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Significant Tree Register

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1. Introduction and Background

The City of Ryde proudly acknowledges the presence of significant trees within the Ryde Local Government Area (LGA) that have established on the traditional land of the Wallumedegal people.

Significant trees play a very important part in the natural and cultural landscape within the City of Ryde. They not only enrich Ryde's heritage and distinctive character but also contribute to a healthier and more aesthetically pleasing environment. The Significant Tree Register (The Register) was created as a commitment to the recognition and preservation of trees with unique historical, cultural or botanical significance and also acknowledges the significant value of Avenue plantings and stands of trees. The Register encompasses trees within public spaces and privately owned properties and offers guidelines for their responsible management and ensuring their protection for future generations.

The Register is not a static document, it continually evolves as trees naturally reach the end of their life cycle and new additions are recognized. The City of Ryde has engaged in consultations with a range of sources, both public and private, to identify trees worthy of significant status and the associated protection. Though existing protection measures are provided through the Development Control Plan (DCP) 9.5 the Significant Tree Register complements this by offering additional protection.

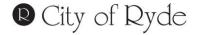
The City of Ryde remains steadfast in its commitment safeguard these vital trees and their surrounding landscapes. These trees carry a rich historical and cultural legacy and often hold a special place in the hearts of our community. As we work towards nurturing and expanding our urban forest, we place significant emphasis on preserving our most remarkable and historically significant trees, recognising the countless benefits that trees and plants bring to our city's well-being.

2. Purpose of Register

The Significant Tree Register includes trees on public and private land. It aims to recognise and protect the exceptional trees that exist in the City of Ryde. The Register is a compilation of trees that have been nominated by the community, organisations, property managers, Council staff and tree owners. The assessment of significant trees is based on accepted assessment criteria consistent with industry standards and are assessed by a panel of Council Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) Level 5 Arborists.

The register is aimed at recognising and celebrating City of Ryde's significant trees. Its primary objective is to promote and raise awareness of the exceptional tress within this document and offer a guideline for the future planning, protection, and management of these trees. The Register operates as a centralised data base, providing detailed information about each tree and its significance. Utilizing online platforms and new technology the Register leverages information to enhance community awareness.

Despite being listed on The Register, it's important to note that this does not imply no work can be undertaken or that removal is necessarily prohibited. For significant trees on private land approval for maintenance or minor pruning is processed via Council's Tree Management Application process. However, requests for removal will only be approved through a Development Application (DA). For Trees on public land pruning or maintenance work must be specified by a Council Tree Management Officer and tree removal requires an independent consulting arborist report confirming the tree's non-viability.



3. Assessment Criteria

An assessment of significance establishes the importance of a tree and identifies trees that have qualities of significance. All potential listings are subject to an arboriculture inspection by a Council Tree Management Officer and a determination of relative importance is made with reference to the established assessment criteria.

The assessment is based on the importance of the following categories:

- 1. Outstanding visual or aesthetic Significance
- 2. <u>Historical and/or Commemorative Significance</u>
- 3. Social Significance
- 4. Botanical/Horticultural Significance
- 5. Significant Ecological Value

Detailed assessment criteria against each category are outlined below.

1. Outstanding visual or aesthetic Significance

- Trees that are outstanding for their height, trunk diameter or canopy spread.
- Trees that occur in a very prominent location or context.
- Trees that contribute significantly to the landscape in which they grow [including streetscapes, parks, gardens or natural landscapes].
- Trees that exhibit an unusual growth form or physical feature, including unusually pruned forms.
- Trees that exemplify an important and valued taste or landscape style.

2. Historical and/or Commemorative Significance

- Indigenous significance.
- Trees that are associated with public significance or important historical and commemorative events.
- Trees associated with a heritage listed place and representative of that same historic era.
- Trees that are particularly old or vulnerable.
- Trees that are associated with or planted by a significant person or group of persons.

3. Social Significance

- Trees that have strong or special associations with a particular community or cultural group for reasons of strong religious, spiritual, cultural or other social associations, including trees associated with aboriginal heritage and culture.
- Trees that are important to the local community and/or are important to a community's sense
 of place.



