

COMMUNITY MESSAGE

OUR NET ZERO FUTURE

As I talk to our community, particularly some of its younger members, it's clear that the issue of climate change and the crucial decisions needed to safeguard our planet's future are becoming increasingly important.

Undertaking meaningful actions to reduce the damage caused by man-made climate change is a responsibility we must all take on – and that includes this Council.

The City of Ryde has been engaging with the community on measures to reduce our carbon output since 2019, when we declared a Climate Emergency and began to develop our Net Zero Emissions Pathway Plan. This plan was adopted by Council in October 2022 and includes 118 actions aimed at achieving the following reduction targets:

Operation targets: Commit to Net Zero emissions by 2035 with interim emissions reduction targets of 70 percent reduction on 2018/19 emissions by 2029/30, or as soon as possible.

Community targets: Support the community to meet Net Zero Emissions by no later than 2040 or as soon as possible, with interim emissions targets of 76 percent reduction on 2018/19 emissions by 2029/30.

I'm pleased to report that energy efficiency and Net Zero initiatives undertaken up to June 2024 have resulted in Council, as an organisation, achieving a reduction of 8,062 cumulative tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions. This equates to a 68 percent reduction across the organisation compared to the 2018/19 baseline.

Over the coming weeks, I'll be outlining some of the other actions we are undertaking to meet one of the greatest challenges of our time.

SPRING GARDEN WINNERS

I'd like to congratulate the winners of Council's 2024 Spring Garden Competition, who were recognised during a fantastic ceremony at Eden Gardens on Wednesday 30 October.

They are Scott Leishman (*Front Garden*), Nilgun Tarpis (*Back Garden*), Sarah Hyland (*Courtyard and Balcony*), Sarvnaz Karimi (*Native Garden*), The Habitat (*Habitat-friendly Garden*), Leisure Lea Gardens (*Commercial Garden*), North Ryde Community Preschool (*Preschool Garden*), West Ryde Public School (*School Garden*), Amy Lou (*Succulent Garden*), The Habitat (*Community Garden*), Friends of Lane Cove (*Bushcare Regeneration*).

The Mini Categories winners are Etty Coleman (*Sensational Succulent*), Conrad Kosek (*Jr Gardeners*), Brandon T (*Jr Sustainable Waste 2 Art*), Etty Coleman (*Sustainable Waste 2 Art*), and Rae Roy (*Best in Show*).

The Spring Garden Competition brings together people from all walks of life who share a common interest in gardening, being physically active outdoors, and creating a sense of pride in their community.



Sincerely,
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HAVE YOUR SAY

OPEN COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

You are invited to have your say about documents, projects and proposals that are currently on public exhibition, or provide feedback on services and concerns that affect the community.

- Ryde to 2035: Community Strategic Plan (Closes 2 February 2025)

Want to find out more?

To find out more about the project above or for information on how to provide feedback, please visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/HaveYourSay or call Customer Service on 9952 8222.

LIBRARY NEWS

CONNECTING WITH YOUR COMMUNITY EXPO | SOCIAL INCLUSION WEEK 2024

MON 25 NOV
WHEN: Monday 25 November
TIME: 10.00am – 12.00pm
WHERE: Ryde Library



Interested in finding out more about local community and social groups in the Ryde area? Join us at Ryde Library for the Connecting with Your Community Expo, where a variety of local groups will be present so you can easily learn about what they do and how you can be part of it.



Book now: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ConnectingCommunityExpo

GARAGE SALES

SAT 16 NOV
Where: 13 Falconer St, West Ryde
When: 9.00am - 1.00pm
Where: 90 Shaftsbury Rd, Denistone West
When: 8.30am - 12.00pm

SUN 17 NOV
Where: 11 Genner St, Denistone West
When: 9.00am - 2.00pm

List your garage sale for free at: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/GarageSales

EVENTS IN OUR CITY

CITY OF RYDE CLOTHES SWAP

SAT 16 NOV
WHEN: Saturday 16 November
TIME: 11.00am – 1.00pm
WHERE: Ryde Library



The City of Ryde and The Clothing Exchange are teaming up to bring an eco-friendly clothes swap to the Ryde community! If you have garments in excellent condition you once loved but are no longer your favourites, join us at Ryde Library for a swap.

Book now: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ClothesSwap

SAFER DRIVING FOR SENIORS

TUE 19 NOV
WHEN: Tuesday, 19 November
TIME: 10.00am – 1.00pm
WHERE: Marsfield Community Centre



Seniors preparing for the Aged Driving Test are encouraged to attend this free Safer Driving for Seniors workshop. This three hour workshop will explain how to be a low risk driver, the latest changes to road rules (especially roundabouts and merging), what to expect from the Aged Driving Test, new vehicle technologies and how to use them. Light lunch provided. Parking available.

Register now: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/SeniorDrivers

City of Ryde
CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2025

2025 NOMINATIONS

The nomination date has been extended until Sunday 17 November 2024

For more details and to nominate please visit: www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen