

**Meeting Date: Tuesday 27 August 2024**  
**Location: Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online**  
**Time: 6.00pm**

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## **MAYORAL MINUTES**

### **MM28/24 MRS EDNA WILDE OAM - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown**

**File Number:** CLM/24/1/1/8 - BP24/652

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Mrs Edna Wilde OAM served as a City of Ryde Councillor for 34 years from September 1974 until September 2008. In 1980, Edna became the City of Ryde's first female Mayor and held that role on three separate occasions between 1980-1982, 1999-2000 and 2002-2004.

In 2000, Edna was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia for service to local government and to the community of Ryde. A year later, she was awarded the Centenary Medal for her service as the first female Mayor of the City of Ryde.

Throughout her civic life, Edna was a dedicated supporter of the local arts scene in the City of Ryde, both through her role as Chairman of the City of Ryde Eisteddfod and volunteering her time to serve in senior roles for many community organisations.

A driving force both for the creation of the Eisteddfod in 1988, and Ryde Council's longstanding partnership with the event, Edna's passion for the Eisteddfod was limitless.

Beyond her tireless support of the arts, Edna was a dedicated champion for the community of Ryde, actively campaigning and lobbying for better facilities, events and opportunities. She remained robustly active within the local community until recently.

She was immensely proud of her service both to City of Ryde as a former Councillor and Mayor, and the important community work she continued following her civic service.

Beyond her civic and community roles, Edna was also known as a warm and loyal friend. She was always considerate of Council staff, taking the time to say a friendly hello and maintaining a genuine interest in the people she worked with, even those who had left Council.

On her retirement from Civic duties in 2008, Council resolved at its meeting of 26 August 2008 that Edna's contribution to the arts and culture in the City of Ryde be recognised through the sponsorship of an annual award or trophy that bears her name with a cash prize of \$5,000 at the City of Ryde Eisteddfod, in the discipline of her choice.

In recognition of Edna's lifelong contribution to the City of Ryde, Council reaffirms its commitment to this ongoing sponsorship with the prize to be awarded in a discipline as determined by the Ryde Eisteddfod Committee.

**MM28/24 (continued)**

Edna Wilde, OAM, was a remarkable force of nature whose positive impact on the City of Ryde community over the course of a long and meaningful life cannot be overstated. She will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council observe a one minute silence and note the passing of Mrs Edna Wilde, OAM and her contribution to the City of Ryde's Council and community.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**



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**MM29/24 MAYOR FOR A DAY - EDUCATION WEEK EVENT - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown****File Number: MYR/07/10/20 - BP24/651**

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On Monday, 5 August 2024, I was pleased to host students from a number of local schools for an event to mark Education Week.

The event was held in the Council Chambers and encouraged civic and school leadership by allowing students to debate motions which they had formulated.

Students had the chance to experience the way in which a Council meeting is conducted, meet with the Mayor and experience what it is like to wear the regalia of office.

The event was a great success with twenty students from eight local primary schools taking part. The students were accompanied by teachers, principals and parents and the feedback I have received has been consistently positive.

Listed below are the motions submitted by the students.

I would like to thank all the participating students for the thought and consideration given when framing the motions and debating them on the day.

Motion 1 – Our Lady Queen of Peace School

That social events for local students transitioning to high school be arranged to assist with forming future friendships and supporting students who are making the move from primary to high school.

Comment: Council could offer to assist with coordinating such events which are often held by local high schools.

Motion 2 – Donnelly Park – Putney Public School

That Council support the school to improve the condition and appearance of Donnelly Park at Putney by undertaking a joint project, similar to that undertaken at Parry Park, to regenerate the area and maintain it as a valuable community asset.

Comment: Council could assist the school by providing support to students and the local community to rehabilitate the land known as Donnelly Park. This could be undertaken in a similar manner to the “adopt a park” project at Parry Park.

Motion 3 – Community stationery hub – St Michaels Primary School

That Council support the provision of “stationery hubs” similar to street libraries where donations of stationery can be left for uptake by people and students who find the cost of such supplies a burden. The hubs would be placed in local libraries or similar community spaces.

