

Meeting Date: Tuesday 8 May 2018
Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde
Time: 6.00pm

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1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 10 April 2018

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Governance**File No.:** CLM/18/1/1/2 - BP18/389

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 3/18, held on 10 April 2018, be confirmed.

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1 MINUTES - Works and Community Committee Meeting - 10 April 2018

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**Works and Community Committee
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 3/18**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 10 April 2018
Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde
Time: 6.05pm

Councillors Present: Councillors Pedersen (Chairperson), Brown, Gordon, Lane and Zhou.

Apologies: Councillors Kim and Moujalli.

Absent: Councillors Clifton and Purcell.

Staff Present: General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate and Organisational Support Services, Acting Director – City Planning and Development, Acting Director – City Works and Infrastructure, Manager – Civic Infrastructure and Integration, Special Programs Senior Engineer, Senior Coordinator – Infrastructure Programs, Asset Engineer, Senior Coordinator – Communications, Senior Coordinator – Social Development and Capacity Building, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, Senior Coordinator – Governance and Administration Officer – Councillor Support.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3(d) – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 (City of Ryde Sports and Recreation Community Grant) as his children play rugby with Central Eastwood Rugby Football Club.

Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3 – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 as she sometimes socialises with and is friends with Corina Seeto and Jo Torrant from “5 for Ryde” and also sometimes socialises with Bec Ho from “Touched by Oliva”.

Councillor Zhou disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3 – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 as Mr Hugh Lee, the President of Eastwood Chinese Seminar Citizen Club and Mr Justin Li of AAAB are known to him as friends in the Chinese community.

Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3 – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 as he knows the people of “5 for Ryde”.

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Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3 – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 as he was previously a composer-in-residence with the Ryde Hunters Hill Symphony Orchestra.

Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 3 – Community Grants Program – Allocation of Funding 2017/2018 as he or his family are likely be known to members of some grantees listed, although not specific to his knowledge.

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 20 March 2018

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Zhou)

That the Minutes of the Works and Community Committee 2/18, held on 20 March 2018, be confirmed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

2 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Brown)

That the Committee determine all Items on the Agenda.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

3 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM - ALLOCATION OF FUNDING 2017/18

Note: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Part (d) of this Item as his children play rugby with Central Eastwood Rugby Football Club.

Note: Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item as she sometimes socialises with and is friends with Corina Seeto and Jo Torrant from "5 for Ryde" and also sometimes socialises with Bec Ho from "Touched by Oliva".

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Note: Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item as he knows the people of “5 for Ryde”.

Note: Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item as he was previously a composer-in-residence with the Ryde Hunters Hill Symphony Orchestra.

Note: Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item as he or his family are likely be known to members of some grantees listed, although not specific to his knowledge.

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Brown and Gordon)

- (a) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2017-18 City of Ryde Seniors Grant as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount
Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group	Italo-Australian Senior Citizens Group	\$1,500.00
Italian Leisure Group	Social Events	\$620.00
Probus Club Of Ryde	Subsidise Transportation and Excursion Costs	\$2,000.00
Italian Women’s Group Marsfield	Promotes Health Initiatives	\$1,000.00
Ryde Ladies Probus Club Incorporated	Bus Outing for Seniors	\$2,000.00
Korean Day Centre	Enjoying with Gabe Game for mental and sensory stimulation	\$2,000.00
Eastwood Chinese Senior Citizens Club	Healthy ageing with Tai Chi gentle exercise	\$1,500.00
	TOTAL	\$10,620.00

- (b) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2017-18 City of Ryde Capacity Building Grants as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount
City of Ryde Art society	City of Ryde Art Society 58th Annual Exhibition	\$3,500.00
Royal Rehab	All Abilities Disco	\$3,500.00

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Australia Korean Art Therapy Association	Parenting Programs for Migrated Women and Children	\$3,500.00
Friends of Lane Cove National Park	Training the leaders, capacity building by Friends of Lane Cove NP.	\$3,500.00
Eastwood Patchwork Quilters Inc.	Eastwood Patchwork Quilters Inc. 2019 Biennial Exhibition	\$3,500.00
SydneySiders Express Incorporated	SydneySiders Express Harmony Chorus Open Night	\$3,161.00
The Generous and the Grateful Inc.	The Generous and the Grateful Inc. rescue and deliver 2 nd hand furniture to asylum seekers, domestic violence victims and other disadvantaged groups	\$3,500.00
North Shore Ryde Mental Health Services	Mad Pride Event – art display and concert for mental health	\$3,500.00
The Happy Hens Social Enterprise Incorporated	Bedlam at the Bay – an event to promote mental health	\$3,500.00
Sydney Korean Women's Association	Project Helping Hands – promotion of community harmony with Korean community	\$3,500.00
The Ruby Red Foundation	The Ruby Red Foundation- supportive care program for people with MPN condition	\$3,500.00
Northside CALD Carers Network	Establishment of the Most Mutually-Supportive CALD Carers Network in the Northern Sydney Region	\$3,500.00
Reach Community Initiatives	Community Christmas Dinner	\$3,500.00
5 for Ryde	5 for Ryde- community waste reduction initiative	\$3,500.00
ADDults with ADHD	Volunteer Training Project Counsellor: Workshop	\$3,500.00
Stryder Inc (formerly Ryde Hunters Hill Community Transport)	Governance Training	\$3,500.00
The Scout Association of Australia New South Wales Branch	Moccoboolah District Scout Rally (to be held in Ryde)	\$227.00
Neighbourhood Watch Ryde District	Neighbourhood Watch Ryde District	\$3,500.00
Christmas Carols in West Ryde	Christmas Carols in West Ryde	\$3,500.00
Korean Performers of Arts in Sydney Inc.	Eastwood Harvest Drum Dance Performing	\$1,200.00
Rotary Club of North Ryde Inc	Seniors Christmas Party	\$2,000.00
Australian South Asia Forum Inc	Fusion Asian Music Ensemble (FAME)	\$3,500.00
	TOTAL	\$69,588.00

- (c) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2017-18 City of Ryde Community Projects Grant as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount
Enactus Macquarie University	Women's Creative Hub exhibitions (Harmony Day etc.)	\$1,000.00
2RRR 88.5FM - Ryde Regional Radio Cooperative Ltd	2RRR Radio Training Course	\$4,860.00

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Touched by Olivia	Story Time at Livvi's Place	\$3,000.00
Mostly Mad Music	Mad Music "In Harmony" – classical music for people with mental illness	\$5,000.00
Taldumande Youth Services Inc	Intensive Family Support Program	\$5,000.00
Future Achievement Australia Foundation Ltd	Epping/Ryde Max Potential for young leaders	\$4,829.00
The Shepherd Centre for deaf children	Kids Music Time - music therapy program for children with hearing loss and their families from Ryde Community	\$5,000.00
Chinese Christian Community Service Centre	CALD Stroke Club (Chinese)	\$5,000.00
Link Housing	LinkFit – to assist social housing tenants to access gym membership	\$5,000.00
Stroke Recovery Association	Ryde Stroke Choir Recital Day	\$5,000.00
Armenian Relief Society Araz Chapter	Self-Sustainability and Personal Development	\$2,495.00
United Way Australia	Magic of Story-telling - in the Park	\$1,425.00
Differently Abled People association	Cooking classes for Ryde people with autism &/or CALD background	\$5,000.00
Northside Community Forum Limited	City of Ryde - Digital Inclusion for CALD people living with disability	\$5,000.00
Ryde Hunters Hill Symphony Orchestra	Classical Concerto Competition	\$1,850.00
ST Andrews Socio-Religious Justice, Harmony of FITA Inc.	Community Harmony through Clean Up Together Volunteering	\$4,500.00
The Salvation Army (Ryde)	Collaborative Ivanhoe Archive Project capturing legacy of Ivanhoe Estate	\$4,790.00
North Ryde Community Aid & Information Centre Inc	Ryde Merry Makers Project – musical performances for Chinese seniors	\$4,200.00
Mahboba's Promise Incorporated	Loving Music-Loving Families- to promote integration of single mothers in the community	\$5,000.00
Community Migrant Resource Centre	CMRC Afghan Women's Project	\$5,000.00
Morling College & Morling Residential College	Saunders Close Community Activation & Placemaking Project	\$4,800.00
Macquarie Chapel	Homework Club & Afterschool Program	\$4,500.00
	TOTAL	\$92,249.00

- (d) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2017-18 City of Ryde Sports and Recreation Community Grant as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount
Putney Rangers Football Club	Putney Pathways Program	\$2,000.00
Eastwood Ryde Netball Association Inc.	Come & Try Netball	\$3,500.00
Gladesville Ravens Sports Club Inc	Ravens All Stars Netball Team – set up all abilities netball team	\$2,766.00

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Australian Asian Association of Bennelong	Harmony Soccer Cup 2019	\$1,000.00
Ryde Panthers Football Club	Grass Roots - Players and Coaches Development	\$3,500.00
Macquarie Dragons FC	Enhancing capacity of coaches in grass roots football	\$3,500.00
Ryde Sports Foundation Inc	Ryde Sports Foundation Personal Development Scholarship for athletes with a disability or from multicultural communities	\$3,500.00
North West Sydney Women's Football Association	Football Ready Schools Program for children with a disability	\$3,300.00
Little Heroes Swim Academy Limited	Ryde Mad About Inclusion Program	\$3,500.00
Central Eastwood Junior Rugby Football Club	Central Eastwood Rugby Clean Up Australia Marsfield Park	\$1,260.00
	TOTAL	\$27,826.00

- (e) That Council endorse the allocation of the 2017-18 City of Ryde Social Support Grant as follows:

Organisation	Project	Amount
The Northern Centre	DADS&bubs a play group for dads and children from Korean and Chinese backgrounds	\$9,867.62
Christian Community Aid Service Inc.	YouthConnect - Finding My Place – connecting at risk young people with appropriate support services	\$9,000.00
Australian Association of Cancer Care Incorporated	Helping Korean Cancer Patients Rehabilitate	\$10,000.00
Mental Health Carers NSW	Vietnamese Mental Health Support Group	\$10,000.00
	TOTAL	\$38,867.62

- (f) That the successful and unsuccessful grant applicants be informed in writing of the outcome of their applications.
- (g) That the surplus amount of \$83,199 from this round added to the Community Grant reserve. This is to be utilised to provide Community Grants throughout the year.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held on **24 APRIL 2018** as it is outside the Committee's delegations.

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4 ADJUSTMENTS TO ROAD RESURFACING AND ROAD KERB RENEWAL PROGRAM SCHEDULES 2017/18

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Brown)

- (a) That Council endorse the following roads currently scheduled for 2017/18 be deferred to the 2018/19 Road Resurfacing Renewal program:
- Rene Street, East Ryde (McCallum Avenue – Melba Drive)
 - SRV - Moncrieff Drive, East Ryde (Cilento Crescent – Bluett Avenue)
 - SRV - College Street, Gladesville (Orient Street – Frank Street)
- (b) That Council endorse the following roads, currently scheduled for 2018/19 be brought forward to the 2017/18 Road Resurfacing Renewal program:
- Wood Street, Eastwood (Cul de sac (N) – Cul de sac (S))
 - Wood Street, Eastwood (Vimiera Road – Wood Street)
 - SRV - Fourth Avenue, Eastwood (Ryedale Road – Denistone Road)
 - SRV - Waterview Street, Putney (Charles Street – Douglas Street)
- (c) That Council endorse the deferral of Ryedale Road (Wattle Street – Victoria Road) in the 2017/18 Road Kerb Renewal Program for completion in 2018/19.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2018

Chairperson

2 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Governance**File No.:** CLM/18/1/1/2 - BP18/388

REPORT SUMMARY

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Committee can determine those matters on the Agenda that can be adopted without the need for any discussion.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee determine the Items on the Agenda that will be adopted without any debate.

OR

That the Committee determine all Items on the Agenda.

3 WASTE PROJECTS AND EDUCATION REPORT FOR 2017

Report prepared by: Waste Project Coordinator

File No.: GRP/09/3/15 - BP18/273

REPORT SUMMARY

This report outlines the education and communication programs, projects and events undertaken by the Waste section within the Business Infrastructure Unit during 2017.

Since May 2015 Council has been in a Waste Collection Contract with Suez Environment for the delivery of domestic and commercial waste collection services, a Recycling Processing Contract with VISY and a Garden Organics Processing Contract with Suez Environment. In December 2015, Council entered into a Regional Disposal and Processing Contract with Veolia, whereby a percentage of our waste is processed and diverted from landfill.

These programs play an essential role in the management of the waste services within the City of Ryde and endeavour to meet the outcomes outlined in the NSW Waste Less, Recycle More State Initiative, as well as Council's adopted Waste Management Strategy. They are aimed to communicate waste reduction and diversion strategies, litter and illegal dumping targets and meeting the requirements of our contracts, by being "Smarter, Cleaner & Greener".

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive and note the Waste Projects and Education Report.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

Denise Torres
Waste Project Coordinator

Report Approved By:

Daniel Carneiro
Acting Manager - Business Infrastructure

Barry Hodge
Acting Director - City Works and Infrastructure

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Domestic Waste Management

1. Waste Branding

In 2015 Council engaged a behavioural change and branding specialist to rebrand the waste department and develop a new waste logo to demonstrate council's commitment to a smarter, cleaner and greener approach to waste management. This logo and the accompanying branding suite has been used in all communication material being distributed by the waste department, as can be seen in all advertising and communication material. The Smarter Cleaner Greener logo also features on the waste fleet (figure 4), Top Ryder Bus (figure 5) and waste education van (figure 6). This branding exercise has helped to raise the profile of waste related issues and is easily recognisable.



Figure 1: Standard logo



Figure 2: Logo variation



Figure 3: Social Media tiles

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Figure 4: Waste Branding on collection fleet



Figure 5: The Shop Ryder with new branding



Figure 6: Waste Education Van

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2. Pre-Booked Household CleanUp

In May 2015 Council made the switch to a Pre-Booked CleanUp collection service from the previous scheduled collection system. This change was driven by several factors, including complaints about inflexibility and streets being left untidy for days prior to collection. Residents are now provided with a more flexible service that allows bookings to be made as required and also assists in keeping Ryde streets looking cleaner which was often not possible under the previous scheduled system. This new approach still allows residents to book up to 5 Pre-booked CleanUp collections per year. To communicate these benefits, a range of different communication materials was developed by the waste department. This includes a flyer, letters, full page advertisements, banners, posters, social media posts, updated web content and an infographic.

The service has been well received by residents and has assisted Council in reducing Illegal Dumping. 15 months after the service had commenced, Council conducted a survey of residents who had utilised the new Booked Clean-up Service and provided their email address, and the following survey results were received:

- 78% of respondents were either very satisfied or satisfied with the new service
- 70% of respondents thought that the new service had been effective in encouraging cleaner streets
- 91-93% of residents were very satisfied or satisfied with the phone and online booking experience
- 97% of respondents indicated that the website provided them with the required information
- 92% of customers reported that the area had been left clean and tidy



Figure 7: Example of Social Media Post on Facebook

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Figure 8: Household CleanUp Flyer



Figure 9: CleanUp pull up banner



Figure 10: Infographics

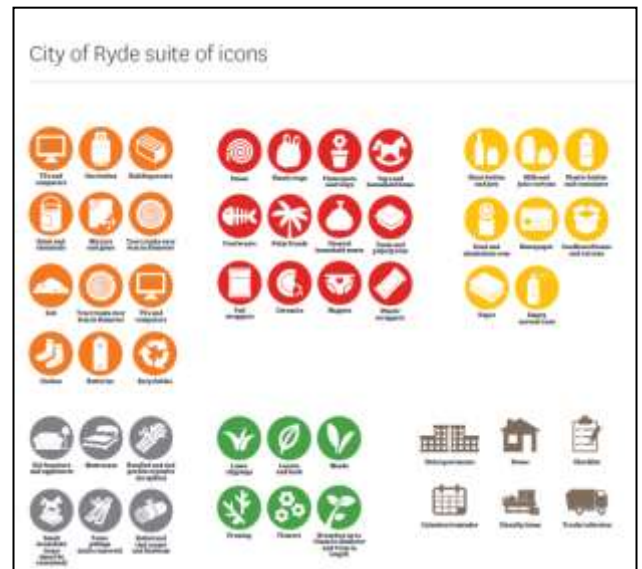


Figure 11: Icon Suite

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3. Household Waste Collection Calendar

Council designs and distributes an annual Waste Collection Calendar to all households within the Ryde local government area via a letterbox drop.

A waste survey conducted in 2012 identified that an overwhelming number of residents (79%) received their waste information through their Waste Collection Calendar. This highlighted the importance of the calendar and its content, so it was decided that the 2017 Waste Calendar would be a multi-tiered calendar with comprehensive information about new and existing waste services. An electronic version of the calendar was made available to residents via the council website and at the customer service desk. The information featured in the calendar includes:

1. The Pre-Booked Household CleanUp Service
2. Recycling Bin information
3. Garden Organics bin information
4. Household Chemical CleanOut
5. Your Waste Adventure Tour information
6. Declutter workshops
7. Composting and worm farming workshops



Figure 12: Social Media post about Calendar distribution

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Figure 13: Examples of Calendar front and content

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4. 80L Bin Option and Additional Recycling & Garden Organics Bins Promotion

In 2016, Council introduced an 80L waste bin. This was designed to reduce waste generation at its source and assist residents to divert waste from landfill. In the initial year 114 households downsized to an 80L waste bin and through further promotions in 2017, an additional 227 residents took the opportunity to downsize to an 80L waste bin and saved themselves \$62 a year (based on 2016 rates and charges).

Residents can also chose to use these saving to request an additional 240L recycling or garden organics bin, for only \$52 per year per bin (prices are subject to change). In 2017 124 residents took the opportunity to pay for an additional recycling or garden organics bin. These service changes have been promoted through several different mediums including social media, the council website, flyers, newspaper adverts and it has also been featured in the Council Column.



Figure 14: Waste Reduction flyer (front and back)

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5. Contamination Management – Residential bins

The City of Ryde has been working in conjunction with Suez to develop and deliver a contamination management plan to combat levels of contamination in household recycling and garden organics bins. This ongoing campaign involves educational stickers being applied to bins where contamination has occurred and follow up educational letters being sent to households. This plan is reviewed annually by both Council and Suez to ensure the program continues to run successfully.

In 2017 a total of 2,902 incidents of residential contamination were reported.

Contamination status	Educational Resource used	Number of reported contamination incidents
1 st contamination incidents	Bin Sticker	2,314
2 nd contamination incidents	Bin Sticker and Letter	490
3 rd contamination incidents	Bin Sticker and Letter	75
4 th contamination incidents	Bin Sticker and Letter	20
other (not specified)		3
TOTAL		2,902 contamination incidents

Figure 15: Contamination figures for 2017

Following the 4th contamination incident, bins are stickered and left, and address is spiked. The SUEZ Education Officer follows up with the residents to resolve the contamination issues.

6. Illegal Dumping

In July 2017, Council funded the trial of an illegal dumping CCTV surveillance trailer. This has been deployed in illegal dumping hotspots as an illegal dumping deterrent and to assist the Rangers with enforcement. Council has received several positive responses from members of the community and the local media about this project. Illegal dumping statistics captured by Council's enforcement team demonstrate that there was a drop of 266 illegal dumping incidents in 2017 in comparison to the previous year. These statistics indicate that education efforts and the use of the trailer have both been effective in deterring dumpers and reducing overall incidences.

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7. Community Recycling Centre

The Community Recycling Centre in Artarmon (CRC) was officially opened by The Honourable Anthony Roberts MP Minister for Planning and Housing on 12 April, 2017. The CRC is operated as a joint partnership between City of Ryde, Hunters Hill, Lane Cove, North Sydney and Willoughby Councils and allows residents to take household quantities of problem waste to the centre to be recycled or disposed of in an environmentally safe manner.

The NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) funded the set up and the disposal of the items for a period of three years, while the 5 partnering Council fund the daily operations of the centre. Items which are accepted include paints, gas bottles, oil, batteries, fluorescent tubes and globes, e-waste, fire extinguishers and smoke detectors. Approximately 4 tonnes of hazardous waste is collected each weekend and more than 3 tonnes of e-waste is collected each week. This potentially toxic waste is diverted from landfill and sent for recycling and processing.

A large media campaign was launched to promote the centre, through Bus-backs, Railway Station bill boards, advertising in newspapers, postcards and Council web pages.



Figure 16: Social media promotion of CRC

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8. Problem Waste Recycling Station

As part of the EPA Better Waste & Recycling Fund, Council introduced two Problem Waste Recycling Stations in 2016 to encourage residents to drop off and dispose of household quantities of batteries, compact light globes, printer cartridges and mobile phones to prevent hazardous materials entering landfill. In 2017 an additional four stations were installed giving a total of 6 problem waste recycling stations which are located in:

- West Ryde Library
- Macquarie University
- City of Ryde Operations Centre (new)
- City of Ryde Customer Service (new)
- Tzu Chi Australia (new)
- Eden Gardens (new)

For the period of May – December 2017, this program successfully diverted over 1000 kilograms of problem waste from landfill.



Figure 17: Problem Waste Recycling station

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9. Sustainable Waste to Art – SWAP

The Sustainable Waste to Art Prize (SWAP) is in its 4th year after expanding from the former Youth Environment Prize (YEP). SWAP seeks to educate and inform the community of the need to adopt improved waste practices by promoting the use of recovered resources as an art medium. SWAP was heavily promoted via the council website, social media, in the local press, street banners and printed marketing collateral. This material was distributed to local schools, community youth groups, art hubs, libraries, TAFE and other tertiary institutions. To further encourage the participation of youth groups and the local community four different types of workshops were offered to residents with an average attendance of 18 people per workshop. Professional creative facilitators were engaged to deliver the following workshops:

- Plastic Alive workshop - 5 July 2017
- Rope Work workshop - 8 July 2017
- Plastic is the Bomb workshop - 12 July 2017
- Rags to Art workshop - 15 July 2017

The 2017 SWAP event received 160 artwork submissions, of which 78 artworks were selected for exhibition. The SWAP exhibition was held at the See Street Gallery, Meadowbank and was open from 16 – 20 September. The awards night on 16 September was well attended (200+ people). Over the duration of the exhibition in excess of 400 people visited the gallery and viewed the SWAP artworks. The quality and quantity of the competition was particularly high this year and the awareness of the competition continues to increase.



Figure 18: SWAP Social Media posts

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SWAP Winners

SWAP | Open Category

1st Prize: Leanne Cowie - *An Ocean of Plastic*

2nd Prize: Michelle Robinson - *The Phoenix Arises*

Highly Commended: Robert Hulland - *Elements of Past Time*

YEP - YOUTH ENVIRONMENT PRIZE | Youth Category

1st Prize: Ted Hines - *Hare*

2nd Prize: Tom Johnston - *JD Tractor*

JUNIOR YEP | Younger Category

1st Prize: Elise Bejjani - *Fascinator*

2nd Prize: Stella Houlihan - *Curate Animale*

Highly Commended: Trinity Myers - *Revenge of the Environment*

FUNCTIONAL AWARD

Judged from across all disciplines in SWAP Open Category, YEP and Junior YEP categories. Awarded to the design object which best uses reclaimed material to form a functional piece.

Winner: Stephanie Powell - *Obsolete.com*

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Visitors to the exhibition voted for their favourite artwork or design object.

Winner: Stephanie Powell - *Obsolete.com*

10. Ryde Environmental Educators Network (REEN)

The Ryde Environmental Educators Network (REEN) is a forum for teachers and educators from learning institutions in the City of Ryde area. This network and knowledge sharing forum is a collaborative effort between the City of Ryde Waste and Environment teams. REEN meetings are held once a term (four per year) and provide support to schools, teachers and educators for waste and environmental education programs and initiatives.

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Guest speakers and discussion topics at the 2017 REEN meetings included:

Larissa Shashkof	Mobile Muster Education Officer
Sarah Cliff	Our Living River
Julie-Ann Sheridan	Field of Mars Education Centre – World Water Day
Wendy Hird	Labelling of Chemicals TAFE NSW – Site visit and sustainability practices onsite
Annette Mayne	The Bower Education Workshops
Steve Papp	Field of Mars Education Centre
Ben Eadie	Sustainable Waste 2 Art Prize
Andrew Tovey and Lisa Wriley	Ocean Action Pod - Total Environment Centre
Bev Debrincat	The Habitat
Keep Australia Beautiful	EnviroMentors
Amy Taylor	Kids Teaching Kids
Joanne Taranto and Corina Seeto	5 for Ryde
Meredith Gray	City of Ryde – Clean Up Australia Day for schools
Meredith Gray	City of Ryde – Spring Garden Competition
Meredith Gray	City of Ryde – Gladesville Litter Project
Meredith Gray	City of Ryde – Waste and recycling programs
Meredith Gray	National Recycling Week City of Ryde – funding of EnviroMentors program for school visits
Katie Helm	City of Ryde – funding of Ocean Action Pod for school visits

Figure 19: List of Speakers/ Presenters

We have had successful engagement with teachers and educators from the following education institutions and community organisations:

Epping Boys High School	Marsden Intensive English Centre
Field of Mars Environmental Education Centre	Melrose Park Public School
Gladesville OOSH	Ryde East Public School
Kent Road Public School	St Ignatius College
North Ryde Public School	TAFE NSW
Ryde Secondary College	The Habitat
Parramatta River Catchment Group	Truscott Street Public School
Marsden High School	5 for Ryde

Figure 20: List of schools partaking in REEN (2017)

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11. Keep Australia Beautiful - EnviroMentors program

To celebrate National Recycling Week, the City of Ryde engaged Keep Australia Beautiful (KAB) to present waste education workshops to primary school students. The workshops presented by KAB were the Litter module, Recycling module and In the Bin module. All workshops focused on minimising waste and increasing recycling. The workshops offer interactive sessions with comprehensive information on good waste management practices and were held at:

School	Duration	Workshop
Denistone East PS	1 day	Litter
St Therese PS	1 day	Recycling
Truscott Street PS	1 day	Litter
St Kevin's Eastwood	1 day	Recycling
Meadowbank PS	1 day	Litter
Our Lady Queen of Peace	1 day	In the Bin

Figure 21: Keep Australia Beautiful workshops

12. Granny Smith Festival

The City of Ryde Waste team were involved in a number of different aspects of the 2017 Granny Smith Festival. These included:

- The City of Ryde Waste stall in Rowe Street provided residents with a variety of waste service and waste reduction messages, including Pre-booked Household CleanUp, Illegal Dumping, Recycling and Contamination management, Responsible Cafes and Filtered Water Stations.
- The Waste stall also engaged the community with a new Waste Challenge initiative. Participants were issued with a card and they had to seek answers to waste related questions at different locations throughout the Granny Smith Festival. Participants with completed Waste Challenge cards were rewarded with a Smarter Cleaner Greener reusable bag and a choice of either reusable coffee cup or water bottle. This activity proved to be very popular on the day with 164 community members completing the Waste Challenge. The City of Ryde Waste Team also provided a fun and interactive waste education activity in the Family and Kids Zone. The 'Recycling Race Against Time' activity
- The City of Ryde Waste Van and Suez Garbage Truck both participated in the Granny Smith Festival Street Parade, with the operational management of waste and recycling being carried out by Waste staff and Suez.