4. Botanical/Horticultural Significance

- Rare or uncommon species.
- Unusual growth form.
- Outstanding horticultural or genetic value.
- Could be an outstanding important source of propagating stock. This could include specimens that are particularly resistant to disease or climatic extremes or have a particular growth form.
- Specimen particularly resistant to disease or exposure.
- Outstanding size or remarkable example of its species.

5. Significant Ecological Value

- Rare, threatened or locally uncommon species or ecological community.
- Indigenous remnant trees that predate the urban development in its immediate proximity.
- Trees that make a significant contribution to the integrity of an ecological community, including its role as a seed source or specialised habitat.
- A remnant specimen now reduced in range or abundance, which indicates the former extent of the species, or particularly range limits.
- Trees which provide a significant habitat element for rare, threatened or locally uncommon or common native species.

4. Responsibilities

After a tree has been adopted by Council for inclusion on The Register, there are a number of responsibilities both for Council and the owner of the tree regarding the maintenance and preservation of the listed tree.

1. Owner's responsibilities

- Owners would be expected to maintain and preserve the listed tree.
- Council will require a Tree Management Application from the owner for any routine maintenance works, such as pruning, however the application fee will be waived in this instance.
- In situations where an owner wishes to remove a tree listed in The Register a Development Application (DA) will be required, regardless if the removal is to facilitate a development.
- There will also be a mandatory requirement for a report to be provided in all situations where tree removal is requested.
- Prior to the commencement of any works on a tree listed in the Significant Tree Register, an
 owner would be required to nominate the person, listing their qualifications, who will be
 undertaking the work.

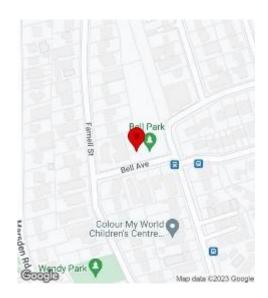
2. Council's responsibilities

Re-assessment of the tree will be undertaken approximately every five years.



5. Significant Tree Register Listing

Street No.	5 Bell Ave
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Ficus macrophylla var Columnaris
Common Name	Lord Howe Is. Banyan
DBH (M)	2.5
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



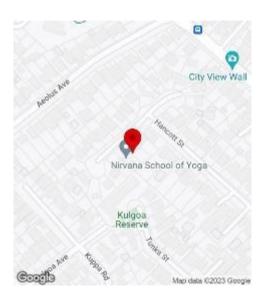


Burrows Park, Princess St Ryde
Ryde
Eucalyptus saligna
Sydney Blue Gum
1.6
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature





40 Hancott St
Ryde
Liquidambar styraciflua
Sweet Gum
0.6
10 - 15
10 - 15
Average
Good
Mature





Argyle Centre, Argyle St
Ryde
Araucaria bidwillii
Bunya Pine
1.4
20+
10 - 15
Good
Average
Mature





Memorial Park Meadowbank
Eucalyptus tereticornis
Forest Red Gum
1.0
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	135 Marsden Rd
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Ficus rubiginosa
Common Name	Rusty Fig
DBH (M)	1.3
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	16-22 Mirool St
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Common Name	Hills Weeping Fig
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





202 Vimiera St, Marsfield Park
Marsfield
Eucalyptus resinifera
Red Mahogany
0.55
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature



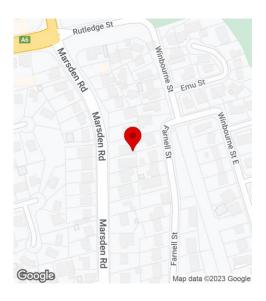


Street No.	9 Ferrebetta Ave
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Corymbia citriodora
Common Name	Lemon Scented Gum
DBH (M)	1.0
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