**MM29/24 (continued)**

Comment: Council could investigate this initiative for implementation in its own premises or through partnerships with groups such as Officeworks.

Motion 4 – Providing fun in a sustainable way for kids in Ryde – St Michaels Primary School

That Council support the design and construction of a playground which uses recycled and sustainable materials.

Comment: Council could investigate this initiative and work with students on a site to be determined.

Motion 5 – Resurfacing Meadowbank Park – Melrose Public School

That Council investigate the provision of all weather surfaces for some fields and improvements to the surface of the netball courts at Meadowbank Park.

Comment: Council staff to respond to the school with advice regarding current planning and provision of all weather surfaces and future plans for Meadowbank Park including the netball courts.

Motion 6 – Grass surface to synthetic surface at Meadowbank Public School – Meadowbank Public School

That Council consider turfing the oval at the newly constructed Meadowbank Public School with a synthetic surface to increase its useability in all weathers and to increase the level of activity it can sustain.

Comment: A determination of the authority responsible for the Meadowbank School oval would need to be determined. The request of the school could be forwarded if the authority is not Council. If Council is the appropriate authority responsible for the ground, consideration of the proposal could be made.

Motion 7 – Recycle smart – St Charles Primary School

That Council support greater community uptake of the “Recyclesmart” program which reduces the amount of items going to landfill.

Comment: This initiative could be considered by Council or the school advised of the current partners which Council is working with to achieve a similar outcome.

Motion 8 – The provision of more speed bumps approaching roundabouts in residential and school areas – St Charles Primary School

That Council improve safety by installing a greater number of speed bumps. The area of Quarry Road outside Midway shopping centre was mentioned specifically.

**MM29/24 (continued)**

Comment: That staff provide a response to the matter raised by students, outlining how such requests are considered and determined.

Motion 9 – FOGO bins – St Charles Primary School

That Council consider the provision of FOGO bins in every household.

Comment: That staff provide advice regarding the FOGO program being undertaken by Council.

Motion 10 – Additional crossings in the Putney Village Area – St Charles Primary School

That Council request additional pedestrian crossings in the Putney Village area, specifically on Henry Street near Charles Street and Parry Street near Charles Street

Comment: That staff provide advice regarding the regulations for the creation of pedestrian crossings. If crossings at the above locations are considered likely to be supported, that the school be involved in the process to establish the crossings.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That staff:

- (a) Provide a report to Council investigating the feasibility, including the financial implications of carrying out any of the proposals put forward by the students as detailed in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Liaise with each of the schools to provide appropriate advice on the respective ideas tabled at the Mayor for a Day event.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**

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**MM30/24 PLANTING OF 2,000 NEW TREES TO INCREASE URBAN COVERAGE  
IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown****File Number: CLM/24/1/1/8 - BP24/674**

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Since 2017, the City of Ryde has seen a significant decrease in urban tree coverage, prompting a renewed focus on the importance of urban greenery.

Research consistently shows that green spaces contribute to improved mental health, reduced stress levels, and increased happiness. Access to green spaces encourages physical activity, fosters social interaction, and provides a refuge from urban life.

The City of Ryde has committed to increasing canopy cover to 40% by the year 2030. This target aligns with State Government directives for Metropolitan Sydney and target timeframe for adoption by Councils.

Planting an additional 2,000 new trees in addition to the Urban Forest Strategy in the City of Ryde is a vital step towards restoring and enhancing our urban greenery, providing lasting benefits for the environment, community health, and reaching the goal for 40% urban coverage by 2030.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council approve the planting of 2,000 new trees and plants within the City of Ryde over the next 12 months to significantly increase urban tree coverage and address the reduction observed since 2017.
- (b) That Council staff develop and implement a detailed planting strategy, including the selection of suitable species, planting locations, and a maintenance plan to ensure the long-term health of the newly planted trees.
- (c) That Council engage the community through workshops, education campaigns, and volunteer planting days to foster a sense of ownership and participation in the greening of our city.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**

**MM31/24 INTRODUCING CITY OF RYDE'S COMMUNITY TREE DAY - Mayor,  
Councillor Trenton Brown****File Number: CLM/24/1/1/8 - BP24/675**

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On 28 July 2024, the City of Ryde celebrated National Tree Day. The day united the community and brought together enthusiastic volunteers who carried out tree planting and enjoyed a sausage sizzle.

