\$2,000	Part funded for volunteer trainings only. Excluded the cost of DVD production which has no relation to the proposed volunteer training project.
International Environmental Weed Foundation for The Habitat community nursery	Green Wall for The Habitat community	This project is to build a Green Wall along the fence next to our main open air meeting and education area. It will be utilised to educate the community as part of the sustainability workshops series run regularly at The Habitat.	\$5,000	\$0	Application withdraw as the project will now be supported through a Council initiative.

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2016/2017 Community Projects					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Buddhist Compassion and Relief Tzu Chi Foundation	Zero waste Ryde	The project aims to protect our environment and help increase community cohesion by involving community members in various environmental protection related volunteer work.	\$4,864	\$4,000	Part funded which excluded the cost of commercial sinks.
Sydney Korean Women's Association Inc	Project Helping Hand	Sydney Korean Women's Association Inc (SKWA) is a non-profit organization that supports women of all ethnicities and cultural backgrounds that are culturally and linguistically disadvantaged. Our aim to empower them so in turn they can support their families to integrate successfully and seamlessly into the Australian society. As such, SKWA plays a paramount role for the general community.	\$5,000	\$2,000	Part funded for courses, trainers and promotions. Excluded the fee for child care, administration, wages, mobile phone fee and venue hire.
Northside Community Forum Limited	Care Support training for DARTS Bus drivers and DARTS Volunteers	Training will consist of complaint handling, disability awareness training, manual handling, defensive driving training, trauma and elder abuse identification training.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Meet criteria.
Armenian Relief Society Araz Chapter	Self Sustainability	The project will invite professional speakers to talk about leadership, social networking and other topics including well being and technology savvy.	\$5,000	\$2,500	Part funded for speakers, transport, materials and promotions. Excluded catering cost which is budgeted for \$3000.
Multicultural Integration Community Support	Old New Stories from abroad: A film project with aging immigrants	Many immigrant families often bring along aging parents who cannot be left behind. The project will consist of a series of storytelling sessions with at least 8 participants from different cultural backgrounds. The sessions will be filmed, edited, and screened at a later stage to the Ku-ring-gai, Hornsby and Ryde communities. It is expected one of this sessions will take place at Macquarie University.	\$5,000	\$3,300	Part funded for cost of film director, subtitles and transportation for volunteers. Excluded the cost of project manager, volunteer time and equipment rental.

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ATTACHMENT 3

2016/2017 Community Projects					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Differently Abled People Association Inc.	Differently Talented Multicultural Drama	The project is a drama course for people with intellectual disability aims to bring the audience the fun of language and colour that various cultures can create.	\$5,000	\$0	The applicant has applied for more than one grant and funding was recommended for the development of ManyMinds Link smartphone app for \$3500 in the Emerging/Small Group category.
Taldumande Youth Services	Intensive Family Support Program	We operate the only 24/7 crisis refuge for young people in northern Sydney and offer supported accommodation and programs that provide a streamlined pathway, from homelessness and family breakdown to independence and stability. One of our key programs is our Intensive Family Support Program. This is a self-funded program which provides specialist case management support to young people aged 16-18 years and their families during a breakdown. It's a very focused program that is tailored to the individual needs of the family.	\$5,000	\$5,000	Meet criteria.
St John's North Ryde Anglican	Community programs assistance	Expansion of ESL program and Playgroups through promotion and ensuring onsite safe access to activities.	\$5,000	\$0	Capital work program and does not meet criteria.
Achieve Australia Ltd	Website for Social Enterprise	The project is to fund development of web site for the Fabric Needlecraft and More craft shop .	\$5,000	\$0	Not a community project so does not meet criteria.
The Humour Foundation	Clown Doctors	To fund the work of Clown Doctor who engage with children by wearing a red nose, carry a colourful stethoscope and a decorated white doctor's coat.	\$5,000	\$0	Not a community project so does not meet criteria.
North Ryde Community Aid	Boomerang Bags	The project aims to link with community members, bring youth and seniors together to make bags for the wider community use.	\$5,000	\$0	The organisation has applied for more than one category. Funding recommended in the General category for "timebanking" project for the amount of \$3500.

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ATTACHMENT 3

2016/2017 Community Projects					
Organisation	Project Title	Project Description	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Comments
Feng Huang Yuan Spiritual Cultivation Centre Inc	Restore Ways to Health and Wellness	The program is an educational and practical program designed to help Ryde residents better manage health issues such as overweight, asthma, while also helping with stress and anger release etc.	\$4,000	\$3,500	Meet criteria but exclude the cost of venue hire.
			\$88,616	\$38,152	

4 SOBROAN ROAD, MARSFIELD - BUS PARKING AT DUNBAR PARK

Report prepared by: Team Leader - Traffic Services

File No.: GRP/09/3/14 - BP17/193

REPORT SUMMARY

Council recently considered installing parking control measures in Sobraon Road, Marsfield. It was resolved to only install driveway delineation linemarking at the driveways to assist vehicles entering and exiting their driveways and provide a location for bins to be placed for collection.

Although this is due for review in September 2017, it does not accommodate private buses picking-up and dropping-off at Dunbar Park, which is used extensively between May and August for sports carnivals. Parking is in high demand in the area, due to nearby construction sites. Therefore, it is proposed to install a 'BUS ZONE' directly outside the park for peak periods between May and August.

Given the Council's interest in this location previously, the matter is referred to the Council before seeking Technical Approval of the Ryde Traffic Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- (a) Installs a 50 m 'BUS ZONE 8.30AM–10AM 2PM–3.30PM MAY-AUG' in Sobraon Road, outside Dunbar Park, Marsfield, for the winter sports season.
- (b) Reviews these measures after August 2017.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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Introduction

Local residents raised concerns regarding the high demand for parking in Sobraon Road, due to the large number of nearby construction sites. A proposal to install 'NO PARKING 8AM-6PM MON-SAT' on the western side of Sobraon Road was referred to the Works and Community Committee meeting, held on 15 September 2017, with support from the Ryde Traffic Committee. There were concerns regarding the impacts of installing the parking control measures and therefore, Council resolved the following:

- (i) *That Council installs delineated linemarking on driveways along the full length of both sides of Sobraon Road, Marsfield to help improve access.*
- (ii) *That a further review of this solution be undertaken in 12 months time and be reported back to the Works and Community Committee for its consideration.*

The driveway delineation lines have since been installed and will be reviewed after September 2017.

Discussion

Although the basements for the following nearby construction sites are nearing completion, which will make them available for construction workers to park onsite, it is likely that there will be an overspill of parking and parking demand will remain high:

- 108 Herring Road (the Ranch Hotel) 100 construction workers
- 110-114 Herring Road (Parkview) 250 construction workers
- 126 Herring Road (Saunders Close) 100 construction workers.

Furthermore, 120 Herring Road (College site) is due to commence shortly, with 100 construction workers, and the Ivanhoe Estate and 137-143 Herring Road due to come online in the next few years.

Dunbar Park is typically used extensively by schools and sporting groups between May and August for sports carnivals. Most of these use buses to drop off their students / participants between 8.30am and 10am and pick up between 2pm and 3.30pm. Groups using buses in 2016 found it increasingly difficult to find an area to drop-off / pick-up passengers, without double parking.

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The options for the Council to consider, in order to assisting schools and sporting groups using buses are:

1. installing a 'NO PARKING 8.30AM–10AM 2PM–3.30PM MAY-AUG' zone outside Dunbar Park, or
2. installing a 'BUS ZONE 8.30AM–10AM 2PM–3.30PM MAY-AUG' zone outside Dunbar Park.

Informal discussions with RMS indicate that these measures will be appropriate.

Although there is a desire to use a NO PARKING zone, to provide an area for any drivers to drop off and pick up passengers at Dunbar Park, the existing car park is best utilised for this purpose.

Therefore, it is recommended that Council installs a 50 m 'BUS ZONE 8.30AM–10AM 2PM–3.30PM MAY-AUG' in Sobraon Road, outside the frontage of Dunbar Park. It is further recommended that this measure be reviewed after August 2017.

Community Engagement

If the Council is in favour of changing the parking controls, local residents will be advised of the changes before implementation.

Funding and Implementation

If approved, the works will be installed in April 2017, under the Traffic and Transport Program - Traffic Calming Devices Budget.

Approvals

Under the instrument of Delegation, the proposed measures require:

- Technical Approval by Ryde Traffic Committee, and
- Approval by the Council, which is in the Delegated powers of the Works and Community Committee.