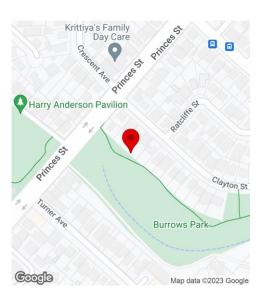


119 Marsden Road
West Ryde
Cupressus macrocarpa
Monterey Pine
0.8
10-15
10-15
Good
Good
Mature



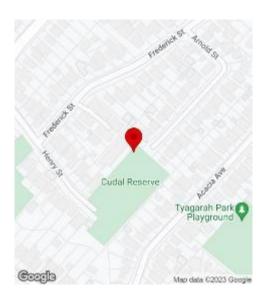


Street No.	Burrows Park, Princess St
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus saligna
Common Name	Sydney Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



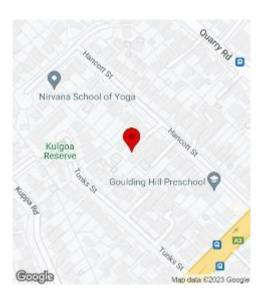


22 Arnold St, Cudal Reserve
Ryde
Ficus religiosa
Sacred Fig
1.4
10 - 15
15 - 20
Excellent
Good
Mature





Street No.	18 Hancott St
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus saligna
Common Name	Sydney Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.1
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Memorial Park
Meadowbank
Eucalyptus tereticornis
Forest Red Gum
1.0
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature



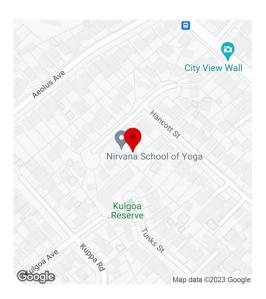


Street No.	41 Belmore St cnr Rothesay
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Common Name	Hills Weeping Fig
DBH (M)	2.3
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature
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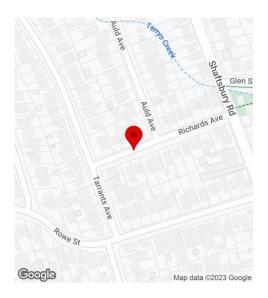


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Gum





Street No.	Richards Avenue
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Lophostemon confertus, mature avenue planting
Common Name	Brush Box
DBH (M)	0.7, 1.0
Height (M)	10-15
Spread (M)	10-15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	135 Marsden Rd
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Pinus jeffreyi
Common Name	Jeffrey Pine
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



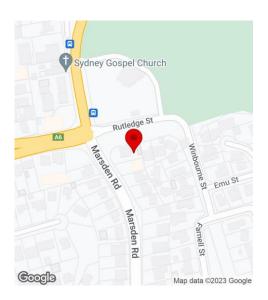


Street No.	24 Finch St
Suburb	East Ryde
Species	Angophora costata
Common Name	Smooth Barked Apple
DBH (M)	1.1
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





135 Marsden Rd
West Ryde
Ficus rubiginosa
Rusty Fig
1.3
15 - 20
20+
Good
Good
Mature



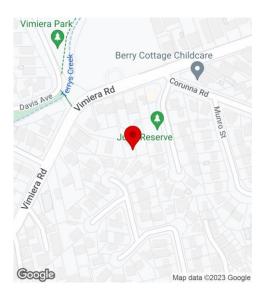


Street No.	5 Russell St
Suburb	Denistone East
Species	Eucalyptus saligna
Common Name	Sydney Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.4
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	32a Vimiera Rd
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syncarpia glomulifera
Common Name	Turpentine
DBH (M)	0.55
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



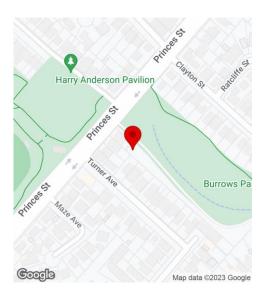


Memorial Park
N A
Meadowbank
Eucalyptus tereticornis
Forest Red Gum
1.4
20+
20+
Good
Good





Street No.	Burrows Park, Princess St
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus saligna
Common Name	Sydney Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.6
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



