Making Parramatta River Swimmable Again By 2025 – One Year In

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One year into the Our Living River initiative to bring swimming back to the Parramatta River (the river) by 2025, the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) has released its first 12 month progress report.

Newly elected PRCG Chairman City of Ryde Mayor Clr Jerome Laxale welcomed the report: "I'm pleased that we've made some serious progress on the way to achieving our goal of swimming in the Parramatta River again.

"I, like many others, was captivated by the notion of being able to swim in this river again. I live around 2km from Meadowbank, and I cannot wait to take my kids down there in 10 years' time."

"Community involvement is paying off already! This year we saw a pod of eight dolphins seen swimming as far west as Silverwater Bridge – the first dolphin sighting in a long, long time," he said.

The Our Living River initiative is spearheaded by 16 local councils and state government agencies and community groups within the catchment area.

With the necessary partnerships and support in place, the group has now taken steps to establishing a Riverwatch monitoring program and developing a river master plan, to look at all issues related to restoring the river to full health and activation. Through this they are setting a range of achievable targets to bring currently unusable parts of the river and surrounding creeks back to life.

"After decades of neglect, we are now bringing our river and surrounding creeks back to their former glory. This will have tangible social and economic benefits to the two million residents who surround the area," Clr Laxale said.

"This year is crucial. We'll be asking communities who live around the river to help shape what they want for the river, and how we make it swimmable again."

Currently, the river west of Cabarita is un-swimmable, with the exception of Lake Parramatta1.

Highlights of the report include:

- Lake Parramatta1 opened for swimming for the first time in 72 years the Lake is currently voted as the most popular place where people want to swim.
- More than 4,000 votes lodged online for where people want to swim on the river. To have your say and vote, go to <u>ourlivingriver.com.au</u>
- Sightings of dolphins, seals and penguins swimming in the river.
- Our Living Catchment Fauna and Habitat Report launched highlighting the richness and diversity of animals that exist in natural banks and bushland surrounding the Parramatta River.

- Commitment shown from all-levels of government and the community to look at issues related to restoring the river to full health and activation.
- The Environment Protection Authority and The Hills Shire Council join as new members, completing the partnership needed to achieve the mission.
- Commitment from the Minister for Environment to support developing a Riverwatch monitoring program for the river.
- Macquarie University report launched, investigating five issues that impacts on the mission to make the river swimmable again.
- High profile ambassadors for Our Living River announced, including the Wests Tigers, academics from four Sydney Universities, State and local MPs and Councillors.
- Advocating for a replacement of the RiverCat ferries with a new, low wake design to reduce the impacts on future swimming.

To celebrate their first anniversary, members of the PRCG came together at Meadowbank Baths, one of the historic swimming locations to re-create a picture of the past. (See attached historic photo).

For more go to <u>ourlivingriver.com.au</u>

About Our Living River: The *Our Living River* initiative is being delivered by the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG). The PRCG is a group of councils, government agencies and community groups who are working to improve the Parramatta River and creeks that flow into it. Members include: Ashfield Council, Auburn Council, Bankstown City Council, Blacktown City Council, Burwood Council, City of Canada Bay Council, Holroyd City Council, Hunters Hill Council, Leichhardt Municipal Council, Parramatta City Council, City of Ryde Council, Strathfield Municipal Council, The Hills Shire Council, the Environment Protection Authority, Greater Sydney Local Land Services and Sydney Water.

Resources:

Voting map and chart of top 10 most popular swimming spots. Community faces and ambassadors showing their support for the mission (upon request).

www.ourlivingriver.com.au Youtube/archival videos incl a) Rob Stokes announcing NSW Government's commitment to the mission, b) Our Living River community events and snapshots of key ambassadors, c) Launch of the Our Living Catchment Fauna and Habitat Report , d) Natural History of Parramatta River video e) 1910 Lifesaving Festival at Little Coogee on Parramatta River in Parramatta Park.

Dolphins in the Parramatta River video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xzvdE-LbKcw

1 Parramatta Lake is safe to swim in only when lifeguards are on patrol and in patrolled areas, to ensure swimmer safety.

Ryde's Night Time Economy – Activating Macquarie Park

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Ryde Council will undertake a wide-ranging consultation and research program to develop a Night-Time Economy strategy for the City of Ryde in response to the future needs of our community.

Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said he wanted to see our town and neighbourhood centres more activated, vibrant and accessible. "If you look at Macquarie Park today, we have a world class business precinct during the day, but a ghost town at night.

"If we are to help ease congestion and provide more jobs for our city, activation of centres such as these is vital."

"Businesses and their employees in Macquarie Park have consistently told me that they are looking for more things to do during the day and into the evening. Good planning is essential for good cities, and this study will enable us to get the framework right now, rather than when it is too late.

A night-time economy typically centres on small bars, food, and entertainment but this could include businesses staying open later for free workshops or other activities.

"A well-functioning night-time economy will not only make Ryde a better place to live, but it will create more jobs for locals. The best cities in the world are ones where you can live, work and play – this plan will help us achieve that." Mayor Laxale added.

Tiny Tots Rock to Stories and Songs in the 'Piazza'

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Ryde Library took their popular *Storytime for Children* outdoors at Top Ryde City 'La Piazza' today and more than 150 excited tiny tots, mums and dads joined in the storytelling and songs.

Ryde Mayor Clr Jerome Laxale joined presenters Gabbie, Penny and Dora on stage in a fine rendition of 'Insey winsey spider'. Other favourites were 'Hickory dickory dock' and 'Twinkle twinkle little star'.

The next Outdoor Storytime for Children will be held on Friday 18 December, 10.30am.

No bookings required. Bring your hat, water bottle and sunscreen and find a spot on the grass under the big screen.

Mayor TV: Episode 4

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The Mayor of Ryde, Clr Jerome Laxale talks all things Affordable Housing and invites the community to have their say on our draft policy.

New M.E.R.C. Unveiled by Liquor Accord

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A purpose built, mobile interactive console that simulates the effects of a range of blood alcohol levels is the latest resource of the Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord (EGLA) to raise awareness among young people of the dangers of drink driving and binge drinking.

Named M.E.R.C. (for Mobile Education Resource Trailer), the interactive trailer is designed like a play station with two monitors connected to a gaming console and laptop that delivers interactive driving simulations, games and presentations via 'beer goggles'. It is used at schools and youth focused events as part of the EGLAs community education program.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said M.E.R.C. was a perfect use of technology to engage young people. "The great thing about this interactive trailer is that when a young person connects up to the simulator wearing the 'beer goggles' they experience the effects of a range of blood alcohol levels, and with the additional guidance of the Police they begin to learn how to minimise their risks and make better choices."

Members of the Ryde LAC trialled the simulator at Drink Drive Awareness events for Year 11 students at Holy Cross College and at the recent Granny Smith Festival.

Funding and equipment for M.E.R.C. were provided by EGLA membership fees and fundraising, City of Ryde and Northern Sydney Health Promotion, the Epping Club and Community Drug Action Team (CDAT).

M.E.R.C. will be launched by the Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord (EGLA) on Tuesday 24 November, at the North Ryde RSL, Pittwater and Magdala Road, Ryde, at 10.15pm.

What is the EGLA?

The Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord (EGLA) works to reduce alcohol-related problems, anti-social behaviour and violence in and around licensed premises.

Membership comprises the majority of clubs and hotels in the local area and a number of restaurants and bottle shops, with Ryde LAC, City of Ryde Council and the Northern Sydney Health Promotion.

It is one of the more successful Accords in NSW with a large, active membership and a strong and cooperative partnership between members, local police and Council. This has contributed to the relatively low rate of alcohol related issues in the Ryde LGA.

Council's Human White Ribbon Raises Awareness

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City of Ryde Council has marked seven years of support of the White Ribbon campaign with staff forming a human white ribbon logo on the forecourt of the Civic Centre and raising \$736 from a cake bake-off.

Mayor Clr Jerome Laxale and Ryde's General Manager Gail Connolly, joined Ryde Local Area Command Superintendent John Duncan, Police Multiculture Community Liaison Officer Chantha Mau, Clr Craig Chung and eighty-five Council staffers in the mass show of support for White Ribbon Day (November 25), Australia's male-led campaign to stop men's violence against women.

Mayor Laxale praised the staff initiative and said: "Council has played a community leadership role to partner with business, community groups and individuals to highlight the need for concerted action to stop violence against women.

"You can show your support by taking White Ribbon pledge and wear white or a white ribbon or wristband on White Ribbon Day Wednesday November 25."