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Figure 1 Proposed 50 m BUS ZONE

(source: Google Maps)

5 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS TABLED AT THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9 FEBRUARY 2017

Report prepared by: Team Leader - Traffic Services
File No.: GRP/09/3/14 - BP17/114

REPORT SUMMARY

This report discusses each traffic/parking matter separately and provides discussion and recommendations on how Council may proceed with the proposed measures. Six reports were tabled at the Ryde Traffic Committee (RTC) meeting held on 9 February 2017, proposing traffic and parking measures:

- (A) Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park - 'BUS ZONE's
- (B) Blair Street, Gladesville - Angle-parking bays
- (C) Linley Way, Ryde - 'NO STOPPING' zones at Princes Street
- (D) Morrison Road, Putney - LATM scheme
- (E) Wharf Road, Gladesville - Sight distance at Amiens Street
- (F) Morrison Road, Putney - 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone.

The Minutes of the RTC meeting provide Technical Approval for the proposed measures and are included at the end of this report.

The measures are implemented under the Traffic and Transport Program – Traffic Calming Devices Budget and generally cost less than \$2,000 for each item except where noted in the report.

A further four matters, including General Business, were discussed at the RTC meeting and are included in the Minutes of the RTC meeting for the Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council:
 - i. Adjusts the existing 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park to create a 34 m 'BUS ZONE'.
 - ii. Extends the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest.
 - iii. Installs a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park.

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- (b) That Council linemarks three angle-parking bays at the dead end of Blair Street, Gladesville.
- (c) That Council extends the existing 10 m of statutory 'NO STOPPING' to 24 m on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.
- (d) That Council:
 - i. Installs speed cushions in Morrison Road, west of Delange Road, outside 207 Morrison Road, Putney.
 - ii. Installs a flush threshold in Morrison Road, east of Mitchell Street, outside 181 Morrison Road, Putney.
 - iii. Installs speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park Putney, outside 104 Morrison Road, Putney.
- (e) That Council installs the following parking control measures, intersection controls and associated linemarking at the intersection of Wharf Road and Amiens Street, Gladesville:
 - i. 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the western side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
 - ii. 15 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
 - iii. A 'STOP' sign in Amiens Street, on the eastern approach to Wharf Road.
- (f) That Council installs a 5.5 m 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone in Morrison Road, outside 256 Morrison Road, Putney.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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ITEM (A) WATERLOO ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK

SUBJECT: **‘BUS ZONE’S**
WARD: **EAST**
REFERENCE: D15/149152, T2016-02028, RTC-21/07/2016 &
 W&CC-16/08/2016

OVERVIEW

The number and size of buses that terminate, layover and commence in Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park is unable to be accommodated within the existing ‘BUS ZONE’s. Furthermore, one of the BUS ZONEs does not align with the existing Bus Stop.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Council undertakes the following changes in Waterloo Road:

1. Adjusts the existing ‘BUS ZONE’ to align with the existing Bus Stop,
2. Extends one of the existing bus layover areas to accommodate longer buses, and
3. Creates an additional bus layover area for one bus.

These measures are supported by the Bus Operators, Sydney Buses and Hillsbus.

INTRODUCTION

Waterloo Road is used by Bus Operators to layover a number of services. The following issues have been identified:

- The Bus Stop outside Macquarie Park railway station and associated ‘BUS ZONE’ do not align, causing buses to drop-off/pick-up in ‘NO STOPPING’ zone.
- An existing bus layover area is not long enough to cater for buses that are over 12.5 m.
- Bus services have increased in the area, causing a need for bus layovers in general.

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BACKGROUND

The matter was tabled at the Ryde Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 July 2016. Subsequently, Council resolved the following at the Works and Community Committee meeting held on 16 August 2016:

That Council defers adjusting the 'BUS ZONE's in Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park, in order for site meeting to be held between City of Ryde staff, RMS, STA, Hillsbus and TfNSW, to determine the "BUS ZONE" lengths required.

A site meeting was held on 13 December 2016 with City of Ryde staff and representatives from State Transit Authority (STA) and Hillsbus, who supported the current proposal.

CONTEXT

1. Waterloo Road is used by a number of STA and Hillsbus routes to layover buses in preparation to start routes at Macquarie Park railway station.
2. There is one Bus Stop on both sides of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road.
3. There are two bus layover areas on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road, currently signposted 'BUS ZONE'.

REFERENCES

- State Transit's *Bus Infrastructure Guide*
- RMS's Technical Direction *TDT 2013/07 Bus Layover Parking*
- [NSW] *Road Rules 2014* Rule 183 Stopping in a bus zone

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

A site meeting was held on 13 December 2016 with City of Ryde staff and representatives from STA and Hillsbus, who supported the current proposal. Given that the recommended changes will not result in the loss of any on-street parking, the changes are considered low impact and no further consultation will be undertaken.

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DISCUSSION

In conjunction with other works in the area, the location of the Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station) has been adjusted. However, there have been no changes to the associated 'BUS ZONE', causing buses to stop in a 'NO STOPPING' zone. Therefore, it is proposed that the 'BUS ZONE' be re-aligned with the current Bus Stop.

One of the existing two bus layover areas on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located to the northwest of Thomas Holt Drive) is currently only long enough to cater for the shortest of regular buses that service the area. When longer buses layover here, the rear of the final bus can overhang into the travel lane. Therefore, it is proposed to extend the associated BUS ZONE to the northwest, by 10 m.

In order to assist with the increased demand on bus services in the area, it is furthermore proposed to utilise a section of 'NO STOPPING' to provide an additional 'BUS ZONE' for layover purposes.

APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

1. To install a 34 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park.
2. To extend the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest.
3. To install a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park.

RTC COMMENTS

The Ryde Traffic Committee agreed that an adjustment to *the PROPOSAL* was appropriate to more accurately reflect the changes.

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RTC RESOLUTION

That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to:

1. The adjustment of the existing 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park to create a 34 m 'BUS ZONE'.
2. The extension of the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest.
3. The installation of a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adjusts the existing 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park to create a 34 m 'BUS ZONE'.
2. Extends the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest.
3. Installs a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park.

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ITEM (B) BLAIR STREET, GLADESVILLE

SUBJECT: **ANGLE-PARKING BAYS**
WARD: **EAST**
REFERENCE: **RANGERS & T2016-01670**

OVERVIEW

Three vehicles currently angle park at the dead-end of Blair Street, Gladesville. Although this practice is not dangerous, it is contrary to the Road Rules. In order to formalise parking in this fashion, it is recommended that the Council linemarks the three parking bays, thereby gaining one parking space.

INTRODUCTION

City of Ryde has received representation from a resident of Gladesville requesting consideration be given to installing parking control measures to allow three vehicles to park at the dead end of Blair Street.

CONTEXT

1. This section of Blair Street has a carriageway width of 7.4 m and provides access to a number of unit blocks.
2. There are currently no signposted parking control measures and therefore drivers must park their vehicles in accordance with the Road Rules.

REFERENCES

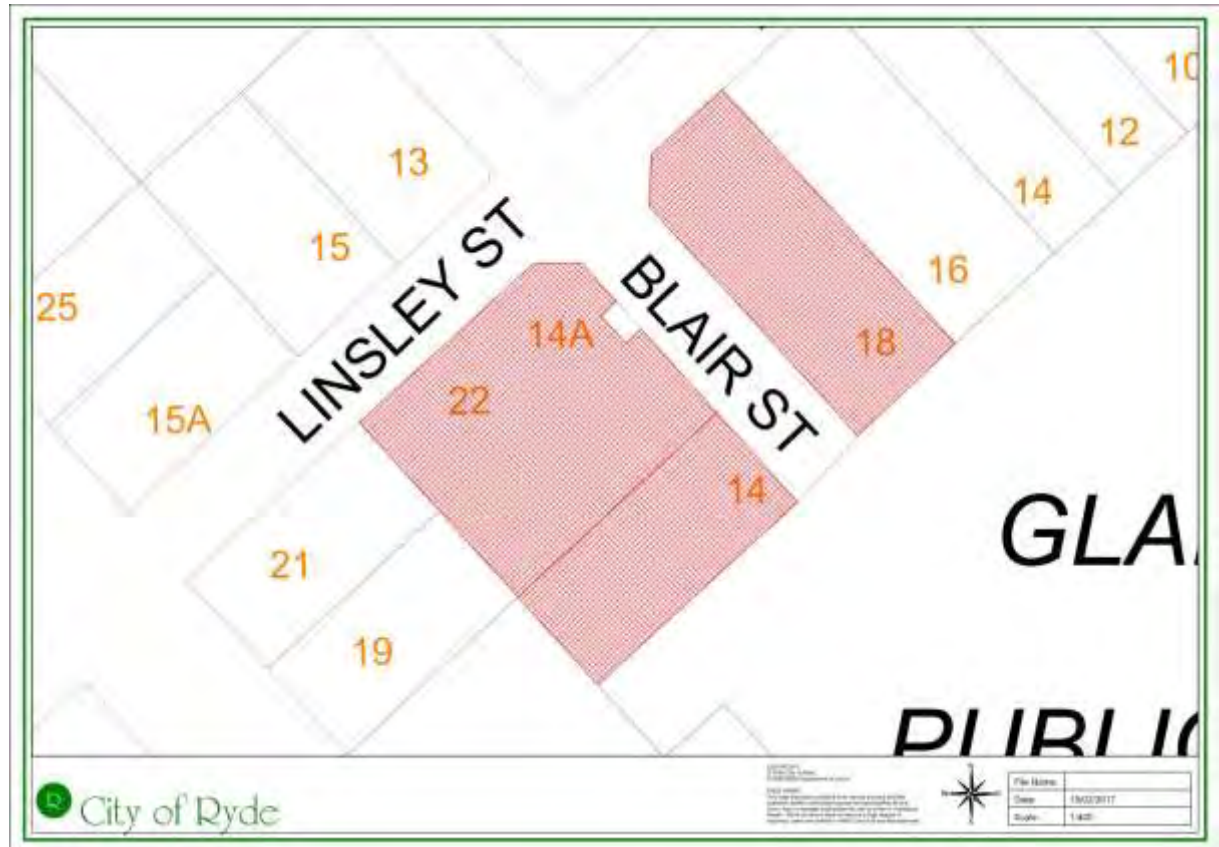
- [NSW] Road Rules 2014 Rule 210 - Angle parking
- Australia Standards AS2890.5 - On Street Parking

