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CELEBRATE SUMMER APPROACHING IN WEST RYDE

With summer just around the corner, the City of Ryde has launched a new series of events which will prove the perfect way to kick off everyone's weekend.

The West Ryde Summer Series will take place at West Ryde Plaza on the third Friday afternoon of every month between November and January, with the series beginning on Friday 15 November.

Each event will showcase four local musicians and feature a licensed bar as well as tasty bites.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said the West Ryde Summer Series will activate the new West Ryde Plaza and help stimulate the local night time economy.

"The community has asked Council to provide more fun and exciting entertainment options for everyone to enjoy and the West Ryde Summer Series fits that bill perfectly," Cllr Laxale said.

"Not only will it breathe life into West Ryde town centre, but will also give a new platform for budding local musicians to showcase their enormous talents.

"Each event that will make up the West Ryde Summer Series will be held between 4pm and 8pm, so people can pop down, enjoy some fantastic entertainment and then at the end head to one of the fantastic local restaurants located in the area."

The West Ryde Summer Series is being held as a three-month trial to help gauge whether there is interest within the community to continue staging similar events at West Ryde Plaza in the future.

There will be an opportunity for the public to provide their feedback on the series during the trial.

Earlier this year, the City of Ryde completed the upgrade of the West Ryde Plaza which included the installation of a new shade structure, a new play area for children, public seating and free public Wi-Fi.

The upgrades also retained an open paved area to allow for activities such as the West Ryde Summer Series to take place.

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