

## City of Ryde MEDIA RELEASE

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## **WORK BEGINS ON UPGRADES TO WEST RYDE PLAZA**

The City of Ryde has commenced work on the much-anticipated upgrade to West Ryde Plaza.

The improvements will include a new play area for kids, additional seating and trees. Free public Wi-Fi will also be installed, as well as CCTV and additional feature lighting.

Another highlight will be the introduction of a new eye-catching leaf-shaped shade structure, which will provide the area with much-needed cover particularly during the warmer months.

The shade structure will be made with laminate glass panels and will be situated between Coles and Woolworths shopping centres.

The upgrades will retain an open paved area to allow for other activities, such as market stalls or live performances in the future.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said the upgrades will benefit local shoppers, businesses and residents.

"These exciting improvements have been undertaken by Council after extensive consultation with the community," Clr Laxale said.

"They will make West Ryde Plaza more attractive and user-friendly for everyone. There will be active areas for children as well as adequate shelter and seating for all, which will be completed in an aesthetically pleasing way."

Council will make every effort to minimise the impact of the works on residents and businesses. Property access will also be maintained continuously during construction.

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