
**MM3/24 RECOGNITION OF AUSTRALIA DAY - Mayor, Councillor
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Each year on 26th January, the City of Ryde on Australia Day held a Citizenship Ceremony.

In December 2022, the Federal Labor government revoked a rule which forced Councils to hold citizenship ceremonies on Australia Day.

In 2022, four Councils across Australia chose not to hold Australia Day citizenship ceremonies.

In 2024, more than 80 councils will not be conducting a citizenship ceremony.

The City of Ryde will be conducting two citizenship ceremonies to mark the Australia Day period, one on 25th January and one on 26th January.

The City of Ryde will also, this Australia Day, hold a Backyard bbq for the community on 26th January.

As Mayor, I wish for Council to reaffirm its commitment to Australia Day and the conduct of a Citizenship Ceremony on this important national day.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

- (1) reaffirm its commitment to Australia Day on 26th January.
- (2) conduct a citizenship ceremony to mark each Australia Day on 26th January.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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