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- The Granny Smith Festival is the largest Waste Wise event run by the City of Ryde. All stall holders were sent guidelines on how to manage their waste at the event and required stallholders to commit to being “waste wise”. Onsite audits were conducted throughout the day by the Waste Team to ensure compliance and encourage best practices guidelines were being followed.

13. World Environment Day

To celebrate World Environment Day the City of Ryde Waste and Environment teams held a family-friendly event at Field of Mars Reserve on 4 June 2017. A number of free activities were held, including the ‘Recycling Race Against Time’ interactive challenge held by the Waste Team. Waste educational information was also handed out. An estimated 300+ people attended this event.



Figure 22: Picture of recycling challenge

14. Multi-Unit Dwellings – Apartment Living

Multi-Unit Dwellings (MUD) represents approximately 52% of dwellings in the Ryde LGA, the majority of which are grouped together and are often situated around tertiary institutions such as Macquarie University and Meadowbank TAFE and major transport hubs. As a result, there is a tendency for MUDs residents to be a highly transient population which brings with it high levels of illegal dumping and recycling contamination.

Ryde receives funding from EPA’s Better Waste and Recycling Fund and employs a Project Officer to target this community group and manage the continuation of the ‘Apartment Living’ program. This project liaises with real estate agents, strata managers and other relevant stakeholders to combat illegal dumping, contamination, increasing recycling and educates transient communities in MUDs.

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The focus of this role in the past 12 months has been to educate Managing Bodies such as Strata Managers, Owners Corporation/ Body Corporate representatives, Property Managers, Building Managers etc. of the change to the CleanUp collection service from scheduled to pre-booked.

There are also a variety of educational materials specifically designed for use in MUDs such as flyers, posters, stickers, magnets, recycling containers and foyers posters for noticeboards. These materials have been updated to reflect the new waste logo “Smarter, Cleaner, Greener”

- Waste Resources Order form – online and hard copy
- Recycling Right In Ryde – corflute poster
- Bin Bay metallic signs
- Bin stickers
- Recycling and Waste Guide poster to go in foyers and bin bays
- MUDs household Clean up Collections Guide
- Illegal Dumping signs and magnets
- Recycling crates and bags
- No Advertising Stickers (for letterbox)
- FAQs for MUD CleanUp Collections
- CleanUp Posters
- CleanUp template letters



Figure 23: CleanUp Foyer poster



Figure 24: Bin bay sign

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Figure 25: Carts and bags available to residents living in units

15. Clothing Bins

The City of Ryde in partnership with The Smith Family has installed over 30 *Smarter Cleaner Greener* charity clothing bins throughout the city. These bins have helped to divert 118,407 kilograms of textile waste from landfill during 2017 as well as reducing environmental impacts of new manufacturing. Proceeds from The Smith Family clothing donations provide disadvantaged Australian children and young Australians with education, literacy, numeracy, mentoring, and life skills programs.

Quarter	Amount of Donations	Amount re-used or recycled	% Waste
Jan – Mar 2017	35,550 kg	27,648 kg	22.23%
Apr – June 2017	37,540 kg	30,581 kg	18.54%
July – Sept 2017	33,320 kg	27,223 kg	18.3%
Oct – Dec 2017	40,140 kg	32,955 kg	17.9%
Total	146,500 kg (146.55 tonnes)	118,407 kg (118.407 tonnes)	19.24% (quarterly average)

Figure 26: Clothing collection statistics

16. Medical Waste Disposal

The City of Ryde provides residents with a free medical waste disposal service to ensure syringes and dialysis tubing is being disposed of safely. Full sharps containers can be disposed of at no cost via one of fourteen participating pharmacies. Free empty sharps containers are also available for collection from City of Ryde Customer Service desk.

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17. Community Workshops and Education Program

Your Waste Adventure- Bus Tour

During 2017 four “Your Waste Adventure” Tours were provided to residents. The half day tour takes residents to Visy’s Material Recycling Facility (MRF) at Smithfield. Residents were given the opportunity to see technologies and infrastructure used at the recycling facility and given a close look at the sorting processes, and an understanding of how the facility separates each type of recyclable material and what “new products” can be made from each material. Participants were also provided with a City of Ryde Waste presentation about waste services and programs available to them as local residents.

The tours are very popular with the participants who are eager to learn more and always book out very quickly.

Composting and Worm Farming Workshop

To encourage residents to divert food scraps from the landfill, three free composting and worm farm demonstrations were held at The Habitat Community Nursery, with sessions booking out in advance. These hands-on demonstrations gave residents the skills and knowledge to set up and maintain their own composting bin or worm farm. Both composting and worm farming help to maintain household gardens by providing free soil and fertiliser.

In 2017 the Council provided City of Ryde residents with 65 compost bins and 56 worm farms. These units are provided at a discounted price and include delivery to their door. Furthermore, residents who attend one of our Compost and Worm Farming workshops or Kitchen Garden workshops receive a 50% discount voucher of the cost of their compost bin or worm farm.



Figure 27: Social Media posts promoting workshops

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Kitchen Gardening Workshop

A free Kitchen Gardening workshop was also held at The Habitat Community Nursery. This workshop was designed to encourage residents to grow their own garden and utilise the soil and fertiliser from their compost bin and or worm farm. Aside from focusing on food waste reduction these ongoing workshops also encourage residents to consider the following:

- Making the most of their balcony or backyard
- Seed saving
- Growing a herb or food garden
- Planting the right plants for your garden
- Companion planting
- Using a compost bin, worm farm or bokashi bin

The interactive workshop encouraged the sharing of ideas and experiences, and assist in developing a basic garden. The Kitchen Gardening workshops together with the Compost and Worm Farm workshops help to divert food waste from landfill and create a usable by-product through composting/ worm farming to create a healthy and productive garden.

The Bower Repair Café and Workshops

The City of Ryde in conjunction with The Bower Reuse and Repair Centre held a series of Repair Cafes and Workshops throughout 2017. These included shorter 2 hour session for bicycle, small electrical and timber furniture repair cafes. More in-depth 3 – 5 hour session included furniture repair, furniture painting and furniture upholstery. Together both organisations aim to stop usable or repairable items for going to landfill. All sessions were held onsite at the Bower's premise in Parramatta. It should be noted that attendance capacity of these workshops were limited due to the size of the workshop itself.

18. Second Hand Saturday

The Second Hand Garage Sale Program commenced in July 2007 and continues to encourage residents to reduce unwanted household goods going to landfill, by holding a garage sale on their property. Council provides support to participants by providing free advertising of their Sale in the local paper, a week prior to the event. Posters and tips on how to dispose of unwanted household goods after the sale are also made available to residents.

In 2017, Second Hand Sales were heavily promoted at the Granny Smith Festival and the project was also expanded from Second Hand Saturdays to Second Hand Sales which can be held on either a Saturday or Sunday. These efforts have helped to increase participation numbers to 118 Sales.

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Figure 28: advertisement featured in NDT



Figure 29: Social Media Promotion

19. Chipping and Mulching Service

The City of Ryde provided residents with a free chipping and mulching service that can be used up to six times a year per household. Our team attend the residents address and chip up to 3 cubic metres of branches. This is bagged onsite and returned to the resident for use as mulch on their garden. In 2017 there were a total of 840 chipping and mulching bookings.

20. CleanUp Australia Day

Local residents, community groups, schools and businesses joined forces in March 2017 for the annual *Clean Up Australia Day* activities. The City of Ryde had an impressive voluntary showing of 22 community groups, 11 businesses and 13 schools all pulling on the gloves to clean up our parks, natural areas, rivers and creeks. A massive amount of rubbish was collected by hand and removed from the environment by each of these groups. Community groups were encouraged to volunteer through the council website, social media channels and posters.

21. Household Chemical CleanOut

Council hosted a Household Chemical Clean-up at Meadowbank Netball courts carpark on the weekend of the 18th -19th of March, 2017 the event was run by Toxfree and sponsored by the EPA. Over the course of the weekend there were 1,280 participants attending the event and a total 55 tonnes of chemicals were received and disposed of responsibly. The top five chemicals collected were paints, Oil, hydrocarbons and fuel, Gas Cylinder and lead acid batteries. This is a NSW EPA Waste Less, Recycle More initiative funded from the waste levy.

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Figure 30: Promotion via social media

22. Container Deposit Scheme

A Council-wide audit of kerbside residential recycling bins was conducted in November 2017 of 620 households to determine the average number of eligible containers in our recycling bins, prior to the commencement of the NSW Container Deposit Scheme (CDS), known as “Return and Earn”. The audit provided benchmarking data for the containers in Council’s recycling bins by both weights and counts to assist Council planning for the CDS.

In summary, in relation to the CDS, the results show that there were on average 5.3 eligible beverage containers in loose recyclables in each bin, which was about 11.8% of the contents of the recycling bin by weight. The main eligible beverage containers were mainly glass beverage and plastic 1 beverage.

The audit also identified streams of contaminations in recycling bins, allowing the Waste Services Team to develop new targets and actions for waste programs and projects in 2018. This will be facilitated through community education programs aimed at reducing contamination in bins and educating the community in correct bin presentation.

Contaminants Identified	
Food/ Kitchen	Contaminated Soiled Paper
Building Materials and Aggregate	Textile/ Rags
Plastic Film	Other Plastics (e.g. Composites)
Nappies Disposable	Plastic Bags
Containerised Food and Liquid	Steel Other Non-Packaging

Figure 31: Prominent contaminants found in waste audit

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23. Water Stations

The City of Ryde now has 15 filtered water stations in parks throughout the local area. In the 6 month period (July – December 2017) 8,445 litres of water was consumed which is the equivalent of 14,075 single use plastic water bottles (600ml) not being produced and potentially littered in our environment. Every year, 160 million drink containers are tossed in the rubbish. They also often end up as litter in waterways, parks, and streets or in landfill or recycling. The new filtered water stations each have a water fountain, bottle refill point and dog bowl. They are located near popular sporting fixtures and walking paths.

Council hopes the new filtered water stations will lead to a reduction in the use of plastic bottles, make it easier for residents to enjoy healthy drink choices and help them save money on bottled water or soft drinks.

Locations of new and existing filtered water stations are:

- Eastwood Park, Eastwood (lower oval)
- Brush Farm Park, Eastwood (near amenity building)
- ELS Hall Park, Marsfield (near field 1)
- Meadowbank Park, Meadowbank (along walking path and near netball courts)
- Kissing Point Park, Putney (near Riverwalk)
- Morrison Bay Park, Putney (near amenity building)
- Ryde Park, Ryde (near field 1 and near basketball court)
- Banjo Paterson Park, Gladesville
- Waterloo Park, Marsfield (nb. no dog bowl)
- Anderson Park, Meadowbank (nb. no dog bowl)
- Adventure Park, Ryde
- Santa Rosa Park, Ryde
- Memorial Park, Meadowbank (along river walk Riverwalk)

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Figure 32: Water Station Photo

24. Commercial Waste Services

The CoR is one of the few Council's that manages their own commercial waste collection service in the NSROC region. Managing this service internally allows Council to encourage and actively recruit local businesses to implement or increase their waste diversion through commercial recycling. In 2017 there were 771 local businesses using Council's commercial waste service and of these businesses, 40% have recycling services as part of their existing service contract. Council encourages local business to recycle by offering competitive recycling rates and educating business owners on what can and can't be recycled through this service.



Figure 33: Commercial waste flyer

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Operational

During 2017 the waste department processed more than 10,974 customer requests from City of Ryde (CoR) residents, 96% of these requests were actioned prior to or on the request due date. Staff also reviewed 35 new development proposals to ensure that they meet service requirements and maximise waste diversion where possible.

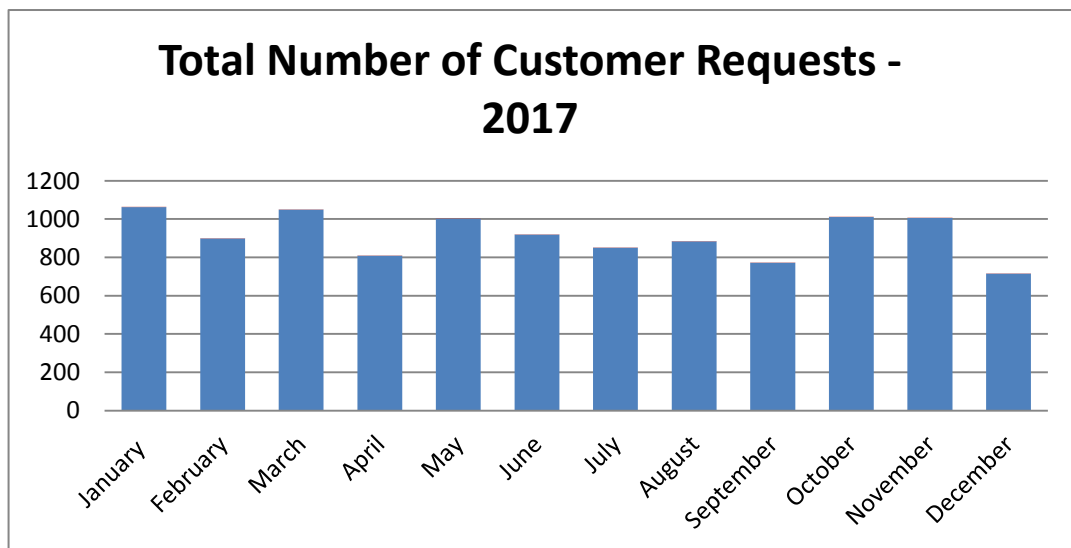


Figure 34: Total number of Customer requests by month

25. Conclusion

Council has been working to achieve the targets outlined in the EPA's WARR (Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy), which includes the following:

- Increasing recycling rates to 70% for municipal solid waste
- Increasing waste diverted from landfill to 75%
- Managing problem wastes better, this includes facilities and services across NSW.
- Reducing litter, with 40% fewer items (compared to 2012)
- Combatting illegal dumping, with 30% fewer incidents (compared to 2011)

The WARR Strategy is supported by the Waste Less, Recycle More initiative which allows Council to pursue further funding opportunities for waste minimisation strategies focusing on supporting local communities and combating litter and illegal dumping. In 2017 the Waste section received funding to assist in the delivery of the Apartment Living program and illegal dumping and litter prevention programs.

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In summary, Council's waste education programs have been successful in raising the awareness of not only waste minimisation issues, as well as broad City of Ryde environmental initiatives. The programs are helping increase awareness of waste related issues and achieve greater sustainability across the City of Ryde.

This program is provided for in the 2016/17 & 2017/18 Waste unit operations budget.

4 BLENHEIM PARK REMOTE CONTROL CAR TRACK ACCESSIBILITY

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REPORT SUMMARY

The Blenheim Park radio control track is currently occupied by the Sydney Radio Control Off Road Car Club (SRCORCC) under a licence agreement with the City of Ryde. The club hosts race meetings for electric powered off road buggies, stadium trucks, and short course trucks two days per month on weekends. In addition, the club also hosts the electric powered off road Association of Australian Radio Controlled Model Car Club (AARCMCC) State Titles every four years. The club currently has 50 members with the track freely available for casual use by all members of the public outside of race meeting dates.

Council resolved at its meeting of 28 November 2017 to initiate discussions with the club regarding accessibility of the track and the elevated racing platform. The platform was constructed by voluntary labour in the early 1980's and is only accessible by stairs. Mobility impaired racers of the club who cannot access the track in its current format must travel along bare earth and grass due to the lack of formalised footpath servicing the track. A temporary lift adjacent to the existing platform is then used to elevate the mobility impaired racer to a comparative height.

Council officers met with members of the SRCORCC on site in January 2018 to evaluate the site and discuss potential solutions to make the track more suitable to those with a mobility impairment. This included permanent options to elevate racers who cannot access the existing platform and a footpath from the car park to the track itself. During this discussion the matter of funding for any works was raised with the club indicating that at this time it does not have the financial capacity to make a contribution. It is noted that in 2011 flood lighting was installed at the site to allow for night time use. The cost of which was approximately \$40,000 and funded on a shared basis between Council 60% and the club 40%.

Following the site inspection it was identified that the construction of an accessible footpath from the amenities block to the track entry would greatly assist those who are mobility impaired. This would allow users to travel from the car park to the track along a path that is compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA) requirements.

In relation to the platform a number of options were considered, including renovating the existing wooden structure or installing an independent lift adjacent to the existing structure. However these were identified as not being suitable or cost effective. It is therefore considered that the only suitable option is demolishing the existing structure and replacing it with a new one built to meet the DDA and the sports technical requirements. When identifying the expected costs the materials considered were weldmesh and stainless steel. Constructing the platform with stainless steel is 15% more inexpensive; however weldmesh provides a better all-weather surface.

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Taking into account the additional works required in order to make the track and platform accessible, the total estimated cost for this upgrade is between \$140,000, \$165,000. Due to this significant cost, it is recommended that Council contribute up to 60% of the cost and the SRCORRC contribute the remainder.

Should Council resolve the recommendation of this report it would allocate \$100,000 in the 2019/20 Year of the Four Year Delivery Plan. It further recommends assisting and supporting the SRCORRC in identifying and applying for relevant state and federal grants that would be applicable for this type community facility upgrade to help fund the remaining component of the costs.

Alternate options of not proceeding with any works or fully funding the project are outlined in the body of this report for Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council allocate an amount of \$10,000 from working capital for the construction of a 50 metre reinforced accessible concrete path from the Car Park to the entry to the Radio Car Club at Blenheim Park and that this be charged to the footpath renewal program.
- (b) That Council assist and support the SRCORRC in applying for relevant grants to meet the balance of the funds required \$65,000 for the works.
- (c) That subject to (b) above, Council allocates \$100,000, funded from Section 94 reserves, within the Open Space Sport & Recreation Program in the 2019/20 year of the Four Year Delivery Plan for the upgrade of the Radio Car Club racing platform at Blenheim Park. Failing this a further report to council be made.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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Background

The Blenheim Park radio control off road car track, located at 16 Blenheim Rd North Ryde is situated in the east section of Blenheim Park part of Lot F Deposited Plan 410408, adjacent to Epping Rd. The track has been occupied and operated under various licence agreements by the Sydney Radio Control Off Road Car Club (SRCORCC) since 1983.



The club hosts race meetings for 1/10th scale electric powered off road buggies, stadium trucks, and short course trucks on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. In addition, the club also hosts the electric powered off road Association of Australian Radio Controlled Model Car Club (AARCMCC) state titles every four years. The off road track is available for use by all members of the public outside of the scheduled race meets and when track maintenance is required. Track maintenance is solely undertaken by volunteer members of the club. The membership number, at the time of writing, was at 50.

Although situated adjacent to the amenities block, picnic settings and park footpaths, there are no formal pathways to the track. Additionally, access to the existing timber platform used by racers is via stairs only. Consequently, the lack of formalised access creates a challenge for casual users of the track and club members who are mobility impaired.

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A notice of motion was raised at the Council meeting of November 28 2017 in response to the limited accessibility of the racing platform at the Blenheim Park radio control off road track. Subsequently Council resolved the following:

- (a) That Council note the success of the Sydney Radio Control Car Club and the unique racing track facility that is housed at Blenheim Park, North Ryde.*
- (b) That Council recognises the City of Ryde's commitment to diversity and inclusiveness.*
- (c) That Council acknowledges the need to upgrade the elevated racing platform to expand accessibility for the mobility impaired.*
- (d) That Council immediately commence discussions with the Club to identify a cost effective solution that will accommodate all enthusiasts, regardless of ability and meet the technical specifications for the sport.*
- (e) That a report be provided to a Works and Community Committee Meeting early in the New Year outlining the options for the access to be provided*

Existing Access

Council officers met with representatives of the SRCORCC on site in January 2018. They discussed how access for all users is currently achieved and potential options to make the track more accessible including permanent options to elevate racers who cannot access the elevated platform.

Due to the restrictive nature of the single gates servicing the track, users who require a wheelchair or mobility scooter must navigate from the car park to the amenities building via the existing concrete path travelling approximately 50 metres along the grass to the double gate. The gate is then opened by a club member and the track user then traverses the additional 20 metres to the racing platform. A temporary lift is then placed next to the racing platform and the track user is lifted to a height comparative to the platform. Once racing has concluded, the lift is removed.

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Fig 1. Current route west of the amenities building



Fig 2. Current route through the gate to the platform

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Fig 3. Temporary lift is positioned on the black mat adjacent to platform. Note the proximity of the track and rear fence.

The existing platform, built by club members, is of timber construction and is 10m long, approximately 1.5m high and 1.65m wide. It is set back 1.6m from the race track and the distance from the rear of the platform to the chain wire fence varies from 1.2m to 1.6m. These measurements are not in line with the AARCMCC requirements to host state titles. The platform is accessed from the set of stairs at either side and is built on top of old timber logs which may have previously been used as a means of elevating racers. The space between the platform and fence as well as underneath the platform is used as an informal storage area.



Fig 4. The elevated racing platform at Blenheim Park

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Fig 5. Eastern access to the platform. Note – tree butting up against rear and slope leading up to Epping Rd

Access to the track

Following the initial site meeting, a survey of the area was undertaken to gain a better understanding of available options to make the track wheelchair accessible and meet DDA requirements. As there is no formal access pathway through to the track from existing park footpaths, officers consider it important to resolve this issue first prior to considering options for the platform.

The existing footpath located east of the off road track travelling through to the Epping Rd cycleway is not a suitable option for connecting to the track due to the grade, therefore the only practical option would be to install a footpath at the current route, leading from the western side of the amenities up to the northern double gate and through to the platform as shown in *Fig. 1* and *2*. Due to the use of heavy vehicles for annual track maintenance, this footpath will need to be rated to withstand the necessary weight as vehicle access is located on this side.

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Fig 2. Current route through the gate to the platform



Fig 6. Existing footpath east of the track

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Access to the platform

In order for the off road track to be all-inclusive, casual users and members alike must be appropriately elevated to see all parts of the track while racing. A temporary lift is currently used as required for users who cannot access the platform, but this is not a permanent solution. For casual users outside of race days, there is currently no option available to be elevated. As such the following options were investigated:

1. Construct a DDA compliant ramp up to the platform
2. Install a permanent wheelchair lift servicing the platform
3. Install a permanent wheelchair lift independent of the platform
4. Provide for a wheelchair lift that operates independently of the platform
5. Demolish the existing platform and construct a new one to meet the technical requirements of the sport and DDA requirements.

Council officers note that the platform, originally constructed in the 1980's, does not meet the current relevant building codes for wheelchair use. It is considered that the existing platform could not be cost effectively modified to meet the requirements to host the AARCMCC State Titles and be DDA compliant. Therefore the first two options identified above, where infrastructure is installed to service the existing platform, are not considered suitable.

The third and fourth above options of providing a lift independent of the platform are not supported by the SRCORRC. This would require ongoing maintenance and while it would meet some of the needs for the mobility impaired it is not the recommended option.

The fifth option of demolishing and constructing a new platform is supported by the SRCORRC and would wholly meet the requirements to host the AARCMCC State Titles and be DDA compliant. This was the option investigated to provide a solution to elevating mobility impaired racers to a height level with the platform.

Should Council resolve to demolish the existing platform and build a new structure, the following needs to be considered:

- The space restrictions surrounding the platform site and DDA requirements that would affect the available space

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- The requirements set out in the AARCMCC EP Off Road General & Technical Rules in order to host State and National Titles, in particular:
 - *Minimum height of the drivers stand should be 2m from track level*
 - *The drivers must be a minimum of 2 metres from the edge of the racing surface*
 - *The drivers stand should provide competitors with overhead protection from weather*
- Designate space under the platform for storage is requested by the club – see *Fig. 7* Castle Hill Off Road platform as an example for providing space underneath.



Fig 7. Castle Hill Off Road Race Club platform

Due to the lack of available space, in order to construct a new platform meeting the AARCMCC EP Off Road General & Technical Rules requirements, further investigations would need to be undertaken into the feasibility of expanding the current area outside of the track. Installation of a DDA compliant ramp up to a height of 2 metres would require the northern area outside of the track to be regraded and raised to accommodate the necessary ramp distance and landings. In addition, the track would need to be repositioned to accommodate a 2 metre set back to the platform.

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Financial Implications

Should Council resolve the recommended option, the funding required is available in Council's Section 94 reserves. This would be added to Council's Four Year Delivery Plan within the Open Space Sport & Recreation Program.

Consultation

Council officers met with representatives of the SRCORCC on site in January 2018 and have been in regular contact since in order to develop potential options. The club has confirmed that they currently have no funds available to contribute towards the project.

The clubs preference would be to demolish the existing racing platform and build a new structure meeting the requirements set out in the AARCMCC EP Off Road General & Technical Rules which would allow the club to continue hosting State Titles. It is noted however that the club has hosted these events in the past with their current facilities. Due to the lack of available space inside the fenced area, a new structure with space underneath designated for storage would be desirable for the club.

A suggestion was made by the club to consider relocating the platform to the opposite side of the track should Council resolve to demolish the old and construct a new one. While this option would reduce the length of the concrete footpath, there is less available space between the track and fence on this side and is therefore not considered feasible.

Options

1. That Council not proceed with any works at the site until the completion of the Blenheim Park Master Plan.

The Master Plan is scheduled to be prepared in the 2018/19 year with funding included in the draft Four Year Delivery Plan for works to occur in 2019/20. This option could potentially delay the delivery of this project beyond what could be achieved with the recommended option. It may also not be a satisfactory outcome to the Radio Control Car Club.

This is NOT the recommended option

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2. That Council allocate an amount of \$10,000 from working capital for the construction of a 50 metre reinforced accessible concrete path from the Car Park to the entry to the Radio Car Club at Blenheim Park and that this amount be consolidated in the next Quarterly Review.

That Council allocate \$100,000, funded from Section 94 reserves, within the Open Space Sport & Recreation Program in the 2019/20 year of the Four Year Delivery Plan for the upgrade of the Radio Car Club racing platform at Blenheim Park.