This event strengthened local biodiversity and advanced Council's goal of achieving 40% urban tree coverage by 2030.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- (a) Designate an additional City of Ryde Tree Day, to be celebrated bi-annually.
- (b) Collaborate with local small businesses interested in partnering with the City of Ryde to reduce costs for ratepayers.
- (c) Develop a strategy for promoting City of Ryde's Community Tree Day within the calendar year, utilising regular online and media channels to engage the community.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**

**MM32/24 PARKING MATTERS – RYEDALE ROAD - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown****File Number:** CLM/24/1/1/8 - BP24/676

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A number of issues regarding issues affecting parking and safety in Ryedale Road have been brought to my attention.

I have been approached with regard to the provision of white lines to be placed on Ryedale Road to clearly delineate parking areas, especially opposite the train station.

Further, it is requested that the Traffic Committee investigate and report on the feasibility of restricting parking in this vicinity to 30 minutes throughout the day rather than the current restriction which provides for 30 minute parking between 8.30am and 3.30pm only.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- (a) Organise lines for car parking to provide drivers with clear guidance on the spots for parking opposite the train station on Ryedale Road.
- (b) Work with the Traffic Committee to come back with a report within three months on the feasibility of restricting parking to 30 minutes all day rather than the current limit of 30 minutes which only applies to the hours of 8.30am to 3.30pm.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**

**MM33/24 TG MILLNER REZONING PROPOSAL - Mayor, Councillor Trenton Brown****File Number:** MYR/07/10/20 - BP24/665

TG Millner Field is currently zoned for recreation and is located in proximity to the Macquarie Park Innovation District (MPID). The site is of a size and scale that allows for its ongoing use for various recreation purposes at both a regional level and a local level.

This Mayoral Minute provides a follow up to my Mayoral Minute at the July 2024 meeting of Council, noting the lack of commitment from State and Federal Government to commit to preserving TG Millner for open space for the current and growing community.

It is imperative that Council act on behalf of the community to provide Open Space infrastructure that is accessible and used by the community now and into the future.

As such, this Mayoral Minute looks to introduce a mechanism to protect public access to TG Millner Fields, through an amendment to the *Ryde Local Environmental Plan (RLEP) 2014* to introduce RE1 – Public Recreation zoning on the site. The zoning change will safeguard public recreation space on the site, through Council developing and lodging a Planning Proposal to the State Government to amend the land use zoning as part of the RLEP 2014.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council develop and lodge a Planning Proposal to the NSW State Government for protection of critical public recreation space at TG Millner Field site through an amendment to the *Ryde Local Environmental Plan (RLEP) 2014* to classify the site as an RE1 – Public Recreation zone.
- (b) That Council write to NSROC and its member Councils to enlist their support for the preservation of TG Millner fields, recognising the strategic imperative for all Northern Sydney Councils to maintain open green space of significant size such as Westleigh Park and TG Millner fields.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

**Councillor Trenton Brown**  
**Mayor**

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager  
**File No.:** CLM/24/1/1/2 - BP24/567

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council can determine those matters on the Agenda that can be adopted without the need for any discussion.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council determine the Items on Council's Agenda that will be adopted without debate.

OR

That Council determine all Items on the Agenda.



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**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 23 July 2024**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager**File No.:** CLM/24/1/1/2 - BP24/568

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, a motion or discussion with respect to such minutes shall not be in order except with regard to their accuracy as a true record of the proceedings.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 10/24, held on 23 July 2024 be confirmed.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 MINUTES - Council Meeting - 23 July 2024

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, 23 July 2024  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online  
**Time:** 6.03pm

**Councillors Present in Chambers:** The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Han, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, O'Reilly, Purcell and Song.