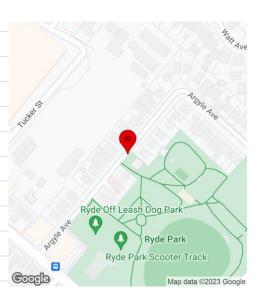


Street No.	3 Kings Rd
Suburb	Denistone East
Species	Syzigium leuhmanii
Common Name	Riberry
DBH (M)	0.5
Height (M)	6 - 10
Spread (M)	3- 6
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



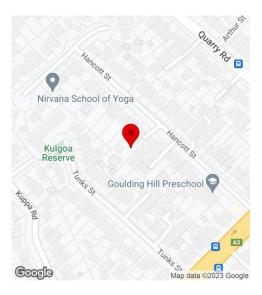


Street No.	22-24 Argyle Ave
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Cinnamomum camphora
Common Name	Camphor Laurel
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Average
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	18 Hancott St
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Angophora floribunda
Common Name	Rough Barked Apple
DBH (M)	0.55
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	7 Coronation St
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syzygium smithii
Common Name	Common Lilly Pilly
DBH (M)	0.55
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Average
Structure	Average
Age Class	Mature





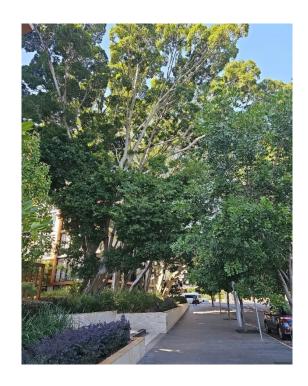
Street No.	Brush Farm Park
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syncarpia glomulifera
Common Name	Turpentine
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



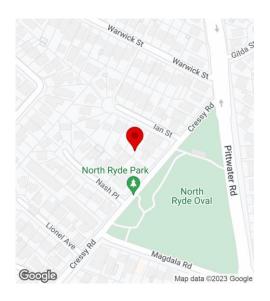


41 Belmore Street Cnr Rothesay
Meadowbank
Ficus macrocarpa var Hillii
Hills Weeping Fig
1.1
20+
20+
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	190 Cressy Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Syzygium smithii
Common Name	Common Lilly Pilly
DBH (M)	1.1
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



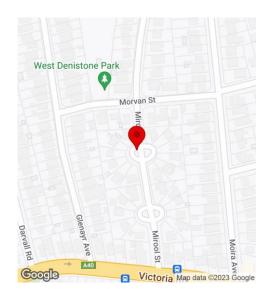


Street No.	120 Cox's Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus crebra
Common Name	Narrow-leaved Ironbark
DBH (M)	0.9
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





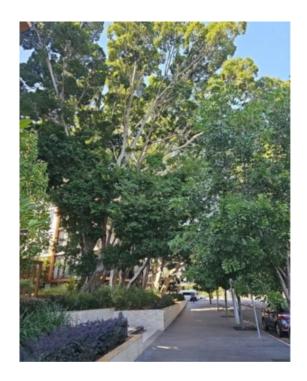
16-22 Mirool St
West Ryde
Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Hills Weeping Fig
0.8
15 - 20
20+
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	41 Belmore St cnr Rothesay St
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Common Name	Hills Weeping Fig
DBH (M)	1.3
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	85 Champion Rd
Suburb	Tennyson Point
Species	Afrocarpus falcatus
Common Name	Yellow Wood
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



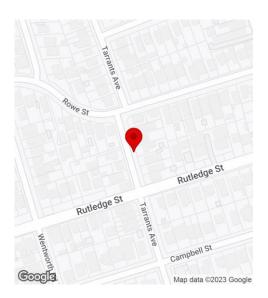


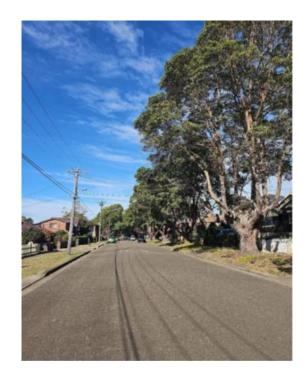
Street No.	Memorial Park
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Eucalyptus tereticornis
Common Name	Forest Red Gum
DBH (M)	1.4
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	Tarrants Avenue
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Lophostemon confertus, mature avenue planting
Common Name	Brush Box
DBH (M)	0.7, 1.0
Height (M)	10-15
Spread (M)	10-15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