That Council assist and support the SRCORRC in applying for relevant grants to meet the balance of the funds required \$65,000 for the works.

The construction of a footpath meets an immediate need for users of the track to have accessible access to the area. The area is under a licence agreement with the Sydney Radio Car Control Club and therefore it is considered appropriate that they make a contribution to the project. This is also consistent with the previous approach to upgrades undertaken at the facility.

5 FOOTWAY ALONG PITTWATER ROAD BETWEEN RENE STREET AND FIELD OF MARS CAR PARK

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File No.: GRP/09/3/15 - BP18/259

REPORT SUMMARY

At the Council Meeting No. 2/18 held on Tuesday 27 February 2018, Council resolved to *“complete a footway along the City of Ryde side of Pittwater Road between Rene Street and the Field of Mars car park in East Ryde, to be funded and constructed in 2018/2019”*.

This report identifies and discusses the options that will complete the missing footway link along Pittwater Road between Rene Street and Field of Mars car park in East Ryde, crossing over Buffalo Creek.

Three (3) options were considered for the construction of this missing link as listed below:-

Option 1 - New footbridge over Buffalo Creek, extending Shared User Path (SUP) via existing car park

Option 2 - New footbridge over Buffalo Creek, new SUP via nature strip of the car park

Option 3 - Construct the SUP above existing box culvert and extend the SUP via the existing car park

After assessing the available design options It is recommended that Council proceed with consultation for Option 3 to construct the SUP above the existing box culvert and extend the SUP via the existing Buffalo Creek car park.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council endorses Option 3 which is to construct a Shared Use Path (SUP) in the vicinity of Field of Mars along Pittwater Road above the existing box culvert over Buffalo Creek and extend the SUP via the existing Buffalo Creek car park.
- (b) That Council endorse to amend the resolution to deliver the Field of Mars Shared Use Path project over 2018/19 (design/consultation) and 2019/20 (construction) as currently published in the Draft Delivery Plan 2018-2022.

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- 1 Option 1 - Construction of a new footbridge over Buffalo Creek and extending Shared User Path (SUP) via existing car park as per concept design completed by Cardno
- 2 Option 2 - Construction of a new footbridge across Buffalo Creek and extend new Shared User Path (SUP) along the nature strip
- 3 Option 3 - Construct the Shared User Path (SUP) above existing box culvert and extend the Shared User Path (SUP) via the existing car park

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Background

Pittwater Road which is classified as a 'Regional Road' is at the boundary between the City of Ryde and Hunters Hill Council. The City of Ryde is the roads authority for the western side of the road. Pittwater Road has been upgraded over the last 12 years at various sections. The works undertaken were programmed on the basis of road condition, usage, accident history (blackspot) and benefit cost ratio. The remaining works are now concentrated between High Street and Field of Mars as follows: -

- (a) In 2014/15 a footpath was constructed north of Buffalo Creek to Rene Street whilst undertaking the traffic safety improvement and road pavement resurfacing work at this section of Pittwater Road.
- (b) In 2016/17 a short length of shared use path (SUP) was constructed south of the roundabout at Field of Mars with future plans to extend this to High Street as an integrated project that includes road pavement, drainage, kerb & gutter and SUP construction.
- (c) In the current Draft Delivery Plan 2018/2022 this project is listed as Pittwater Road Upgrade between High Street and Field of Mars under the 'Roads Program', spanning over two years, in 2018/19 an allocation of \$30,000 is available for design and consultation, and in 2019/20 an allocation of \$600,000 is available for construction.

Context

At the Council Meeting No. 2/18 held on Tuesday 27 February 2018, Council resolved to "complete a footway along the City of Ryde side of Pittwater Road between Rene Street and the Field of Mars car park in East Ryde, to be funded and constructed in 2018/2019". With clarifications it was confirmed that this resolution refers to the project that was already listed as (c) above. To meet the requirements of the Council resolution, this project would need to be fast tracked and completed in the 2018/19 financial year.

In 2009, Cardno Consulting Engineers designed the Pittwater Road upgrade project from High Street to Rene Street. In that design a new footbridge was proposed to be constructed to cross Buffalo Creek. At the location of the proposed footbridge colonies of environmentally sensitive salt marsh and mangroves are present. Subsequently, Council are reviewing the design to minimise the impact on salt marshes.

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Consultation with relevant external bodies

This section of Pittwater Road is in an environmentally sensitive area hence the consultative process with any re-design is anticipated to be a protracted process as previously experienced. Council consulted with the community and interest groups with the designs completed in 2009 which took several months. There are two active interest groups namely, Ryde Environmental Group (REG) and Ryde - Hunter's Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society (RHHFFPS). Considering the time elapsed since the original consultation, it is essential to conduct further consultation during the re-design process.

Discussion

A total of three (3) design options have been considered in the evaluation process, each with different configurations for the location of the SUP and the footbridge.

These are summarised in the table below.

Options

Options	Advantages	Disadvantages
Option 1 New footbridge over Buffalo Creek, extend Shared User Path via existing car park (Cardno design) Estimated Cost: \$722,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimal disturbance to trees on the nature strip • Minimal impact to road users during construction • Construction works could be undertaken during weekdays • No impact on road safety during the construction of the bridge • The SUP will be away from the road carriageway 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of Mangroves and undertaking construction activities across environmentally sensitive Buffalo Creek and salt marsh • Dealing with environment protection issues and consulting with local environmental groups which may cause extensive delays • Significant environmental protection measures required to protect salt marsh and mangroves • Approval from NSW Department of primary industries and relevant environment protection authorities required for the proposed works across the creek

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Options	Advantages	Disadvantages
<p>Option 2 New footbridge over Buffalo Creek, new Shared User Path via nature strip</p> <p>Estimated Cost: \$1,087,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimal impact to road users during construction • Construction works could be undertaken during weekdays • No impact on road safety during the construction of the bridge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of Mangroves and undertaking construction activities across environmentally sensitive Buffalo Creek and salt marsh • Community consultation & approval is required for the removal of additional trees on nature strip • Approval required for the removal of trees on nature strip • Dealing with environment protection issues and consulting with local environmental groups which may cause extensive delays • Significant environmental protection measures required to protect salt marsh and mangroves • Narrowing the unsealed shoulder along eastbound travel lane is required • Road safety audit to be undertaken to assess the impact of narrowing the shoulder • Retaining wall required along the car park • Pedestrian safety fence is required • Higher cost to construct the footbridge, retaining wall, relocation of crash barrier & pedestrian fence • Approval from NSW Department of primary industries and relevant environment protection authorities required for the proposed works across the creek

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Options	Advantages	Disadvantages
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This option will significantly impact aesthetics of streetscape adjacent to Field of Mars Reserve due to removal of trees
<p>Option 3 Construct the SUP above the existing culvert and extend the SUP via the existing car park</p> <p>Estimated Cost: \$630,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New footbridge is not required • Mangroves removal is not required • Minimal impact on mangroves and salt marsh • Lowest cost compared to all the options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community consultation and approval is required for the removal of additional trees on nature strip • Approval required for the removal of trees on nature strip • Dealing with environment protection issues and consulting with local environmental groups which may cause extensive delays • Narrowing the unsealed shoulder along eastbound travel lane at the existing bridge is required • Road safety audit to be undertaken to assess the impact of narrowing the shoulder at the bridge • Loss of parking spaces on existing car park • Retaining structures required in several locations to accommodate level differences • Pedestrian safety fence is required • Approval from NSW Department of primary industries and relevant environment protection authorities may be required for the proposed works across the creek

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After assessing the available design options, it is recommended that Council proceed with consultation for Option 3 to construct the SUP above the existing box culvert and extend the SUP via the existing car park.

Preliminary programming for this project has identified the initial time line as follows:-

- Survey and design – July to August 2018 (2 months)
- Community consultation and statutory approvals – September to December 2018 (4 months). There is a risk that this may take longer as tree removal is required.
- Tendering process – February to June 2019 (5 months)
- Construction – July to September 2019 (3 months)

There are Ausgrid high voltage cables in the vicinity of the proposed works and may have an impact on the construction program and also Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) may restrict the hours of construction work. Therefore a contingency of 2 months should also be allowed for.

It is anticipated that the delivery of this project will take up to 16 months and if January 2019 is excluded from the program, it is likely the project will be completed by November 2019.

Following the above, it is considered that it will be difficult to complete this project within the 2018/19 financial year. However the intention would be to fast track the design and consultation stage of this project as much as possible. If successes are achieved in this process, funds can be brought forward from 2019/20 to commence construction earlier.

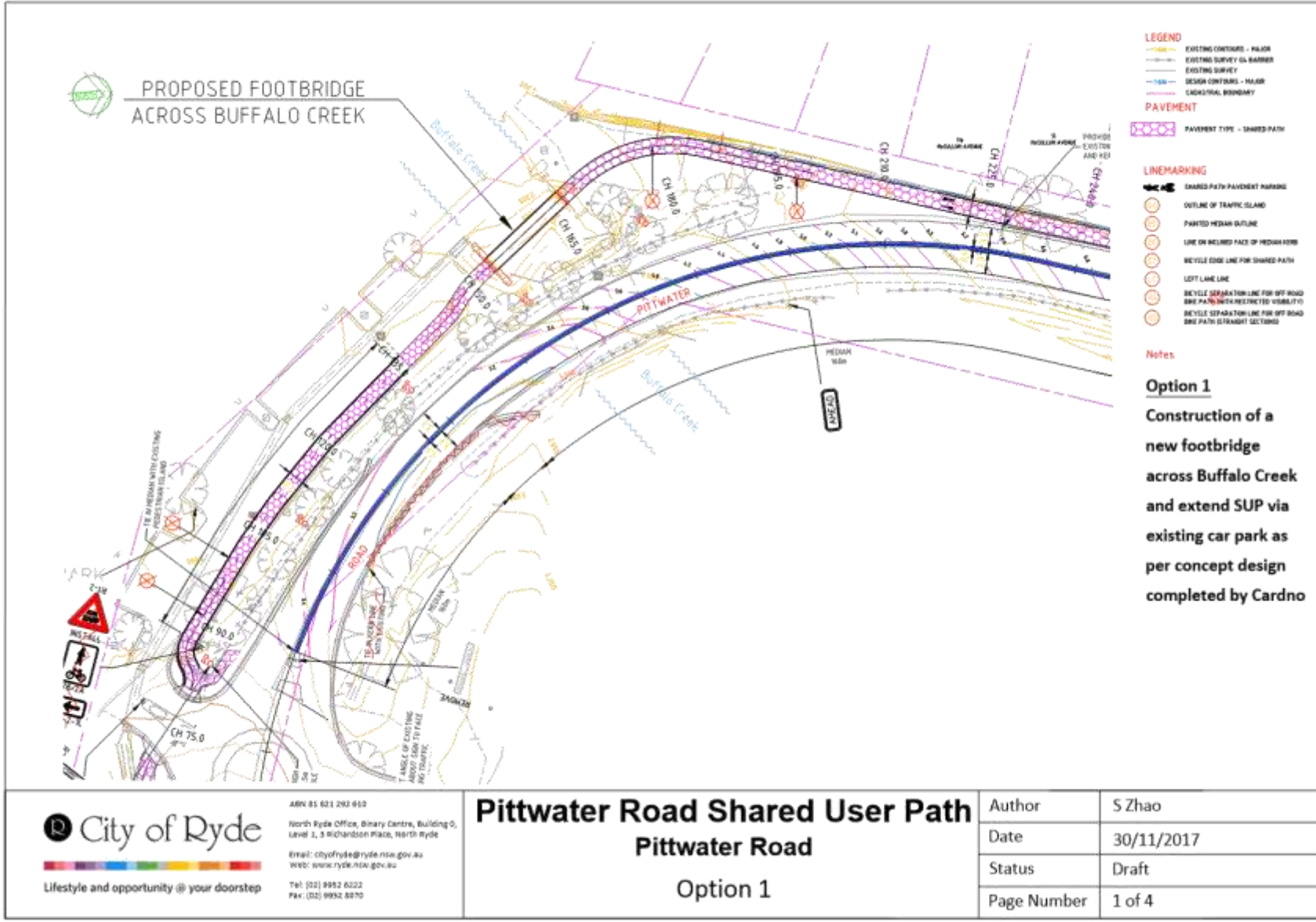
Financial Implications

Should Council resolve to proceed with this project it will be necessary to fund the project as per the existing Delivery Plan as follows:-

- 2018/19 Field of Mars Shared Use Path (Design and Consultation) \$30,000
- 2019/20 Field of Mars Shared Use Path (Construction) \$600,000

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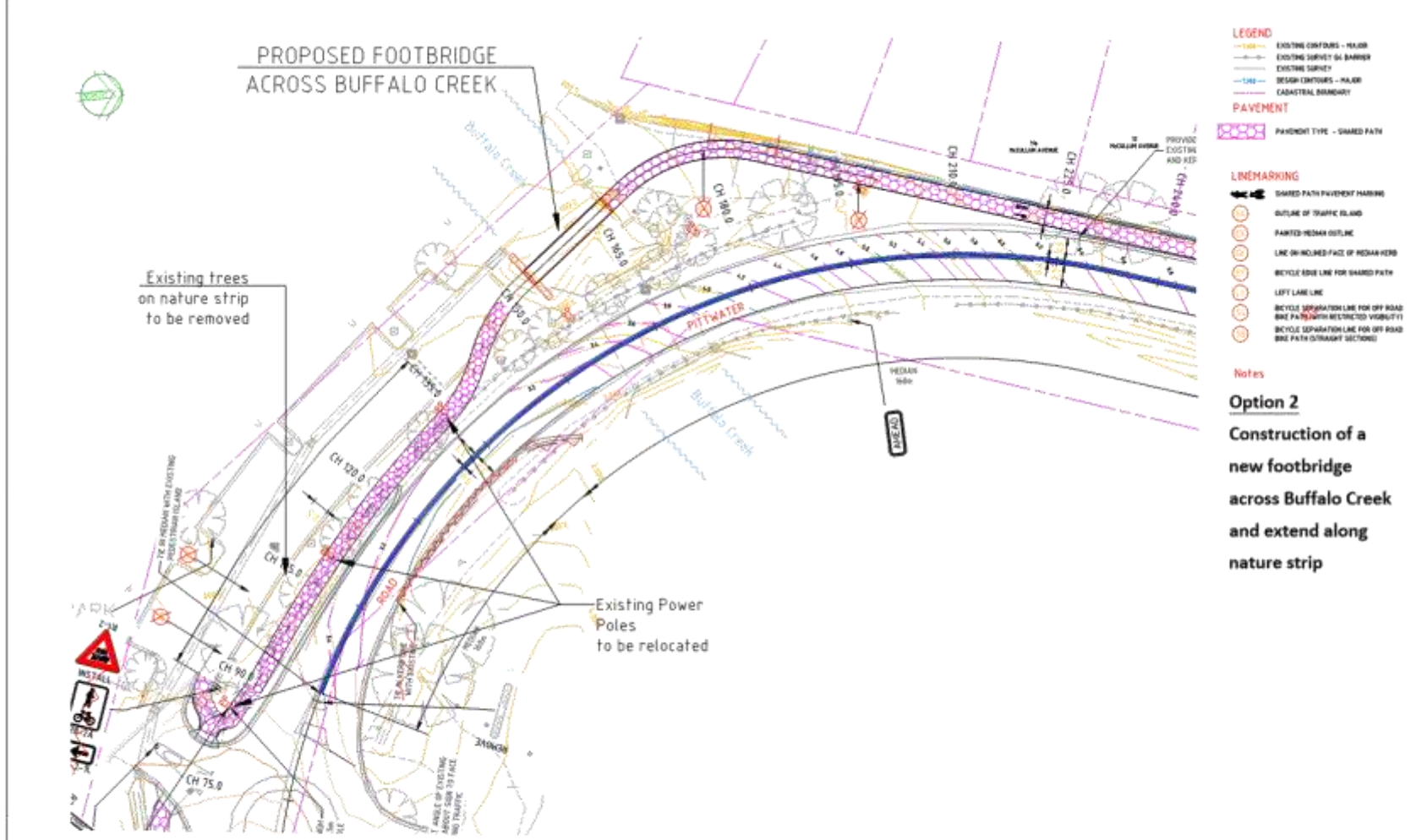
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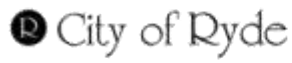
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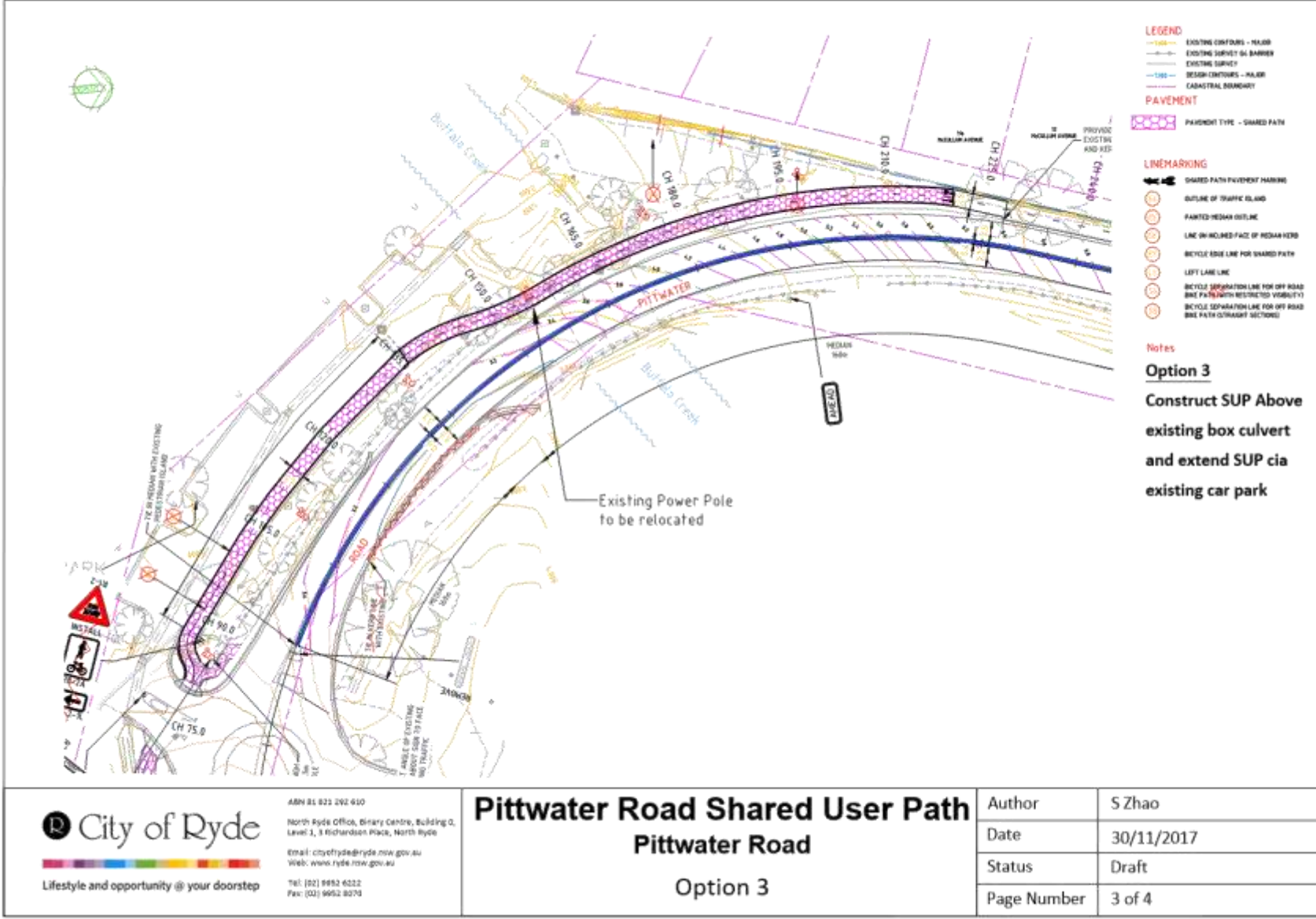

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6 DRAFT PARRAMATTA RIVER PARKLANDS PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

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REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to place the draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management (PRPPoM) on public exhibition.

Under the Local Government Act (1993), Councils are required to prepare Plans of Management for all Community Land within their municipality. It is also a requirement of the Act that the plans are publicly exhibited so that the community has the opportunity to formally provide submissions.

A Plan of Management is a document which guides the management of particular categories or specific areas of community land that are within the direct ownership of Council, or in the care, control and management of Council. The public exhibition of the draft PRPPoM will provide a further opportunity for the community to make comment on the future management of these important riverside areas of open space. Following the Public Exhibition period, a further report will come back to Council with any submissions made by the community and any suggested amendments to the Plan.

The draft PRPPoM relates to all of the Council managed parks which border the Parramatta River totalling 17 Parks and 7 road reserves. It includes parkland that is managed and owned by The City of Ryde and/or land managed by Council and owned by the Crown (State Government). Morrison Bay Park currently has its own specific Plan of Management which will be extinguished upon adoption of the PRPPoM.

Meadowbank Park however, has not been included within this document. It will have its own specific Plan of Management developed in the near future due to its size and range of uses within the park. Putney Park is also not included within this document. It already has a specific Putney Park Plan of Management in place and has a complex mix of uses within the space.

The draft plan establishes a firm outline for the long term sustainable management of the Community and Crown land estate and how these will provide for a range of passive and active riverfront recreation spaces to the residents of Ryde.

This report outlines the key issues, management processes and objectives for these parks and summarises the parks that are included and excluded from the draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management. It also sets out the consultation undertaken to date and the process and timeframes required for the reporting and exhibition of the draft plan.

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The completion of Master Plans for these Parks will be undertaken separately and linked to funding for the implementation of these masterplans being identified within Council's Delivery Plan. Masterplans will set out the future development and planned improvement of these parks and will also be subject to a community consultation process.

While the Plan of Management enables certain functions such as the issuing of leases and licences in these parks, any development in these areas would still require the relevant Development Application of SEPP approval processes to be undertaken.

This report recommends placing the document on Public Exhibition, with a further report to come back to Council following the completion of this process.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That the draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management be placed on Public Exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- (b) That submissions be received for a further 14 days after the completion of the exhibition period.
- (c) That a report be brought back to Council with the results of the public exhibition, recommending further action.

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- 1 Draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management

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Discussion

As part of the ongoing management for all of Council's open spaces, the draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management (PRPPoM) has been prepared to guide the future management of the 17 Parks and 7 Road Reserves identified within the Plan in response to the needs and values of the City of Ryde community and the users of these parks.

When adopted by Council the PRRPoM will cover all of the Council managed parks which border the Parramatta River with the exception of Meadowbank Park, which will have a specific Plan of Management developed in the near future, and Putney Park which already has a specific Plan of Management in place. The current Morrison Bay Park Plan of Management will be extinguished. This park will now be included in the PRRPoM.

The NSW Local Government Act (1993) and Crown Lands Management Act (2016) have been considered in the development of this document. The parks covered in this draft Plan of Management are a combination of Community Land and Crown Land and must therefore be managed in accordance with the applicable legislation. The Local Government Act identifies Council's responsibility to actively manage land and to involve the community in developing a strategy for management.

A Plan of Management is a document which guides the management of particular categories or specific areas of community land that are within the direct ownership of Council, or in the control and management of Council.

Plans of management may apply to one or more public land parcels with a community land classification. This Plan of Management applies to all of the public land parcels identified in the plan as comprising the Parramatta River Foreshore Parklands

The NSW Local Government Act (1993) states that all community lands are required to be covered by a Plan of Management and must identify:

- the category of the land
- objectives and outcomes for the land
- the means by which Council proposes to achieve objectives and outcomes
- the way by which Council proposes to assess its performance and
- expressly authorises any leases, licences or other estates.

The nature and use of community land may not change without an adopted Plan of Management. In the case of parks, or sections of these parks identified as Crown Land in this draft Plan of Management, these will be dealt with in accordance with the Crown Lands Management Act 2016.

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Under the Crown Lands Management Act 2016 a council manager of dedicated or reserved Crown lands is required to:

- manage the land as if it were community land under the Local Government Act 1993 and
- for that purpose all the functions that a local council has under that Act in relation to community land (including the leasing and licensing of community land).

A council manager of dedicated or reserved Crown land that is a public reserve (as defined in the Local Government Act 1993):

- must manage the land as a public reserve under that Act, and
- has for that purpose all the functions that a local council has under that Act in relation to a public reserve.

The new Crown Lands Management Act 2016 which is due to be introduced later in 2018 will supersede the current Crowns Land Act 1989. The new Act implements the comprehensive review of Crown land management and follows more than four years of engaging the community on the future management of Crown land.

Based on advice provided by the Office of Local Government, should the draft Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management be adopted, existing agreements and arrangements will continue to be permitted:

- Any existing lease, license or permit issued under current legislation will continue for its term when the new Act commences. After the remaining provisions in the new Act commence future leases, licences and permits will be issued under the new Act.
- Existing managers of Crown reserves will automatically be appointed as Crown land managers under the new Act and will continue to manage their reserves.
- Formal notification will be provided to confirm the date the remaining provisions of the Act commence.

While the Plan of Management enables certain functions such as the issuing of leases and licences in these parks, any development in these areas would still require the relevant Development Application or State Environment and Planning Policy approval processes to be undertaken. Any capital projects undertaken by Council within the Parks would continue to have the normal community consultation process undertaken as part of the delivery of that project.

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Both the Local Government Act and the Crown Lands Management Act now allow Councils to manage land under its control with one management document. Issues such as categorisation of the land, setting of core objectives and the measurement of performance as well as the issuing of leases, licences and other estates will have the complexity and duplication removed. Community involvement in the management of these areas will therefore be improved.

Consultation

Through consultations undertaken for various Council strategies and delivery of capital projects in these parks, the local community have been asked to provide their opinions on their use and management and their feedback has been used to prepare this draft Plan of Management.

This plan has been formulated giving due consideration to the community feedback received during numerous consultations for Councils Sport & Recreation Strategy 2016-2026. This feedback was received through face to face surveys, consultation with sporting user groups and Council's "Have Your Say" webpage. 214 survey responses were received during this process.

