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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

A MESSAGE FOR CITY OF RYDE



Welcome to Live.Work.Play - the City of Ryde's new community magazine.

Live.Work.Play is just one of the new initiatives this newly elected Council is undertaking to keep locals better informed about the work we are undertaking and also find out about some of the fun and interesting events that are taking place in our great community.

As you will read in this edition, it has already been a busy start to the year and the new term of Council.

We have completed a range of significant projects including the Rowe Street East Car Park, which has already proven to be a game-changer for Eastwood town centre.

We have also been able to partner with the NSW Government to deliver infrastructure and services for the community.

This includes the new Meadowbank Park Regional Playground, which has opened to rave reviews. Combined with the award-winning Meadowbank Skate Park, this state-of-the-art

playground has transformed Meadowbank Park into one of the most popular open spaces in the region.

The City of Ryde has also partnered with the NSW Government to launch the Park'nPay app in Macquarie Park, which allows motorists to pay for parking or top up existing parking online using their smart phone.

Of course, this is just a small sample of what this Council has achieved in the first quarter of 2022. We have a lot more work to do and I look forward to engaging with everyone in the community as we continue to roll out our progressive reform agenda.

I do hope you enjoy reading this edition of Live.Work.Play. We welcome any feedback, so please let us know what you think by sending an email to cityofryde@ryde.nsw.gov.au

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ROWE STREET EAST CAR PARK

OPENS

The new Rowe Street East Car Park has opened to the public, addressing parking demand in Eastwood town centre. **ROWE STREET EAST, EASTWOOD**

Talented Korean and Chinese performers heralded the opening at a special ceremony which was attended by the City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jordan Lane, fellow Councillors and local business owners.

The new multi-level short stay car park provides 146 spaces with entry and exit points via Rowe Street, and an exit via Rowe Lane.

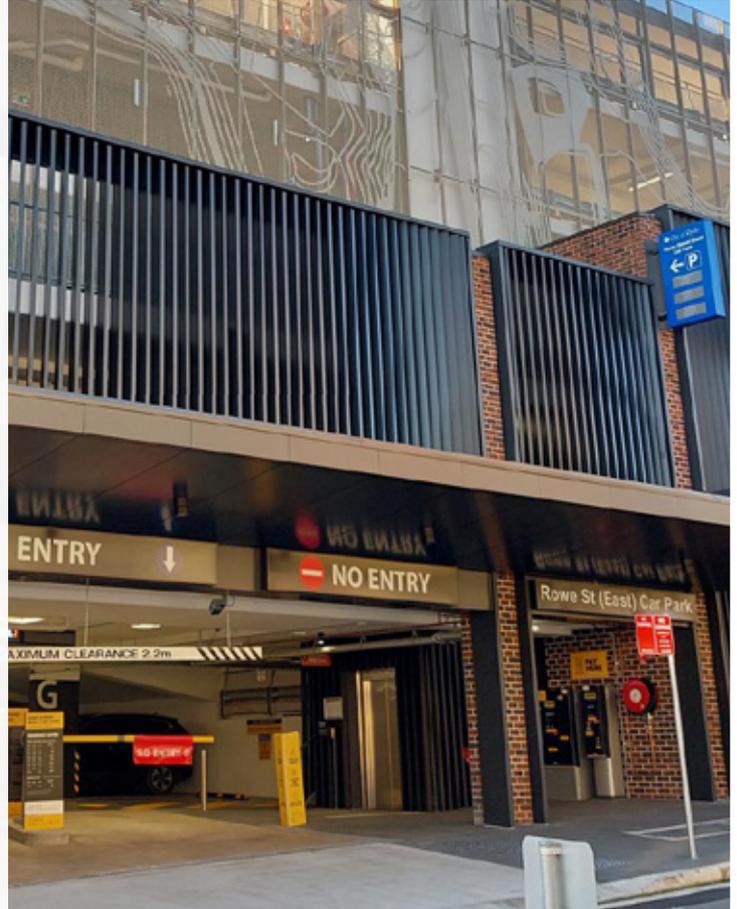
In addition, the car park also features a range of modern and accessible features including EV charging stations, a passenger lift, number plate recognition car park management system and accessible car spaces.