**Councillors Present via online Audio Visual:** Councillors Deshpande, Lane, Pedersen and Yedelian OAM.

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Note:** Councillor O'Reilly left the meeting at 9.19pm and did not return. Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on Items 16 (F), 16(H), Precis of Correspondence 1, Precis of Correspondence 2, Notice of Motion 2, Notice of Motion 3 and Notice of Motion 4.

**Staff Present:** Chief Executive Officer, General Manager – Business and Operations, Acting General Manager – City Shaping, General Counsel, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Executive Manager – City Infrastructure, Executive Manager – City Development, Executive Manager – City Life, Executive Manager – People and Business, Manager – Business Assurance and Governance, Manager – Traffic Services, Manager – Engineering and Project Delivery, Manager – Circular Economy, Manager – Health, Building and Regulatory Services, Manager – Property Management, Acting Executive Officer – City Fabric, Executive Officer – City Economy, Executive Officer – City Spaces, Executive Officer – City Resilience, Acting Executive Officer – City Places, Chief Property Officer, City Architect, Senior Coordinator – City Economy, Senior Coordinator – Parks Operations, Senior Coordinator – Social and Cultural Planning, Strategic Planner, Heritage Officer, Media and Communications Officer, Systems Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

**PRAYER**

Pastor Cathy Gravitis of St. Phil's Anglican Church, Eastwood was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Li disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 16 – Traffic and Parking Matters approved by the Ryde Traffic Committee Meeting – June 2024 (Part (H) – Buena Vista Avenue, Denistone – Parking Restrictions) for the reason that he is friends with one of the property owners in the street.

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**TABLING OF PETITIONS**

No Petitions were tabled.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons provided a written submission to Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Richard Shumack	Item 5 – Dog off Leash Feasibility – Charit Creek Cascades
Rod Noel	Item 17 – Argyle Centre – Proposed Notice of Motion – Use as Youth Arts Recreational Centre

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

No written submissions were received.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Purcell)

That Council adopt Item 2, Item 3, Item 5, Item 7, Item 9, Item 10, Item 11, Item 12, Item 13, Item 14, Precis of Correspondence 3, Notice of Motion 7 and Item 19 listed on the Council Agenda as per the Recommendations in the Reports.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Council Meeting held on 25 June 2024**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 9/24, held on 25 June 2024 be confirmed.

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2024 – USE OF COUNCIL RESOURCES, REGULATED PERIOD, CARETAKER PROVISIONS AND MEETING SCHEDULE**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council note and endorse the actions detailed in this report relating to the use of Council resources and the publishing of “Electoral Matter” during the regulated period commencing on 5 August 2024.
- (b) That Council note the caretaker provisions as prescribed in the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.
- (c) That Council endorse 27 August 2024 as the last Council meeting prior to the 2024 Local Government Elections, noting that the caretaker provisions commence on 16 August 2024.

**5 DOG OFF-LEASH FEASIBILITY – CHARITY CREEK CASCADES**

Note: Richard Shumack made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council declares the public area (by issue of an order) that it is to be an off-leash area (unfenced) pursuant to Section 13(6) of the Companion Animals Act 1988 at 55 Linton Avenue, West Ryde.

**7 KAYAKS, DINGHIES AND WATERCRAFT IN CITY OF RYDE**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council receives and notes this report.
- (b) That Council staff to prepare a City of Ryde Watercraft Policy during the 2024/2025 financial year.

**9 ADOPTION OF THE RYDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY STRATEGY**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council adopts the *Economic Development Strategy (ATTACHMENT 1)* and the *Night-Time Economy Strategy (ATTACHMENT 2)*.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (b) That Council notes the *Stakeholder Engagement Insights Report* (**ATTACHMENT 3**).
- (c) That Council notes the 2024-25 *Economic Action Plan* will be published on Council's website in the first week of August 2024.