Regular meetings are conducted with the sporting user groups of Morrison Bay Park where they provide feedback on how the parks and particularly the sporting fields should be managed. Community feedback has also been provided during the various discussions and consultations recently undertaken on a number of capital projects within parks along the Parramatta River. These include:-

- the Banjo Patterson Park and Melrose Park Playground Upgrades
- the installation of fitness equipment at Kissing Point Park, Memorial Park and Anderson Park
- installation of sportsfield lighting at Morrison Bay Park
- as well as a number of sporting field upgrades at Bill Mitchell Park and Morrison Bay Park

In 2016 the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) conducted community research to understand community behaviour in relation to swimming in the Parramatta River. Activities residents like to do in and around the river include swimming, fishing sailing or boating, addling (kayak, canoeing etc), sunbaking, catching ferries, picnics and/or BBQ's, walking, hiking or jogging, bike riding and going to café's or restaurants. The research indicated providing facilities near to the water that allowed for activities such as walking picnicking etc were important even if people did not go into the water.

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Internal Council stakeholders consulted included:-

- Design – Project Development Section
- Environment – Sustainability Section
- Stormwater and Asset Integration Section
- Properties Section
- Heritage Officer

External public consultation included:-

- NSW Land and Property Management Authority
- Community consultation as previously outlined in the report

Comments

The feedback from these groups has been incorporated into the draft Plan of Management through the proposed management actions and the community values for these Parks.

Key Issues in the Plan of Management

As a result of the community and internal stakeholder consultation, a number of key issues are addressed in the draft Plan of Management. This includes the following:

- Promote planned use of the parklands
- Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces
- Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands
- Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands
- Enhance the environmental significance of the natural areas

Full discussion of these items is contained in the various Action Plans for the identified parks contained in the draft Plan of Management.

Exhibition

Under the requirements of the abovementioned legislation, the period for the public exhibition of the draft Plan of Management is 28 days with a further 14 days allowed for comments to be received. At the end of this period, the submissions will be reviewed.

If the submissions are of a minor nature, then changes will be made and the draft Plan will then be returned to Council for adoption. If there are major issues, a facilitated public meeting will be held to resolve them before the document is returned to Council.

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During the exhibition period, a copy of the draft Plan of Management will also be provided to the convenors of relevant advisory committees for their review and comment following their previous input during the Sport & Recreation Strategy.

If Council resolves to place the draft Plan of Management on Public Exhibition, the following program is proposed;

Late May 2018	Draft Plan of Management placed on the Council Website, Libraries and Customer Service areas, notices to be placed in the identified Parks and advertised in the Ryde City View.
Late May 2018	Notifications placed in parks advertising the plan and distribution of the draft plan to key user and sporting groups informing them of the public exhibition period.
Late June 2108	Plan removed from public exhibition and final submissions received.
September 2018	Review completed and reported to Council for adoption or for a public meeting if required.

Financial Impact

Adoption of the option(s) outlined in this report will have no financial impact.

Conclusion

The drafting of the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management has followed the required process to establish the values the community and stakeholders have for the identified Parks.

It is appropriate for the wider community to have the opportunity to have further input into the development and management of these parks, through the formal exhibition of the draft plan.

The draft Plan of Management provides a strategic planning and sustainable management framework to conserve the various parks natural, cultural and indigenous resources, and to promote public recreation, leisure and tourism.

Management actions are recommended within the Plan to meet current and future demands of Park users and aim to improve the manner in which these parks are managed, respond to the needs of the community, satisfy management objectives, clarify and formalise lease and licensing opportunities and reinforce the values of these Parks.

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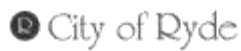


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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This plan of management has been prepared to guide how the City of Ryde manages the Parramatta River Parklands. It outlines important features of the parklands, current issues, objectives and proposes strategies to guide future development.

This plan applies to 17 parks and 7 road reserves along the foreshore and includes community land owned by the City of Ryde and Crown land owned by the NSW State Government. They are managed under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Crown Lands Management Act 2016. This plan integrates management practices for both community and crown land, and takes into account feedback from the community during the community consultation process.

The vision for the Parramatta Riverside Parklands is a linked network of foreshore parks that recognises their ecological and cultural significance, offering open space for public recreation.

The objectives are to:

- Promote planned use of the parklands
- Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces
- Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands
- Enhance the environmental significance of the natural areas
- Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands

Some areas of the parklands can be leased or licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, providing they are in accordance with the land zoning and classification of the land, support community benefit and are compatible with the objectives in this plan of management.

A series of action plans have been developed to ensure the parklands are managed effectively for the community.

Front cover and below: Bill Mitchell Park



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INTRODUCTION

The Parramatta River foreshore is a natural asset and recreational destination. The river is key to Sydney's Aboriginal and colonial history and the development of modern Sydney. The foreshore has an enhanced network of open spaces, walkways and cycleways. Greater housing density in the surrounding areas means the parklands need to be carefully managed so they continue to support the community.

A plan of management guides the management of community land that is owned or managed by a council. It identifies issues affecting public open space and how that open space should be used, improved, maintained and managed in the future.

This plan of management has a strategic focus, and outlines how the Parramatta River Parklands will be managed by the City of Ryde for the next 10 years. It replaces the specific plans of management for Morrison Bay Park (2016), and the generic plan of management which included other foreshore parks and reserves such as - Koonadan Reserve, Melrose Park, Korpie Reserve, Memorial Park, Helene Park, Anderson Park, Ryde Wharf Reserve, Settlers Park, Bennelong Park, Kissing Point Park, Morrison Bay Park, Tennyson Park, Bill Mitchell Park, Glades Bay Park, Meditation Park, Looking Glass Bay Park, and Banjo Paterson Park.

Putney Park will retain the existing specific Plan of Management (2011). Meadowbank Park will be dealt with in a specific Plan of Management which is proposed to be developed in the near future. These parks are however shown in the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management to maintain their connectedness with the adjoining foreshore parks and their links to the Ryde River Walk.

This plan deals with the broad management objectives for these parks. Individual Masterplans, which will set out future development and planned improvements will be created for these parks. Consultation on the development of the masterplans for the individual parks will be undertaken separately with the community.

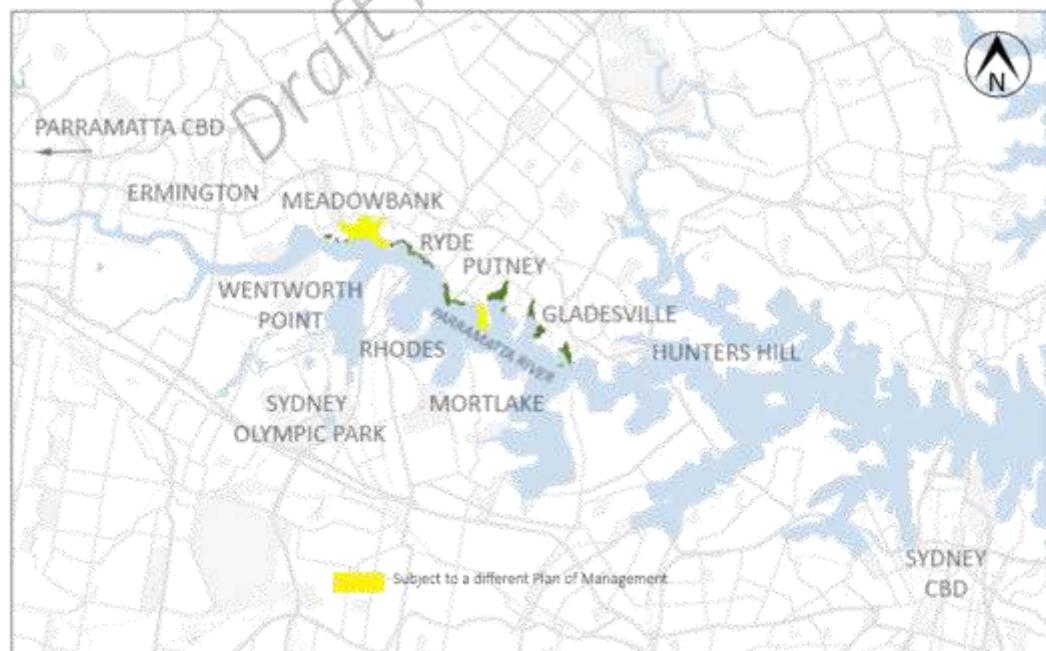


Figure 1: The Parramatta River Parklands

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ABOUT THE PARRAMATTA RIVER PARKLANDS

The parklands stretch over 5 kms, with 48.7 hectares of open space in an urban parkland setting. They are linked to a regional network of parks, open spaces and recreational trails, connecting Ryde to the Parramatta CBD, Homebush Bay and Hunters Hill. Most importantly they are linked via an association or direct connection to the Parramatta River. The Parramatta River Parklands are a collection of 19 parks and reserves along the northern foreshore of the Parramatta River within the City of Ryde Local Government Area (LGA).

There are also seven road reserves which form part of and are included in the Parramatta River Parklands. These small areas of land provide important linkages to the other parks as well as access points to the river. A list of these road reserves can be found on pages 74 - 75.

The Ryde Riverwalk is a recreational trail that connects the parks along the northern foreshore of the Parramatta River. Where possible the walk is along the foreshore edge, with a direct physical and visual connection to the water. In other areas the walk is set back behind residential properties or steep bushland parks due to topography or limited physical access. It also links to other external tracks and trails such as the Parramatta Valley Cycleway and the Wharf to Wharf Walk.

Vision - The vision for the Parramatta Riverside Parklands is to be a linked network of foreshore parks that recognises their ecological and cultural significance, offering open space for public recreation.

Values - The parklands are significant because of their location, celebrating the City of Ryde's connection to the Parramatta River both culturally and ecologically. They provide access to areas with varying landscape characteristics and natural, cultural and heritage values.



Figure 2: The Ryde Riverwalk connects the parks and reserves of the Parramatta River Parklands

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Landscape Character

There are eight distinct landscape characteristics that create varied experiences and settings.



1. Parklands -open green space, picnic areas, walking paths, playgrounds, garden beds and tree planting located on the foreshore edge or set back from the river. These are flexible areas that cater for multiple uses.



2. Sportsfields- open expanses of managed grass areas, synthetic surfaces and hard courts used for active sports and spectator viewing, predominantly flat with limited vegetation.



3. Watercourses- creeks and concrete lined storm water canals with pedestrian bridges where landscaping varies from natural tree and shrub planting to fencing and grass.



4. Mangrove and coastal saltmarsh - mangrove stands, coastal saltmarsh and mudflats that provide important estuarine areas for habitat, respite and food sources for wading and non-wading birds.

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5. Bushland areas- significant vegetation communities that include remnant and endangered ecological communities. Typically located on the slopes and higher areas of the reserve, they have extensive tree canopy and an understorey of grass and shrubs.



6. Urban waterfront - located adjacent to the foreshore, these areas offer significant views and access to the river. Predominantly paved or hard surfaces, they may display public art work.



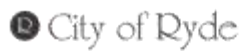
7. Beaches and riverfront- waterfront areas characterised by sandy beaches and rocky outcrops, they provide opportunity for the community to access the river and connect with the water.



8. Seawalls- these form an important interface between the land and the river. These structures, while restricting direct access to the river, aid in the prevention of erosion caused by boat and ferry wakes. They also form important habitat opportunities for inter-tidal creatures

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Natural Environment



Climate – Mean daily maximum summer temperature of 27 degrees, mean daily minimum winter temperature of 8 degrees, mean annual rainfall of 1,100mm, 10-11 wet days per month, mean wind speeds at 9am of 9-10km/hour.

Microclimate varies due to landforms, orientation towards the river, and shelter offered by vegetation and the bays.

Topography – undulating land with steeply sloping areas up to ridges in the eastern section, and more gradually sloping in the western areas. There are flat expanses associated with sportsfields.

Soils – Shales dominate the upper ridges of Ryde, and soils derived from sandstone are typically found in the valleys and drainage corridors along the Parramatta River.

There is a transition between silty clays in the west and sandstone in the east, with sandy soils along the foreshore and low lying areas.

Sandstone geology is visible along the foreshore of Settlers Park and Banjo Paterson Park.

Few natural bays remain, with many former saltmarshes and mudflats reclaimed or backfilled to create sporting fields and parks. Soils may be acid sulphate.

Hydrology – The foreshore is at the base of a slope extending to a ridge that runs along Victoria Road.

There are natural creeks and concrete drainage channels that lead to the Parramatta River.



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Vegetation – The parklands are characterised by areas of open grasslands with mixed park plantings dominated by native species, some cultural plantings as well as remnant vegetation.

A procession of trees from Kissing Point Park to Meadowbank Park was planted in 2012 to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The foreshore edges have regenerating mangroves, which can be threatened by clearing, poor water quality, erosion from vessel wash, and damage from trampling and vandalism.



Coastal saltmarsh occupies the intertidal zone, and is characterised by plants that adapt to the saline environment such as low growing succulents, rushes and grasses. Coastal saltmarsh is an Endangered Ecological Community (EEC). The saltmarsh is threatened by weed infestations, mowing, litter trampling and mangrove dominance.

Tides - Current tidal ranges along the Parramatta River average 1.6m from low to high tide.

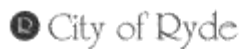
Fauna – Ryde is typical of a highly urbanised area in Sydney that has seen a pattern of biodiversity loss over time. The Parramatta River Parklands are home to land and water birds, and small mammals such as possums.



The mangrove community along the foreshore provides a habitat for fish, crustaceans and molluscs. Other fauna include pest species such as foxes and rabbits in some of the parks and urban areas.

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Cultural Heritage

The traditional owners of this area were the Wallumedegal people. It is likely that the name was derived from wallumai (the snapper fish) combined with matta (place), meaning they were the 'snapper clan' and the fish were their totem.

The Wallumedegal survived for generations in a rich environment of river flats, creeks and mangrove swamps, fishing and feasting on shellfish, hunting birds and small game, and collecting bushfood plants.

Large collections of discarded shells formed middens along the shore. Some midden sites, rock shelters and engravings remain as a reminder of the thousands of years of Aboriginal occupation that took place on the foreshore.

The Aboriginal man often associated with the area is Woollarawarre Bennelong, who was actually a member of the Wangal clan across the river. He was captured by Governor Phillip in 1789 to act as a translator and intermediary for the Europeans.

Bennelong is buried with his wife and another Aboriginal man Nanbaree, overlooking the river close to Bennelong Park.

The Parramatta River was the major transport route for the first 50 years of the colony. The name Kissing Point originated from the way heavily laden boats bumped or 'kissed' the rocky outcrops along the rivers edge.

In 1792 the first land grants were made in the Ryde area to ex-convicts.

The most successful farming ex-convict was James Squire, who established the first brewery in the settlement at Kissing Point in 1798.

Until the late 19th Century development along the Ryde foreshores was predominantly rural.

Ryde was Sydney's first food bowl when settlement occurred. Rich soil and access to the river meant the area supplied Sydney and Parramatta with much needed food supplies.

Ryde developed as an agricultural landscape of orchards and market gardens with grand riverside villas, including a residence for the American Ambassador who lived in Meadowbank.



Kissing Point, New South Wales, the property of the late Mr James Squire by Joseph Lycett (1775-1828). Source: National Library of Australia.



Sketch by William Westall 1802 'Port Jackson, a native'. Thought to be a portrait of Bennelong. Source: National Library of Australia

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Building the Gladesville Bridge (1881), the Ryde Railway Bridge at Meadowbank (1886) and the Ryde Bridge (1935) promoted industrial development along the foreshore.

There was boat building at Kissing Point, agricultural equipment and washing machine manufacturing at Meadowbank, textiles at Morrisons Bay and linseed oil production at Looking Glass Bay.

From the 1920s, orchards were progressively subdivided and sold off as housing lots, forging a new residential identity.

Demand from residents and swimming clubs saw the construction of a number of baths – Ryde (1905), Glades Bay (1908), Meadowbank (1923), Putney Park

(1929) and Settlers Park (1932). Putney Park grounds were used for picnics, serviced by ferries mooring at a wharf on the tip of the peninsula. By the late 1960s use of the baths was in decline, and now only remnants remain.

There is a long tradition of rowing and sailing on the Parramatta River. From the late 1800s to 1930s, Sydney-siders would watch world champions scull the river between Gladesville and Ryde, with crowds of 10,000 spectators lining the shores.

The Concord and Ryde Sailing Club was formed in 1945, and the River Sailing Club in 1952. Some private schools still have rowing clubs on the foreshore and train on the river.

From the 1940s onwards, residents and councils sought more land along the foreshore.

Removing industries to create public open space was seen as desirable to reduce pollution and improve the visual appearance of the river, redirecting the attention back towards the water. The heads of bays were enclosed with seawalls and land was reclaimed to create a series of parks and reserves.

Today the riverfront contains a number of sites of indigenous and cultural importance. Many items are listed with local and state heritage significance, representing the various phases of use and occupation as well as industry and civic progress.



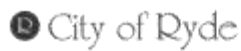
The Ryde Railway Bridge is a double lattice girder bridge that survives substantially in tact. In 1980 it was decommissioned as a rail bridge and is now used for shared access for bikes and pedestrians to link to other walking and cycling trails such as the Parramatta Valley Cycleway. It is listed on the NSW State Heritage Register.



Large crowd gathered at Kissing Point to see the rowing regatta on the Parramatta River in 1910

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Park Use

The parklands are used by local and regional visitors. There's growing high density residential living in the surrounding neighbourhoods, increasing the need for and demand on public open space.

Commuters using the Rivercat wharves access the parklands, as do cyclists riding the length of the Parramatta River and beyond.

The parklands link to a number of other tracks, trails and cycleways such as the Wharf to Wharf cycle track and Parramatta Valley Cycleway.

The parklands are used for picnics, barbeques, children's play, walking, running, cycling, fitness training, exercising dogs, informal sports, sailing, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, viewing the river and a place for quiet contemplation.

The parklands are frequented by local schools, bushcare groups, community groups, fitness trainers and attendees at various community events such as fun runs, the Ryde Rivers Festival, NSW Bike Week, RMS Spring Ride, and the City of Ryde Cork & Fork festival.

The parklands are also well used by organised sports groups and their spectators-- cricket, football, netball, hockey, ultimate frisbee, touch football, oztag and sailing.

Persons or groups wishing to book these parks for organised activities will need to apply by completing and submitting the appropriate forms which are available on line at the Council website.



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Applications will be required for the following:

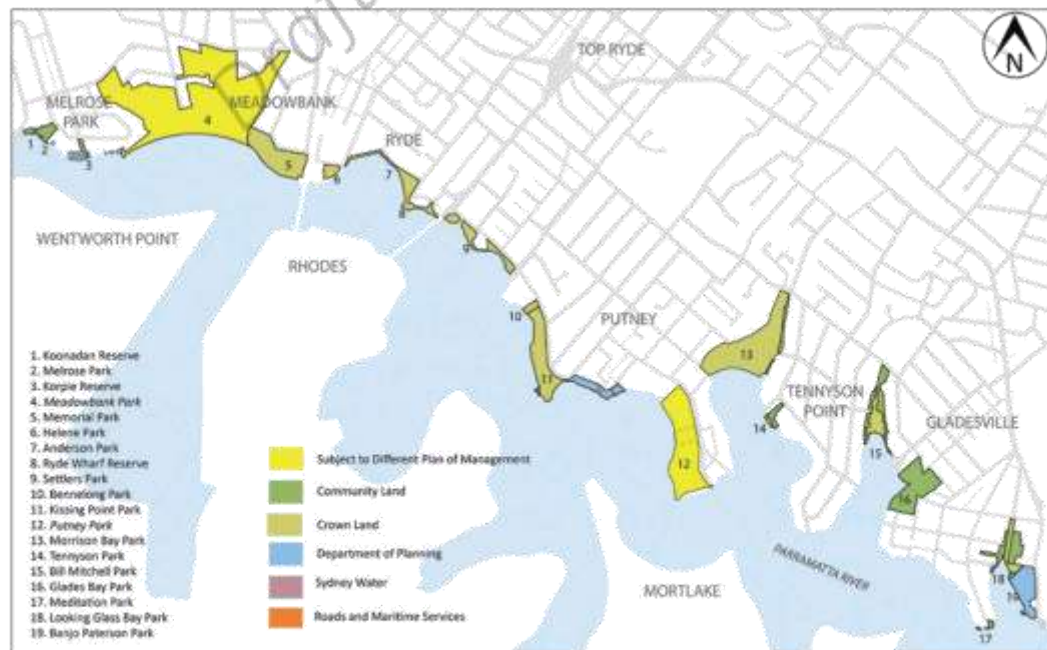
- Sporting Clubs and Schools wishing to regularly use sportsgrounds
- Casual Users of Sportsgrounds
- Personal Trainers
- Dog Minders
- Social Recreation Activities such as birthday parties and picnics.

Major Events in parks will require the organisers to complete a Major Event Application and submit the necessary information so that Council can assess its suitability to the proposed location.

Hire events conducted by Council, individuals, community or sporting groups will be assessed and approved through the issuing of Permit. Further information can be obtained via Council's Park Booking Officer

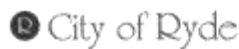
Land Ownership and Management

The parks along the foreshore are a combination of community land owned by the City of Ryde, Crown land, and land owned by the Department of Planning, Sydney Water and Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). The City of Ryde manages the parklands under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Crown Lands Management Act 2016.



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CONSULTATION

Consultation is an important part of the process of preparing a plan of management. Consultation that has occurred with projects directly relevant to this plan of management includes the following:

The City of Ryde consulted with the community to prepare the Sport and Recreational Strategy in 2015. This feedback was received through face to face surveys, consultation with sporting user groups and Council's "Have Your Say" webpage.

The top five areas of importance for sport and recreational facilities were:

1. parks
2. walking/cycling in urban areas
3. outdoor sports fields
4. children's playgrounds
5. picnic/bbq facilities in parks

Respondents also noted a relatively high level of satisfaction with provision of these facilities.

People who were dissatisfied wanted:

- places for older youth
- activities for older adults/seniors
- activities for young children
- places for people from different cultural backgrounds – covered/paved areas for Tai chi
- community gardens
- commercial services in parks such as cafes or kiosks
- areas for personal training
- exercise equipment in parks
- fenced dog off-leash areas – more facilities, more flexible hours of access

Other concerns:

- On-land fishing and boating facilities – too few of these facilities to launch kayaks, dinghies and boats, existing facilities feel dangerous to use

In 2010 the City of Ryde invited the community to comment on the Ryde Riverside Reserve (Meadowbank Park through to Kissing Point Park). People placed a high value on the green open space, access to the waterfront, the bike and walking paths, play areas and BBQs. Concerns were about litter, overuse of sporting areas, discontinuous bike paths, car parking and a lack of lighting at night. Suggested improvements were for more shade and trees, more seats, interesting playground equipment, upgraded toilet facilities and storm water litter devices.

In 2016 the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) conducted community research to understand community behaviour in relation to swimming in the Parramatta River. Activities residents like to do in and around the river include swimming, fishing, sailing or boating, paddling (kayaking, canoeing, stand-up paddle etc), snorkelling or diving, sunbaking (esp. where there is sand), catching ferries, picnics or BBQs, walking, hiking or jogging, bike riding and going to cafes or restaurants. The research revealed that having activities near the river is critical, with most people expressing a preference to do activities near the water (walking, picnicking etc) even if they don't actually go in the water.

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This plan of management has been formulated giving due consideration to the community feedback also received during consultations undertaken on a number of projects within parks along the Parramatta River. These include the Banjo Patterson park and Melrose Park Playground Upgrades, the installation of fitness equipment at Kissing Point Park, Memorial Park and Anderson Park as well as discussions with a number of sporting groups on sporting field upgrades at Bill Mitchell Park and Morrison Bay Park.

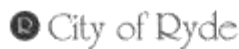
Further consultation will also be carried out during the formal public exhibition of this plan of management. Comments made during the exhibition process assisted with the finalisation of the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management

Morrison Bay Park foreshore



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LAND CATEGORIES

Community land is defined as land that must be kept for the use of the general community. All community land in the parklands is categorised with associated objectives as per the Local Government Act 1993 and the Crown Lands Management Act 2016. Under the Crown Land Management Act 2016, Crown land now requires categorisation, therefore land categories have been applied to the whole area to enable the City of Ryde to plan and manage the parklands consistently.

Land category	Objectives
General community use (LGA 1993 Section 36I)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The core objectives for management of community land categorised as general community use are to promote, encourage and provide for the use of the land, and to provide facilities on the land, to meet the current and future needs of the local community and of the wider public - In relation to public recreation and the physical, cultural, social and intellectual welfare or development of individual members of the public, and - In relation to purposes for which a lease, licence or other estate may be granted in respect of the land (other than the provision of public utilities and works associated with or ancillary to public utilities).
Sportsground (LGA 1993 Section 36F)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational pursuits in the community involving organised and informal sporting activities and games, and - To ensure that such activities are managed having regard to any adverse impact on nearby residences.
Parks (LGA 1993 Section 36G)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities, and - To provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games, and - To improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.
Natural Area (LGA 1993 Section 36E)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function in respect of the land, or the feature or habitat in respect of which the land is categorised as a natural area, and - To maintain the land, or that feature or habitat, in its natural state and setting, and - To provide for the restoration and regeneration of the land, and - To provide for community use of and access to the land in such a manner as will minimise and mitigate any disturbance caused by human intrusion, and - To assist in and facilitate the implementation of any provisions restricting the use and management of the land that are set out in a recovery plan or threat abatement plan prepared under the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 or the Fisheries Management Act 1994.
Natural Area - Bushland (LGA 1993 Section 36J)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To ensure the ongoing ecological viability of the land by protecting the ecological biodiversity and habitat values of the land, the flora and fauna (including invertebrates, fungi and micro-organisms) of the land and other ecological values of the land, and - To protect the aesthetic, heritage, recreational, educational and scientific values of the land, and - To promote the management of the land in a manner that protects and enhances the values and quality of the land and facilitates public enjoyment of the land, and to implement measures directed to minimising or mitigating any disturbance caused by human intrusion, and - To restore degraded bushland, and - To protect existing landforms such as natural drainage lines, watercourses and foreshores, and - To retain bushland in parcels of a size and configuration that will enable the existing plant and animal communities to survive in the long term, and - To protect bushland as a natural stabiliser of the soil surface.
Natural Area - Escarpment (LGA 1993 Section 36L)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To protect any important geological, geomorphological or scenic features of the escarpment, and - To facilitate safe community use and enjoyment of the escarpment.
Natural Area - Watercourse (LGA 1993 Section 36M)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To manage watercourses so as to protect the biodiversity and ecological values of the in stream environment, particularly in relation to water quality and water flows, and - To manage watercourses so as to protect the riparian environment, particularly in relation to riparian vegetation and habitats and bank stability, and - To restore degraded watercourses, and - To promote community education, and community access to and use of the watercourse, without compromising the other core objectives of the category.
Natural Area - Foreshore (LGA 1993 Section 36N)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To maintain the foreshore as a transition area between the aquatic and the terrestrial environment, and to protect and enhance all functions associated with the foreshore's role as a transition area, and - To facilitate the ecologically sustainable use of the foreshore, and to mitigate impact on the foreshore by community use.