The White Ribbon Pledge:

I swear never to commit, condone or remain silence about violence towards women.

White Ribbon Australia seeks to change the attitudes and behaviours that lead to and perpetuate men's violence against women, by engaging boys and men to lead social change.

Visit the White Ribbon website

JRA Partners Will Not Succumb to Premier's 'Bully-Boy' Tactics

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Rally Group - 18 November 2015

The deadline for the farcical and shameful '50 word' submissions to the State Government which will be used to determine the future of our Councils were due yesterday.

The State Government recently determined that our Councils are unfit and subsequently decided to reduce Councils ability to respond comprehensively to the recommendations from the IPART report.

In stark comparison, the report from the Parliamentary Inquiry into Local Government in NSW, General Purpose Standing Committee Number 6, strongly supported City of Ryde, Hunters Hill and Lane Cove Councils proposed Joint Regional Authority (JRA).

Recommendation 17 of the report stated: "That the NSW Government work with local government on a statutory model for Joint Organisations based on the Hunters Hill, Ryde and Lane Cove Council model as a cooperative and consensus model for local council reform in Metropolitan Sydney".

This outcome absolutely vindicates the strong position we have held from its inception, that the City of Ryde, Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Councils' proposal of a Joint Regional Authority (JRA) is a bold, visionary and a superior alternative to the NSW Government's Fit for the Future proposals.

The JRA partners of City of Ryde, Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Councils have all responded to the State Government along the following lines:

(City of Ryde/ Hunter's Hill Council / Lane Cove Council) is financially fit and sustainable, and has capacity and size for effective local government.

It supports the JRA model for regional cooperation, as endorsed by the NSW Legislative Council.

Council has the strong support of its local community and rejects the need to merge with any council.

Ryde Mayor Clr Jerome Laxale said: "The City of Ryde is standing firm against the 'Bully-Boy' tactics of the NSW Premier Mike Baird on this issue, we will not succumb to the demands that are being forced upon us against the will of our community."

Hunter's Hill Mayor Clr Richard Quinn said: "The Hunters Hill community has soundly rejected amalgamation and, with strong community support, has committed to pursuing the JRA regional partnership with Ryde and Lane Cove to achieve strategic capacity and efficiencies of scale. It's now time for the Premier and the Minister to listen to the people and accept the JRA reform model."

Lane Cove Mayor Clr Deborah Hutchens said: "Our job is to represent the interests of our local community, not the interests of the State government. We all know it won't be communities that will benefit most from the mergers. I urge the State government to open their ears and their eyes to what forced mergers will do to our local communities, not just in Lane Cove but across the State".

The JRA is a sophisticated and contemporary model which breaks the traditional mould of amalgamations. The amalgamation option lacks innovation and the flexibility to move with the changing demands of our communities.

The JRA is a strong and unique model that we are convinced would meet our communities' needs and allow them to have a say in their future together in working with the State Government in the strategic planning of Greater Sydney.

Our residents have clearly shown their preference for us to work together which was demonstrated by their 92% level of support of our JRA as their first or second preference, which is a very clear mandate from our communities on this issue.

Our residents clearly have pride in their history and unique identity, have confidence in our Council's financial and governance performance and have a strong desire to be in control of their future and under no circumstances want to see the destruction of their communities and we will continue to fight for their survival.

City of Ryde Steps Up to Challenge of Affordable Housing

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City of Ryde Council is answering the challenge of providing affordable housing for key workers on very low to moderate incomes with the release on public exhibition of a draft Affordable Housing Policy that will help to deliver 600 new affordable dwellings by 2031.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, is encouraging the community to comment on the Policy: "This draft Affordable Housing Policy is an important step forward for our community in the provision of housing for key workers.

"The lack of affordable housing in the City of Ryde and in metropolitan Sydney has reached crisis levels and is having a significant negative impact on communities, families and the economy through the loss of key workers.

"A 'business as usual approach' is not going to work," said the Mayor. "The market and the State Government have failed to provide our city with the affordable housing it needs. Instead of throwing our hands in the air, we have decided to do something about it.

"If this policy is endorsed by our community, developers will need to provide housing stock to Council, over and above other infrastructure contributions they make.

"I applaud all Councillors for joining me on this journey. Together, we have demonstrated strong leadership on this important issue and stopped the blame game. We have proven that local Councils can lead and plan for our future."