The Rowe Street East car park is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The new car park is a ticketless venue. Number plates are scanned upon entry and motorists can then pay at one of the pay stations located throughout the car park.

During the day, motorists can enjoy two hours of free parking with incremental rate increases after that point. An evening flat rate of \$5 for more than two hours parking applies for vehicles that enter the carpark after 6.00pm.

More information is available at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/RoweStEastCarpark



PARK'NPAY APP

MACQUARIE PARK

Park'nPay app goes live in Macquarie Park

Paying for parking has become even easier in Macquarie Park, with the NSW Government's Park'nPay app now live.

The Park'nPay app allows motorists in Macquarie Park to pay for parking or top up existing parking online using their smart phone.

The app also sends notifications when the parking session is about to expire. In addition, it keeps track of a motorist's parking history and is completely ticketless.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jordan Lane, said the introduction of the Park'nPay app would benefit the thousands of motorists who park in Macquarie Park each day.

The Park'nPay app is the first of many smart parking solutions earmarked for the City of Ryde with real-time parking availability set to be rolled out on the app in the coming months.



How to use Park'nPay

- 1 Download the Park'nPay app on your smart phone either via the Apple App Store or Google Play.
- 2 Create an account on the app. You will need to provide your licence plate number and payment details (Visa, AMEX, Mastercard, Apple Pay and Google Pay all accepted).
- 3 Park in metered parking spot in Macquarie Park.
- 4 Pay for parking using the Park'nPay app. No coins needed! You can also top up for parking anywhere using the app.

More information is available at www.parknpay.nsw.gov.au

RESILIENT RYDE

The start of 2022 has served as a reminder of the damage that can be caused by natural disasters, with heavy rainfall and flooding impacting many people in the City of Ryde and across Australia.

To assist, Council is working with the community to ensure it is more prepared for emergency situations and resilient to longer-term chronic stresses. Here we provide some tips and advice from Council's Environment team to help ensure you and your household are prepared for extreme weather events.



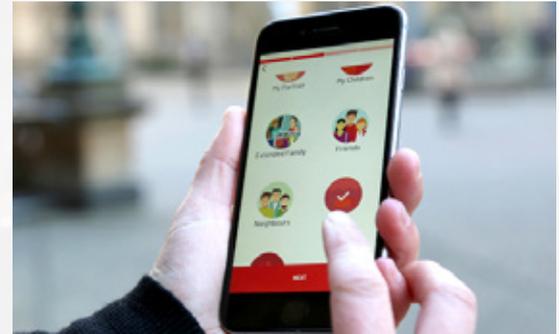
Ryde Resilience Plan 2030

The City of Ryde is committed to helping the community become more resilient to emergencies and severe weather events.

In 2020, the City of Ryde became the first council in NSW to endorse a comprehensive local resilience plan.

The Ryde Resilience Plan 2030 sets out an action plan to help support and equip the community with the tools required to become more resilient to adapt, survive and thrive.

The Ryde Resilience Plan 2030 can be viewed at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/resilience



Prepare an Emergency Plan with the Red Cross Get Prepared App

Create an emergency plan through the Australian Red Cross' Get Prepared app. Prepare both physically and psychologically for disaster and create and share a tailored emergency plan.

Download the App via www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/GetPreparedApp

Know your risk through the Climate Wise Communities Ryde Website

Use the Ready Check tool to assess your unique situation and generate information to make your household more resilient to extreme weather events.

Visit the website at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ClimateWise

Be storm safe

You can prepare your home to mitigate the damaging impacts of major rainfall and storm events.