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LAND ZONING

Under the Ryde Local Environment Plan 2014, the parklands are zoned RE1 – Public Recreation and E2 – Environmental Conservation.

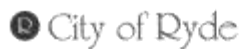


Figure 4: Land zoning

Zoning	Objectives	Permitted	Permitted with consent	Prohibited
RE1 – Public Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enable land to be used for public open space or recreational purposes. To provide a range of recreational settings and activities and compatible land uses. To protect and enhance the natural environment for recreational purposes. Any leases and licences must be compatible with the core objectives 	Environmental protection works	Business identification signs; Community facilities; Environmental facilities; Kiosks (manned and unmanned); Recreation areas; Recreation facilities (indoor); Recreation facilities (outdoor); Restaurants or cafes; Roads	Any other development not listed in previous two columns
E2 – Environmental Conservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To protect, manage and restore areas of high ecological, scientific, cultural or aesthetic values. To prevent development that could destroy, damage or otherwise have an adverse effect on those values. 	Environmental protection works	Environmental facilities	Business premises; Hotel or motel accommodation; Industries; Multi- dwelling housing; Recreation facilities (major); Residential flat buildings; Restricted premises; Retail premises; Seniors housing; Service stations; Warehouse or distribution centres; Any other development not listed in previous two columns

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LEASES LICENCES AND OTHER ESTATES

A lease is a contract between a land owner and another entity, granting that entity a right to occupy an area for a specific period of time.

Leases and licenses formalise the use of community land by groups such as sporting clubs, community groups and schools, or by commercial organisations and individuals providing facilities or services for public use.

Leases may be granted for exclusive use to any organisation for any community purpose as determined by Council, on such terms as Council may provide.

Leases, licenses and other estates on Parks will be considered by Council subject to conditions:

- Leases licenses and other estates are to be in accordance with the provisions listed in the NSW Local Government Act 1993 (Section 46)
- There is a clear reason for granting a lease, and the lease is consistent with the intended use of the land.
- The use must be compatible with the community land category objectives outlined by the Local Government Act as shown on page 19
- The use must be consistent with the zoning objectives outlined by the Ryde Local Environment Plan 2014 as shown on page 17
- The use must be consistent with the core objectives for the park and the overarching objectives in this plan of management as shown on page 24-26
- There is a very strong link between the nature of the asset and the proposed tenant e.g. a lease of a scout hall to Scouts Australia
- The use must not have a detrimental impact on the parklands or the community, and the public's right to access the parklands must be preserved. Sub-leases are only allowable for the same purpose as the original lease.

Short term leases and licences allow the City of Ryde to programme different uses at different times. The maximum period for leases or licences is 21 years. Leased or licenced areas may be renewed or altered in the future to reflect changes in community needs.

This PoM expressly authorises existing leases and licence agreements until the end of their current term and expressly authorises the negotiations for new lease or license renewals if so desired by Council and the incumbent lessee or licensee.

This PoM expressly authorises Council to enter into a lease, licence or estate to authorise, at its discretion, a permit to enable a person to do, without the need for public notification, etc, one or more of the following:

- To transport material and equipment required in relation to work that is to be carried out on land adjoining the community land
- To remove waste or other material that is consequential on such work.

This PoM expressly authorises the lease of residential properties on land acquired by Council for future open space/ park until demolition.

This PoM also expressly authorises the leasing, licencing or granting of other estate to telecommunications carriers including but not limited to those defined by the Telecommunications Act 1997, where the terms of the grant are consistent with Council's obligations under the Local Government Act 1993.

The development of any infrastructure associated with the issuing of any lease license or other estate would be subject to the relevant planning approvals being granted under the Local Government Act, the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and/or the relevant State Environmental Planning Policy.

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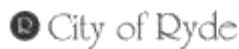
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Land categories available for leases and licenses:

Land category	Short term leases/licences (less than 1 year)	Long term leases/licences (more than 1 year)
General Community Use (LGA 1993 Section 36I)	<p>Short term leases and licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community events and festivals - Sporting fixtures, events & promotions such as gala days & club meetings - Personal and group fitness classes - Broadcasting of filming of sports events, concerts or public speeches - School hiring for sport and recreational use - Private celebrations such as picnics, weddings and family gatherings - Filming and photography - Public speeches, meetings, presentations and performances - Approved commercial or trade business - Functions such as book launches and commemorative events - Fairs, markets, auctions and similar activities - Trade or business associated with delivering public events listed 	<p>Long term leases and licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Childcare - Health and medical practitioners associated with the main facility such as physiotherapy or nutrition - Educational uses such as libraries, classes & workshops - Cultural uses such as concerts, theatres, galleries - Recreational pursuits such as sports, dance, games & fitness clubs - Structured and non-structured sports activities such as ball sports - Sporting uses developed/operated by a private operator - Low intensity cafes/restaurants with internal/external seating & tables, kiosks (manned / unmanned) - Management of facilities - Public utilities and/or works associated with relevant legislation such as the Telecommunications Act 1997 - Sale or hire of sports goods - Social purposes
Sportsground (LGA 1993 Section 36F)	<p>Short term licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community events and festivals - Sporting fixtures, events & promotions such as gala days & club meetings - Personal and group fitness classes - Broadcasting of filming of sporting fixtures - School hiring for sport and recreational use - Private celebrations such as picnics, weddings and family gatherings - Filming and photography - Public speeches, meetings, presentations and performances - Approved commercial or trade business - Fairs, markets and similar activities 	<p>Long term leases and licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreational pursuits such as sports, dance, games and fitness clubs - Structured and non-structured sports activities such as ball sports - Low intensity cafes/restaurants with internal/external seating & tables, kiosks - Management facilities - Public utilities - Sale or hire of sports goods
Parks (LGA 1993 Section 36G)	<p>Short term licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community events and festivals - Private celebrations such as weddings and family gatherings - Filming and photography - Public speeches, meetings, presentations and performances - Approved commercial or trade business - Fairs, markets and similar activities - School hiring for recreational and educational uses 	<p>Long term leases and licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recreational pursuits such as sports, dance, games and fitness clubs - Structured and non-structured sports activities such as ball sports - Low intensity cafes/restaurants with internal/external seating & tables, kiosks - Management facilities - Public utilities - Sale or hire of sports goods - Public Utilities - Telecommunications Act
Natural Areas (LGA 1993 Section 36E)	<p>Short term licences may be authorised for uses that benefit the community:</p> <p>Environmentally focussed community groups</p> <p>Filming and photography</p>	

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FRAMEWORKS

There are various legislative and policy frameworks that apply to the Parramatta River Parklands plan of management.

Framework	Source	Relevance for Parramatta River Parklands
Environment Protection Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1998	https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00777	Coastal saltmarsh and mangroves found in the parklands are classified as vulnerable under this Act. The parklands need to promote the conservation of biodiversity and protect and conserve heritage.
Environment Planning and Assessment Act 1979	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1979/203	The framework for environmental and land use planning in NSW through State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs), Regional Environmental Plans (REPs) and Local Environmental Plans (LEPs)
Protection of the Environmental Operations Act 1997	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1997/156	This Act enables protection of the environment policies to be formed to reduce pollution and other impacts on the environment.
Water Management Act 2000	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/2000/92	The Parramatta River is identified as a watercourse under this Act, and must comply with guidelines to protect and enhance the quality of water.
Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1974/80	Estuarine saltmarsh found in the parklands are listed as an Endangered Ecological Community. <i>Wilsonia backhousei</i> found in the parklands is listed as vulnerable.
Biosecurity Act 2015	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/2015/26/full	The City of Ryde has responsibility to control weeds and pests on publicly owned land.
Companion Animals Act 1998	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1998/87/whole	Dogs are prohibited within 10m of playgrounds.
Heritage Act 1977	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1977/136	The Ryde Bridge (John Whitton Bridge) and Rock End Cottage in Banjo Paterson Park are listed on the NSW State Heritage Register and need to be protected accordingly.
Disability Discrimination Act 1992	https://www.legislation.gov.au/Series/C2004A04426	The parklands need to promote equal access.
Fisheries Management Act 1954	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1954/38	The Act protects aquatic biodiversity. Recreational fishers are recommended to practice catch and release, and not eat fish or crustaceans caught west of the Harbour Bridge. Commercial fishing is prohibited in all of Sydney Harbour and the Parramatta River. Foreshore vegetation - mangroves and saltmarsh areas- must also be protected.
Local Government Act 1993	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1993/30/chap4/part3/div2	All land owned by the City of Ryde is classified as either operational or community land. A plan of management must be prepared for all community land. Councils are free to determine whether a generic or specific plan of management will be prepared for its community land.
Crown Land Management Act 2016	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/2016/58/full	Across the parklands there is 41.12ha of Crown land or land owned by the NSW government. Under the Act, the City of Ryde will care control and manage the Crown land under the Local Government Act 1993, not Crown land legislation.
National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1974/80	Aboriginal objects found in the Parklands must not be harmed, whether conducting major works or regular maintenance.
Coastal Management Act 2016	http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/coasts/coastreforms-act.htm	The Act reflects the vital natural, social, cultural and economic values of our coastal areas and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development in managing these values.

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Framework	Source	Relevance for Parramatta River Parklands
State Environmental Planning Policy 19 (Bushland in Urban Areas)	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/EPI/1986/014/cl8	The aim of this policy is to preserve and protect bushland in urban areas, such as the bushland found in Memorial Park, Meadowbank Park, Kissing Point Park, Glades Bay Park, Looking Glass Bay Park and Banjo Paterson Park.
Greater Sydney Commission Draft North District Plan	https://www.greater.sydney/draft-north-district-plan	The plan sets out planning priorities and actions for growth in the north district, which encompasses the City of Ryde.
Sydney Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2005 and Sydney Harbour Foreshores Area Development Control Plan (DCP)	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/EPI/2005/590	A set of planning principles to protect the natural assets of Sydney Harbour, ensure appropriate use of foreshore land and maximise public access to and along the foreshores. A DCP supports the Sydney Harbour Catchment REP with detailed design guidelines for development and criteria for natural resource protection for the area identified as foreshores and waterways.
Ryde Local Environment Plan 2014	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/EPI/2014/608/full	A guide for development control along the parklands, with zoning maps and defined categories for permissible development
Parramatta River Estuary Coastal Zone Management Plan	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/environment/05-2013-parramatta-river-estuary-coastal-zone-management-plan.pdf	A set of actions for the City of Ryde to help manage the Parramatta River Estuary e.g. upgrading or repairing sections of seawall, rehabilitating sections of eroding foreshore, water quality output improvements.
City of Ryde Community Strategic Plan	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/city-of-ryde-2025-community-strategic-plan.pdf	A set of outcomes for the community of Ryde – a city of liveable neighbourhoods, a city of wellbeing, a city of prosperity, a city of environmental sensitivity, a city of connections, a city of harmony and culture and a city of progressive leadership
City of Ryde Integrated Open Space Plan	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/parks-open-space/integrated-open-space-plan-2012.pdf	Recommendations on how Ryde's open space can be conserved, enhanced and extended to meet the community's needs.
City of Ryde Children's Play Implementation Plan	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/parks-open-space/childrens-play-implementation-plan.pdf	A guide for providing safe, accessible and sustainable high quality playgrounds for Ryde's residents
Ryde Biodiversity Plan 2016	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/parks-open-space/ryde-biodiversity-plan.pdf	A plan to protect and the flora and fauna of Ryde, ensuring local species survive in their natural habitat.
Ryde River Walk Masterplan	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Council/Plans-and-Publications/Parks-and-Open-Space	Recreational walks linking the Parramatta River foreshore parks of Ryde with the Hunters Hill and Parramatta local government areas.
City of Ryde Bicycle Study 2014	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/ryde-bicycle-strategy-and-masterplan.pdf	A plan for improving the environment for people who ride bicycles for transport, health and fitness.
City of Ryde Sport & Recreation Study 2016-2026	http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/publications/parks-open-space/sport-and-recreation-strategy-2016-2026.pdf	A framework for the ongoing effective provision, management and coordinated development of recreation facilities and services across the City of Ryde.

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Framework	Source	Relevance for Parramatta River Parklands
State Environmental Planning Policy-(Infrastructure)-2007	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/EP/2007/641	The aim of this policy is to allow specified works to undertaken on community land without consent (Clauses 65 & 66). These include: roads, pedestrian pathways, cycleways, single storey car parks, ticketing facilities, viewing platforms and pedestrian bridges, recreation areas and recreation facilities (outdoor), lighting, if light spill and artificial sky glow is minimised in accordance with the Lighting for Roads and Public Spaces Standard, amenities for people using the reserve, including toilets and change rooms, food preparation and related facilities for people using the reserve.
Tobacco Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 and Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016	https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/acts/2012-56.pdf https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/regulation/2016/558/full	These pieces of legislation make it illegal to smoke tobacco within 10 metres of children's play equipment, and/or an area set aside for or being used by spectators to watch an organised sporting event at a sports ground or other recreational area, but only when an organised sporting event is being held there.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 AND CROWN LANDS MANAGEMENT ACT 2016

The NSW Local Government Act (1993) provides the legislative framework for Council's day to day operations. The Act identifies a Council's responsibility to actively manage land and to involve the community in developing a strategy for management.

The NSW Local Government Act (1993) requires all community lands to be covered by a Plan of Management that must identify:

- the category of the land.
- objectives and outcomes for the land.
- the means by which Council proposes to achieve objectives and outcomes.
- the way by which Council proposes to assess its performance.
- expressly authorise any leases, licences or other estates.

The nature and use of community land may not change without an adopted Plan of Management.

The Crown Land Management Act 2016 assigns certain functions to council managers. These are:

- (1) Except as provided by subsection (2) or (3), a council manager of dedicated or reserved Crown land:
 - (a) must manage the land as if it were community land under the Local Government Act 1993, and
 - (b) has for that purpose all the functions that a local council has under that Act in relation to community land (including in relation to the leasing and licensing of community land).

- (2) A council manager of dedicated or reserved Crown land that is a public reserve (as defined in the Local Government Act 1993):
 - (a) must manage the land as a public reserve under that Act, and
 - (b) has for that purpose all the functions that a local council has under that Act in relation to a public reserve.

This Plan of Management covers a number of sites under various categories. The sites covered by the plan were determined based on the ability to be best managed using generic objectives outlined in this plan.

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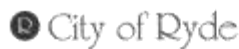
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OVERARCHING GUIDELINES

Objective	Target	Action
1. Promote planned use of parklands	Improve relations with park users and stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertake appropriate level of community consultation to inform current and future desires of park use - Present draft master plans, rational and staging back to user groups as required
	Improve capacity and integration of activities of parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop action plans for all parks - Develop master plans for major parks in response to district, stakeholder and community feedback and receive council endorsement
	Lease, license or grant other estates in accordance with the provisions outlined in this Plan of Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expressly authorise Council to enter into leases and licenses that formalise the use of community land by groups such as sporting clubs, community groups and schools, or by commercial organisations and individuals providing facilities or services for public use
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opportunity for landscape elements, signage and public art to define key park entrances - Investigate the development of a Parramatta River Parklands signage strategy - Review boundary fences to create a more inviting threshold between the street and the parklands
	Establish and promote links to each park and the surrounding areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offer safe and sealed pathways in and between the parks so there is a cohesive transition along the entire length of the parklands, avoiding natural areas - Provide safe access to the parklands from public transport stops and surrounding areas - Promote connections to and from important local community hubs and along the parklands with improved wayfinding signage, tree planting and rest points. Remove unnecessary signage. - Where feasible, assess lighting opportunities on shared paths to promote safety and increase walking/cycling outside of daylight hours - Utilise the Ryde Riverwalk masterplan's material palette to link all the parks together. - Link paths in parks to other tracks, trails and cycleways such as the Wharf to Wharf and Parramatta Valley cycleways
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consider sightlines within the park and to the river for all future developments - Protect and enhance connections between the terrestrial and the aquatic environments - Promote access to the water through boardwalks, wharves, jetties, boat ramps and beach access points - Support access for small water craft (canoes, kayaks, dinghies) - Ensure dinghy racks are free from rubbish and numbers are clearly visible, and they are managed in line with the hiring procedure for dinghies - Provide facilities for fisherman to undertake activities in accordance with the NSW Dept of Primary Industries- Recreational Fishing Guidelines and Requirements
	include all foreshore reserves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Convert the road reserves zoned as RE1 – public recreation into parks
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment for groups and individuals of all ages and abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offer sufficient facilities such as paths, seats, tables, BBQs, shade, lighting, bubblers, toilets, bins, storage and signage in suitable areas and in accordance with CoR's Public Domain Manual. - Ensure car parking locations and layouts are optimised to deal with peak park use times - Allow equal access to facilities and employ universal design where possible - Maintain park infrastructure and repair as required - Upgrade amenities buildings in line with the City of Ryde Operational Plan - Provide picnic settings, amenities and car parking near views to allow for elderly and special needs access and usage - Assess opportunities for the siting and design of public toilets and change rooms in line with Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles. - Provide dinghy rack facilities in suitable locations within foreshore parks

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Objective	Target	Action
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands (cont.)	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment for groups and individuals of all ages and abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offer children's play areas that are varied in intent and design, incorporate natural elements that are integrated into the surrounding landscape - Identify opportunities for fitness equipment - Review and audit all park playgrounds for compliance with the relevant safety standards and repair as necessary - Assess playground opportunities in line with CoR's Children's Play Plan - Ensure playground softfall is safe and compliant with safety standards, and top up mulch and sand as required - Install dog waste bins and water bowls where dogs are permitted and have sufficient off leash dog areas
	Maintain the parklands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify opportunities for recreational fishing in accordance with the NSW Dept of Primary Industries- Recreational Fishing Guidelines and Requirements - Mow & edge the turf as required and prevent clippings from entering natural areas - Control the weeds in garden beds as required, with annual weeds sprayed prior to flowering/seeding, and perennial weeds physically removed - Apply pesticides as a last resort alternative - Maintain and mulch the garden beds with medium course materials, avoiding the base of tree trunks - Plant new vegetation that is in good growing condition, disease and pest free, and watered until established - Avoid ad hoc planting by adhering to vegetation management plans - Protect trees from mechanical maintenance equipment damage e.g. using mulch rings around trees in turf - Edge E2 conservation areas to avoid mowing - Prune dead, dying or diseased plants - Encourage riparian planting and WSUD in park upgrades - Provide clean and safe access along pathways and around buildings - Empty bins as required - Investigate opportunities to cover and/or use canals in parks for recreational and amenity purposes - Ensure parks are maintained as per the City of Ryde's Service Level Agreements for passive parks
	Provide district level sporting facilities at sportsgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upgrade sports facilities where required to improve spectator and player enjoyment - Floodlight suitable sports fields to extend usage times - Any floodlighting upgrades to be carried out in accordance with the relevant Australian Standards - Increase carrying capacity of sportsfields by realigning the layout where possible - Include opportunities for passive recreation near the sportsfields, and where possible keep the foreshore edge for passive recreation - Mow fields to meet playing requirements for individual sports - Control the impact of weeds, pests and disease on playing surfaces - Provide visible lines that meet playing requirements for individual sports - Provide safe, functional and consistent hard court and synthetic surfaces suitable for purpose - Fill in holes, topdress, returf, oversow, fertilise, aerate and irrigate grass fields so they are fit for purpose - Allocate sports fields through the City of Ryde's Sportsfields Allocation Policy and transition sports field set ups from one season to another - Provide safe and functional infrastructure associated with playing fields - Provide safe, clean and functional toilet and change room facilities in line with CPTED principles - Ensure maintenance activities don't impact waterways or the local environment - Provide incidental exercise opportunities - Ensure sportsfields are maintained as per the City of Ryde's Service Level Agreements for sportsfields

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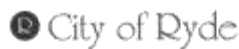
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Objective	Target	Action
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the biodiversity corridor and the bushland areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage community engagement through bushcare groups - Contract additional bush regeneration work where required to restore, reclaim, rehabilitate or revegetate natural areas in key reserves, strengthening connections to upper biodiversity corridor links - Promote locally indigenous plants - Preserve and protect remnant landscape areas with landscaped elements eg sandstone blocks, paths - Trim back vegetation along walking tracks in bushland areas in an environmentally-sensitive way - Maintain and enhance tree canopy cover without compromising passive recreation areas - Assess trees regularly and manage any deadwooding or removal, replacing trees with appropriate species - Retain dead timber in bushland areas as habitat for fauna and to create a more complex understorey and shelter sites from predators - Remove weeds in line with best practice bush regeneration techniques - Revegetate with a diverse and complex mid-storey and understorey of native plants to discourage aggressive bird species - Control pest animal species such as rabbits and foxes - Use appropriate plant communities for fauna habitat where possible - Protect existing landform features such as rock platforms and sandstone scarps - Connect vegetation communities to the upper catchment where possible - Ensure bushland areas are maintained as per the City of Ryde's Service Level Agreement for natural areas
	Protect existing mangrove areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prevent boat storage in mangrove areas - Educate and raise awareness about the values and threats of the mangrove community - Improve access to the river in non-mangrove areas - Remove litter and weeds from mangrove areas
	Protect and promote the coastal saltmarsh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify areas where saltmarsh can be expanded and manage this expansion, particularly in areas where tidal action is impacting existing grass - Delineate saltmarsh areas to prevent access and mowing - Design, construct and manage paths that prevent trampling of the saltmarsh areas - Monitor and manage <i>Casuarinas</i> from encroaching into saltmarsh areas - Delineate turfed areas near the saltmarsh to prevent lawn clippings entering the saltmarsh - Encourage community engagement through bushcare groups - Educate and raise awareness about the values and threats of the saltmarsh areas

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Objective	Target	Action
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands (cont)	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protect and restore ecological connections between the terrestrial and the aquatic environments - Use Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) to manage, treat and improve water quality going into the river - Slow down surface water runoff where possible through swales and detention ponds - Investigate opportunities for stormwater capture and reuse to irrigate sportsfields - Conduct regular field inspections of bioretention systems with the relevant maintenance crew to ensure they are maintained and corrective works are identified - Use environmentally friendly seawall principles and incorporate additional vegetated habitat into the design of new and upgraded seawalls, working with the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) as required - Undertake stormwater outlet protection works to prevent erosion and failure and filter debris from entering waterways - Improve and build on riparian planting areas to support fauna and flora connection - Use natural materials and forms for energy dissipaters for improved ecological benefit - Remove rubbish along the foreshore regularly, working with the RMS and community groups - Continue supporting Environment Protection Authority (EPA) sediment control programs to reduce sediment outputs from private development sites - Work with Sydney Water to reduce the impact of wet weather overflow events on waterways and riparian areas
	Manage unlawful activity on public land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identify illegal encroachments of private property boundaries onto public land and work with the community to remove unauthorised works. CoR will not approve an access to open space from private property - Prevent storage of private assets on public land unless in designated areas - Investigate and prosecute tree vandalism and implement deterrent measures such as enforcing fines, installing signs highlighting the vandalism, leaving tree stumps as wildlife habitat, replacing vandalised trees with suitable species
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Accommodate community and cultural involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design flexible open spaces that can respond to community needs and can accommodate events and community programs - Provide opportunities for the community to be actively involved in managing the parklands
	Activate open spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore opportunities to activate parks by providing for approved commercial activities in the public interest, such as cafes, kiosks and restaurants with outdoor seating - Explore opportunities to activate parks with fitness groups, dog walkers etc - Offer leases and licenses for uses in the public interest - Promote guided walks and planting days to encourage community engagement with the natural areas - Explore feasibility, vulnerability and desirability of potential sites to swim in the Parramatta River- Kissing Point Park
	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use public art and interpretive signage to highlight historical, geographical and cultural information as well as wayfinding to improve connectedness of these parks - Identify opportunities to maintain cultural heritage in Parks

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ACTION PLANS

The following Action Plans contained in the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management detail the objectives, targets, actions, performance measures and priorities needed to effectively and efficiently manage these areas.

Because of the wide, varied and diverse nature of the respective land within this Plan of Management and the need to manage this within a generic performance framework, measurable indicators have been designed to allow for variation within and more accurately reflect broader management measures.

Priority of implementation

For each action in the Action Plan a corresponding priority for its implementation is assigned as follows:

- **High (H):** Top priority. Where there are no impediments to its delivery, this action should be achieved in up to 4 years
- **Medium (M):** Second tier priority with implementation due in up to 7 years
- **Low (L):** Not an urgent implementation action but important nonetheless and should be planned for completion in up to 10 years
- **Ongoing (O):** A recurrent action that may be regularly repeated.

The time frames provided are indicative only. As opportunities arise to deliver these actions, timeframes may need to be adjusted. It should be noted that the delivery of the various actions may extend beyond the 10 year time frame. Some of the actions suggested are large, complex projects that may require additional funding from Council's annual works programmes and/or partnerships with State and Federal Government departments through their various grant agencies.

Glades Bay Park foreshore



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	Koonadan Reserve	Melrose Park	Korpie Reserve
Address	Wharf Rd Melrose Park	Lancaster Ave Melrose Park	Lancaster Ave Melrose Place
Size	1,383m ²	5,841m ²	5,989m ²
Owner	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Manager	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1- public recreation	RE1- public recreation	RE1- public recreation
Community land category	Park Natural area- foreshore	Park Natural area- foreshore	Park Natural area- foreshore
Easements	Nil	Pipeline	Pipeline

KOONADAN RESERVE, MELROSE PARK, KORPIE RESERVE



1. Koonadan Reserve is the western entrance to the Parramatta River Parklands. It currently lacks feature planting and landscape elements to mark the gateway entry.

2. There is an absence of planting along the residential fence boundary at Koonadan Reserve.



3. A mangrove forest lines the waters edge, and coastal saltmarsh (an endangered ecological community) occupies the intertidal zone in Koonadan Reserve and Melrose Park. Log edging delineates the turf from the saltmarsh. Connection to the river is restricted by the extent of the mangroves, however people can access the waterfront at the Ermington boat ramp and jetty adjacent to the parklands.



4. The remains of Ermington Wharf represent the convict infrastructure associated with labour gangs who worked in the district of Ryde.

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5. The playground in Melrose Park was upgraded in 2016 and is in good condition.