202 Vimiera St, Marsfield Park
Marsfield
Eucalyptus resinifera
Red Mahogany
1.1
20+
20+
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	Brush Farm Park
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syncarpia glomulifera
Common Name	Turpentine
DBH (M)	0.9
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



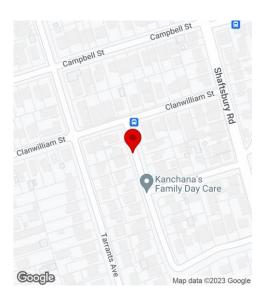


Memorial Park
Meadowbank
Eucalyptus tereticornis
Forest Red Gum
0.9
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature



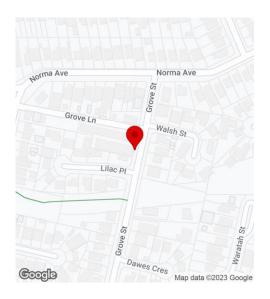


Street No.	7 Coronation St
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syzygium smithii
Common Name	Common Lilly Pilly
DBH (M)	0.9
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



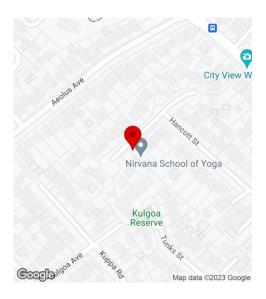


Street No.	27 Grove St
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Eucalyptus acmenoides
Common Name	White Mahogany
DBH (M)	1.5
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



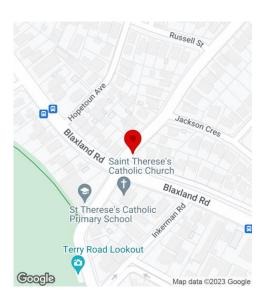


40 Hancott St Ryde
Ryde
Eucalyptus melliodora
Yellow Box
0.9
20+
20+
Average
Good
Mature





Street No.	475 Blaxland Rd
Suburb	Denistone East
Species	Eucalyptus microcorys
Common Name	Tallowwood
DBH (M)	1.4
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Average
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	79 Champion Rd
Suburb	Tennyson Point
Species	Erythrina crista galli
Common Name	Cockspur Coral Tree
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



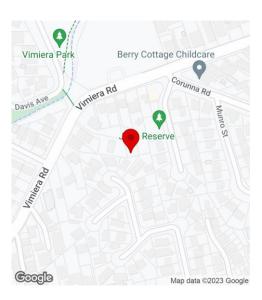


Street No.	4-6 Watt Ave
Suburb	Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus saligna x botryoides
Common Name	Sydney Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



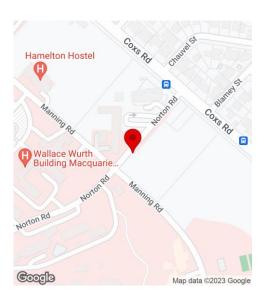


32a Vimiera Rd
Eastwood
Syncarpia glomulifera
Turpentine
1.1
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good – Multiple trunks from base
Mature





Street No.	120 Cox's Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus cinerea
Common Name	Argyle Apple
DBH (M)	0.7
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Fair
Structure	Fair
Age Class	Mature



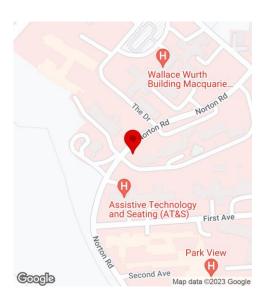


135 Marsden Rd Eastwood Photinia glabra 'Robusta' Photinia
Photinia glabra 'Robusta'
Dhatinia
Photinia
0.5
6 - 10
6 - 10
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	120 Cox's Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Common Name	Hills Weeping Fig
DBH (M)	1.4
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	Memorial Park
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Eucalyptus tereticornis
Common Name	Forest Red Gum
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	202 Vimiera St, Marsfield Park
Suburb	Marsfield
Species	Eucalyptus paniculata
Common Name	Grey Ironbark
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