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The attached design was distributed to 29 residencies at the three properties in the area, as shown in *Figure B1*. Two responses were received, both of which are in support of the proposed changes.

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Figure B1 Community engagement distribution



DISCUSSION

The practice of parking three vehicles at the end of Blair Street is contrary to the Road Rules. Following the issuing of infringement notices to vehicles in this location, City of Ryde has been requested to consider formalising the parking area to create three angle-parking bays.

Given that parking three vehicles in this location does not impact the operation of the street or the adjacent driveways, it is recommended that the current parking practices be formalised by linemarking the angle-parking bays.

APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

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PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

To linemark three angle-parking bays at the dead end of Blair Street, Gladesville, as shown in the attached plan.

RTC RESOLUTION

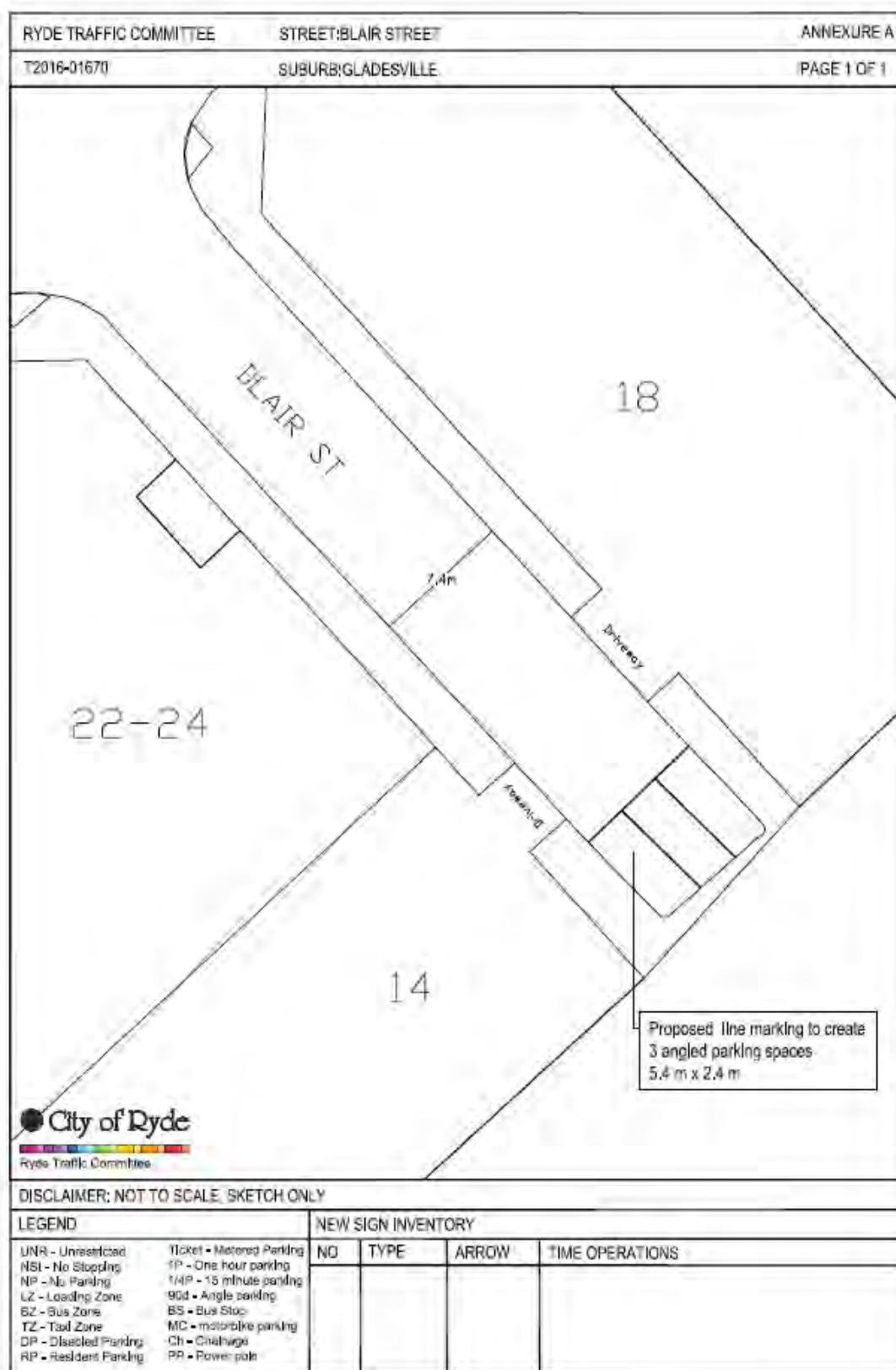
That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to *the PROPOSAL*.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council linemarks three angle-parking bays at the dead end of Blair Street, Gladesville.



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ITEM (C) LINLEY WAY, RYDE

SUBJECT: 'NO STOPPING' ZONES AT PRINCES STREET
WARD: EAST
REFERENCE: T2016-01823 & D17/40

OVERVIEW

Due to an increase in parking demand from the construction of the Putney Hill development, drivers have started parking their vehicles in a manner that blocks through access in Linley Way, adjacent to the traffic island at Princes Street, Ryde. Therefore, it is proposed to formalise the parking control measures in Linley Way.

INTRODUCTION

City of Ryde has received representation from a resident of Linley Way requesting consideration be given to installing parking control measures to help prevent parked vehicles from blocking the travel lanes at the traffic island at the intersection of Princes Street.

CONTEXT

1. Linley Way has an 8.6 m wide carriageway and provides access to a number of residential properties in Linley Way and Fernleigh Close.
2. There is an existing 1.8 m wide concrete median in Linley Way, southeast of the intersection with Princes Street.
3. There are no current signposted parking control measures to advise motorists how close to park to the abovementioned concrete median island.