This includes:

- Clear guttering and downpipes of leaves.
- Trim trees and remove overhanging branches so that they are well clear of your home (check with Council if you need approval).
- Check and secure tiles or roofing sheets.
- Protect skylights with strong wire mesh, and fit windows and glass doors with shutters or external metal insect screens.
- Clear your yard of loose materials and rubbish that may blow about and be dangerous.
- Prepare an emergency kit that includes a portable radio, torch and spare batteries.
- List your emergency phone numbers.
- Check your home insurance is up-to-date and adequate.

Don't forget about bushfire risk

The extreme wet weather and cooler temperatures we endured this summer, may have many thinking the bushfire risk is quite low. However, experts warn that like major storms, bushfires will become a more frequent occurrence due to climate change. Here are some tips each household can take to minimise bushfire hazards:

- Ensure gutters are clear of debris to reduce ember attack.
- Do not store fuel sources in the backyard.
- Consider reticulated water systems for roofs.
- Remove rubbish.
- Have water tanks on site, with high-pressure pump (electric or powered independent of mains) and hose.
- Consider installing a fire pump to use water from a swimming pool if you have one.
- Keep leaf litter within garden beds to a minimum.



Photo credit: NSW SES Ryde Unit

Who to contact in an emergency?

For urgent assistance during floods or storms, please contact **NSW SES Ryde Unit on 132 500**.

For life-threatening emergencies contact **000**.

For power failure and fallen powerlines, contact **Ausgrid on 13 13 88**.

For leaking or damaged water mains and sewer mains contact **Sydney Water on 1300 143 734**.



Report an issue online

Extreme weather events can cause a lot of issues such as potholes, damaged footpaths and much more.

Members of the community can report issues such as these to Council online 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To lodge the issue, simply visit **www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/report** and Council staff will address it as quickly as possible.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS

Nominate for the 2022 City of Ryde Volunteer Recognition Awards.

CURZON HALL, MARSFIELD

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24 APRIL

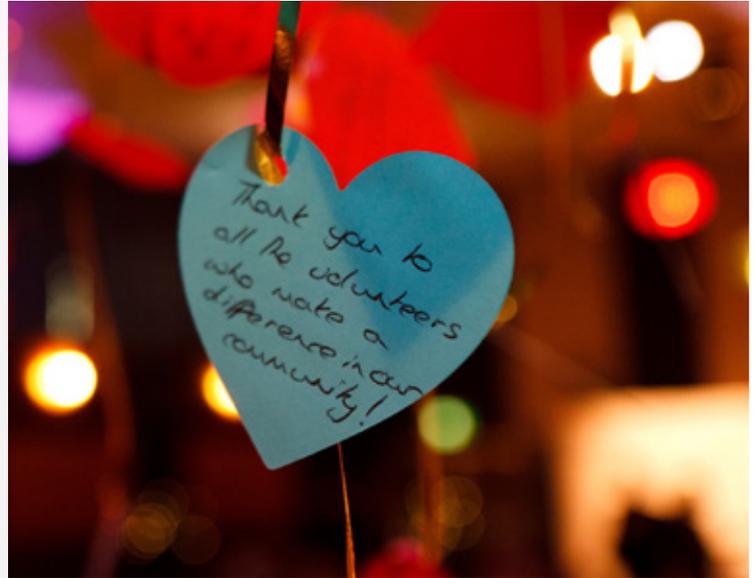
NOMINATIONS
CLOSE

If you know someone who offers their time and skills to benefit the community, nominate them for these special awards. In addition to the Individual, Young and Group categories, this year's awards have a new and exciting Community Heroes award category.

While there will be a winner for each traditional volunteer award category, there will be a selection of people - both past and present - recognised as Community Heroes as part of this year's awards.

The winners of the 2022 City of Ryde Volunteer Recognition Awards will be announced at a special evening ceremony at Curzon Hall on Thursday 19 May 2022.

Nominations close on Sunday 24 April 2022. For more information and to submit a nomination visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/volunteer



YOUR LOCAL MARKETS

EASTWOOD AND MEADOWBANK

Markets bring life and vibrancy to our City, providing the opportunity to tantalise the tastebuds, engage with local artisans and come together as a community to shop local.