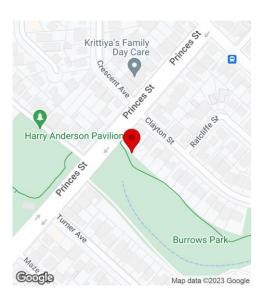


Street No.	135 Marsden Rd
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Chamaecyparis pisifera
Common Name	Sawara Cypress
DBH (M)	0.2
Height (M)	3- 6
Spread (M)	0 - 3
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Semi-mature





Burrows Park, Princess St
Ryde
Eucalyptus saligna x botryoides
Sydney Blue Gum
1.0
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature



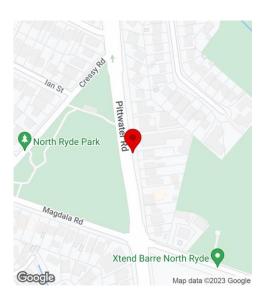


79 Champion Rd
Tennyson Point
Quercus robur
English Oak
0.9
10-15
10 - 15
Good
Average
Mature



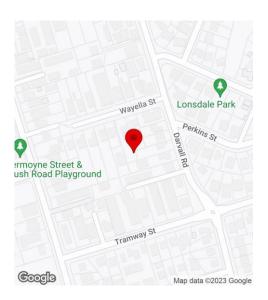


Street No.	301-305 Pittwater Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Angophora costata
Common Name	Smooth Barked Apple
DBH (M)	0.45, 1.2
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	3 Wayella St
Suburb	Denistone
Species	Angophora floribunda
Common Name	Rough barked apple
DBH (M)	1.2
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



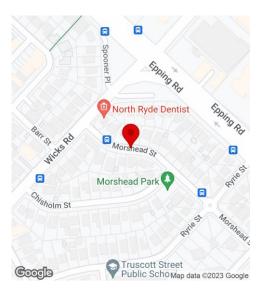


Street No.	164 Shaftesbury
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syzygium smithii
Common Name	Common Lilly Pilly
DBH (M)	1.0
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





50 Morshead St
North Ryde
Corymbia citriodora
Lemon Scented Gum
1.1
20+
20+
Excellent
Good
Mature





Memorial Park
Meadowbank
Eucalyptus tereticornis
Forest Red Gum
0.9
20+
15 - 20
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	112 Chatham Rd
Suburb	Denistone
Species	Liquidambar styraciflua
Common Name	Sweet Gum
DBH (M)	1.0
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



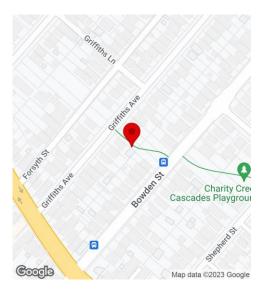


22 Edgar St
Eastwood
Sequoia sempervirens
Coast Redwood
1.0
20+
10 - 15
Good
Good
Mature



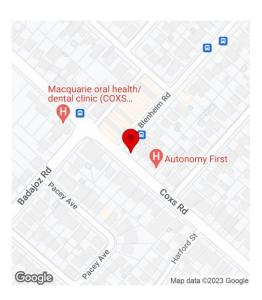


Street No.	50 Griffiths Rd (park)
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Corymbia citriodora
Common Name	Lemon Scented Gum
DBH (M)	0.8
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



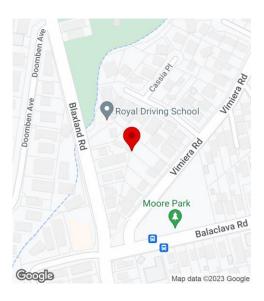


Street No.	113 Cox's Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus saligna
Common Name	Blue Gum
DBH (M)	1.0
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