**10 CITY OF RYDE LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY - ADOPTION**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council notes the public submissions received as per the Stakeholder Engagement Insights Report (**ATTACHMENT 2**).
- (b) That Council adopt the Local Infrastructure Strategy, as considered by Council in May 2024 with minor amendments (**ATTACHMENT 1**).

**11 LAND CLASSIFICATION AT DENISTONE**

**RESOLUTION:**

That, pursuant to Section 31(2) of the Local Government Act, the land described as Lot 580 in Deposited Plan 340013, Lot 1 in Deposited Plan 435180 and Lot 12 in Deposited Plan 867700 be classified as Operational Land.

**12 OLIVE STREET FOOTPATH**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council defer funds from the following three identified footpath expansion projects in the current 2024/25 Operational Plan totalling an amount of \$320,000:
- Cosimo Street (Quarry Road – Cul-de-sac)
  - Napier Crescent (David Avenue – 350 Lane Cove Road)
  - Suttor Avenue (Belmore Street – Church Street)
- (b) That Council allocate these deferred funds for the investigation, design, and construction of a footpath on Olive Street.
- (c) That Council undertakes the construction of a footpath on Olive Street from Ronald Avenue to Bridge Road within the 2024/25 financial year.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**13 SOCIAL PLAN 2025-2030 – ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORT AND NEXT STEPS**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council notes the Social Plan 2025-2030: Engagement Outcomes Report.
- (b) That Council endorses staff progressing the development of the Social Plan 2025-2030 as outlined in this Report.

**14 CREATIVITY STRATEGY 2025-2030 – ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORT AND NEXT STEPS**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council notes the Creativity Strategy 2025-2030: Engagement Outcomes Report.
- (b) That Council endorses staff progressing the development of the Creativity Strategy 2025-2030 as outlined in this Report.

**PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**3 RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS – OUTCOME OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM STREAM 1**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**7 COLLABORATING WITH POLICE AND SERVICE PROVIDERS ON A COURT TOUR THAT PROVIDES INFORMATION ON SERVICES AVAILABLE FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That City of Ryde extend an invitation to NSW Police, the Ryde Hunters Hill Domestic and Family Violence (RHHDFV) Committee to partner in the provision of a 'police station to court' tour for domestic and family violence service providers and the community.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (b) That the RHHDFV Committee be encouraged to apply for a City of Ryde community grant to cover the costs of the bus and morning tea.

**COUNCIL REPORT**

**19 REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT 13/22 – AFS CERTIFICATION SERVICES**

**RESOLUTION:**

In accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 clause 178(1) that Council:

- (a) That Council declines to accept all tenders, and pursuant to Clause 178(3)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, enters into negotiations with AESC Pty Ltd, Eagle Consulting Group Pty Ltd and Philip Chun BC NSW Pty Ltd due to the departures from the Principals' Project Requirements, RFT and Contract.
- (b) Advises all respondents to this tender of Council's decision.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Lara-Watson)

That Council now consider the following Items, the time being 6.17pm:-

- Item 15 – Response to Matter of Urgency – Rockend Cottage.
- Item 17 – Argyle Centre – Proposed Notice of Motion – Use as Youth Arts Recreational Centre.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORT**

**15 RESPONSE TO MATTER OF URGENCY - ROCKEND COTTAGE**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council receives and notes this report.

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (b) That Council resolves to comply with Section 356 of the Local Government Act which requires Council to provide prior public notice, for a period of 28 days, of a proposal to grant financial assistance (noting that a significant Rent-Free period has already been provided and works were undertaken to the premises prior to the Tenant taking occupation).

(Note: Financial Assistance must be for the purpose of exercising Council's functions (such as maintaining and protecting our property).