REFERENCES

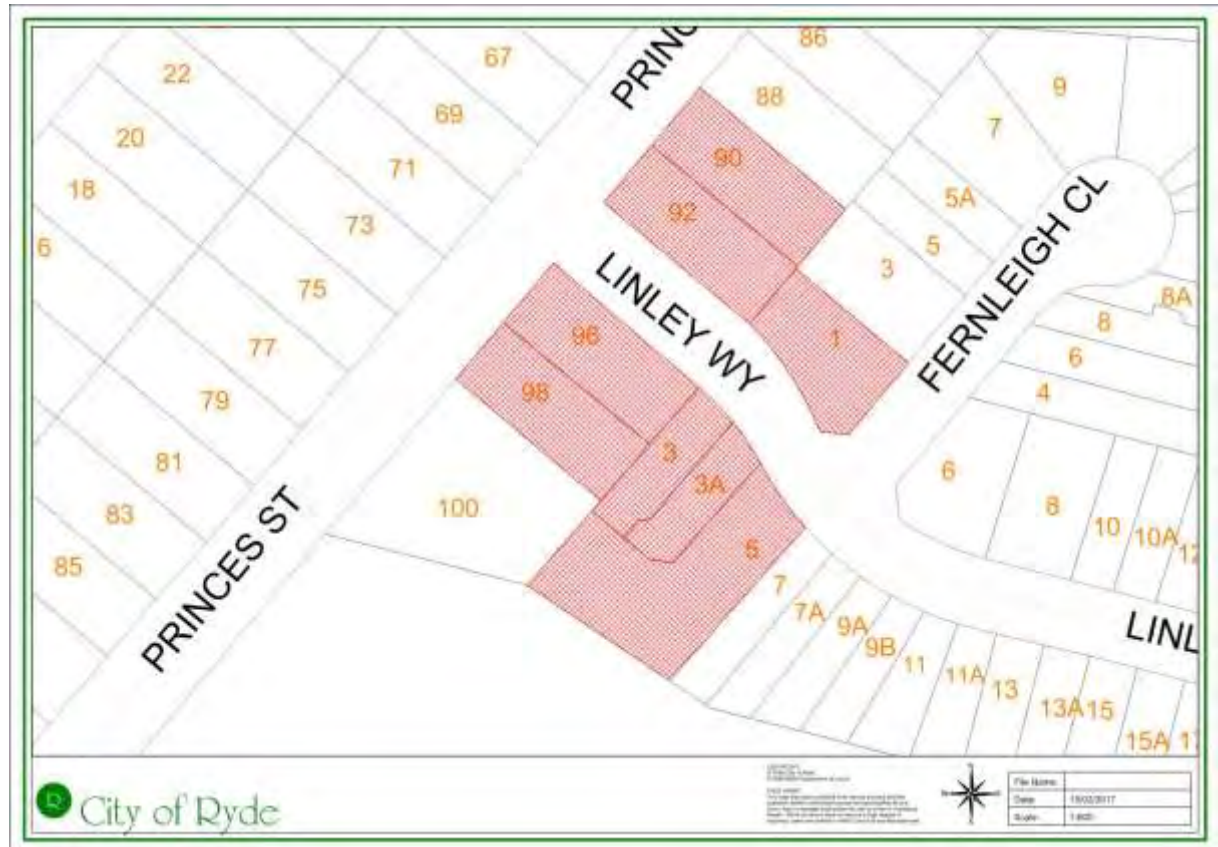
- [NSW] *Road Rules 2014* Rule 167 – No Stopping signs

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The attached design was distributed to eight occupants in the area, as shown in *Figure C1*. One response was received, which is in support of the proposed changes.

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Figure C1 Community engagement distribution



DISCUSSION

Parking has become a premium in the area, due to the close proximity of the Putney Hill construction site. Drivers regularly park close to the traffic island in Linley Way, blocking the travel lanes for through traffic, including waste-collection vehicles. Therefore, it is proposed to install 24 m of 'NO STOPPING' on both sides of Linley Way.

APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

To install 24 m 'NO STOPPING' zones on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.

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RTC COMMENTS

The Ryde Traffic Committee agreed that an adjustment to *the PROPOSAL* was appropriate to more accurately reflect the changes.

RTC RESOLUTION

That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to the extension of the existing 10 m of statutory 'NO STOPPING' to 24 m on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council extends the existing 10 m of statutory 'NO STOPPING' to 24 m on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.



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ITEM (D) MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY

SUBJECT: LATM SCHEME
WARD: EAST
REFERENCE: T2016-02029

OVERVIEW

This Item seeks approval to install three speed-reduction devices in Morrison Road, Putney, as part of a suite of measures to improve road safety in the Putney area:

- rubber speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Delange Road,
- a flush threshold in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street, and
- rubber speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park.

To reduce driver speeds and the use of Morrison Road by through drivers, RMS has provided funding to install the LATM scheme, which requires Council approval to implement.

Area-wide consultation revealed overall support for the scheme, with some concerns raised by some members of the community regarding the effects of the devices. These concerns have been addressed by modifying the original proposal to reduce noise and the loss of parking. Further consultation has revealed:

- objections to installing speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park, from local residents, and
- no objections to the other three devices, from nearby residents.

Therefore, it is recommended that Council installs the three abovementioned devices.

Traffic speed surveys are being undertaken in Morrison Road to establish the existing speed environment, to be used in a post-implementation review.

INTRODUCTION

City of Ryde and RMS are undertaking a Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) scheme in Morrison Road to improve road safety in the area. The project involves installing a suite of speed-reduction measures at the following locations, to reduce driver speeds and reduce the use of Morrison Road by through drivers:

- In Morrison Road, east of Princes Street
- **In Morrison Road, at Delange Road**
- **In Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street**

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- At the signalised pedestrian crossing in Morrison Road, outside Putney Public School
- In Boulton Street, south of Morrison Road
- In Payten Street, south of Morrison Road
- In Douglas Street, south of Morrison Road
- In Charles Street, south of Morrison Road
- In Charles Street, south of Parry Street
- In Delange Road, south of Morrison Road
- At the intersection of Morrison Road, Parry Street and Acacia Avenue
- **In Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park**
- **In Morrison Road, at Peel Park.**

These measures complement intersection changes, as shown on the attached plan.

Accordingly, *this Item* seeks the final approvals to install:

- rubber speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Delange Road,
- a flush threshold in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street, and
- rubber speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park.

A raised threshold in Morrison Road, east of Princes Street, has previously been approved by the Council, with the support of Ryde Traffic Committee. Following the construction of a new driveway in the area, the raised threshold was redesigned and agreed by Ryde Traffic Committee, in conjunction with the above devices. However, it has now been revealed that the driveway is for temporary access during construction of the Putney Hill development. Therefore, the raised pedestrian threshold will be installed in its previously approved location.

Consultation has revealed that local residents are not in favour of installing speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park. Therefore, City of Ryde staff are not proposing to continue pursuing installation at this point in time.

Following installation, the LATM scheme will be monitored to see if any adjustments are necessary.

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BACKGROUND

City of Ryde has previously received a number of representations from local residents requesting consideration be given to the installation of LATM devices to reduce the speed and volume of traffic in Morrison Road. Morrison Road is heavily used as a “rat-run” to avoid Victoria Road.

City of Ryde collected data and commissioned Bitzios Consulting to examine traffic volumes, average travel times and percentage of through vehicles in Morrison Road. The salient findings were:

1. Morrison Road is currently carrying 10,000 to 13,000 vehicles per day, two-way, with approximately 500-600 vehicles per hour in each peak direction.
2. 35% of the vehicles on Morrison Road in the AM period (7am-10am) and 30% of the vehicles in the PM peak comprise of through traffic.

RMS investigated restricting access to the area at the signalised intersection of Victoria Road and Meriton Street. Removing the free left turn from Victoria Road was examined. However, it was not possible to develop an option that would maintain sufficient efficiency during the afternoon peak. Furthermore, City of Ryde’s public consultation revealed significant opposition to installing a ‘NO LEFT TURN 3PM-7PM MON-FRI’.

City of Ryde worked in conjunction with RMS and NSW State Government to develop a concept LATM scheme for Morrison Road. The Member for Lane Cove announced that the project and other road safety initiatives would be funded by RMS.

RMS has agreed to proceed with the project, with funding over two financial years:

2015/16:	Design of all LATM devices Kerb extensions in Morrison Road at the existing signalised pedestrian crossing outside Putney Public School Flush threshold in Boulton Street, south of Morrison Road Flush threshold in Payten Street, south of Morrison Road Flush threshold in Douglas Street, south of Morrison Road Flush threshold in Charles Street, south of Morrison Road Flush threshold in Charles Street, south of Parry Street Flush threshold in Delange Road, south of Morrison Road Raised threshold in Morrison Road, east of Princes Street Investigate treatments at the intersection of Morrison Road, Parry Street and Acacia Avenue.
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- 2016/17: **Speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Delange Road**
 Flush threshold in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street
 Speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park /
 Morrison Bay Park
 Speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park
 Kerb extensions in Morrison Road at the existing signalised
 pedestrian crossing outside Putney Public School
 Implement a suitable treatment at the intersection of
 Morrison Road, Parry Street and Acacia Avenue
 Monitor the LATM scheme and make adjustments.

Furthermore, RMS has agreed to:

- consider a 40 km/h speed limit in Morrison Road, between Princes Street and Mitchell Street,
- adjust the pedestrian phases at the signalised intersection of Morrison Road and Charles Street (complete),
- investigate a left-in / left-out at the signalised intersection of Morrison Road and Church Street,
- investigate the installation of an off-street drop-off / pick-up area at Putney Public School, and
- continue to monitor the signalised intersection of Meriton Road and Victoria Road.