11 Vimiera Rd
Eastwood
Eucalyptus saligna
Sydney Blue Gum
0.8
20+
20+
Good
Good
Mature



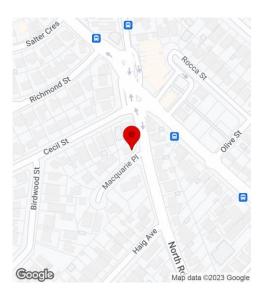


Street No.	41 Belmore St cnr Rothesay
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Ficus microcarpa var. Hillii
Common Name	Hills Weeping Fig
DBH (M)	1.1
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



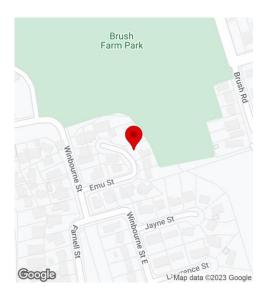


102 North Rd
Denistone East
Eucalyptus saligna
Sydney Blue Gum
0.9
20+
10 - 15
Excellent
Good
Mature



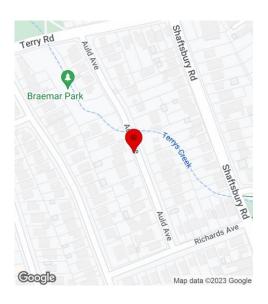


Street No.	7 Emu St
Suburb	West Ryde
Species	Eucalyptus acmenoides
Common Name	White Mahogany
DBH (M)	3.0
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	Auld Avenue
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Lophostemon confertus, mature avenue planting
Common Name	Brush box
DBH (M)	0.7, 1.0
Height (M)	10-15
Spread (M)	10-15
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



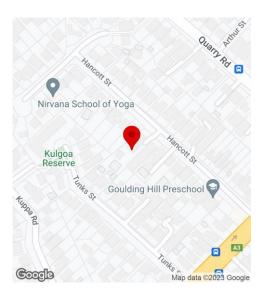


Street No.	166 Tennyson Rd
Suburb	Tennyson Point
Species	Syzygium smithii
Common Name	Common Lilly Pilly
DBH (M)	0.7
Height (M)	15 - 20
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



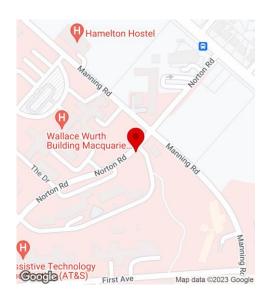


18 Hancott St
Ryde
Eucalyptus saligna
Sydney Blue Gum
1.4
20+
20+
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	120 Cox's Rd
Suburb	North Ryde
Species	Calodendron capense
Common Name	Cape Chestnut
DBH (M)	0.3
Height (M)	3- 6
Spread (M)	3- 6
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	Brush Farm Park
Suburb	Eastwood
Species	Syncarpia glomulifera
Common Name	Turpentine
DBH (M)	0.9
Height (M)	10 - 15
Spread (M)	10 - 15
Health	Excellent
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature



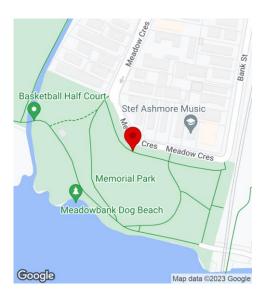


11 Vimiera Rd
Eastwood
Eucalyptus saligna
Sydney Blue Gum
1.7
20+
20+
Good
Good
Mature





Street No.	Memorial Park
Suburb	Meadowbank
Species	Eucalyptus tereticornis
Common Name	Forest Red Gum
DBH (M)	0.9
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	20+
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





Street No.	202 Vimiera St, Marsfield Park
Suburb	Marsfield
Species	Eucalyptus resinifera
Common Name	Forest Red Gum
DBH (M)	0.7
Height (M)	20+
Spread (M)	15 - 20
Health	Good
Structure	Good
Age Class	Mature





6. Appendices

1. Appendix A – Legislation

Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979

The *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* provides Council with the power to protect vegetation through LEPs and DCPs. This legislation must be considered by Council when assessing Development Applications. Development consent must be obtained from Council for work that may impact protected vegetation.

