

Wednesday 11 April 2018

CITY OF RYDE COUNCIL MEETING OUTCOMES – 27 MARCH 2018

Council held its latest Ordinary meeting on Tuesday 27 March. Here is a summary of the main outcomes from the meeting:

Council opposes modified pedestrian footbridge in Bundara Reserve

The City of Ryde resolved to prepare a submission opposing the modification of the pedestrian footbridge over Delhi Road in North Ryde, noting that there should be no impact on the Bundara Reserve.

Council also resolved to write to the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Anthony Roberts, requesting an extension of the public consultation period and to highlight the issue using its usual media channels.

[For more on this, click here](#)

FIFA World Cup live site coming to Ryde

Australia's first game of the FIFA World Cup will be screened live on a big screen at ELS Hall Park in North Ryde following unanimous support from Council.

This year's FIFA World Cup will take place in Russia with Australia beginning their tournament against France on Saturday 16 June. The live site at ELS Hall Park will be a family friendly event with food and fun activities planned throughout the evening.

[For more on this, click here](#)

Children's playground implementation program to be enhanced

Following feedback raised by parents, Council resolved to explore enhancing the City of Ryde's playground implementation program as part of its review of the program. This includes establishing a Children's Play Panel made up of community members who will provide feedback on existing and future playgrounds.

City of Ryde opposed to Local Planning Panels

Council voiced its opposition to the forced introduction of the Local Planning Panels on the City of Ryde. Local Planning Panels are independent bodies who assess certain development applications made to local councils.

Council's opposition was recorded after it was reported that the total cost of the panel will be approximately \$230,000 per year. Council also resolved to seek reimbursement from the State Government for all costs incurred from operating the panel.

Cooperation leads to reduction in crime in Eastwood

Council acknowledged the work undertaken by the Ryde Police Area Command, local associations and Council staff in support of the local Eastwood business community in addressing safety concerns in Eastwood town centre.

The cooperation had not only led to a reduction of robberies in the area but also encouraged Eastwood residents and business owners to work closely with the local police.

Meeting to discuss development in the City of Ryde

The City of Ryde will write to the Member for Ryde, the Hon. Victor Dominello, the Planning Minister, the Hon. Anthony Roberts, and the Transport Minister, the Hon. Andrew Constance, inviting them to attend and address a public meeting to listen to community concerns about overdevelopment in the City of Ryde, particularly Gladesville. In the event that the invitations are accepted by the MPs, Council will arrange for the public meeting to take place.

Return and Earn Container Deposit scheme

In an effort to encourage residents to take advantage of the NSW Governments Return and Earn Container Deposit scheme, the City of Ryde resolved to investigate the feasibility of offering collection points at appropriate locations in the community.

In the event that this occurs, the City of Ryde will assist with education campaigns that will assist residents learn how the scheme works and where containers can be deposited.

Changes to Council's Committee meeting structure

From 2 April 2018, all Council Committee meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of every month. This includes the Works and Community Committee (6pm start), Finance and Governance Committee (6.45pm) and the Ryde Central Committee (7.15pm).

Pedestrian issues around Our Lady Queen of Peace School

Council will organise an urgent meeting prior to 4 May with representatives of Our Lady Queen of Peace School, the local P & C, the Church and key Council staff to discuss pedestrian access, pedestrian lights and any other safety issues in the vicinity of the school.

People in the vicinity of Eltham Street will be invited to a separate meeting to discuss parking problems and any other traffic related matters.

Water main to be relocated on Pittwater Road

Council has accepted the tender for the relocation of a water main on Pittwater Road, Gladesville owned by Sydney Water. Work on the relocation will begin soon.

Recognition of local achievements

Larry Dunne, President of the Epping Eastwood Lions Club, was presented with a commemorative plaque in recognition of 60 years of the Epping Eastwood Lions Club.

In addition, Hugh Lee OAM was presented with a commemorative plaque in recognition of his contribution to the local community of Eastwood, in particular the Lunar New Year Committee.

Meanwhile, a park bench and a plaque will be installed at Eastwood Oval by the City of Ryde to acknowledge the 60th anniversary of the Eastwood St Andrews Athletic Football Club.

Bennelong Putney Project

The City of Ryde resolved to support the creation of the Bennelong Putney Project Committee. The committee will be formed of interested citizens who seek to acknowledge the importance of Bennelong. Its aims will be to investigate the potential Aboriginal burial site in Putney and progress any measures required to protect the site.

Next meeting

The next Ordinary Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 24 April.

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