Eastwood Night Markets

The revamped Eastwood Night Markets are the perfect way to spend a Saturday evening with family and friends.

The markets take place every Saturday from 4.00pm to 10.00pm in Eastwood Plaza and celebrate our diverse community with multicultural delicacies, handmade goods and more.

For more information visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/eastwoodnightmarkets



Ryde Wharf Markets

If you haven't sampled the Ryde Wharf Market yet, then what are you waiting for?

The Ryde Wharf Markets take place on the second and fourth Sundays of each month between 8.00am and 2.00pm at Ryde Wharf Reserve, with a range of stalls that showcase fresh produce, food and artisan goods.

For more information, including the dates that the Ryde Wharf Market will take place, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/rydewharfmarket

ANZAC DAY

The City of Ryde will hold its annual ANZAC Day commemorative service for the community at Anzac Park in West Ryde.

COMMEMORATION SERVICE

MON
25 APRIL

ANZAC PARK, WEST RYDE

Since 1916, ANZAC Day has marked the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces (the ANZACs) during the Gallipoli campaign of the First World War.

City of Ryde is holding an ANZAC Day Commemoration Service on Monday 25 April at Anzac Park and it will begin at 9.00am. All are welcome.

Find out more at
www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/anzac



CORK & FORK BY THE RIVERSIDE

KISSING POINT PARK, PUTNEY
SUN 15 MAY



The City of Ryde is excited to confirm that Cork & Fork by the Riverside is returning in 2022 at Kissing Point Park in Putney.

Cork & Fork by the Riverside will showcase boutique wines and spirits, craft beer, gourmet food products and bespoke items located right on the picturesque Parramatta River foreshore. There will be kids rides, craft activities and live entertainment featured throughout the day.

Cork & Fork by the Riverside will be held on Sunday 15 May from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

A special thank you to Atlas, our new Platinum sponsor.

Find out more at www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/corkandfork

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SUSTAINABILITY FESTIVAL

TUCKWELL PARK, MACQUARIE PARK
SUN 5 JUNE



Discover fun and exciting ways to be more environmentally sustainable at the City of Ryde Sustainability Festival which will take place at Tuckwell Park in Macquarie Park.

This year's festival will feature information stalls promoting sustainable living, electric vehicles and what infrastructure is needed to charge them, solar solutions for the home, waste reduction, resilience in our community, biodiversity of our natural habitats and much more. In addition, there will be entertainment for all ages including face painting, live music and food trucks. For more information visit

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/sustainabilityfestival

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COUNCIL NEWS

ENERGY TARGET

Ryde to reach 100% renewable energy target



The City of Ryde will reach its 100 percent renewable energy target eight years ahead of schedule after it joined 24 other councils to enter into one of the largest renewable energy deals ever for local government.

Worth approximately \$180 million, the retail electricity agreement led by the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) and energy retailer ZEN Energy will deliver more than 214 gigawatt hours per year to the City of Ryde and other participating councils.

Overall, 83 percent of the total electricity supply under the agreement will be covered by renewable energy from the Moree, Hillston and Nevertire Solar Farms, which are all located within NSW.



TREE PLANTING

New trees to be planted

Council will identify suitable locations for the planting of at least 1,300 additional street trees in the City of Ryde.

The new initiative is part of Council's commitment to achieve a tree canopy coverage of 40 percent across the City of Ryde by 2030.

A report will be developed by Council staff identifying native species that will be used for the tree planting. Council will also consult with local residents prior to the planting taking place.



FLOODS APPEAL

Council donates to floods appeal

Council has donated \$20,000 to the Australian Red Cross QLD and NSW Floods Appeal to assist those impacted by the unprecedented floods that devastated large parts of NSW and Queensland earlier this year.

Funds raised from the appeal will help enable Australian Red Cross to provide humanitarian support to people and communities affected by the floods and support longer-term recovery.

