

Friday 11 December 2020

CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY – NOVEMBER MEETING

Council held its latest Ordinary meeting on 24 November 2020. The following is a summary of the outcomes from the meeting:

Council extends rates rebate

The one-off \$400 council rates rebate [has been extended](#) for approved JobSeeker and JobKeeper to 31 March 2021 as part of Council's ongoing support for those within the community impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The one-off \$400 rates rebate was first endorsed by Council in April this year as part of a new COVID-19 Financial Hardship Policy with applications initially closing on 30 September 2020. The initial round of the rates rebate resulted in 220 rebates being granted, totalling \$88,000.

Outdoor dining fees and food inspection fees waived

Outdoor dining fee and food inspection fees will continue to be [waived](#) until the end of March 2021 to support local businesses recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, Council has waived more than \$112,000 in fees for businesses.

Draft Ryde Local Housing Strategy and Multi-Dwelling Housing Planning Proposal

Council will consider the City of Ryde [draft Local Housing Strategy and draft Multi-Dwelling Housing Planning Proposal](#) at its December meeting.

The draft strategy and planning proposal were exhibited between 16 October and 16 November 2020.

Annual Report on Code of Conduct Complaint Statistics

Council's Annual Report on Code of Conduct Complaint Statistics will be provided to the Office of Local Government as is required by the Model Code of Conduct.

Local organisations benefit from latest round of Small Grants program

More than \$11,000 was allocated to six community organisations as part of round two of the 2020 City of Ryde Small Grants program.

New operator for Ryde Youth Theatre

Shopfront Youth Arts CoOp will be the new operator of the Ryde Youth Theatre from 2020/21 to 2024/25 after Council accepted its tender.

New car share parking spaces authorised

Twenty-five new locations in the City of Ryde have been authorised for single-use fixed car share parking.

Kiss and Ride zone at Denistone East Primary School

A Kiss and Ride zone will be permanently installed on Henderson Street at the front of Denistone East Public School after a petition was submitted by the school supporting the move.

Level of food and emergency relief to be monitored

The level of food and other emergency relief in the City of Ryde will be monitored by Council to ensure an adequate level of support is available to meet the community need during the COVID-19 pandemic. Council will continue to support the work of community and religious organisations in providing food and other emergency relief to local residents who are in need of support.

Meeting with Eltham Street residents

Council staff will facilitate a meeting with residents who live on Eltham Street in Gladesville to address their concerns with the abrasive roots causing problems to their houses.

Next meeting

The next Ordinary Council meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 8 December 2020. It was adjourned due to a lack of a quorum and will reconvene on Tuesday, 15 December 2020.

[Click here](#) for the minutes of the November Ordinary Council meeting.

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