- (c) That Council grants the Chief Executive Officer delegated authority to negotiate any such additional financial assistance and to take all necessary actions to comply with the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council place an Interim lift of the stop order on Rockend Cottage.
- (b) That Council takes considerable note to the community petition of 674 signatures.
- (c) That Council lift the stop works order to allow the tenant to complete works and open the business for the community.
- (d) That Council Inspects the building prior to opening.
- (e) That an amendment of the lease be added to allow the tenant a window of 12 months to lodge a DA and comply to any legislative requirements.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Brown ruled the Amendment Out of Order as it is unlawful.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council receives and notes this report.
- (b) That Council resolves to comply with Section 356 of the Local Government Act which requires Council to provide prior public notice, for a period of 28 days, of a proposal to grant financial assistance (noting that a significant Rent-Free period has already been provided and works were undertaken to the premises prior to the Tenant taking occupation).

(Note: Financial Assistance must be for the purpose of exercising Council's functions (such as maintaining and protecting our property).



**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (c) That Council grants the Chief Executive Officer delegated authority to negotiate any such additional financial assistance and to take all necessary actions to comply with the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act.

**Record of Voting:**

**For the Motion:** The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

**Against the Motion:** Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**MATTER OF URGENCY**

Councillor Purcell advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding waiving the park hire fee for the Wyatt's Walk for Cystic Fibrosis event on 3 November 2024, the time being 7.12pm.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Brown did not accept this matter as an Urgent Item.

**17 ARGYLE CENTRE - PROPOSED NOTICE OF MOTION - USE AS YOUTH ARTS RECREATIONAL CENTRE**

Note: Notice of Motion 1 – Community Consultation on a Suitable Youth Arts Recreational Centre was considered in conjunction with this Item.

Note: Rod Noel made a written submission on this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Li)

That Council notes:

- (a) That there are a number of future community facilities projects that will further enhance spaces for youth arts and recreation once Council's financial position allows these projects to be funded in a sustainable manner.
- (b) The recent investment in youth performing arts programs including the new facility at Lachlan's Line Auditorium and upgraded facilities at North Ryde School of the Arts that enhance opportunities for a range of activities for young people.
- (c) The Argyle Centre currently sits within Council's Property Investment Portfolio as a future income generating asset to be redeveloped for a mix of retail, commercial, residential, and affordable housing for key workers.

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- (d) That no budget was provided for the following in the recently adopted Operational and Delivery Plans:
- i) The cost of any community engagement for a possible future use of the Argyle Centre as a Youth Arts and Recreation Centre.
  - ii) The cost of major refurbishments to the existing Argyle Centre, estimated to be in excess of \$5 million or the demolition and replacement of this facility with a new community facility.
- (e) Since 2011, the Aboriginal Land Claim has impacted plans to redevelop the Argyle Centre site and the Bowling Club. The Council should write to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs NSW requesting a determination of the matter without further delay.
- (f) That redevelopment of the Argyle Centre and the Bowling Club adjacent to the site presents an excellent opportunity to enhance community facilities. Council investigate and pursue funding opportunities from state government grants, private sector partnerships, and other relevant sources, with a report to be presented to the Council in December 2024.
- (g) That a Workshop be conducted on this matter after a response from the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs NSW.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MAYORAL MINUTES**

**MM25/24 UPDATE ON TG MILLNER FIELDS FOLLOWING LETTER BY HON RON HOENIG MP – MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That the CEO write and ask The Hon. Ron Hoening MP, Minister for Local Government to reconsider the decision to deny issuing the City of Ryde with the Proposed Acquisition Notice (PAN) for TG Millner.
- (b) That Council note that the Mayor has already written to the Premier for New South Wales, the Minister for Sport, the Minister for Local Government and the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces to encourage them to:

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- i. Provide the necessary funding as previously promised by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to the City of Ryde as part of the Macquarie Park Innovation District Rezoning Strategies and Transport Oriented Development (TOD) to ensure the purchase and future management of TG Millner; given the regional significance of this open space in supporting the increased population across the Ryde LGA.