CONTEXT

1. The following treatments have been approved by the Council, with the support of Ryde Traffic Committee, and installed in 2016/17:
 - flush threshold in Boulton Street, south of Morrison Road,
 - flush threshold in Payten Street, south of Morrison Road,
 - flush threshold in Douglas Street, south of Morrison Road,
 - flush threshold in Charles Street, south of Morrison Road,
 - flush threshold in Charles Street, south of Parry Street, and
 - flush threshold in Delange Road, south of Morrison Road.
2. An intersection treatment at Morrison Road / Parry Street / Acacia Avenue has been approved by the Council, with the support of the Ryde Traffic Committee and will be installed shortly.

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3. Kerb extensions in Morrison Road at the existing signalised pedestrian crossing outside Putney Public School have been approved by RMS and will be installed shortly.

REFERENCES

- RMS's Technical Direction *TDT2001/4A Use of Traffic calming devices as pedestrian crossings*
- RMS's *40 km/h speed limits in high volume pedestrian areas*.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

City of Ryde consulted the LATM scheme with occupants in the area bounded by Church Street, Victoria Road, Punt Road and Parramatta River. This revealed:

1. majority support for the LATM scheme,
2. some concerns regarding the negative effects of installing a raised threshold:
 - in Morrison Road, at Delange Road, and
 - in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street, and
3. concerns regarding the safety at the intersection of Morrison Road, Parry Street and Acacia Avenue (addressed through an intersection treatment, approved at the December Council meeting).

The main concerns raised regarding installing the abovementioned raised thresholds relate to additional noise and loss of parking. These issues have been addressed by changing the designs to:

- rubber speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Delange Road, and
- a flush threshold in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street.

Furthermore, raised thresholds are not a suitable treatment in Morrison Road at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park and Morrison Road at Peel Park, due to drainage concerns.

Therefore, the abovementioned devices have been changed to:

- speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Delange Road
- a flush threshold in Morrison Road, at Mitchell Street
- speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park, and
- speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park.

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The designs were distributed to the ten occupants directly affected by the proposed devices. Two responses were received from one nearby residency, opposing the proposed speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park, due to concerns regarding an increase in noise. No objections were received regarding installing the remaining proposed devices.

Given that the speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park, are not part of the main scheme for consideration of a 40 km/h speed limit and objections have been received, it is recommended that these devices not be installed at this point in time.

DISCUSSION

Each device has been individually designed to suit site conditions and contribute to the overall LATM scheme, taking into account the feedback from local residents:

- The speed cushions in Morrison Road, west of Delange Road have been designed to encourage drivers to slow down, whilst allowing buses to straddle the devices. Concerns previously raised by local residents, regarding noise and loss of parking, have been addressed by using a rubber speed cushions instead of a concrete raised threshold.
- The flush threshold in Morrison Road, east of Mitchell Street has been designed to form a gateway to Putney Public School and Putney Village, encouraging drivers to slow down. The treatment will also include garden beds which assist in preventing pedestrians from using the threshold as a crossing, as required by RMS. Concerns previously raised by local residents, regarding noise and loss of parking, have been addressed by using a flush threshold instead of a raised threshold.
- The speed cushions in Morrison Road at Peel Park will be made of rubber and will be located away from houses to reduce noise. They have been designed to encouraging drivers to slow down in the area.

APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

FUNDING AND IMPLEMENTATION

The RMS is funding the LATM scheme in its entirety. Following implementation, the scheme will be reviewed to see if any adjustments are required.

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PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

1. To install a raised threshold in Morrison Road, east of Princes Street, Ryde, as shown on the attached plan.
2. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, west of Delange Road, Putney, as shown on the attached plan.
3. To install a flush threshold in Morrison Road, east of Mitchell Street, Putney, as shown on the attached plan.
4. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Bay Park, Putney, as shown on the attached plan.
5. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park Putney, as shown on the attached plan.

RTC COMMENTS

It was noted that RMS supports the proposal, subject to details of the community engagement being provided.

RMS also advised that, despite Council's detailed design indicating "RMS compliant speed cushions", RMS does not have a guideline on these devices.

RTC RESOLUTION

That, subject to community engagement being reported to RMS, the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to *the **PROPOSAL***.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The results of the consultation has been referred to RMS.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Installs speed cushions in Morrison Road, west of Delange Road, outside 207 Morrison Road, Putney.
2. Installs a flush threshold in Morrison Road, east of Mitchell Street, outside 181 Morrison Road, Putney.

3. Installs speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park Putney, outside 104 Morrison Road, Putney.



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SITE 10

PLANT SCHEDULE

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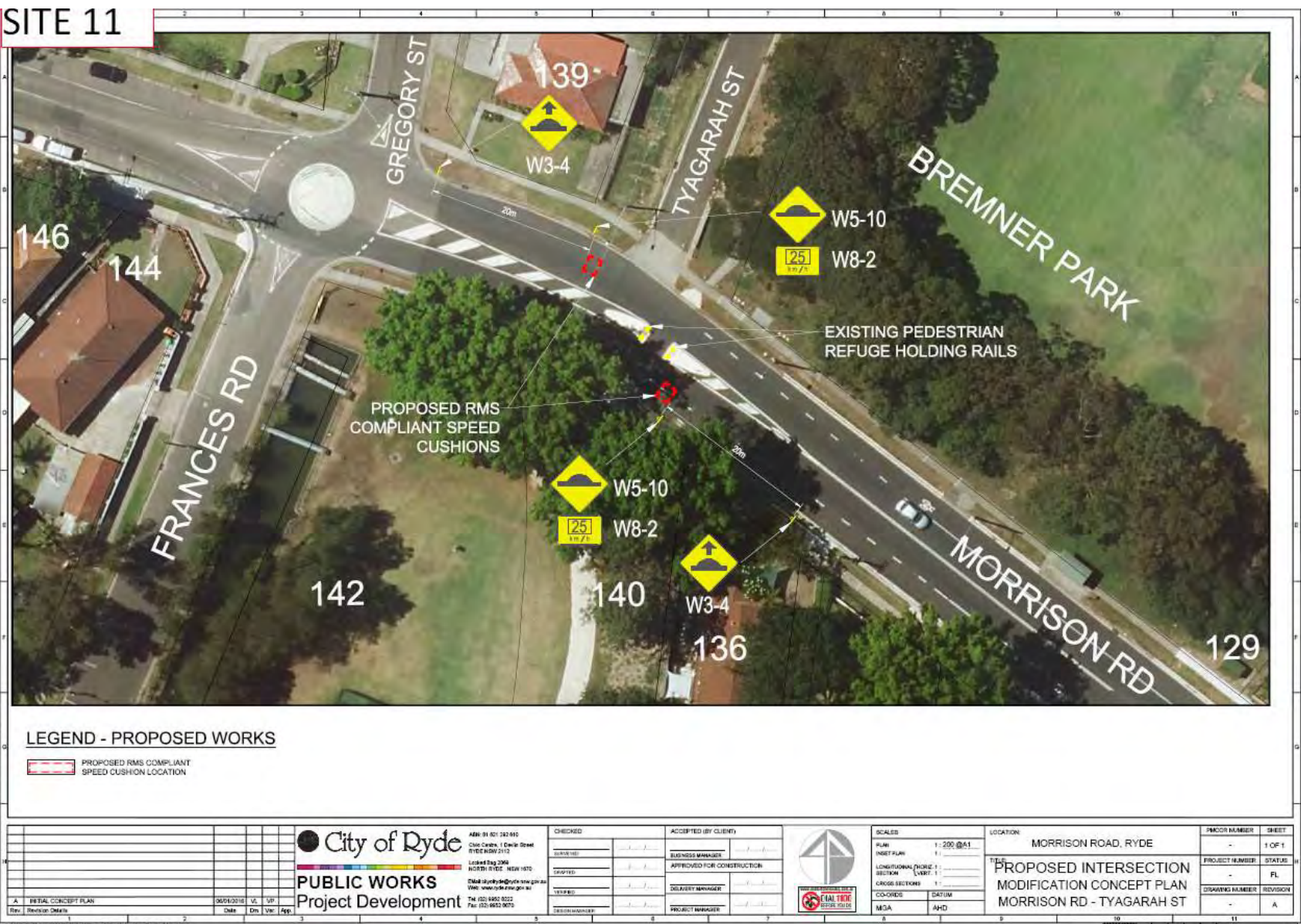
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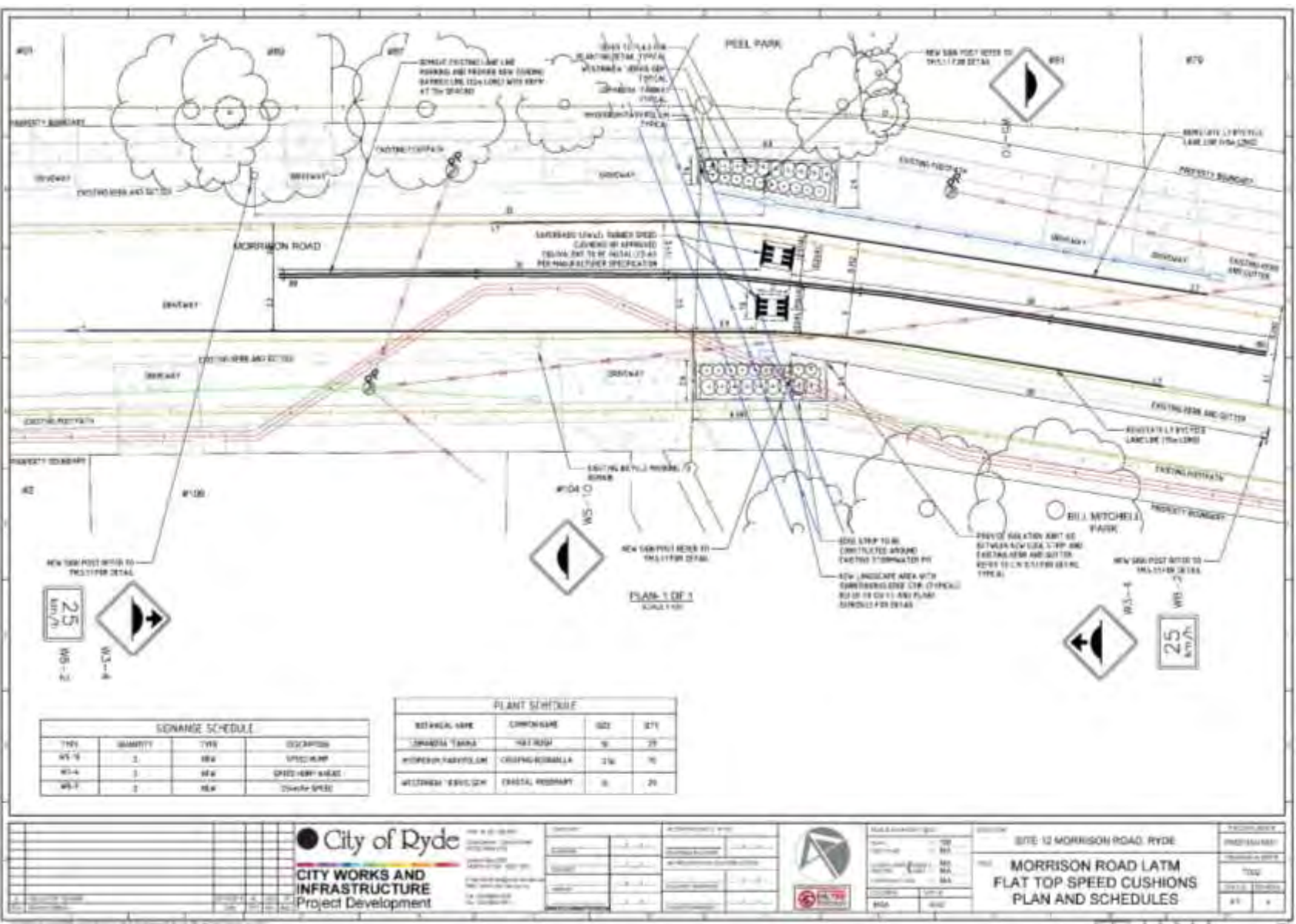
SITE 10 MORRISON ROAD, RYDE

