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GLADESVILLE LIBRARY JOINT AGREEMENT SIGNED & SEALED

A new three-year Joint Library Agreement for Gladesville Library has been signed by City of Ryde and Hunters Hill Councils.

The Agreement ensures the continuation of high quality services for the community now and into the future and is another chapter in the nearly 60-year library services partnership between the two Councils.

Mayor for the City of Ryde, Clr Bill Pickering, said: "This agreement is the result of a collaborative effort between our two Councils for the benefit of the community. It strengthens a long-standing partnership and demonstrates the positive outcomes of sharing services, facilities and common goals for the benefit of the community.

Mayor of Hunters Hill, Clr Richard Quinn, added: "Libraries are more than places of reading and borrowing; they are important community hubs offering a huge range of services for all members of the community.

"This agreement is mutually beneficial to all and ensures the continuation of a great library service for local families."

- Gladesville Library is highly valued by its community and offers a range of programs and services including computer access, fast reliable WiFi, great collections of DVDs, children's books, HSC material, Chinese language items, and of course a great range of fiction and non-fiction books including popular cookbooks, gardening, computers, tablets, mysteries, romance, travel and more.
- Gladesville Library customers also have access to a great range of eBooks, eMagazines, a kids online library including readers and popular fiction, and eAudiobooks.
- Popular sessions include Friday Rhymetime for 0-2 year olds and Storytime for 3-5 year olds; First Monday of the Month knitting group; Two book clubs; and a range of talks.

The Agreement sets out the City of Ryde's responsibility for strategic, operational management of the library service and assets and Hunters Hill Council's commitment to a three year funding arrangement.

Signing of Ryde/Hunters Hill Joint Library Services Agreement – Clr Bill Pickering, Mayor for City of Ryde and Clr Richard Quinn, Mayor for Hunters Hill. Members of Friends of Gladesville Library. Thursday 9 October 2014, 4.00pm. Gladesville Library, 6 Pittwater Road, Gladesville.

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