On being put to the meeting, Councillors O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song abstained from voting and accordingly their votes were recorded Against the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**MM26/24 UPDATE ON PROPOSED REZONING OF MACQUARIE PARK INNOVATION DISTRICT**

**MOTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That the CEO write to the Secretary for DPHI seeking an extension for Council's submission to the NSW Government's exhibition of the Macquarie Park Transport Orientated Development Rezoning Proposal until Friday, 30 August 2024.
- (b) That Council publicise the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development (Stage 2) Rezoning proposal to ensure that the community is well informed of the changes proposed for the Precinct.
- (c) That Council encourage public submissions for the proposed Stage 2 of the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development Rezoning Proposal.
- (d) That the Mayor write to the Premier of NSW, The Hon. Chris Minns MP, and the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, The Hon. Paul Scully MP, seeking a meeting and collaboration between the NSW State Government and Council to refine and finalise the rezoning for Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development rezoning proposal to ensure the right balance of providing housing, employment opportunities and appropriate infrastructure provision at the right time.

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**PROCEDURAL MOTION TO VOTE ON ITEM IN SERIATIM**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and O'Reilly)

That this Item be dealt with in Seriatim.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Motion was five (5) For and seven (7) Against. The Motion was **LOST**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That the CEO write to the Secretary for DPHI seeking an extension for Council's submission to the NSW Government's exhibition of the Macquarie Park Transport Orientated Development Rezoning Proposal until Friday, 30 August 2024.
- (b) That Council publicise the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development (Stage 2) Rezoning proposal to ensure that the community is well informed of the changes proposed for the Precinct.
- (c) That Council encourage public submissions for the proposed Stage 2 of the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development Rezoning Proposal.
- (d) That the Mayor write to the Premier of NSW, The Hon. Chris Minns MP, and the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, The Hon. Paul Scully MP, seeking a meeting and collaboration between the NSW State Government and Council to refine and finalise the rezoning for Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Macquarie Park Transport Oriented Development rezoning proposal to ensure the right balance of providing housing, employment opportunities and appropriate infrastructure provision at the right time.

On being put to the meeting, Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song Abstained from voting and accordingly their votes were recorded Against the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MM27/24 ASSESSMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES – INSTALLATION OF SOLAR SYSTEMS ON COUNCIL ASSETS**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown)

- (a) That Council acknowledge that a total of 8 out of 12 solar PV systems have been installed across the City of Ryde since 2016, with the last system completed in 2024. Of the remaining 4 assets, 3 fell outside the adopted site suitability assessment criteria as either they would not provide a reasonable payback, or the future of the asset was still to be determined long term. The fourth system at Christie Park was not installed due to site constraints and economic considerations.
- (b) That staff undertake an assessment of the Christie Park Amenity Facility roof to determine whether a solar system can be installed that complies with Council's criteria which includes obtaining a return on investment (ROI) in less than 7 years, considers asset ownership, other asset life considerations, utilisation (to achieve a suitable 'payback period') and is based on a whole of cost for installation.
- (c) That Council be provided an update on the findings as a report at a Council Meeting.
- (d) That such report is to include an assessment of the Christie Park Amenity facility and provide potential funding sources if it is recommended the project proceed.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 25 June 2024**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2024 - USE OF COUNCIL RESOURCES, REGULATED PERIOD, CARETAKER PROVISIONS AND MEETING SCHEDULE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**4 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - TAMWORTH - 17 TO 19 NOVEMBER 2024**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Pedersen)

- (a) That Councillors notify the Helpdesk if they are interested in attending the Conference. If those interested Councillors are elected, that they confirm their attendance to the Conference.
- (b) That Council note that the Chief Executive Officer will determine which staff will attend the Local Government NSW Annual Conference.
- (c) That this matter be brought back to Council in October 2024 for confirmation of attendance.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell, Song and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

**5 DOG OFF-LEASH FEASIBILITY - CHARITY CREEK CASCADES**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**6 INVESTIGATING THE FEASIBILITY OF UPGRADES OF NETBALL COURTS WITHIN MEADOWBANK**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council continues to conduct an annual audit and repairs of the netball courts at a cost of up to \$50,000 per annum, which will be funded from the Sportsground Maintenance Base Budget, until ERNA transitions to the West Ryde Multi-Sports Facility.
- (b) The City of Ryde Mayor write to the Minister for Education, Prue Carr MP and reconfirm the State Government's commitment to delivering the Netball Facility at 22 Winbourne Street and an update on the timeline of the project.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillor Maggio and

That Council spend the \$263,000 to allow for the whole project to be completed.