The draft Policy's goal is that by 2031 five percent of all new dwellings in the Ryde Local Government Area (LGA) will be designated 'affordable' for key worker households on low to moderate incomes.

A local business survey conducted in 2015 has found many Ryde businesses are experiencing difficulty attracting and retaining workers. According to the survey it is commonplace in Ryde for key workers such as police, teachers and nurses to drive from the Central Coast (100km) each day for work, creating stress on families and lost productivity for businesses.

Research shows that by 2031 the Ryde LGA will be in need of 10,700 affordable housing dwellings for key workers. And a recent independent planning study demonstrates this need will not be provided by the market.

The model endorsed by the City of Ryde requires that a percentage of dwellings be dedicated to Council as part of any development application or planning proposal (re-zoning).

The draft Affordable Housing Policy will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days towards the end of 2015. A report will then be presented to Council in early 2016.

Ryde's Remembrance Day Service 2015

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Around 100 people attended the Remembrance Day Service at the Ryde Cenotaph.

As people arrived they were presented with a hand made red poppy made by students from Riverside Girls High School as part of the Ryde Remembers commemorations.

The ceremony took place in front of the lone pine tree planted last year at the special Lone Pine Centenary Ceremony in August 2014.

Bernard Cox, President of the Ryde District RSL Sub Branch acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land and paid tribute to the contribution of Aboriginal Solders in World Wars 1 and 2 that has previously gone unrecognised.

The Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale, said that although Remembrance Day is not a public holiday, it is a day of solemn ceremony that holds great significance.

"The laying of wreaths and the customary one minute's silence are potent symbols of the way we honour the men and women who have proudly served our country.

"It is an eternal reminder of both the sacrifices paid and of the deep bond that runs throughout our community, connecting us to our past and to our future."

Students from Northcross Christian School recited the poem "In Flanders Fields" written by Lt Col John McCrae in 1915.

Representatives of Returned Services Organisations laid wreaths along with students from Ryde East Public School, North Cross Christian School, Ryde Public School, West Ryde Public School, St Anthony's Public School, Holy Spirit and Putney Public School.

The Last Post was played by Phillip Ward.

The National Anthem was performed by Ryde Public School Choir.



Ryde Est Public students with wreath – Erin, Zoe, Ella, Emma, Fletch, Vivek, Finn, Bowen



Bernard Cox, President of the Ryde District RSL Sub Branch, in front of Lone Pine tree.

Your Special Rates at Work

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Close to two million dollars worth of essential road and footpath works have been delivered ahead of schedule as part of the City of Ryde's Special Rates Variation (SRV) Program of Works.

The road resurfacing and footpath repairs, identified from the Council's Assets Condition Register as requiring priority work, were completed between July and October and include 14 road sites and over 100 footpath locations. An additional \$200,000 key maintenance works will be delivered over the 2015/16 year.

City of Ryde General Manager, Gail Connolly, said the early report was welcomed. "This is a great outcome for the community and shows the Council's commitment to reducing the backlog of infrastructure repairs, funded directly from the SRV.

"Residential rates which make up more than half of Council's income are used to pay for things that make the City of Ryde a great place to live, such as local roads and footpaths, parks, events and other community facilities.

"The Council will continue to listen to the community and deliver more facilities and infrastructure in the areas identified by the Ryde community as being priorities for investment of ratepayers' funds."

SRV 2015/16 PROGRAM OF WORKS

Completed as at 15 October 2015 \$1.99 million

SRV ROAD RESURFACING PROJECTS \$1.79 MILLION - COMPLETED

- Bronhill Avenue (Pittwater Road cul de sac), East Ryde
- Chatham Road (Dickson Ave Victoria Rd), West Ryde

- Church Street (Wandoo Ave Willandra Rd), Ryde
- Doomben Avenue (Ball Ave House No. 4), Eastwood
- Bank Street (Union St Constitution Rd), West Ryde
- Bayview Street (Beach St cul de sac), Tennyson Point
- Bayview Street (Teemer St Beach St), Tennyson Point
- Benson Street (Clarke St cul de sac), West Ryde
- Brian Street (cul de sac (n) Ellen St), Ryde
- Falconer Street (Victoria Rd Mulvihi St), West Ryde
- Meriton Street (Victoria Rd Morrison Rd), Gladesville
- Wicks Road (Epping Rd Waterloo Rd), North Ryde
- Wicks Road (Barr St Epping Rd), North Ryde
- Wolger Road (Kuppa Rd Lane Cove Rd), Ryde