MORRISON ROAD LATM FLUSHED PIANO LINEMARKINGS PLAN AND SCHEDULES

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ITEM (E) WHARF ROAD, GLADESVILLE

SUBJECT: SIGHT DISTANCE AT AMIENS STREET
WARD: CENTRAL
REFERENCE: CRM-1869275 & T2016-01557

OVERVIEW

The sight distance for drivers exiting Amiens Street, into Wharf Road, Gladesville, is restricted by site conditions that can be improved by the following adjustments to the existing intersection and parking controls:

- extending the statutory 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street, to 15 m,
- installing painted islands in Wharf Road on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street, and
- bringing the holding line on the eastern leg of Amiens Street forward into Wharf Road.

The design was circulated to residents in the area and, although a number of positive responses were received, a number of conflicting comments and suggestions were also received in response. The main issue raised is the concern for driver speeds in Wharf Road. To address this concern, a traffic speed survey will be undertaken in Wharf Road and if driver speeds are significantly above the speed limit, then the matter will be referred to the NSW Police Force to request enforcement activities in the first instance, in accordance with the current practice throughout the City of Ryde.

Given that these measures will have a low impact on the local residents and improve the overall safety at the intersection, it is recommended that the Council approve the proposed changes.

INTRODUCTION

City of Ryde has received representation from a resident of Amiens Street requesting consideration be given to improving sight distance at the intersection for vehicles exiting Amiens Street into Wharf Road, Gladesville.

CONTEXT

1. The eastern leg of Amiens Street is on the inner radius of a horizontal curve in Wharf Road.
2. The intersection is currently controlled with 'GIVE WAY' signs and associated linemarking.

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3. Parking in the area is regularly at a premium, especially on weekends, due to the close proximity of recreational facilities in the area, and no sign-posted parking restrictions are in place.

REFERENCES

- [NSW] *Road Rules* 2014 Rule 68 Stopping and giving way at stop sign or stop line at other places.
- [NSW] *Road Rules* 2014 Rule 167 No Stopping signs
- Australian Standard's *AS1742.2-2009 MUTCD - Part 2: Traffic control devices for general use*.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The attached design was distributed to 36 occupants in the area, as shown in *Figure E1*, of which, seven responded:

- one respondent supports the proposed measures in their entirety,
- one respondent supports some of the proposed measures and does not support other proposed measures,
- one respondent supports some of the proposed measures and suggested that some measures be modified, and
- four respondents suggested alternative measures.

Not all of the suggested alternative measures are able to be implemented and some contradict suggestions from other respondents. The following list provides a summary of the responses received and commentary on suggested alternative measures:

- Agrees that the intersection of Amiens Street and Wharf Road is unsafe, with many collisions and near misses. Supports installing a STOP sign in Amiens Street and extending the NO STOPPING zones.
- Supports the proposed linemarking and extending the NO STOPPING zones on Wharf Road to improve sight distance. Does not support installing a STOP sign on the eastern side of Amiens Street, as it would not be necessary with the increased visibility.

Even with the proposed 15 m NO STOPPING zones in Wharf Road, the sight distance for drivers exiting Amiens Street will be less than that recommended for using a GIVE WAY sign. Australian Standards specifies that a STOP sign be used in this situation.

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- Supports the proposed changes, due to the excessive speed of drivers turning right into Amiens Street from Wharf Road and associated accidents. Suggests extending the proposed 10 m NO STOPPING zone to 15 m.

Due to the bend in Wharf Road at Amiens Street, the sight distance for drivers exiting the western leg of Amiens Street is not as restricted as the eastern leg and therefore, it is proposed that the western side of Wharf Road be signposted with 10 m of NO STOPPING and the eastern side of Wharf Road be signposted with 15 m of NO STOPPING.

- Suggests reducing the proposed 15 m NO STOPPING zones to 12 m, to reduce the impact on parking in the area.

It is acknowledged that the proposal will reduce the supply of parking in the area. Given the road geometry reduces sight distance for vehicles exiting the eastern leg of Amiens Street, it is still proposed that the eastern side of Wharf Road be signposted with 15 m of NO STOPPING.

- Suggests trimming trees, to improve sight distance, and installing a one-way slow point, to reduce driver speeds in Wharf Road.

The matter of pruning trees has been referred to the appropriate area of Council to address. Traffic speed surveys will be undertaken in Wharf Road and if the 85th percentile speed is significantly above the speed limit, then the matter will be referred to the NSW Police Force in the first instance.

- Suggests trimming trees, to improve sight distance, enforcing the 50 km/h speed limit and installing a speed limit sign to reinforce the existing speed limit to reduce driver speeds.

The matter of pruning trees has been referred to the appropriate area of Council to address. Traffic speed surveys will be undertaken in Wharf Road and if the 85th percentile speed is significantly above the speed limit, then the matter will be referred to the NSW Police Force in the first instance.

- Disagrees that the proposed changes will improve safety because, although visibility is an issue, the speed of vehicles is the major contributing factor, and suggests a change of priority at the intersection.