6. The playground incorporates water and nature play elements.

7. The seating shelter at Melrose Park is disconnected to the playground area.



8. Boundary fencing at Melrose Park is dated.

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9. There is no understorey planting at Korpie Reserve, and sightlines to the waterfront are restricted by the Casuarina trees. There are no seats at Korpie Reserve. There is an issue with storing private assets on public land.



10. There are overgrown weeds at the base of the slope at Korpie Reserve.



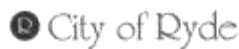
11. The stormwater dissipater at Korpie Reserve lacks natural form, materials and vegetation.



12. The foreshore at Korpie Reserve is natural with mangroves and a patch of saltmarsh.

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Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of parklands	Improve relations with park users and stakeholders	Undertake appropriate level of community consultation regarding proposed changes	Community appropriately informed	O
		Develop a masterplan for Koonadan Reserve, Melrose Park and Korpie Reserve	Masterplan developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	Use landscape elements and signage to create a more welcoming, interesting and open entrance at Koonadan Reserve	Entrance to Koonadan Reserve upgraded to be more welcoming and visible	L
		Improve quality and suitability of boundary treatment/fencing at Melrose Park	Boundary treatment improved	M
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Manage <i>Casuarinas</i> in Korpie Reserve to enhance sightlines from the street to the foreshore	Sightlines to the foreshore improved	O
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Integrate seat shelter with the playground at Melrose Park	Seating integrated with the playground	L
		Identify entry area and install seating at the entrance to Korpie Reserve	Entrance area and seating installed	L
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the biodiversity corridor	Create garden bed areas for planting vegetation along boundary at Koonadan Reserve to screen fence and promote corridor connection	Garden beds and planting completed	L
		Create garden bed areas for ground cover plants at Korpie Reserve	Garden beds and planting completed	L
	Protect and promote the mangrove forest and coastal saltmarsh	Identify the area where saltmarsh can be expanded. Manage staged movement of the boundary to accommodate the expansion	Saltmarsh expansion complete	L
		Remove <i>Casuarina</i> saplings encroaching into saltmarsh areas	Saplings removed	O
		Regularly remove litter and weeds from mangrove & saltmarsh areas	Litter and weeds removed	O
		Install a sign about the values and threats of the saltmarsh/mangrove areas in Melrose Park	Information sign installed	M
		Continue contract bush regeneration work at Melrose Park, Koonadan Reserve and Korpie Reserve	Contract renewed	O
		Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Provide a more environmentally friendly design for the stormwater outlet at Korpie Reserve using natural elements	Stormwater outlet upgraded with environmental response
	Manage unlawful activity on public land	Work with neighbouring residents to prevent storage of private assets on public land at Korpie Reserve	Private assets no longer stored at Korpie Reserve	O
	5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	Install a sign about the values and threats of the saltmarsh/mangrove areas in Melrose Park	Signage installed
Investigate the cultural heritage of these parks and look at signage opportunities to interpret these			Signage installed	L

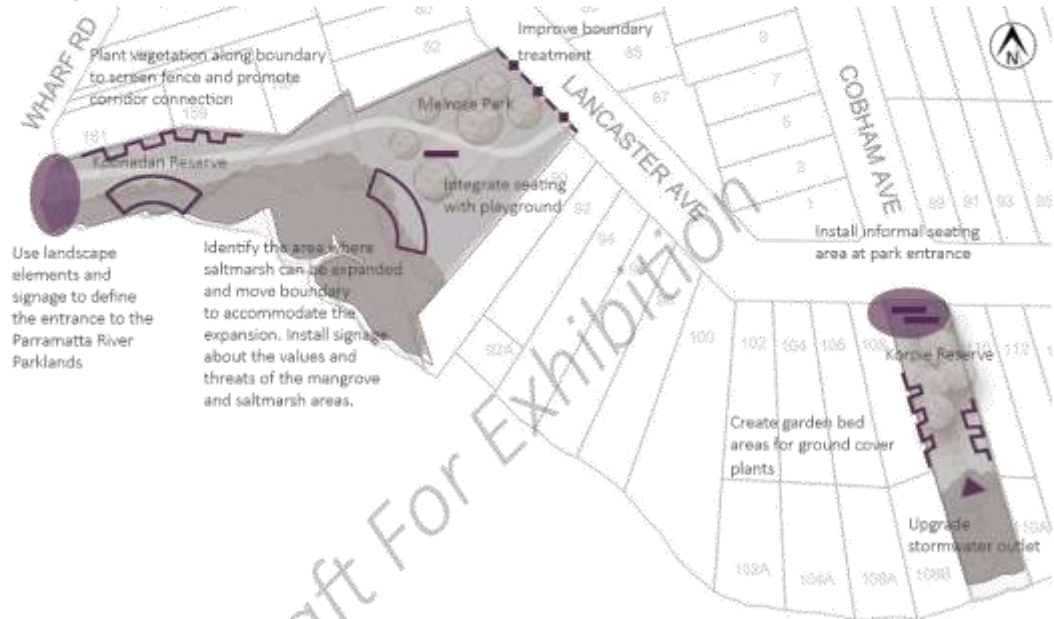
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MEMORIAL PARK (MEADOWBANK PARK)

	Memorial Park
Address	Meadow Crescent, Meadowbank
Size	37,453 ²
Owner	State of NSW
Manager	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1- public recreation E2- environmental conservation
Community land category	Parks Natural area- bushland
Easements	Pipeline

MEMORIAL PARK



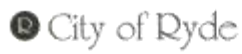
1. The shale-enriched sandstone on the slopes of Memorial Park supports remnant vegetation- *Eucalyptus tereticornis* and *Eucalyptus punctata*- a form of Sydney Foreshore Shale Forest.



2. A small sandy beach at Memorial Park provides direct access to the river. The sea wall is constructed with sandstone blocks.

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MEMORIAL PARK



3. Fitness equipment at Memorial Park encourages outdoor fitness.



4. Memorial Park contains war memorials and associated plantings- a WWI plinth, WWII walkway and an Armenian Memorial. They can and have been subjected to acts of vandalism.



5. The largest memorial was erected in 1921 to commemorate those who served in the First World War.

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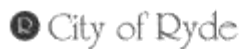
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6 & 7. The playground in Memorial Park was upgraded in 2015. Nature play and public art are incorporated into the play equipment.

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MEMORIAL PARK

Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of parklands	Improve relations with park users and stakeholders	Consult with the community to inform current and future desires of park use	Community consultation complete	M
		Develop a masterplan for Memorial Park	Masterplan developed	M
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	Use landscape elements and signage to create more welcoming and interesting entry points to Memorial Park	Park entrances are upgraded to be more visible and welcoming	M
	Establish and promote links to areas within the park and to external trails tracks and cycleways with appropriate park lighting	Investigate signage opportunities to inform users of links to the Ryde River Walk, Wharf to Wharf and Parramatta Valley Cycleways	Signage installed	H
		Improve and optimise the pedestrian/bike path circulation at Memorial Park	Path circulation and network optimised across these parks	M
Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Provide opportunities to access and interact with the river at Memorial Park	Opportunities investigated	M	
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment for groups and individuals of all ages and abilities	Ensure suitable provision for passive recreation is provided for. In particular, keep the foreshore edge for passive recreation	Increased passive recreation opportunities and preserved foreshore area	M
		Maintain the parks in accordance with City of Ryde's Service Level Agreements		O
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the biodiversity corridor	Encourage community engagement through the bushcare group at Memorial Park	Community engagement instigated	O
		Continue to contract bush regeneration and weeding work at Meadowbank Park saltmarsh areas and Memorial Park as required		O
		Increase biodiversity around Memorial Park and create broader corridor links from the foreshore to upper catchments with additional planting that ties in with remnant vegetation. Be mindful of sightlines and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).	Planting is completed to create increased biodiversity and corridor links	L
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Continue water quality monitoring at Charity Creek to assess quality before it enters the Parramatta River, as Memorial Park may be potential swim in the river site		O
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Manage unlawful activity on public land	Investigate measures to detract vandalism of war memorials such as additional lighting, anti-graffiti seals and developing relationships with local police	Measures are installed and police liaison appointed	H
	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	Identify/conservate/interpret Aboriginal significance of Memorial Park	Aboriginal items responded to appropriately	M
		Investigate the cultural heritage of this park and look at signage opportunities to interpret these	Signage installed	M

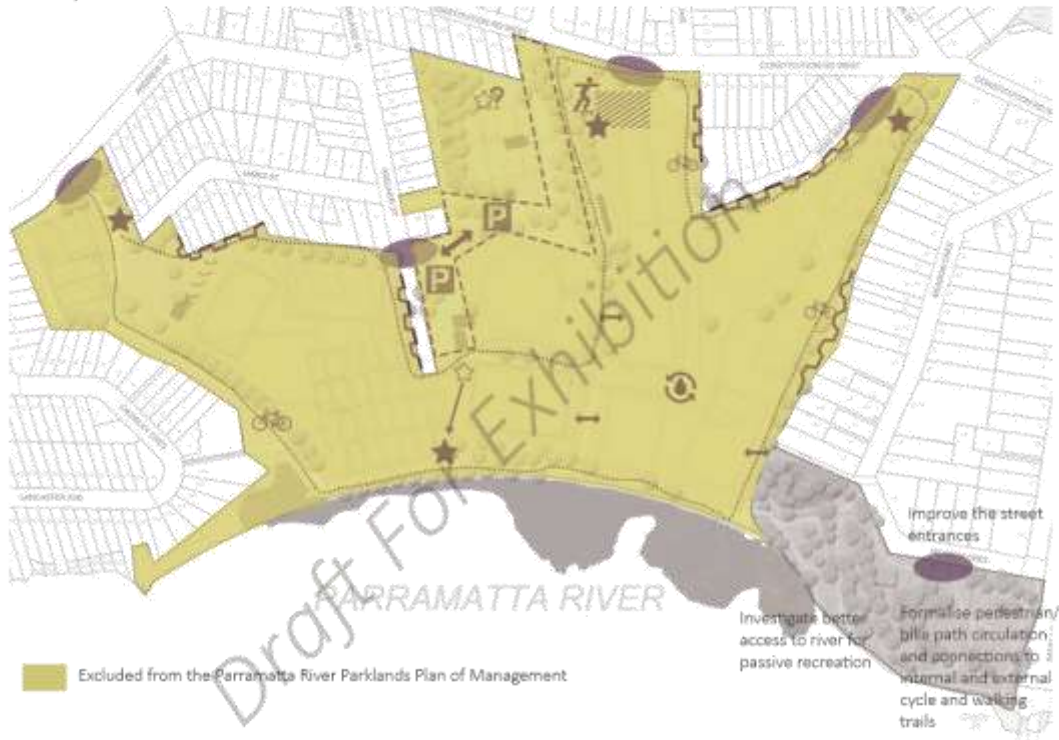
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MEADOWBANK PARK

Meadowbank Park will have its own specific Plan of Management. This specific Plan of Management will contain action plans and other information regarding this important area of open space.

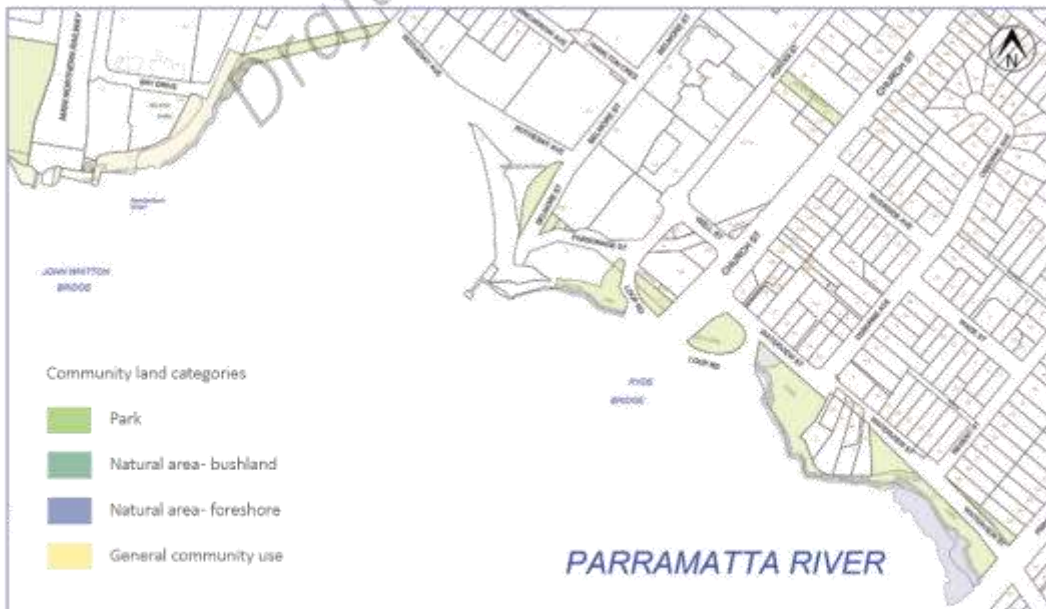
Meadowbank Park, while not included in the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management, is indicated to show its connectedness to the adjoining Memorial Park, the other parks in the Parramatta River Parklands along the Ryde River Walk and its connection to external tracks and trails such as the Parramatta Valley Cycleway and the Wharf to Wharf Walk.



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	Helene Park	Anderson Park	Ryde Wharf Reserve	Settlers Park
Address	Bowden St, Meadowbank	Rothsay Ave, Ryde	Parsonage St, Ryde	Waterview St, Ryde
Size	10,968m ²	5,543m ²	5,944m ²	14,040m ²
Owner	State of NSW	State of NSW	State of NSW	State of NSW
Manager	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1 – public recreation	RE1 – public recreation	RE1 – public recreation E2 – environmental conservation	RE1 – public recreation E2 – environmental conservation
Community land categorisation	General Community Use Parks Natural Area- Foreshore	Parks	Parks	Parks Natural Area – Bushland Natural Area- Foreshore
Easements	Pipeline	Pipeline	Pipeline	Pipeline

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1. Helene Park was created as part of the Shepherds Bay development, connecting the high density residential area to the waterfront.



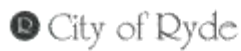
2. There are elevated views across the river. The shade structure at Helene Park lacks seating and tables.



3. Helene Park connects to Meadowbank Ferry Wharf, Memorial Park and the old Ryde Railway Bridge which is the connection to the Parramatta Valley cycleway

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4. The southern part of Anderson Park has open views across the river. The seawall needs upgrading.

A popular fishing spot for visitors to this park



5. A shared path runs along the foreshore.



6. Fitness equipment was installed in Anderson Park in 2017 to encourage outdoor physical activity.



7. Mature trees in Anderson Park include an avenue of *Ficus hillii* (Hills Weeping Fig) separating the park from the car park on Rothesay Ave.



8. Anderson Park playground and picnic area is a very popular space in a high density residential area.

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9. Public artworks at Ryde Wharf Reserve consist of three hand carved wind vane boats. They reference the area's maritime history- the first ferry service that crossed the Parramatta River in 1794 was a row boat. The base of the poles are decorated with mosaics featuring images of the snapper fish, an Indigenous totem from the area.



10. Open grass and sandstone terraces at Ryde Wharf Reserve are used as viewing platforms and community events spaces. Former site use precludes excavation for trees, furniture or shade structures.



11. More significant tree and under-storey planting occurs in the upper reaches of Ryde Wharf Reserve.



12. The roundabout and road configuration at Belmore St and Parsonage St disrupts parkland connection and inhibits pedestrian flow.

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13. There currently is no pedestrian connection along the waters edge between Ryde Wharf Reserve and Settlers Park. Settlers Park has small sandy beaches and rocky outcrops.



14. Settlers Park has remains of former swimming baths that were once a common feature on the Parramatta River.

15. Sandstone at the foreshore features honeycomb hollowing and rich bands of colour.



16. There is limited understory planting along the boundaries at Settlers Park, and fencing is dated.

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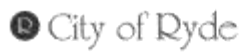
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Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of parklands	Improve relations with park users and stakeholders	Undertake appropriate level of community consultation regarding proposed changes	Community informed	L
		Develop a masterplan that encompasses Helene Park, Anderson Park, Ryde Wharf Reserve and Settlers Park	Masterplan developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Establish and promote links to each park and the surrounding areas.	Provide pedestrian connection along the waters edge between Ryde Wharf Reserve and Settlers Park	Waters edge connection is created	L
		Improve quality and suitability of boundary treatment/fencing at Settlers Park	Boundary treatment is improved	L
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Provide opportunities to access and interact with the river at these parks	Opportunities investigated	L
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Install seating and tables under the shade structure at Helene Park	Tables and seating installed	M
		Create shade opportunities such as podium planting at Ryde Wharf Reserve to improve microclimate	Shade amenity provided to Ryde Wharf Reserve	L
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the biodiversity corridor	Stabilise slopes joining to Ryde Wharf Reserve to remediate from landfill	Slope stabilisation measures implemented	L
		Continue to contract bush regeneration work in the Settlers Park saltmarsh area	Ongoing	O
		Plant understorey vegetation along the property fence lines at Settlers Park to strengthen biodiversity connection	Planting completed	M
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Renew the seawall and stormwater outlet at Anderson Park to prevent erosion and scour of the foreshore and improve water quality discharging into the river	Project complete 2018/2019	H
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Activate open spaces	Explore opportunities to activate Anderson Park and Ryde Wharf Reserve by providing for approved commercial activities in the public interest, such as a café or kiosk	Opportunities explored	M

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BENNELONG PARK, KISSING POINT PARK



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	Bennelong Park	Kissing Point Park
Address	Waterview St, Putney	Waterview St, Putney
Size	2,728m ²	44,225m ²
Owner	State of NSW	State of NSW, Department of Planning
Manager	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1 - public recreation	RE1 - public recreation E2 - environmental conservation
Community land category	Parks Natural area – foreshore	Parks Natural area - bushland Natural Area – Foreshore General Community Use
Easements	Nil	Sydney Water, Sail Club access

BENNELONG PARK, KISSING POINT PARK



1. There is no foreshore access between Settlers Park and Bennelong Park around the former Halvorsen's boatshed.



2. The entrance to Bennelong Park has sparse groundcover plants.



3. There is excessive boundary fencing between Bennelong Park and Kissing Point Park, and between the parks and the street.



4. Bennelong Park has a set of swings integrated into the surrounding landscape.

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- 5. Kissing Point Park has open sloping grass
- 6. There are views across the Parramatta River to Yaralla Estate in Concord.
- 7. The location, layout and aspect of Kissing Point Park means it is frequently hired for community events.



- 8. Kissing Point Park has a large sand/mud beach at low tide. The attractive landscape and accessibility of the riverbank means it has been flagged as one potential swim site under the Parramatta River Catchment Group swimmable campaign 2025.



- 9. There is a natural shoreline with rocky outcrops and sedges and waterside plants.

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10. Kissing Point Park has a Rivercat Wharf, public jetty and pontoon, and a double lane concrete public boat ramp that can be used at all tide levels.



11. There is currently no foreshore access between Kissing Point Park and Putney Park.



12. Public artwork in Kissing Point Park take the form of snapper fish, an indigenous totem from the area.



13. The Concord Ryde Sailing Club house is built on timber piers above the high water mark. The Rivercat Ferry wash causes the beach to erode and the mangroves to deteriorate.

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14. The playground at Kissing Point Park was established in 2010.



15. Picnic shelters of varying styles at Kissing Point Park.



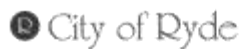
16. There is no foreshore pedestrian connection from the Rivercat wharf to the park.



17. The pedestrian crossing from the wharf cuts through the carpark and leads to a disused bus stop now used by persons being dropped of or picked up from the ferry wharf in hot or wet conditions.

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BENNELONG PARK, KISSING POINT PARK

Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of the parklands	Improve integration of park activity	Develop a masterplan for Bennelong Park and Kissing Point Park	Masterplan developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Establish and promote links to each park and the surrounding areas	Investigate foreshore connection between Kissing Point Park and Putney Park	Options developed for potential connections	L
		Investigate foreshore connection between Bennelong Park and Settlers Park without compromising foreshore corridor integrity	Options developed for potential connections	L
		Improve the pedestrian connection between Kissing Point ferry wharf and the park	New connections from ferry to park completed	L
		Create clearly defined path of travel through the carpark for pedestrians	Pedestrian path of travel clearly defined	M
		Remove unnecessary fencing between Bennelong Park and Kissing Point park	Fencing removed	L
		Improve quality and suitability of boundary treatment/fencing at Bennelong Park and Kissing Point Park	Boundary treatment upgraded	L
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Investigate upgrading or relocating the amenities building at Kissing Point Park to improve accessibility	Options developed for potential new locations	L
		Review parking and accessibility at Kissing Point Park	Parking configuration revised	L
		Unify the picnic shelters at Kissing Point Park	All picnic shelters are unified	L
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Provide opportunities to access and interact with the river at these parks	Opportunities investigated	L
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the biodiversity corridor	Supplement existing groundcover plants at the entrance to Bennelong Park.	Planting works completed	M
		Continue the bush regeneration contract in the saltmarsh areas of Kissing Point Park	Bush regeneration works continued	O
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Upgrade stormwater drainage in Kissing Point Park as per the Stormwater Delivery Plan	Pipes replaced in 2017/18	H
		Investigate options to protect against foreshore erosion and provide safe access to the beach and Concord and Ryde Sailing Club for Transport for NSW and RMS.	Options developed for foreshore protection	L
		Monitor and maintain water quality at Kissing Point Park as a potential swim in the river site under the Parramatta River Catchment Group	Water monitoring carried out	O
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Activate open spaces	Explore opportunities to activate Kissing Point Park with a cafe or kiosk	Options developed for potential usage and locations	M
		Work to improve beach amenity at Kissing Point Park as part of the Parramatta River Catchment Group swimmable river 2025 campaign	Options for improvement to beach amenity carried out	L

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MORRISON BAY PARK



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MORRISON BAY PARK

Morrison Bay Park	
Address	Corner of Morrison Rd and Frances Rd, Putney
Size	88,000m ²
Owner	City of Ryde, State of NSW
Manager	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1 - public recreation
Community land category	General Community Use Sportsground Parks Natural area - bushland Natural area - foreshore Natural area - watercourse
Easements	Nil

MORRISON BAY PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

The Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management extinguishes the former Morrison Bay Park Plan of Management (2016).



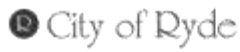
1. Morrison Bay Park has turfed fields for active sports such as soccer, touch football and cricket.



2. The City of Ryde hosts community events at Morrison Bay Park such as outdoor cinema.

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3 & 4. Playground and fitness equipment at Morrison Bay Park is located across Frances Rd, separate from the sportsgrounds.



5. Three cricket nets at Morrison Bay Park are well used by local cricket clubs and the general community.



6 & 7. Morrison Bay Park is located on an infill site with an open concrete stormwater channel dividing the sportsfields. The retaining wall blocks have subsided significantly due to high rain fall events and high tides. There is limited pedestrian access across the channel.



8. There is a significant row of fig trees at the entrance to Morrison Bay Park on Morrison Rd. The park entry is not well defined and lacks a cohesive design.

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9. There is a lack of groundcover plants at Morrison Bay Park, particularly along the boundary fences.



10. Sports fencing at Morrison Bay Park is located close to the river, and creates a barrier to the foreshore. There is no direct access to the water at Morrison Bay Park.

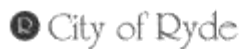
PUTNEY PARK

Putney Park has its own specific Plan of Management adopted by Council in October 2011 and as such does not form part of the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management . This specific Plan of Management contains the action plans and other information regarding this important area of open space.

Putney Park, while not included in the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management, is indicated to show its connectedness to other parks in the Parramatta River Parklands along the Ryde River Walk and its connection to external tracks and trails such as the Parramatta Valley Cycleway and the Wharf to Wharf Walk.

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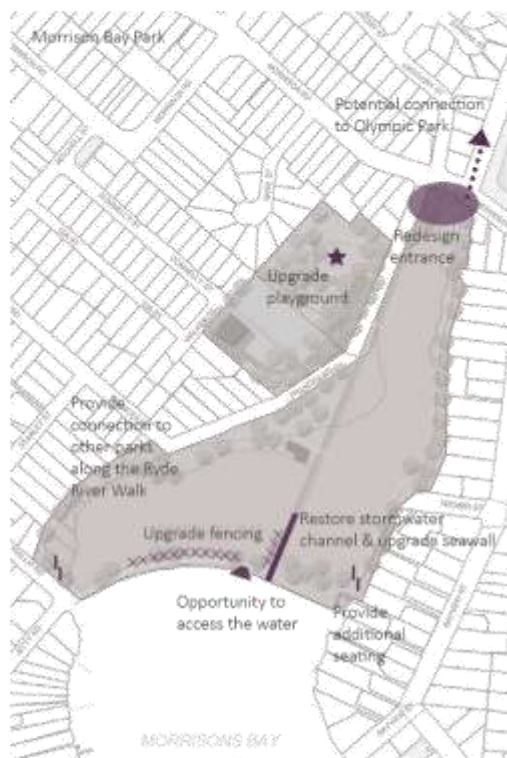
Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of the parklands	Improve integration of park activity	Develop a masterplan for Morrison Bay Park with the community and park users.	Masterplans developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	Design more welcoming entrances to Morrison Bay Park	Entrances redefined	L
		Identify opportunities to link Morrison Bay Park to Olympic Park, Ryde Aquatic and Leisure Centre as well as other parks in the Ryde River Walk network	Connections established	L
		Improve quality and suitability of street boundary treatment/fencing at Morrison Bay Park	Boundary treatments employed	L
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Review location and upgrade of sports field fencing along stormwater channels and the foreshore edge at Morrison Bay. Reduce visual impact through use of black chain wire or similar	Fencing reconfigured and upgraded	L
		Provide opportunities to access and interact with the river at Morrison Bay Park	Opportunities to access the water created	L
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Upgrade the playground at Morrison Bay Park with integrated seating and a path from the road	Playground upgraded	L
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the bushland areas	Continue the bushcare regeneration contract at Morrison Bay Park	Bush regeneration continued	O
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Replace and restore the stormwater channel as it approaches the river at Morrison Bay Park	Project complete 2018/19	H
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Accommodate community and cultural involvement	Investigate the potential for an events space in Morrison Bay Park	Events space investigated	M
	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	Investigate the cultural heritage of this parks and look at signage opportunities to interpret this	Signage plan developed and installed accordingly	M

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	Tennyson Park	Bill Mitchell Park	Glades Bay Park
Address	Beach St, Tennyson	Morrison Rd, Tennyson	Ashburn Place, Gladesville
Size	4,449m ²	23,506m ²	34,736m ²
Owner	City of Ryde, State of NSW	City of Ryde, State of NSW	City of Ryde
Manager	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1- public recreation	RE1- public recreation E2- environmental conservation	RE1- public recreation E2- environmental conservation
Community land category	Park	Park Sportsgrounds, General Community Use Natural Area – Foreshore Natural Area- Bushland Natural Area- Escarpment	Park Natural Area – Foreshore Natural Area – Bushland Natural Area- Escarpment
Easements	Nil	Sydney Water	Nil

TENNYSON PARK, BILL MITCHELL PARK, GLADES BAY PARK



1. The entrance to Tennyson Park is not well defined.



2. Dinghy racks are provided to formalise boat storage in the one location.

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3. The playground at Tennyson Park was established in 1986, and offers a limited variety of play and no shade. A post and rail timber fence between the two park levels detracts from the sandstone edge and is a safety issue.