SRV FOOTPATH RENEWAL PROJECTS \$200,000 - COMPLETED

100+ locations of which seven of the larger paths are listed below:

- Victoria Road Adelaide Street to Cobham Avenue, West Ryde
- Meadowbank Park Shared User Path
- 35 Federal Road, West Ryde
- 64 North Road, Denistone East
- 8 Beltana Street, Denistone
- 84-86 Bennett Street, West Ryde
- 104 Melba Drive, East Ryde

Planning is underway for the \$4.49 million 2016/17 SRV Program of Works including:

- Road Resurfacing
- Footpath Construction
- Road Kerb Renewal
- Stormwater Replacement
- Sportsfield Upgrade and Renewal
- Playground Renewal and Construction
- A further \$490,000 in additional key maintenance works

A further update on the 2016/2017 SRV projects details will be available in May 2016.

For more information on how your Council is putting your rates to visit the <u>Special Rates Variation</u> page.

Sign the Petition - No Forced Amalgamations of NSW Councils

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SIGN THE PETITION

We strongly urge the NSW government to engage in a more collaborative and consultative process before undertaking any action to amalgamate councils. Many of the proposed amalgamations involve councils that have clearly demonstrated that they are viable entities.

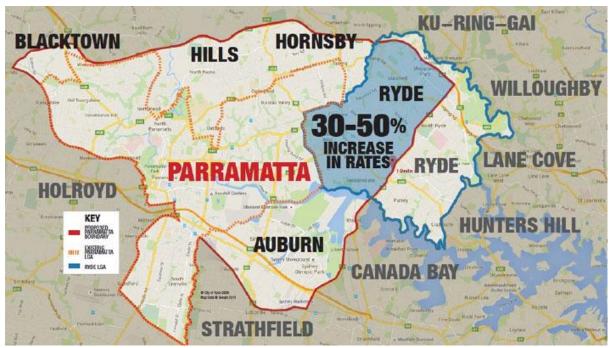
The claimed advantages of scale resulting from council mergers are unsubstantiated while at a community level there has been little or no serious engagement in the amalgamation debate.

Local government is the closest tier of government to the people and as such is most responsive to the needs of the community enabling them to have an input into matters that impact on them directly (such as development applications and strategic planning). There is a very real risk that in creating larger councils residents will be alienated from the decision-making process and that sense of community will be eroded or lost.

Participatory democracy at a local level is fundamental to good governance providing residents with a mechanism by which their voice can be heard. This is best served by viable, smaller councils, rather than large, unwieldy bodies.

Parramatta Council's Hostile Take Over Bid

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Parramatta Council's hostile take over bid will suck the life blood out of Ryde's economy.

Read the letter from the Lord Mayor of Parramatta here.

This week Parramatta Council has once again displayed its appalling arrogance by attempting to "take over" large parts of the City of Ryde in particular, Macquarie Park, in its bid to become 'Fit for the Future'.

The proposal totally consumes two-thirds of Ryde in a cash and land grab exercise by a reckless Council with no integrity. Parramatta Council is submitting this alternative to the State Government as a revenue raising exercise in an attempt to build a proper CBD that they have failed to establish over the past 50 years. They think that by simply drawing lines on a map to expand their boundaries, that they have the initiative and capability of managing a thriving \$10 Billion business economy at Macquarie Park.

The City of Ryde has conducted its own financial modelling and has confirmed that ratepayers in the western part of Ryde proposed in this merger with Parramatta, will experience rate increases ranging on average between 30 to 50%. The rate payers of Ryde will not be impressed with this solution to Local Government reform, as it will hit their hip pockets hard.

The City of Ryde provides excellent services and facilities to our community which has been validated by recent customer satisfaction surveys demonstrating an increase in our satisfaction rating of 83% in 2013 to 89% in 2015.

Ryde General Manager, Gail Connolly said: "our community have made it very clear to us that their preference is for the City of Ryde to enter into a Joint Regional Authority arrangement with Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Councils and to ensure the City of Ryde is not split at all costs.