Members of the community can donate to the appeal by visiting www.redcross.org.au/floodsappeal

HOME MODIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICE

VARIOUS LOCATIONS, CITY OF RYDE



Helping seniors to live comfortably and safely in their own home

Connecting seniors to reliable and qualified tradespeople can go a long way to helping them remain living comfortably and safely in their own home.

From installing handrails and ramps to gutter cleaning and minor carpentry, electric works and window cleaning, City of Ryde's subsidised Home Modification and Maintenance Service for eligible people aged 65+ (50 years and over for people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island background) is one way that Council is empowering its senior citizens.

The service is available for eligible people living in the City of Ryde who have completed a My Aged Care assessment. All tradespeople are qualified, insured and have a criminal record check to ensure a reliable and safe service.

For more information on the Home Modification and Maintenance Service visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/hmms

Shirley, a resident of West Ryde, has used the Home Modification and Maintenance Service for more than two years:

"It takes the worry of calling several suppliers for quotes out of your hands," she said. "The tradesmen are all top notch. Punctual, efficient and professional. Their rates are competitive and they always leave the work area cleaned. Can't recommend them enough."

Ross, also of West Ryde, said this about the service: **"Without these modifications, I could not use the bathroom. I could not access my clothesline and I could not safely enter and leave my house. In short, I could not remain in my home. I believe your organisation makes a significant contribution to the wellbeing of the frail aged within the municipalities."**

PROJECTS

MEADOWBANK PARK

MEADOWBANK

The new Meadowbank Park Regional Playground has officially opened to the public, providing a new state-of-the-art facility that is accessible and inclusive to all children and their carers.

The new playground features a range of fun and engaging features, including:

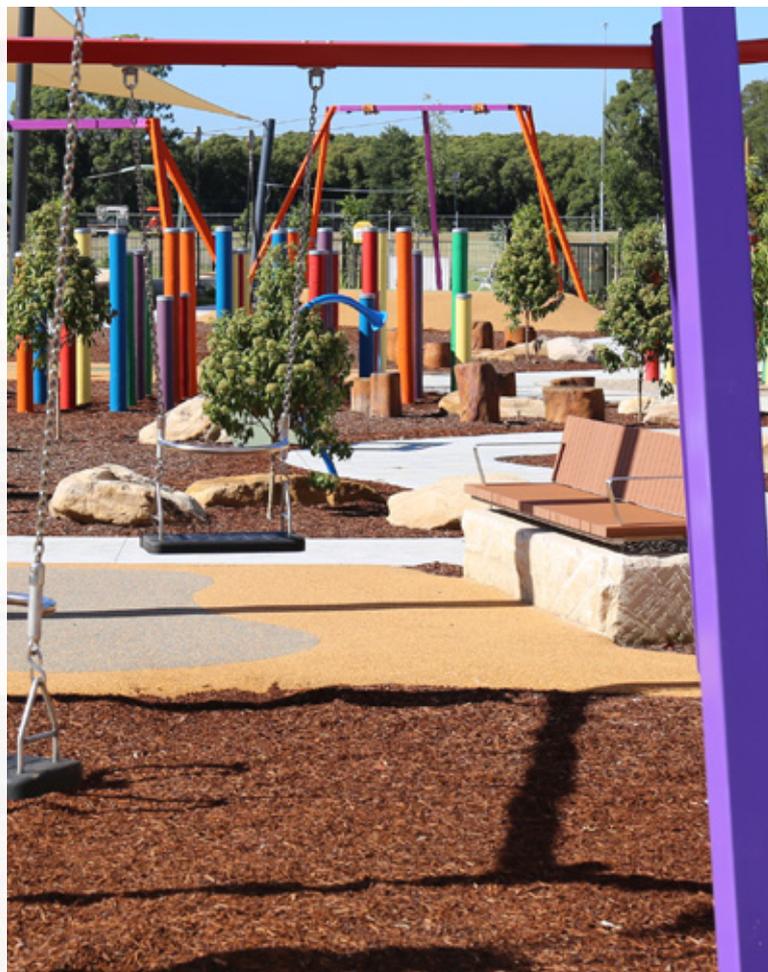
- A water park with a splash pad and interactive water play elements
- More than 35 metres of elevated climbing equipment
- Sand play with interactive sand play elements including a sand pit and sand digger
- Nature play zone with fixed sensory play panels, steppers and balancing logs
- A quiet zone for passive play including story telling
- Picnic shelters and accessible seating.