RMS has previously indicated that changes of priority are not supported at intersections where the existing major road has a higher volume than the minor road, such as this location. Traffic speed surveys will be undertaken in Wharf Road and if the 85th percentile speed is significantly above the speed limit, then the matter will be referred to the NSW Police Force in the first instance.

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Figure E1 Community engagement distribution



DISCUSSION

Site investigations have revealed that, due to the horizontal curve in Wharf Road, sight distance to approaching traffic is reduced for drivers exiting the eastern leg of Amiens Street. Australian Standards recommends installing a 'STOP' sign and associated linemarking at intersections within a 50 km/h speed limit, when sightlines for drivers on the minor road are less than 30 m. The following measures, in conjunction with the 'STOP' will bring the sight distance to 28 m, which is close to the standard of 30 m:

- extending the statutory 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street, to 15 m,
- installing painted islands in Wharf Road on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street, and
- bringing the holding line on the eastern leg of Amiens Street forward into Wharf Road.

This is the best that can be achieved at this site.

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APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

To install the following parking control measures, intersection controls and associated linemarking at the intersection of Wharf Road and Amiens Street, Gladesville, as shown in the attached diagram:

1. 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the western side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
2. 15 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
3. A 'STOP' sign in Amiens Street, on the eastern approach to Wharf Road.

RTC RESOLUTION

That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to *the PROPOSAL*.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council installs the following parking control measures, intersection controls and associated linemarking at the intersection of Wharf Road and Amiens Street, Gladesville:

1. 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the western side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
2. 15 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street.
3. A 'STOP' sign in Amiens Street, on the eastern approach to Wharf Road.

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ITEM (F) MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY

SUBJECT: 'P DISABILITY ONLY' ZONE
WARD: EAST
REFERENCE: CRM-1884147 & T2016-01759

OVERVIEW

It is recommended that the Council install a 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone outside 256 Morrison Road, Putney, to improve access to households in the area, and nearby Putney Village and Royal Rehab Hospital.

INTRODUCTION

City of Ryde has received representation from the resident of 256 Morrison Road, requesting consideration be given to installing a 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone to improve access to households in the area.

CONTEXT

1. The carriageway of Morrison Road is 13 m wide, incorporating a 3.4 m wide parking lane on both sides.
2. The kerbside parking lane between the driveways of 256 & 258 Morrison Road is 9.8 m long.
3. Parking demand in the area is high, due to the proximity of Putney Village and Royal Rehab Hospital.

REFERENCES

- [NSW] Road Rules 2014 Rule 203 Stopping in a parking area for people with disabilities
- [NSW] Road Rules 2014 Rule 206 Time extension for people with disabilities
- Australian Standards' AS2890.5 - Section 4.5 - On Street Parking - Parking for people with disabilities

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Given the low impact of the proposed changes and that the resident of 256 Morrison Road is in favour of the proposal, no further consultation has been undertaken with the wider community.

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DISCUSSION

The residents of 256 Morrison Road own two vehicles and have off-street parking for one. Both residents qualify for Mobility Parking Scheme cards.

Given the close proximity of a driveway at the rear of the proposed 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone, it is not proposed to install a kerb ramp.

The resident has been informed that the proposed 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone will not be for their exclusive use.

APPROVALS

The recommendation is supported by Ryde Traffic Committee and the matter is now presented to the Works and Community Committee for consideration of the Council to seek the remaining approvals.

PROPOSAL FOR RTC CONSIDERATION

To install a 5.5 m 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone in Morrison Road, outside 256 Morrison Road, Putney.

RTC COMMENTS

RMS requested that Council consider installing a kerb ramp in-lieu of relying on driveways for an accessible route between 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zones and destinations, in accordance with Australian Standards, or as a minimum remove the raised lip from driveways when installing 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zones in residential areas.

RTC RESOLUTION

That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to *the PROPOSAL*.

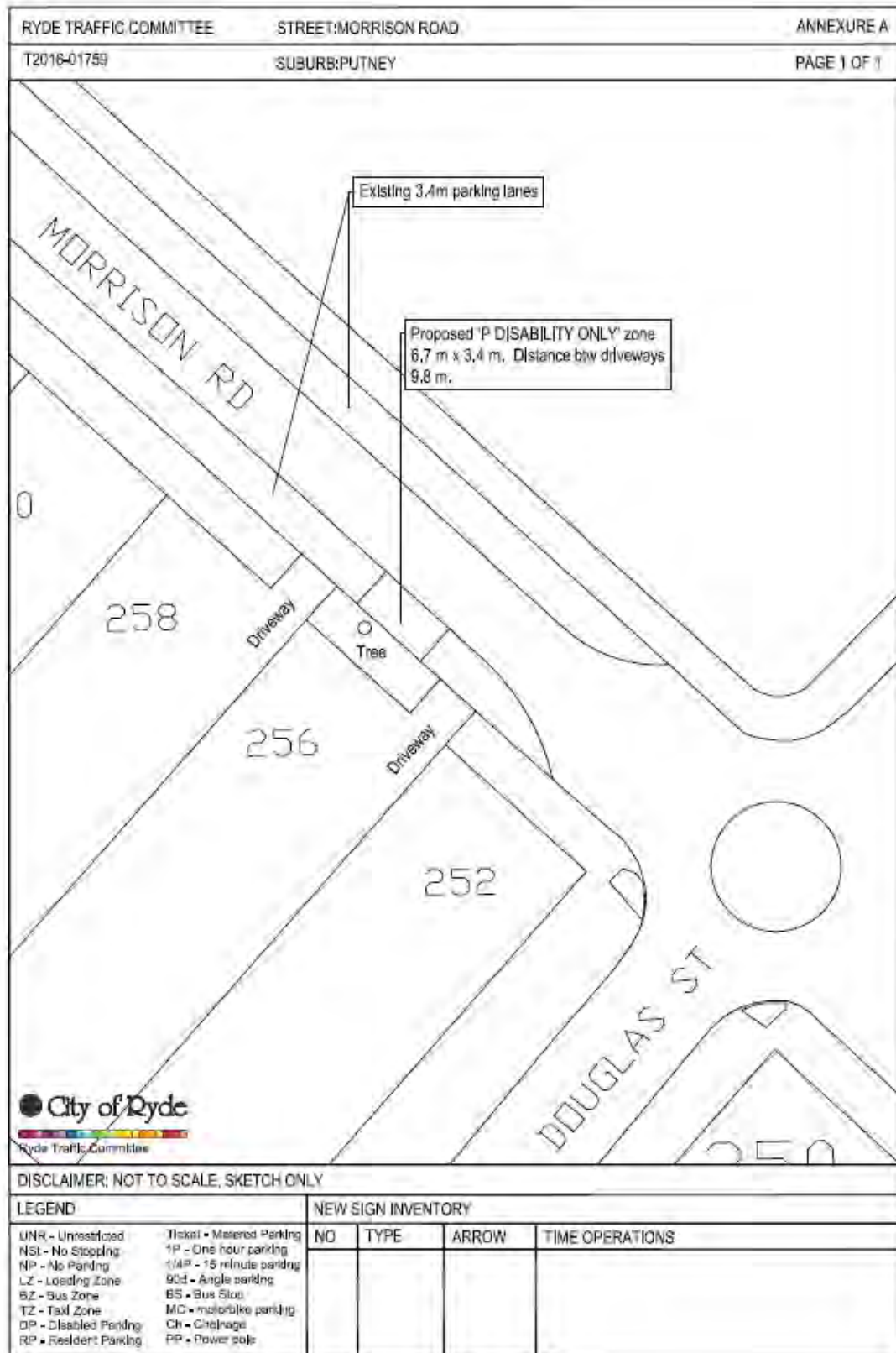
RECOMMENDATION

That Council installs a 5.5 m 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone in Morrison Road, outside 256 Morrison Road, Putney.

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MINUTES

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File No:	COR2009/206	
Document Ref:	D17/39741	
Venue:	Committee Meeting Room	
Date:	9 February 2017	
Time:	10.00am	
Chair:	Mr Greg Holding	
Meeting Support:	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
Staff Convenor:	Mr Simon Wood	
Meeting Length:	1hr and 20 minutes	

Representatives

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
X		Mr Greg Holding	Team Leader Traffic Services	City of Ryde
X		Mr Jamie Schokman	Network & Safety Officer	RMS
X		Mrs Vicky Walker	Network & Safety Officer	
X		Sgt Chris Gilby	Sergeant	NSW Police Force
X		Mr Peter Graham OAM - representing The Hon. V Dominello MP	Member for Ryde	Member of NSW Parliament
	X	Councillor Roy Maggio - representing The Hon. A Roberts MP	Member for Lane Cove	Member of NSW Parliament

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Attendees

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
X		Mr Tony Moujalli	Acting Western Regional Traffic & Service Manager	Sydney Buses
X		Mr Simon Wood	Traffic Engineer	City of Ryde
X		Mr Anura Mendis	Traffic Engineer	City of Ryde
X		Mr David Ngeru	Senior Coordinator Ranger and Parking Services	City of Ryde
X		Ms Linda Smith	Executive Assistance Mayor & Councillors	City of Ryde

Other Attendees

(none)

	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.
	CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Ryde Traffic Committee held on 17 November 2016, previously circulated, were read and confirmed as a true record of the proceedings. Confirmation: Unanimous
	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES <u>Item (Q) - General Business</u> The Team Leader Traffic Services advised that, due to resistance from residents to installing traffic calming, funding will not be sought to install traffic calming in Moncreif Drive, East Ryde.