4. Picnic shelters are outdated and require maintenance.



5. The seawall path allows people to walk next to the river.



6. A new sandstone section was built in 2016, providing safe access to the small sandy beach.

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7. Bill Mitchell Park is a sportsfield with a perimeter path for walking and cycling. The foreshore of Bill Mitchell Park was upgraded in 2015 with a pathway, seating and planting.



8. The Brett St pedestrian entrance to Bill Mitchell Park is alongside a watercourse that uses natural materials to dissipate and filter stormwater.

9. The Western Crescent pedestrian entrance lacks vegetation.



10 & 11. The Morrison Rd entrance to Bill Mitchell Park is disordered and unwelcoming and lacks formalised parking.

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12. Glades Bay Park has Coastal Sandstone Foreshore Forest and a natural creekline.



13. The playground at Glades Bay Park was built in 1992 and has limited play opportunities for children



14. Fencing on the York St boundary of Glades Bay Park visually and physically separates the park from the street



15. A fibreglass mesh boardwalk winds through the mangroves at Glades Bay Park



16. Dingy storage racks at Glades Bay are located on an Aboriginal midden with cultural and heritage values

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Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of the parklands	Improved integration of park activity	Develop a masterplan for Tennyson Park, Bill Mitchell Park and Glades Bay Park	Masterplan developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	Improve the entrance to Tennyson Park and redesign or remove the timber fence that separates the two levels	Entrance upgraded and timber fence resolved	L
		Improve the entrance and parking at Bill Mitchell Park	Project complete in 2017/18	H
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Upgrade and relocate the Tennyson Park playground and integrate seating and shade	Playground upgraded to provide associated shade and seating	L
		Upgrade the playground at Glades Bay Park and integrate seating and pathways	Playground upgraded completed	M
		Update the directional signage at Bill Mitchell Park to more accurately reflect the walking trails	Signage plan developed and installed accordingly	M
	Improve the relationship between the parklands and the river	Provide opportunities to access and interact with the river at Tennyson Park Bill Mitchell Park and Glades Bay Park	Opportunities to access the water created	L
	Ensure the provision of dinghy rack storage is sufficient to meet the community demand for the infrastructure	Review the utilisation of the facilities on an annual basis	Measure dinghy rack storage available to the community	
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the bushland areas	Plant low vegetation along the Western Crescent entrance to Bill Mitchell Park	Planting work completed	M
		Encourage community engagement through the Ross St bushcare at Glades Bay Park	Information provided to the community on bushcare	O
		Continue the bushcare regeneration contract at Glades Bay Park as required	Bush regeneration continued	O
		Control pest fauna species- rabbits and foxes	Pest species control carried out	O
		Encourage community engagement through a bushcare group at these parks	Community engagement instigated	O
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Capture unused stormwater for treatment and use to irrigate the sports field at Bill Mitchell Park	Project complete in 2017/18	H
		Install a gross pollutant trap at Bill Mitchell Park to capture litter before entering the river	Project completed in 2016/17	H
	Review stormwater runoff from Doodys St, Ashburn Place & York St into Glades Bay Park and investigate flow capture/diversion to improve the local environment and assist with weed reduction.	Strategy created to deal with stormwater appropriately	L	
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	Identify/conservate/interpret Aboriginal significance of Glades Bay	Significant items responded to appropriately	M

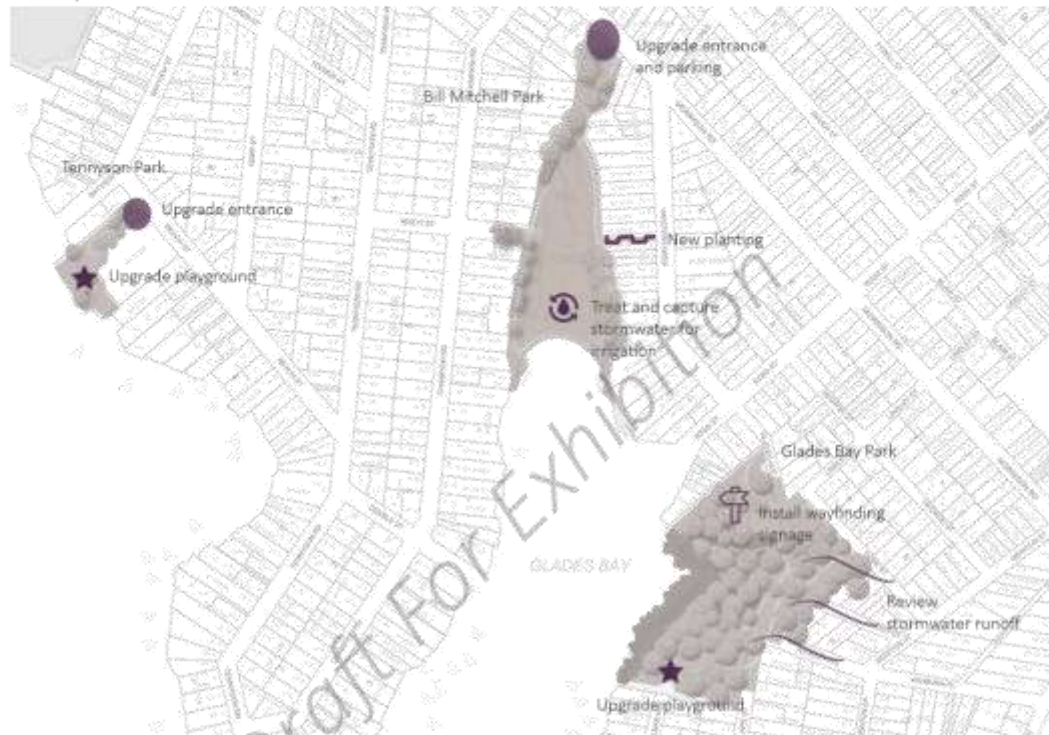
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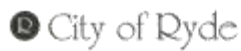
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	Meditation Park	Looking Glass Bay Park	Banjo Paterson Park
Address	Wharf Rd, Gladesville	Ashburn Place, Gladesville	Punt Rd, Gladesville
Size	1,152m ²	21,036m ²	20,504m ²
Owner	City of Ryde, State of NSW	City of Ryde, State of NSW	Transport for NSW [check]
Manager	City of Ryde	City of Ryde	City of Ryde
Zoning	RE1 – public recreation	RE1 – public recreation E2 – Environmental Conservation	RE1 – public recreation
Community land categorisation	Parks Natural Area-foreshore	Parks Natural area – bushland Natural area – watercourse Natural area- foreshore	Parks
Easements	Nil	Nil	Nil

MEDITATION PARK, LOOKING GLASS BAY PARK, BANJO PATERSON PARK



1 & 2. Both entrances to Meditation Park from Wharf Rd are steep with uneven surfaces

3. Dinghies are consolidated in storage racks at Meditation Park

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4. Meditation Park provides opportunity to interact with the river



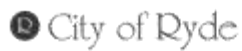
5. The boat ramp at Meditation Park is in poor condition



6. The Parramatta Ryde Sailing Club adjacent to Meditation Park has aesthetic significance as one of a collection of historic boat houses on the waterfront.

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7. The Amiens St entrance to Looking Glass Bay Park displays information on the rain garden within the park. The bioretention system has a good cover of healthy vegetation with limited weed infestations.

8. The Ashburn Place entrance to Looking Glass Bay Park lacks visibility.



9. Looking Glass Bay Park is predominantly a Coastal Sandstone Gully Forest with walking paths throughout. The foreshore is natural and contains mangroves, saltmarsh and a sedge zone along a sandy beach.



10. A fibre mesh pedestrian bridge crosses a natural creek that runs from Ashburn Place to the foreshore.

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11 & 12. Rockend Cottage at Banjo Paterson Park is one of the few surviving Georgian stone buildings in the City of Ryde, and is on the State Heritage Register.



13. Banjo Paterson Park features natural sandstone scarps.



14. Banjo Paterson Park has a public wharf.



15. Punt Wharf remains are at Bedlam Point in Hunters Hill Council. They are a remnant of infrastructure associated with the Great North Road convict gangs and their crossing point at the Parramatta River.

16. The path to Bedlam Point is in poor condition and overgrown with weeds.

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17. The playground at Banjo Paterson Park was completed in 2016.



18. The seawall at Banjo Paterson Park is in poor condition. There is opportunity to provide continuous foreshore access as part of the upgrade to the seawall edge.



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19. The entrance to Banjo Paterson Park lacks a sense of arrival.

20. Car parking areas at Banjo Paterson Park are disconnected and lack pedestrian links to the parklands.

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Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote planned use of the parklands	Improve relations with park users and stakeholders	Undertake appropriate level of community consultation regarding proposed changes	Community appropriately kept informed	L
		Develop a masterplan for Meditation Park, Looking Glass Park and Banjo Paterson Park	Masterplan developed	L
2. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Reinforce the visibility of park entrances	Formalise the two entry points at Meditation Park to provide clear access	Entry points upgraded and formalised	L
		Create a more welcoming entrance to Looking Glass Bay Park at Ashburn Place. Improve quality and suitability of boundary treatment, fencing	Boundary treatment upgraded	L
		Create a more welcoming entrance to Banjo Paterson Park from Punt Rd and the car parking areas	Entry upgraded to be more welcoming	L
	Improve the relationship between the parklands at the river	Determine if the existing boat ramp at Meditation Park is sufficient for the adjacent sailing club and dinghy owners	Strategy for Meditation Park boat ramp created	L
		Formalise access to the water by improving the track to the water at Bedlam Point, Banjo Paterson Park	Water access provided	L
		Investigate a continuous pedestrian connection along the foreshore at Banjo Paterson Park.	Options provided for foreshore connections	L
3. Promote passive and active recreation in the parklands	Provide facilities to increase park enjoyment	Investigate a connection from Bernard Ave to Looking Glass Bay Park	Options provided for foreshore connection	L
		Redesign the car parking areas at Banjo Paterson Park to improve circulation and provide better pedestrian links	Car park layout reconfigured	
4. Enhance the environmental significance of the parklands	Protect and promote the bushland areas	Continue the Looking Glass Bay bush regeneration contract	Bush regeneration continued	O
	Manage stormwater runoff and watercourses to enhance the riparian environment	Maintain the gross pollutant trap and capture unused stormwater at Looking Glass Bay for treatment before entering the river.	Stormwater treatment continued	O
		Maintain the bioretention system at Looking Glass Bay	Bioretention system maintained	O
5. Foster social, cultural and heritage opportunities in the parklands	Interpret the story of the Parramatta River	Highlight the convict heritage at Bedlam Point in Banjo Paterson Park	Provide appropriate response to celebrate the heritage items	L

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ROAD RESERVES

There are seven road reserves along the foreshore. With the exception of Bayview St Reserve, they are all zoned RE1 for public recreation. They are not currently considered parks, public access is ambiguous and they are underutilised. They could provide recreation value and contribute to enhanced environmental connection.



1. Bayview St Reserve
2. Tennyson Rd Reserve
3. Deeble St Reserve
4. Amiens St Reserve
5. Clare St Reserve
6. Meriton St Reserve
7. Wharf Rd Reserve



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ROAD RESERVES

Action plan

Objective	Target	Action	Measure	Priority
1. Promote the parklands as a linked network of open spaces	Include all foreshore reserves as part of the Parramatta River Parklands and link these to the Ryde River Walk	Convert the road reserves at Bayview St, Tennyson Rd, Deeble St, Wharf Rd, Meriton St, Clare St and Amiens St into parks and provide facilities such as picnic tables and seats.	Road reserves are an extension of the parklands	L
		Provide directional signage at Road Reserves to delineate the walking trails and connection to the Ryde River Walk	Signage plan developed and installed accordingly	L

CONTACT US

Hire a park or sportsground or enquire about dinghy storage racks- City of Ryde Parks Bookings Officer (02) 9952 8222

Obtain a leases or license – City of Ryde Properties team (02) 9952 8222

Join a bushcare group - City of Ryde Bushcare Officer (02) 9952 8222

OTHER CONTACTS

Enquire about private moorings- Road and Maritime Services (RMS) 13 12 36

Banja Patterson Park



7 INVESTIGATION INTO POTENTIAL REGULAR MARKET SITES

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Events

File No.: CAM/13/3/11 - BP18/462

REPORT SUMMARY

At its meeting on 28 November 2017, Council resolved to investigate locations to establish if a regular market is feasible within the City of Ryde and that the investigation includes consultation with the Festivals and Events Advisory Committee.

The City of Ryde Events Staff investigated eight possible sites which included open space parks and town centres.

Following the initial investigation into available locations, the following potential market sites were proposed to the Festivals and Events Advisory Committee for consideration:

- Ryde Park, Ryde
- Kissing Point Park, Putney
- Andersen Park and Ryde Wharf Reserve, Meadowbank
- ANZAC Park, West Ryde
- North Ryde Common, Ryde
- Eastwood Plaza, Eastwood

The Festivals and Events Advisory Committee also suggested two further locations to be considered:

- West Ryde Plaza, West Ryde
- Trim Place, Gladesville in association with Gladesville Public School

Criteria was established to assess the feasibility of each location. This included:

- Site Availability
- Power onsite
- Toilets onsite
- Impact on local business
- Impact on local residents
- Parking
- Traffic considerations
- Children's playground onsite
- Safety onsite

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Following consideration of the above criteria, two sites were identified to proceed to community consultation before a final report be prepared for the Works and Community Committee.

It is essential that the community receive further consultation to support either one or both potential sites being activated in order for the markets to be successful.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council support the commencement of community consultation for a regular monthly market to be established within Anderson Park/Ryde Wharf Reserve.
- (b) That Council support the commencement of community consultation for a regular monthly market to be established in West Ryde Plaza following embellishment works.
- (c) That Council support that the Eastwood Night Market Contract is not renewed after its current lease agreement expires at the end of June 2018.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Criteria for Regular Market Site Locations

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Background

At its meeting on 28 November 2017, Council resolved to investigate locations to establish if a regular market is feasible within the City of Ryde and that the investigation includes consultation with the Festivals and Events Advisory Committee.

The City of Ryde Events Staff investigated eight possible sites which included open space parks and town centres. Most open space parks were not viable for consideration due to heavy sporting schedules which resulted in limited availability on the weekends.

Following the initial investigation into available locations, the following potential market sites were proposed to the Festivals and Events Advisory Committee for consideration:

- Ryde Park, Ryde
- Kissing Point Park, Putney
- Andersen Park and Ryde Wharf Reserve, Meadowbank
- ANZAC Park, West Ryde
- North Ryde Common, Ryde
- Eastwood Plaza, Eastwood

The Committee were open to further investigating these locations, however it was noted that the Committee felt strongly that wherever the markets were to take place they must not adversely affect local business. This was primarily noted for Eastwood Plaza and North Ryde Common (Cox's Rd businesses).

The current Eastwood Night Markets were also discussed and the Committee members were of the view that Eastwood Town Centre is already highly activated and that the current night markets are adversely affecting local business. It was also noted from the Committee members that there has been a decline in the amount of stallholders taking part in these markets.

The investigation into potential regular market sites has been based on considering a holistic approach to providing Markets with a vibrant atmosphere and activating alternative town centres and/or parks within our local Government Area.

The Festivals and Events Advisory Committee also suggested two further locations to be considered:

- West Ryde Plaza, West Ryde
- Trim Place, Gladesville in association with Gladesville Public School

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The Festivals and Events Advisory Committee were also invited to discuss other aspects relating to potential market sites which included the regularity and day of markets and the types of markets as this would also help determine appropriate locations.

The majority of Committee members agreed that the markets should be held on a monthly basis and preferably on a Saturday during the warmer months (September to April). With regards to the types of markets they would like to see, it was identified that a market which offered a range of products was preferred instead of limiting the markets to a particular theme e.g. Farmers Markets or Food Truck Markets.

Criteria was established to assess the feasibility of each location. This included:

- Site Availability
- Power onsite
- Toilets onsite
- Impact on local business
- Impact on local residents
- Parking
- Traffic considerations
- Children's playground onsite
- Safety onsite

The **ATTACHMENT** provides an analysis of locations based on this criteria.

Following consideration of the above criteria, two sites were identified to proceed to community consultation before a final report be prepared for the Works and Community Committee.

It is essential that the community receive further consultation to support either one or both potential sites being activated in order for the markets to be successful.

Potential Market Site 1- Anderson Park and Ryde Wharf Reserve - Meadowbank

The first site is Anderson Park and Ryde Wharf Reserve at Meadowbank. This site can accommodate between 25 and 30 stalls and is an attractive site due to its waterfront location. The site is equipped with a permanent toilet block, power at Ryde Wharf and also a children's playground. The site would not impact upon local business however like most sites, available parking is listed as a negative for this location.

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The markets in this location would be targeted to locals within the surrounding area who could access these markets by foot. The Park and Wharf is also located along a shared cycle and walking path which extends from Parramatta CBD and Morrison Bay Park. Meadowbank Ferry is a 600m walk from the location. It would be proposed that the markets are held every 3rd Saturday to not conflict with another regular market by the Riverside in Ermington which is held every 1st Saturday.



Potential site 2- West Ryde Plaza

Another potential market location is West Ryde Plaza Town Centre. Currently this location as a Town Centre is not highly activated. The community has undergone recent consultation with the City Activation Team and it has been identified that Regular Markets would be welcomed. West Ryde Plaza will also be embellished within the 18/19 financial year and a regular market could be used to activate and promote West Ryde after the completion of these works. The embellishment design has taken into consideration the potential use for markets.

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There are many positives to this location which include onsite toilets, power, parking and limited impact on business compared to other town centres. To reduce the impact on local businesses within this town centre, the type of Markets held in this location would need to be considered. This site would be suitable for a handmade market with a local focus during the day or a food market in the evening once a month to support the night time economy.



Artist Impression of the plaza

Financial Implications

The cost to engage with customers with regards to the two potential market sites is \$8,000.

This costs covers:

- Print and distribution of an A4 double sided colour flyer (includes GPS mapping) to those residents within a 1km radius of each location
- An advertisement in the City News
- Have Your Say webpage with feedback form
- Facebook advertisement

Should Council resolve to undertake this consultation, it will result in a financial impact of \$8,000 which can be funded from Council's existing community engagement budget.

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Criteria for regular market site locations

Potential Site	Availability	Power	Toilets	Parking	Free from Traffic Issues	Free from negative impact on Business	Comments
Ryde Park, Ryde	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	Heavy sporting schedule which results in limited parking and access.
Kissing Point Park, Putney	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	Waterview St is a narrow street which will negatively impact residents and would require permanent signage to be installed along a significant length of this road. The use of a nearby park for parking would not be available due to the park being used for sport and the potential of damage to this park from regular access from vehicles, therefore due to parking and traffic concerns this park is not a viable option.
Anderson Park and Wharf, Meadowbank	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	Due to the high residential numbers in this location, this site would benefit from activation and provide an activity which enables the community to come together without having to drive to a location and therefore reduce the concerns of traffic issues.
ANZAC Park, West Ryde	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	This site would not be suitable for a market due to the location of the park being surrounded by streets on all sides of the park. Aesthetically, not a suitable option and if a market was to be held in West Ryde, The West Ryde Plaza would be a more suitable location
North Ryde Common, Ryde	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	This site has limited infrastructure which would require portable toilets to be hired for each market. The site is large enough to have a car park built onsite however would need to be managed by the contractor and does raise safety concerns.
Eastwood Plaza, Eastwood	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	This site is already highly activated and the current Eastwood Night Markets has experienced a decline in stallholders. The markets are also offering competing products to local businesses which is negatively affecting these businesses.
West Ryde Plaza, West Ryde	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	Embellishment works to the plaza are due to be completed in 18/19 and the plans have been designed to include regular market stalls after consultation with the public indicated this was an activity they were interested in.
Trim Place, Gladesville	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	This site would require support from the local school in which it is likely they would require financial compensation. Further to this a DA would be required to proceed in this location.

8 CITY OF RYDE CAR SHARE POLICY

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REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present a Draft City of Ryde *Car Share Policy and related Guidelines* for Council's consideration and adoption (**ATTACHMENTS 1 & 2**).

This initiative arose following a successful short term parking and car share parking trial which was recommended by the Ryde Traffic Committee on 7 September 2017 and was adopted at Works and Community Committee on 21 November 2017. Council at this meeting resolved to trial a car share space in Macquarie Park and also to retain certain on-street parking controls at Macquarie Park. The Council also resolved that a car share policy be developed for the City of Ryde.

Under the car share trial there is currently only one permanent dedicated on-street car share space on a City of Ryde owned street. This space is located at Lyon Park Road Macquarie Park and is temporarily allocated to car share provider GoGet until 30 June 2018. There are numerous other car share spaces off-street on private property (not controlled by Council), detailed in the body of this report.

This Policy will look to formalise the policy background and procedural guidelines supporting a broader allocation of dedicated car share spaces to car share operators on City of Ryde owned streets and carparks.

Subject to a Car Share Policy being adopted by Council, it is proposed to undertake a separate Expression of Interest (EOI) process to gauge the level of interest in this area and allow other potential dedicated car share spaces on City of Ryde owned streets and carparks.

There is the possibility for more than 12 dedicated on street car share spaces to be allocated within the City of Ryde and for these spaces to be shared across each of the 3 Wards of Council. The number and location of the spaces is not yet known and will depend on the proposed EOI process, the desired location of the spaces and the level of interest displayed by service providers. It is expected that places near areas of high resident activity near transport nodes, shopping and business areas would be preferred by service providers, subject to community acceptance of the preferred spaces.

This report does not, however, seek to update the City of Ryde's existing planning controls relating to Car Share on private property, although it should be noted that these are already encouraged through various LEP and DCP clauses and related guidance documents.

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RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council adopts the proposed Car Share Policy and associated guidelines (ATTACHMENTS 1 and 2) effective from 1 July 2018.
- (b) That the following Car Share fees and charges be set are advertised for inclusion in the 2018/19 fees and charges, indexed annually:
 - Set fee per designated car space \$620
 - Annual fee including administration per designated car space \$350 (unmetered space) or \$950 (metered space)
- (c) That subject to (a), that Council completes an Expression Of Interest (EOI) process before 30 June 2018 in order to gauge broader Car Share Operator interest in dedicated car-share spaces within City owned streets and carparks

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 City of Ryde Car Share Policy
- 2 City of Ryde Car Share Guidelines
- 3 GoGet Annual Member Survey 2017 - CONFIDENTIAL

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Background

In Part G of the “**SHORT-TERM PARKING AND CAR SHARE PARKING TRIAL REVIEW**” report received from the Ryde Traffic Committee Meeting held on 7 September 2017, Council’s Works and Community Committee adopted on 21 November 2017, a trial a car space in Macquarie Park and retain certain on-street parking controls in Macquarie Park. The Council also resolved at this meeting` to *develop a Car Share Policy for City of Ryde.*’

This report proposes to action the final part of the abovementioned resolution relating to the development of a Car Share Policy.

The car share space on Lyon Park Road as shown in the figure below is currently allocated to GoGet under a temporary permit which is valid until 30 June 2018 (or earlier when a separate EOI process is completed).



This trial has proved successful based on the rising number of Go Get members within 250m of the Go Get car, the increased bookings over the time and the total distance travelled by the car overall and by trip. It is now proposed to adopt a Car Share Policy for the City of Ryde to help expand this sustainable transport initiative across the Ryde LGA.

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The strategic implications of this proposal is to provide guidance on the City of Ryde's support through Policy for dedicated Car Share spaces located on-street or in Council owned carparks.

This draft policy relates to RMS's Technical Direction *TD2007/04 Guidelines for the Implementation of On-street Car Share Parking*.

Car sharing is a form of short term car rental whereby car share users can access all the benefits of a car without needing to own one. One of the key reasons for pursuing car share is the environmental benefits.

Car sharing can be for either personal or business use. There are a number of different models of car sharing including:

- car sharing run by commercial businesses, public agencies or cooperatives who own a pool of vehicles which registered members can rent out.
- peer to peer car sharing, where individual car owners rent out their own vehicle for short term rentals through marketplaces (which handle the administration, insurance etc. for car owners and also register and manage car share users).

Commercial Car Share Operators

At present, the only commercial car share operator currently operating within the City of Ryde is:

- GoGet Car Share - GoGet currently has 45 car share vehicles at 32 locations within the City of Ryde including at Gladesville, Eastwood, Macquarie Park, Meadowbank, North Ryde, Top Ryde and West Ryde Town Centres. Car Share Vehicles are parked at dedicated car share spaces including:
 - 25 offstreet locations within private developments or businesses,
 - 2 onstreet locations within private developments
 - 5 onstreet locations on developer owned streets (which have not yet been handed over to Council)
 - 1 onstreet location on a City of Ryde owned street (Lyon Park Road as part of the Macquarie Park short term parking trial 2017)

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- 12 non-dedicated floating on street spaces on City of Ryde owned streets where parking is not regulated in any way, for example on streets where time limits do not apply. This means the car share parking spot is not fixed using line marking or signage but the car is parked at an agreed location. These, typically on street parking spaces are available for use by other car owners and car share members are instructed to park as close as possible to the agreed location.

Other commercial car share operators currently operating outside the City of Ryde include:

- PopCar
- Flexicar
- Hertz 24/7
- GreenCarShare (not currently operating within Sydney)

Peer to Peer Car Share Marketplaces

Peer to Peer Car Share makes it possible for private car owners to rent their car to other people. Owners earn money from their cars being rented and renters get access to a wide range of vehicles and potentially save money compared to traditional car rental, especially for long term rentals.

The following peer to peer car sharing marketplaces are also currently operating within the City of Ryde:

- Car Next Door - currently has a range of car share vehicles parked in on street non-dedicated spaces and off street in privately owned spaces.
- Drive My Car Rentals- currently has a range of car share vehicles parked in on street non-dedicated spaces and off street in privately owned spaces.