In addition to the new playground, a new amenities building at Meadowbank Park has also opened to the public, providing a new hub to service sporting groups who use the adjacent sports fields.

Both the playground and the amenities building were built with grant funding support from the NSW Government's Stronger Communities Fund.

Find out more at

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/meadowbankpark



The new Meadowbank Park Regional Playground has opened to rave reviews from members of the public. Here's a snapshot of some of the views on Facebook:

"I think this playground is a fantastic addition to the region - I love the colour, different play zones, fence, closeness of the facilities, location and sensory plantings. Congratulations City of Ryde!"

- ParraParents

"We're calling it - this is Sydney's BEST playground! Wow, wow, WOW! Well done City of Ryde on this epic investment in our community!"

- Ryde District Mums

"City of Ryde (I) have to thank you for this. I travel many parts of Sydney for work and whenever I am in a new area I look for kids parks, check what they have and when I compare them with parks in Ryde - they are not near any kids park in Ryde district. Thanks for doing this great job for families in Ryde."

- Zk Sajib Alam

WORKS IN OUR CITY

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The City of Ryde delivers an ambitious program of works to meet the needs of our growing City. Details of projects recently completed are detailed below.



COXS ROAD, NORTH RYDE

Coxs Road Neighbourhood Centre upgrade

Work has been completed on the Coxs Road Neighbourhood Centre upgrade in North Ryde. The upgrade has enhanced the neighbourhood centre in line with community feedback and includes a brand-new plaza with seating, shade structures, street furniture, a raised pedestrian crossing, new tree plantings as well as footpath and drainage upgrades. The upgrade is part of Council's Neighbourhood Centre Renewal Program which aims to assist in the provision of amenity, economic vibrancy and liveability within neighbourhood centres.



PITTWATER ROAD

Pittwater Road shared user path

A new shared user path along Pittwater Road that provides an uninterrupted connection between Gladesville and North Ryde has been completed. The five-kilometre path starts at Victoria Road and stretches all the way to Epping Road, and is able to be used by both pedestrians and cyclists. The project is part of Council's commitment to expand the bicycle network across the City of Ryde and improve access for pedestrians. The planning and development of the shared user path was done in consultation with the Bike North User Group, environmental organisations and local residents.



HILLVIEW ROAD, EASTWOOD

Hillview Road, Eastwood

Road renewal works have been completed on Hillview Road (between Terry Road and Lakeside Road) in Eastwood. The works undertaken include road resurfacing works, raised kerb and gutters, stormwater improvements and the relocation of a pedestrian crossing. The upgrade was part of a \$3.8 million grant from the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.

LISTENING TO OUR COMMUNITY



Communications and Engagement Policy and Strategy

City of Ryde's Communications and Engagement Policy and Strategy are foundational documents that support Council's Community Strategic Plan.

Due to the diverse nature of Council's business, the way we communicate and engage with the community can vary. However, our goal remains the same: to inform, consult and advocate as Council is committed to building a cooperative and responsive relationship with our community.

The Communications and Engagement Policy is a guideline for how Council aims to communicate and engage with our community on relevant projects, planning matters, initiatives and events to ensure all community stakeholders are informed, and where possible create meaningful consultation opportunities where feedback is sought and considered as part of the decision-making process.

The Communications and Engagement Strategy provides insight into Council's approach when keeping our community informed and undertaking consultation.

You can view a copy of the documents on our website:

Policy: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/policies

Strategy: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/CEStrategy



Want to have your say on your experience with Council services and the future of City of Ryde?

Fill in the survey at:

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay/CityofRyde or scan the QR code.

Survey closes

Wednesday 4 May 2022.



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