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A	<p>WATERLOO ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK</p> <p>SUBJECT: 'BUS ZONE'S</p> <p>ELECTORATE: RYDE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: D15/149152, T2016-02028, RTC-21/07/2016 W&CC-16/08/2016</p> <p>PROPOSAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To install a 34 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park. 2. To extend the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest. 3. To install a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park. <p>RTC COMMENTS</p> <p>The Ryde Traffic Committee agreed that an adjustment to <i>the PROPOSAL</i> was appropriate to more accurately reflect the changes.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION</p> <p>That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The adjustment of the existing 'BUS ZONE' at the existing Bus Stop on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, southeast of Lane Cove Road (located outside Macquarie Park railway station), Macquarie Park to create a 34 m 'BUS ZONE'. 2. The extension of the existing 49.5 m 'BUS ZONE' at the existing bus layover area on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, northwest of Thomas Holt Drive (east), Macquarie Park by 10 m to the northwest. 3. The installation of a 15 m 'BUS ZONE' on the south-western side of Waterloo Road, between the driveway of 34 Waterloo Road and Thomas Holt Drive (west), Macquarie Park. <p>VOTING: Unanimous</p>
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B	<p>BLAIR STREET, GLADESVILLE</p> <p>SUBJECT: ANGLE-PARKING BAYS</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: RANGERS & T2016-01670</p> <p>PROPOSAL To linemark three angle-parking bays at the dead end of Blair Street, Gladesville, as shown in the attached plan.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to <i>the PROPOSAL</i>.</p> <p>VOTING: Majority</p>
C	<p>LINLEY WAY, RYDE</p> <p>SUBJECT: 'NO STOPPING' ZONES AT PRINCES STREET</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: T2016-01823 & D17/40</p> <p>PROPOSAL To install 24 m 'NO STOPPING' zones on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.</p> <p>RTC COMMENTS The Ryde Traffic Committee agreed that an adjustment to <i>the PROPOSAL</i> was appropriate to more accurately reflect the changes.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION That the Ryde Traffic Committee agree to the extension of the existing 10 m of statutory 'NO STOPPING' to 24 m on both sides of Linley Way, southeast of Princes Street, Ryde.</p> <p>VOTING: Majority</p>

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D	<p>MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY</p> <p>SUBJECT: LATM SCHEME</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: T2016-02029</p> <p>PROPOSAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To install a raised threshold in Morrison Road, east of Princes Street, Ryde, as shown on the attached plan. 2. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, west of Delange Road, Putney, as shown on the attached plan. 3. To install a flush threshold in Morrison Road, east of Mitchell Street, Putney, as shown on the attached plan. 4. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Bremner Park / Morrison Park, Putney, as shown on the attached plan. 5. To install speed cushions in Morrison Road, at Peel Park Putney, as shown on the attached plan. <p>RTC COMMENTS</p> <p>It was noted that RMS supports the support, subject to details of the community engagement being provided.</p> <p>RMS also advised that, despite Council's details design indicating "RMS compliant speed cushions", RMS does not have a guideline on these devices.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION</p> <p>That, subject to community engagement being reported to RMS, the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to <i>the PROPOSAL</i>.</p> <p>VOTING: Majority</p>
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E	<p>WHARF ROAD, GLADESVILLE</p> <p>SUBJECT: SIGHT DISTANCE AT AMIENS STREET</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE</p> <p>WARD: CENTRAL</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: CRM-1869275 & T2016-01557</p> <p>PROPOSAL To install the following parking control measures, intersection controls and associated linemarking at the intersection of Wharf Road and Amiens Street, Gladesville, as shown in the attached diagram:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 10 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the western side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street. 2. 15 m of 'NO STOPPING' on the eastern side of Wharf Road, both sides of Amiens Street. 3. A 'STOP' sign in Amiens Street, on the eastern approach to Wharf Road. <p>RTC COMMENTS It was noted that some tree pruning in the area may help improve sight distance.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to <i>the PROPOSAL</i>.</p> <p>VOTING: Majority</p>
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F	<p>MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY</p> <p>SUBJECT: 'P DISABILITY ONLY' ZONE</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: CRM-1884147 & T2016-01759</p> <p>PROPOSAL To install a 5.5 m 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zone in Morrison Road, outside 256 Morrison Road, Putney.</p> <p>RTC COMMENTS RMS requested that Council consider installing a kerb ramp in-lieu of relying on driveways for an accessible route between 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zones and destinations, in accordance with Australian Standards, or as a minimum remove the raised lip from driveways when installing 'P DISABILITY ONLY' zones in residential areas.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to <i>the PROPOSAL</i>.</p> <p>VOTING: Majority</p>
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G	<p>RAILWAY PARADE & WINGATE AVENUE, EASTWOOD</p> <p>SUBJECT: ROUNDABOUT</p> <p>ELECTORATE: RYDE</p> <p>WARD: WEST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: T2017-2213</p> <p>PROPOSAL</p> <p>To install a roundabout at the intersection of Wingate Avenue and West Parade, Eastwood, as shown in the attached plan.</p> <p>RTC COMMENTS</p> <p>It was noted that Paramatta City Council has agreed in-principle to the installation of the roundabout, subject to the operation being reviewed in five years' time.</p> <p>The State Transit Authority and Member for Ryde representatives advised that they support the removal of trees in the Wingate Avenue median, due to the hazard they present to buses and pedestrians, respectively.</p> <p>RTC RESOLUTION</p> <p>That the Ryde Traffic Committee agrees to the installation of a roundabout at the intersection of Wingate Avenue and West Parade, Eastwood, as shown in the attached plan, subject to the operation of the roundabout being reviewed in five years' time.</p> <p>VOTING: Unanimous</p>
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H	<p>BADAJOS ROAD, NORTH RYDE</p> <p>SUBJECT: RAISED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS</p> <p>ELECTORATE: LANE COVE & RYDE</p> <p>WARD: EAST</p> <p>POLICE LAC: RYDE</p> <p>ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED</p> <p>REFERENCE: T2016-01796</p> <p>ORIGINAL PROPOSAL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To install the approved raised pedestrian crossing in Badajoz Road, south of Twin Road, North Ryde, as shown in the attached plan. To install the approved raised pedestrian crossing in Badajoz Road, midblock between Twin Road and Nerang Street, North Ryde, as shown in the attached plan. <p>UPDATED PROPOSAL</p> <p>That Council staff consider the Ryde Traffic Committee's comments on the detailed design of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The approved raised pedestrian crossing in Badajoz Road, south of Twin Road, North Ryde, as shown in the attached plan. The approved raised pedestrian crossing in Badajoz Road, midblock between Twin Road and Nerang Street, North Ryde, as shown in the attached plan. <p>RTC COMMENTS</p> <p>It was noted that the removal of the pedestrian refuge is necessary to widen the kerb extensions, thereby keeping the NO STOPPING distances to a minimum under RMS's Standards.</p>
I	<p>MATTERS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATION</p> <p>RTC COMMENTS</p> <p>The Ryde Traffic Committee noted the matters approved under Delegation.</p>
J	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <p><u>Lancaster Avenue, Melrose Park</u></p> <p>The NSW Police Force representative requested information regarding a request they have received for speed enforcement in Lancaster Avenue, Melrose Park.</p>

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Ryde Traffic Committee will be held on Thursday, 9 April 2017.

6 PROJECT STATUS REPORT - MARCH 2017

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REPORT SUMMARY

This report is provided to Works and Community Committee with information on the Project Status Report March 2017.

The report will be distributed to Councillors via a Supplementary Report as soon as it is available.

This report will be considered by the Works and Community Committee at its meeting on 18 April 2017 with details of the progress of Council's capital works projects as allocated to the Project Development Department and will also include the Capital Works Project Schedule 2016/2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council consider the Supplementary Report circulated on this matter.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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