Car owners participating in peer to peer car sharing schemes typically park their cars near their homes and would abide by whatever parking restrictions apply in that location.

Current Controls and Links to Community Strategic Plan

Separately to the issue of dedicated car share parking on Council owned streets and carparks, it is noted that car share requirements within developments are also currently included in various Council Planning Controls including:

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- * City of Ryde LEP 2014 Environmental Sustainability Section 6.6.
- * City of Ryde DCP 2014 Part 4.5 Macquarie Park Corridor Section 4.4 Sustainable Transport.
- * City of Ryde DCP 2014 Part 9.3 Parking Controls (car share parking rates relevant to residential developments in Macquarie Park only).
- * Large developments requiring a Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment Report in other areas may also consider Car Sharing on a case by case basis in line with the City of Ryde's Draft Traffic Impact Assessment Guideline.
- * Car sharing may also be considered as part of a Framework Travel Plan required for all developments that exceed 10,000 square metres of new floor space or as a condition of consent for any new development that Council believes has the potential to generate significant traffic and transport impacts.

Link to City of Ryde Outcome Areas

Supporting car share programs within Ryde provides an opportunity for community based greenhouse gas emission reductions which are consistent with Council's "A City of Environmental Sensitivity" outcome area, specifically the goal "to encourage and enable all our residents to live a more environmentally sensitive life".

Car share also provides an opportunity for a reduction in localised traffic congestion and parking demand, which is consistent with Council's "A City of Connections" and "A City of Liveable Neighbourhoods" outcome area, specifically the goal "Our community has the option to safely and conveniently drive, park, cycle or walk around their city." This Goal and these Outcomes remains a key feature of the Draft 2028 Community Strategic Plan.

To date, at least 15 Councils within the Sydney region are also currently supporting car sharing in their communities, to provide leadership in this area.

Car Share Benefits

Car share removes the need for individuals to purchase their own car, saving on the embodied greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from manufacture of the vehicle. It is estimated that around 49.5% of car share users within the City of Ryde have deferred the purchase of a private car since joining car share (GoGet, Annual Personal Member Survey 2017 is **ATTACHED – CONFIDENTIAL – ATTACHMENT 3**).

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This means that for 100 car share members there will be at least 50 less cars on the road than without car share. In addition, as members of a car share organisation they consider the relative utility of car driving to other alternatives each time they make a trip, they are less likely to drive and more likely to use public transport and other alternatives.

In addition, as car share drivers are less likely to drive, this can assist with a reduction in localised traffic congestion. Studies have shown that car share reduces the average vehicle kilometres travelled (VKT) per member by 27% per annum (SGS Economics and Planning, 2012).

Given the assumed reduction in VKT by car share users and typical passenger car usage, this would reduce GHG emissions by around 1.2 tCO₂e per year per car share member per year.

As each car share parking space typically serves around 20 members (Hertz on Demand, 2012), of whom 49.5% have foregone the purchase of an additional private vehicle because of car share access (GoGet, 2018).

Therefore, each car share parking spaces can be assumed to reduce the need for around 10 additional car parking spaces which local government or private developers would otherwise need to provide.

This results in a net increase in available on-street parking supply as a product of car sharing. Car share is aligned with City of Ryde strategic planning goals and assists in reducing the traffic impacts from new developments.

Based on 2017 survey of GoGet members from the City of Ryde (**ATTACHMENT 3**), it was estimated that existing car share usage by 1599 car share members within the City of Ryde has removed around 341 vehicles that would have otherwise utilised existing on street parking, equivalent to freeing up 2km of parking in the City of Ryde (GoGet, 2017).

Car sharing increases inter-nodal transport connection, meaning that members are more likely to walk, cycle or catch public transport with positive health benefits in terms of cardiovascular disease, diabetes and obesity. Lower vehicle usage in turn improves localised air quality and respiratory health for community resulting.

Many car share fleet vehicles are also typically newer, smaller and more efficient vehicles than those owned by the general population which further assists with reducing greenhouse gas and other emissions compared to average SUV or larger model vehicles typically owned today.

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Car sharing removes most of the fixed costs associated with vehicle transport (e.g. purchase, vehicle registration, insurance) for users. Car share users instead have a mostly variable marginal cost for each vehicle trip, depending on the level of usage.

This means that for car share users the variable marginal cost of vehicle trips is compared against the variable marginal costs of other alternatives such as public transport. Therefore, for any particular trip, the car share user is more likely to choose the most rational transport option from a time and financial perspective (as all options are being compared on a similar basis).

Congestion and car share parking benefits not only members of the scheme, but also benefits the community as a whole. It means that other residents, who are not members of the car share scheme, experience less overall demand for parking in their streets.

Resourcing Implications

Impacts of Car Sharing for the City of Ryde staff include staff time required for administration of Car Share Vehicle Permits, processing of EOI applications, preparation of Traffic Committee submissions and enforcement by City Rangers of dedicated on-street car share parking restrictions. Staff time is also required to organise signage and line marking for approved applications.

Identifying Service Providers

Subject to a Car Share Policy being adopted by Council, it is proposed to undertake a separate EOI process to gauge the level of interest in this area and allow other potential dedicated car share spaces on City of Ryde owned streets and carparks.

It is important that the process of selecting car share operators is open and transparent to ensure car share operators do not gain a commercial advantage if spaces are not allocated fairly.

This risk is proposed to be mitigated by conducting an EOI for dedicated car share spaces located on-street and in Council owned carparks.

Then, all future Car Share requests would be considered on a first come first served approval basis as detailed in the proposed Car Share Policy.

Financial Costs and Comparisons

The proposed City of Ryde Car Share Policy has been modelled upon policies developed by other Councils including the City of Sydney and City of Port Phillip Bay.

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Estimated costs for linemarking/ signage and permit administration have been estimated based on discussions with relevant Council staff.

A comparison of current Car Share Parking fees at selected other Councils is presented in the following table. (Note that the level of cost recovery for various Councils may vary for certain fees and that not all Councils allow car share parking in metered parking spaces).

Council	Set up fee per designated car space (for linemarking/signage/ administration etc)	Annual fee per designated car share space
Mosman	\$714	\$365
North Sydney	\$1171	\$204
Northern Beaches	\$2040 (Manly car share)	\$1540 (Manly car share)
City of Sydney	\$2249	\$112
Waverley	\$485	\$120-\$0 in Non Residential Parking Permit Area depending on whether an Electric Vehicle or not
Woollahra	\$410	\$60
Randwick	\$755	No annual fee
Lane Cove	\$0	\$2280
Willoughby	\$600	\$900 (metered parking bays only) \$55 (admin cost per bay)
Inner West	\$449	\$66
City of Ryde (proposed)	\$620	\$950 (metered car space) \$350 (unmetered car space)

Financial Implications

In developing, the proposed City of Ryde Car Share Policy various levels of cost recovery were considered. It is felt that the proposed fees and charges for Ryde should be based on an average of those fees and charges adopted by the NSROC Councils compared in this report, namely Mosman, North Sydney, Lane Cove and Willoughby.

In this regard the following fees and charges, indexed annually should be charged:

One –Off Set Up fee per designated space - \$620

Annual Fees including administration per designated space - \$350 (if an unmetered space) or \$950 (if a metered space)

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Consultation with internal stakeholders

Internal consultation was undertaken with Council's traffic engineer from the Traffic Services section who supports a Ryde Car Share Policy in the manner being proposed.

Consultation with relevant external bodies

There has been initial consultation with Roads and Maritime Services (RMS), who has indicated that they are looking to review their Technical Direction *TD2007/04 Guidelines for the Implementation of On-street Car Share Parking* by mid-2018 and the City of Ryde will be kept involved with any discussions regarding any potential updates.

City of Ryde staff has also been in contact with other Councils such as City of Sydney and Mosman Council regarding their Car Share Policies.

Options

- a) That Council adopts Recommendations (a), (b) and (c) of this report. This is the preferred option and would provide strategic guidance for a number of controlled dedicated Car Share spaces to be located on-street or in Council owned carparks. The fees and charges are considered reflective of what is being charged by other Councils who already have policies in place and for Ryde such a policy would provide a positive impact on reducing localised traffic congestion and parking demand within the City of Ryde as well as reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- b) That Council not adopt a Car Share Policy for the City of Ryde. This is not preferred and would result in a lost opportunity for a reduction in localised traffic congestion and parking demand in Ryde. Congestion and car share parking benefits not only members of the scheme, but also benefits the community as a whole. It means that other residents, who are not members of the car share scheme, experience less overall demand for parking in their streets.

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City of Ryde Car Share Policy

Scope

The City of Ryde Car policy applies to only to dedicated car share spaces located on City of Ryde streets or carparks.

Purpose

The objectives of the Car Sharing Policy are to increase use of car sharing, and to ensure that the City's car sharing program is well-governed and transparent.

Specific objectives include

- **using on-street parking spaces more efficiently:** by reducing the parking demand created by underused private vehicles.
- **reducing traffic congestion, vehicle trips and greenhouse emissions:** by reducing vehicle kilometres travelled, and shifting travel to more fuel efficient vehicles.
- **supporting the local economy:** by reducing the need of businesses and individuals to own a private vehicle and car space
- **Reducing the growth in private car ownership:** By using car share vehicles, car share users defer or reduce their private car ownership.
- **increasing social inclusion:** by enabling access to a variety of vehicles to households who could not otherwise afford them
- **increasing health:** as people walk and cycle more

These objectives are consistent with the following City of Ryde outcome areas:

- "A City of Environmental Sensitivity", specifically the goal "to encourage and enable all our residents to live a more environmentally sensitive life".
- "A City of Connections"
- "A City of Liveable Neighbourhoods, specifically the goal "Our community has the option to safely and conveniently drive, park, cycle or walk around their city."

Guidelines / Procedures

Implementation of the Car Share Policy will be undertaken as per the attached Car Share Guidelines which sets out the general requirements for dedicated carshare parking including issues such as siting and location of car share spaces, allocation of car share spaces, obligations on car share operators, management of car share spaces and associated fees and charges.

References – Legislation and Standards

Guidelines for the Implementation of On-Street Car Share Parking, Technical Direction, TDT 2007/04, NSW Roads and Traffic Authority, September 2007 (or updated version)

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Review Process and Endorsement

This Policy and related guidelines was adopted on ??? and is proposed to be reviewed every 3 years and endorsed by Council.

Attachments

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1. City of Ryde Car Share Guidelines	

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Car Share Guideline

Related Policy

This Car Share Guideline relates to the implementation of the City of Ryde's Car Share Policy for dedicated car share parking within the City of Ryde local government area streets or carparks.

Guideline

Eligibility of a Car Share operator

The City will allocate car share spaces only to car share operators who meet the following criteria:

To qualify, the operator must:

- i) Have, or be developing, a network of cars in locations that are accessible to all members.
- ii) Allow any licensed driver over age 18 to join, subject to reasonable creditworthiness and driving history checks.
- iii) Supply an internet and phone-based booking system available to members 24 hours per day, allowing immediate booking of vehicles.
- iv) Offer booking durations of a minimum one hour duration.
- v) Ensure that no vehicle is booked for longer than four days unless a replacement vehicle is provided for the space.
- vi) Prohibit the routine long-duration reservation or exclusive use, including overnight use, of a car sharing space by any one user, either individual or business.
- vii) Confirm in writing their acceptance of the obligations set out in this policy

Principles for siting and location of car share spaces

General Principles for Car Share Parking Bay Placement

Ideally, car share parking spaces should:

- *Be located close to existing public transport stops or stations.
- *Be located near activity and community hubs, areas of high employment, residential densities or low vehicle ownership.
- *Be located in areas which are visible to the public ideally with high pedestrian traffic.
- *Be allocated close to the beginning or end of a bay of parking.

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*Be sited so to ensure safety and accessibility for car share users, pedestrians, cyclists and other road users.

It is the responsibility of the car share operator to determine if a particular proposed space is likely to meet their commercial or other requirements.

Restricted Parking Areas

Car share parking will not be considered for spaces currently signposted as:

- Disabled parking zones
- Loading Zones
- No Stopping/No Parking Zones
- Bus Zones/Taxi Zones
- Residential Parking Permit Areas

Metered Parking Areas

For existing metered parking areas within Macquarie Park, whilst applications for car share parking bays can be made as part of an initial EOI for car sharing bays (detailed below), these will be considered separately as part of a long term Car Parking Plan being developed for Macquarie Park.

For approved applications for metered parking areas, setup costs per bay and a Car Share Annual Permit Fee (per bay for metered spaces only) would apply as per Council's adopted Fees and Charges Policy.

Utilisation Rates and Car Share Coverage Rates

i) Areas with no existing onstreet car share vehicles within 250m radius
If there are no current car share spaces within a parking precinct, then no specific utilisation rate is required to be demonstrated in initial application by a car share operator.

ii) Areas with >0 and <3% existing onstreet car share vehicles within a 250m radius

In parking precincts where existing dedicated on-street car share spaces account for less than 3% of available kerbside parking (within a 250m radius), the City will allocate spaces requested by car share operators only where data held by Council for existing spaces demonstrates that the three nearest on-street or offstreet spaces are each used at least 15 times per month or at least four hours per day, on average over the period of the preceding three months.

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- iii) Areas with >3 and <5% existing onstreet car share vehicles within a 250m radius

In parking precincts where existing dedicated on-street car share spaces account for more than 3% but less than 5% of available kerbside parking (within a 250m radius), the City will allocate spaces requested by car share operators only where data held by Council for existing spaces demonstrates that each of the three nearest on-street or offstreet spaces are used at least 20 times per month or at least five hours per day, on average over the period of the preceding 3 months.

- iv) Areas with 5% existing onstreet car share vehicles within a 250m radius
Applications for additional car share spaces in parking precincts will not currently be accepted where this would result in dedicated on-street car share spaces exceeding 5% of available kerbside parking in a specific parking precinct (within a 250m radius) or segment of road. However, should this requirement of RMS Technical Direction be revised in an upcoming RMS review, the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee may consider applications made by car share operators for additional car share spaces on a case by case basis until the Car Share Policy can be updated to reflect new RMS requirements.

Allocation of car share spaces

Expression of Interest for use of car sharing bays

The City of Ryde intends to undertake an initial Expressions of Interest process for provision of dedicated car share spaces located within City of Ryde owned streets and offstreet carparks.

Following this initial Expressions of Interest process, the City may, at its discretion, elect to undertake subsequent Expression of Interests for the use of any further dedicated car sharing spaces.

The Expression of Interest will be open to any eligible car share operators, including incumbents. Specific terms of an Expressions of Interest will be detailed in the relevant EOI document including the proposed duration of such an agreement.

Applications for use of car sharing bays outside of Expressions of Interest process

Following an initial Expressions of Interest process, applications for additional Car Share Parking spaces will be considered by the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee from any eligible car share operators on a first come, first served basis provided these guidelines are complied with and that an application is made using the form provided in Attachment 1.

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If an approved Car Share Parking Space is not utilised within two weeks of approval, the approval will lapse, and the car share operator will need to reapply for the parking space.

Term of car share parking permit

A Car Share Parking Permit is valid for 12 months from the date of issue and must be renewed annually by the car share operator.

Competition

The City of Ryde's car sharing program is open to both existing and new car share operators who meet the requirements of this policy.

City of Ryde's right to refuse applications

The City reserves the right to reject any application to establish a car share space. The City will also refuse speculative and large scale placement of car share vehicles in the absence of reasonably foreseeable resident or business demand.

Allocation of bays in the event of change of control

Allocated car share spaces may not be transferred or traded between operators. In the case of change of control or ownership by one operator of another operator, the City may, acting reasonably, revoke or reallocate any or all of the operators' spaces at its discretion.

Obligations of car share operators

Operators must meet the obligations set out below:

- i) Vehicle Environmental Impact – An operator must not use any passenger vehicle in a dedicated on-street space which emits more than 175g/km of CO₂. In the case of other vehicle types, such as vans or utilities, an operator must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the City that the vehicle is a high environmental performer for its class and it will be at the discretion of the City to approve or deny the approval.
- ii. Administration of Car Share Scheme- The Car Share Operator will be responsible for the management and daily operation of the car share scheme utilised by members.
- ii) Availability of vehicles – Cars must be installed within two weeks of the City notifying an operator of the availability of a space for which they have applied. Once installed, a car may not be withdrawn from service for more than 72 hours for maintenance, repair or any other reason unless the City is notified, and a replacement vehicle provided after four days. Operators must acquaint themselves

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with upcoming road closures due to special events or other purposes and make arrangements to remove or relocate vehicles during that time.

iii) Permit – Car share operators must ensure that a current City issued Authorised Car Share Vehicle Permit or temporary Letter of Authorisation is obtained and displayed on each vehicle at all times. This permit identifies an authorised car share vehicle and authorises the car to park in its dedicated parking space.

iv) Monthly reports – Car share operators must provide an accurate and detailed monthly usage and membership report, in a template specified or approved by the City, for vehicles in every allocated car share space. The report must include, at a minimum, the number of members by postcode and suburb, quantity of car share vehicles in car share spaces (on and off-street), identification between business and personal usage bookings, total number and duration of bookings per vehicle, total trip distance per vehicle and the total number of hours the vehicle is available each month.

v) Audit of Reports – A car share operator must submit to an independent audit of monthly reporting and usage data if required by the City.

vi) Financial Soundness - A car share operator must, upon request, demonstrate to the satisfaction of the City that the operator is financially sound, and capable of meeting obligations to the City and members.

vii) Insurances- The Car Share Operator will ensure that its vehicles are comprehensively insured and registered at all times.

Obligations of the City of Ryde

Consultation

The City will provide car share operators with a standard letter that the car share operator shall use for consultation with residents in the vicinity of a proposed on-street or off-street space. The City reserves the right to undertake spot checks to validate the consultation process undertaken by applicants for a proposed space.

Subject to the results of consultation, proposals to allocate dedicated car share spaces will then be considered by the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee.

Installation of Linemarking/Signage

Should an application for a dedicated car share space be approved by the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee and following payment of the applicable fees and charges by the car share operator, the City of Ryde will install required linemarking and signage at the new parking bay.

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Issuing of Authorised Vehicle Permit

Should an application for a dedicated car share space be approved by the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee and following payment of the applicable fees and charges by the car share operator, the City of Ryde will issue an Authorised Car Share Vehicle Permit to the car share operator.

Promotion

The City of Ryde may provide links on its website which promote both commercial and peer to peer car share operators within the City of Ryde (including those who utilise dedicated City of Ryde car share parking spaces as per this Guideline and those who utilise other parking locations) provided that the car share operator has accepted the terms of these guidelines or has entered into a written agreement with the City concerning vehicle availability and condition and provision of regular usage reports.

Enforcement

Recognising that illegal parking is particularly problematic for car sharing, the City of Ryde will consistently enforce existing regulation that prohibits non-car share vehicles parking in car share spaces. Enforcement shall be undertaken as per the current version of Roads and Maritime Services Technical Direction TD2007/04 Guidelines for the Implementation of On-street Car Share Parking.

Management of car share spaces

Disclosure of data

The City at its discretion is entitled to publish monthly usage summaries of car share vehicles at an aggregated level such as by suburb, bay type. Detailed monthly reports detailing bay specific data will be treated as commercially confidential for 12 months from the date on which the reports are due to Council.

Minimum usage

Where, if averaged over a period of three consecutive months, the usage of a car share space is less than 10 trips per month *and* usage is less than 40 hours per month, the City may ask an operator to show cause as to why the space should not be withdrawn or reallocated. The City may only withdraw or reallocate spaces that have been in place for more than eighteen months.

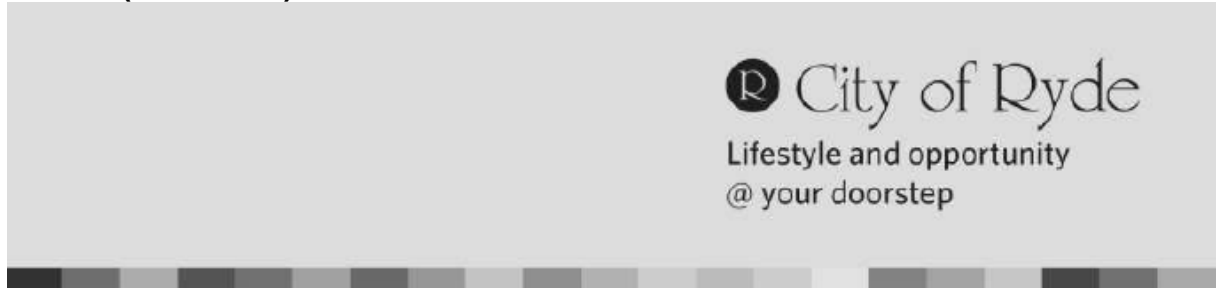
Non-compliance with Policy

In the case of non-compliance with any obligations or terms and conditions of this policy, the City may, acting reasonably, suspend or revoke any or all spaces

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assigned to an operator, or suspend an operator's eligibility to apply for additional spaces.

Authority to take action for non-compliance rests with the City of Ryde's General Manager. Operators will be given an opportunity to make representations prior to any action for non-compliance with this policy. In case of the revocation of spaces, the General Manager is authorised to reallocate spaces to an alternative operator.

Fees and charges

Fees are **set to fully recover the** costs of administering the policy, installing and removing car sharing bays and recovering parking meter fees (if applicable). The Car Share Linemarking and Signposting fee, Car Share Administration Fee and Car Share Annual Permit Fee shall be set annually in the City of Ryde's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

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<i>Number</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Trim Reference</i>
1.	Application Form for On-Street Car Share Bays	

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Attachment 1: Application Form for Dedicated Car Share Spaces

Outside of an initial or subsequent Expressions of Interest Process, applications for dedicated car share spaces can be lodged with the City of Ryde via cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au. Council reserves the right to refuse any incomplete applications, or request for further information where required. By submitting an application, the Applicant agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of the City of Ryde Car Share Guidelines.

All enquiries regarding the application should be addressed to the City of Ryde at cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9952 8222.

1. Applicant's Details

Company name:	
Company address:	
ABN:	
Contact Person:	
Phone number:	
Fax number:	
Email:	

2. Proposed Car Share Bay Location

Please provide the following:

- Street address
- Aerial view of showing location of proposed bay.
- Street view clearly showing proposed bay.
- GPS Coordinates of proposed bay
- Existing parking restrictions at the proposed bay location
- Land use abutting the proposed bay location
- Proximity to nearest car share vehicle(s)
- Proximity to public transport stops or train stations (if applicable)

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Figure 1: Aerial view for Proposed Car Share Bay (example only)



If more than 1 location is requested, please attach additional pages as required- Please ensure each bay is in order of preference.

3. Basis for Demand¹

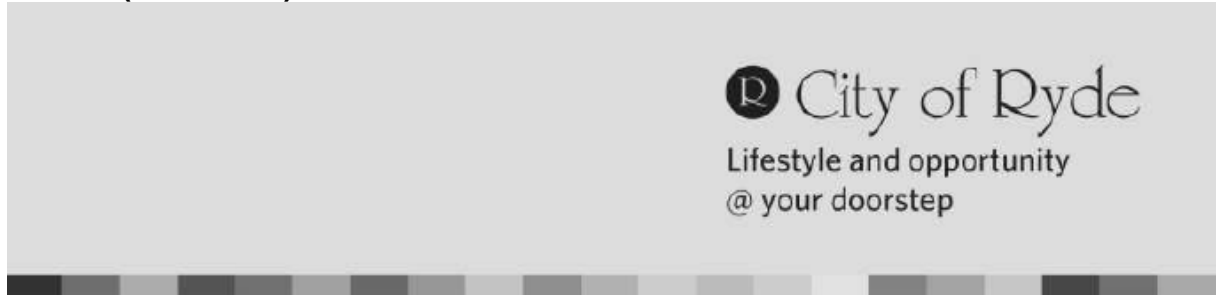
• Number of existing dedicated car share spaces within a 250m radius (total for all car share operators)	
• Total number of onstreet parking spaces within a 250m radius	
• Number of existing car share members within a 250m radius (if known)	
• Number of potential new car share members within a 250m radius	
• Utilisation rates of existing car share vehicles within a 250m radius expressed as a ratio of car to members (if known)	
• For three closest existing car share vehicles average no. of bookings per month and hours per day over three months (if known)	
• Other indicators of estimated demand: e.g. household size, age of population, growth in monthly membership etc.	

¹ Applicant should provide as much details as possible and where appropriate, supply references.

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Whilst new car share operators will not have access to car space specific data from existing car share operators, applications made by new car share operators to Council for additional dedicated car shares spaces will be considered by Council's Traffic Committee on the basis of data held internally by the City of Ryde.

4. Proposed Car Share Vehicle At Location

Vehicle 1	Vehicle 2 (Alternate)
Proposed make(s):	Proposed make(s):
Proposed model(s):	Proposed model(s):
Carbon emissions per vehicle: <i>grams/km</i>	Carbon emissions per vehicle: <i>grams/km</i>

5. Payment of Application Fee

Based on the information provided in the application, Council will determine the general suitability of the proposed car share bay location.

If a location is determined by the City to be generally suitable for car sharing, the City will then provide car share operators with a standard letter that the car share operator shall use to undertake consultation with residents in the vicinity of a proposed on-street or off-street space.

Subject to the results of consultation undertaken by the car share operator, proposals to allocate dedicated car share spaces will then be considered by the City of Ryde's Traffic Committee.

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Council may in its discretion reject any application. In that event, Council may propose an alternative location for the Applicant.

If the Applicant is successful, within 30 days of notification the Applicant must pay Council the following fees as set annually in the City of Ryde's Schedule of Fees and Charges:

- A Car Share Linemarking and Signposting Fee
- A Car Share Administration Fee
- A Car Share Annual Permit Fee (where relevant currently only for metered parking spaces)

If the Fee is not paid by the deadline, Council may reject the application.

6. PRIVACY NOTICE

The *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)* makes provisions for collecting, storing using and disclosing personal information, which has implications for the way in which Council handles personal information in its possession or control.

Council will only use the Applicant's personal information for the purposes provided to it. Council does not share the Applicant's information with other organisations, or other persons without the Applicant's permission unless it is reasonably necessary for the purpose or when Council is required or authorised by law to do so.

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES that all information provided under this application and the attached supporting documentation is true and correct and **AGREES** to the Terms and Conditions of the Car Share Guidelines.

Executed for and on behalf of _____ by its Authorised

Representative:

Signed: Name:

Position: Date:

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