It is ironic that Parramatta Council's own engagement with their community on this issue, as outlined in their submission to IPART, stated that their proposed 'hostile take-over of Ryde' only had 15% of Parramatta residents supporting this option. Yet they proceed to steam ahead with a recommendation that completely goes against the views of their own community, at least I can say with confidence that Ryde is pursuing the option preferred by 92% of our residents."

Councillor Chung, the Chair of Council's Macquarie Park Forum said: "this action by Parramatta Council demonstrates a panicked attempt by a desperate Council to consume parts of Ryde. Of course the booming \$10 Billion business economy of the Macquarie Park business district is highly attractive to a Council that is struggling to create an effective CBD. The City of Ryde has worked hard with this business hub over many years to achieve its success and we won't be surrendering our 'Jewel in the Crown' without a fight."

"This is not just about Ryde Council protecting its turf. We all know Parramatta has ruined its commercial core by promoting and allowing super-high-rise residential developments in the CBD. I don't want to see the same thing happen to Sydney's second largest CBD in Macquarie Park. Protecting the economy and preserving the 90,000 jobs in Ryde is my highest priority."

Tony Abboud, President of the Ryde Business Forum said: "The greatest tragedy that can be inflicted on the Ryde community including its businesses both large and small, is to divide it into pieces that are taken over by other Councils.

The State Government is talking about Council mergers. It seems that Parramatta Council has interpreted this as meaning they can choose to take over areas to suit themselves. This is not about a land grab!

This is supposed to be about creating more efficiencies, to better serve the community! Parramatta Council's strategy is obvious...to try and steal what will be potentially Australia's 4th largest Commercial Hub, Macquarie Park. This is all about what's best for Parramatta, with zero consideration for the Ryde community. Hopefully the State Government will see through this and keep Ryde as one, as we explore the best options."

Ministers Anthony Roberts and Victor Dominello have also publicly acknowledged the City of Ryde's track record in developing Macquarie Park to be the State's second largest business precinct. They have also stated that the City of Ryde should continue to control Macquarie Park's future and should not be split.

The City of Ryde can guarantee that we can maintain our services and service standards and that we are financially sustainable as verified by the recent report released by IPART, which categorically states that the City of Ryde is 'financially fit'. There are no guarantees what level of services and service standards will be provided by this proposal from Parramatta Council to City of Ryde residents.

Ryde General Manager, Gail Connolly concluded: "Our residents have pride in their history and unique identity, have confidence in the Council's financial and governance performance and have a strong desire to be in control of their future.

The City of Ryde will always look after local interests, local residents and protect our residents from likely rate increases. Ryde, Lane Cove and Hunter's Hill Councils have a superior option of a Joint Regional Authority which enjoys the support of our communities".

Roads and Drainage Works at West Ryde

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The redevelopment of West Ryde Urban Village will deliver a revived and vibrant town centre, with renewed character, improved pedestrian environments and accessibility plus attractive public spaces for those who live, work and visit the centre.

The final works to be undertaken include road and drainage works, including the installation of stormwater drainage, reconstruction of Anthony Road and Reserve Street, a traffic calming device on West Parade, footpath and granite paving works, line marking and installation of signs and a raised pedestrian crossing on Anthony Road.

BMD Urban is the contractor engaged by Coles to carry out the final stage of road and drainage works. Building activities (including demolition) may only be carried out between 7.00am and 7.00pm Monday to Friday (other than public holidays) and between 8.00am and 4.00pm on Saturday. No building activities are to be carried out at any time on a Sunday or a public holiday.

The works will occur in stages and subject to weather. These include:

Late October – November 2015: Installation of stormwater drainage, location of services and site works on Anthony Road and Reserve Street.

December 2015: Installation of traffic calming device on West Parade.

January – April 2016: Completion of stormwater drainage, road construction, line marking and signage, footpath and granite paving on Anthony Road and Reserve Street and raised pedestrian crossing on Anthony Road.

Council would like to thank commuters and locals for their patience during this time. Enquiries can be directed to the BMD Urban Project Engineer on 0457 568 884. If you still have further queries contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 8852 8222 during business hours.

Mayor TV: Episode 3

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Council contributes to a number of community facilities across the City of Ryde via its community grant program, including childcare centres like this one in Eastwood. The Mayor - Clr Jerome Laxale - visited CCA Eastwood and met a few little friends along the way.