State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021

The State Environmental Planning Policy (Biosecurity and Conservation) 2021 contains planning rules and controls for the clearing of native vegetation in NSW or land zoned for urban and environmental purposes. There are also provisions that seek to protect and preserve bushland within public open space zones and reservations.

State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPPs)

The State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 allows for complying development, subject to compliance with the appropriate standards. A Complying Development Certificate cannot be used for the removal of a tree if the tree is a heritage item or listed on a Significant Tree Register.

Development Control Plan (2014)

Council's Development Control Plan (2014) outlines Tree Management Controls relating to development proposals and tree management applications.

Significant Tree Register

The Significant Tree Register recognises trees with significant historical, cultural, landscape or botanical importance. Listing within the register increases protection, particularly with regards to development.



2. Appendix B - Process for additional trees to the register

Management of the Register is delegated to the Directorate responsible for tree management in accordance with the Development Control Plan Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation.

For the purpose of this register, 'Significant Trees' may be classified as a single tree or a grouping of trees. They may possess values relating to their visual, botanical, cultural, commemorative or other significance as defined in the approved category list outlined in part three (3) of this document. For a tree/s to be considered for this register, it must satisfy a minimum of two selection criteria.

Nominations for trees on private land can be made at any time via the approved nomination form (Appendix C) and payment of the relevant fee. Public trees can be added at any time with the approval of Council's expert panel.

Council's criteria for listing a tree/s is based on a qualitative assessment of its value and worth. This limits subjectivity and provides a robust and in-depth selection process.

Council's expert panel undertakes the following upon receipt of a nomination:

- Conducts a thorough Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) of the nominated tree.
- Assesses the tree/s species in relation to its natural occurrence.
- Assesses the cultural history through reports, photographs, archival material and oral evidence.
- Evaluates the collected data against the approved criteria for determination.

In cases where an objection for a nominated tree/s on private property is made, Council's expert panel will review the nomination in question with this as a consideration. It will however ultimately determine whether the subject tree/s will be placed on the register.

Where required, additional Council staff members may be added to the panel when specialist technical knowledge is required. This may be a staff member with experience in Town Planning, Heritage or Environmental Management.

Upon completion of assessment by Council's expert panel, the nominee will be advised of the outcome in writing. If the tree/s has been accepted, the significant tree register will be updated to reflect the panel's decision.



3. Appendix C - Significant Tree Register Nomination Form



City of Ryde - Significant Tree Register NOMINATION FORM

Nomination forms may be lodged with the City of Ryde
In person at: Customer Service Centre 1 Pope Street, Ryde NSW 2112
By Mail to: Locked Bag 2069, North Ryde NSW 1670
By email: cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au

INFORMATION ABOUT THE TREE/S.
ADDRESS OF PROPERTY CONTAINING TREE/S:
CATEGORY UNDER WHICH YOU ARE NOMINATING THE TREE/S:
Wildlife Corridor Habitat
Horticultural/Botanical Significance
Rare / uncommon species Unusual growth form Visual or aesthetic qualities
Heritage Significance
Aboriginal □ European □ Historical □ Commemorative □
Other: (please specify)
SPECIES: (please be as specific as possible)
Botanic Name:
Common Name:

Please draw a sketch of the property indicating position of tree and north point.



Using the space below, outline why you believe this tree should be considered for listing on Council's Significant Tree Register. You should include as much detail as possible. If you are nominating the tree under the Heritage category, all known history should be detailed.
Have you included any attachments with this form? Yes □ No □
What type of attachments are they?
Additional Pages Photos Documents/Extracts
NOMINEE
NAME:
ADDRESS:P/CODE
PHONE (during business hours):
RELATION TO TREE/S: Are you: Owner Neighbour Other party
Signature: Date:
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Privacy Notification
In completing this form you will be prompted to supply information that is personal Information for the purposes of the Privacy and Personal Information Act 1998. The supply of this information is voluntary. If you cannot provide, or do not wish to provide the information sought, the Council may be unable to process your request. Council is required under the Act to Inform you about how your personal information is being collected and used. If you require further information please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 9952-8222 and ask for an information sheet to be forwarded to you.