Note: The Amendment lapsed due to lack of a Seconder.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

Note: Councillor O'Reilly left the meeting at 8.36pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council continues to conduct an annual audit and repairs of the netball courts at a cost of up to \$50,000 per annum, which will be funded from the Sportsground Maintenance Base Budget, until ERNA transitions to the West Ryde Multi-Sports Facility.
- (b) The City of Ryde Mayor write to the Minister for Education, Prue Carr MP and reconfirm the State Government's commitment to delivering the Netball Facility at 22 Winbourne Street and an update on the timeline of the project.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**7 KAYAKS, DINGHIES AND WATERCRAFT IN CITY OF RYDE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**8 EASTWOOD MASTERPLAN – EARLY ENGAGEMENT METHODOLOGY, OUTCOMES AND VISION**

Note: Councillor O'Reilly returned to the meeting at 8.41pm during discussion on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Li and Han)

- (a) That Council note the methodology and findings of the Eastwood Masterplan's Early Engagement activities.
- (b) That Council endorse the proposed Vision of the Eastwood Masterplan.
- (c) That Council endorse the next phases of the Eastwood Masterplan, being the Technical Studies and Masterplan Drafting.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**9 ADOPTION OF THE RYDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY STRATEGY**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**10 CITY OF RYDE LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY – ADOPTION**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**11 LAND CLASSIFICATION AT DENISTONE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**12 OLIVE STREET FOOTPATH**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**13 SOCIAL PLAN 2025-2030 - ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORT AND NEXT STEPS**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**14 CREATIVITY STRATEGY 2025-2030 - ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES REPORT AND NEXT STEPS**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**15 RESPONSE TO MATTER OF URGENCY - ROCKEND COTTAGE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**16 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - JUNE 2024**

Note: Councillor Li disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Part (H) – Buena Vista Avenue, Denistone – Parking Restrictions for the reason that he is friends with one of the property owners on this street. Councillors Li left the meeting at 8.48pm and was not present for discussion or voting on this Item.

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**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Han)

That Council endorse the recommendations for Parts (B), (C), (D), (E), (G) and (I) as set out below, with the exception of Parts (A), (F) and (H) to be determined separately.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**RESOLUTION:**

**(B) SALTER CRESCENT, DENISTONE EAST - NO PARKING RESTRICTION**

The following changes be considered on Salter Crescent, Denistone East:

- a) A 10m long "NO PARKING" zone be installed on both sides of Salter Crescent across the driveways of property nos. 13 and 20 Salter Crescent, Denistone East.

**RESOLUTION:**

**(C) HYUNDAI DRIVE, MACQUARIE PARK - AT-GRADE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

The following changes be considered on Hyundai Drive, Macquarie Park:

- a) An at-grade pedestrian crossing and supplementary signage be installed on Hyundai Drive and Lane Cove Road in accordance with Transport for NSW's Technical Directions and other relevant standards (e.g. AS1742.10).
- b) Signage on Lane Cove Road is to be installed by Transport for NSW only.
- c) An "ALL TRAFFIC (LEFT ONLY)" sign (R2-14L) be installed on the northern side of Hyundai Drive, opposite the development's driveway.
- d) The existing "TRUCK PROHIBITED – 7.0M AND OVER" sign (R6-10-2) on Hyundai Drive at its intersection with Lane Cove Road be replaced with a "TRUCKS PROHIBITED - 9.9M AND OVER" sign.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**RESOLUTION:**

**(D) MELLOR STREET, WEST RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

The following changes be considered on Mellor Street, West Ryde:

- a) A "2P 8AM-6PM MON-FRI AUTHORISED PERMIT HOLDERS EXCEPTED - ZONE 8" resident parking scheme be installed on the eastern side of Mellor Street, West Ryde.
- b) Residents be advised of the number of permits that they will be eligible for and invited to apply for permits.

**RESOLUTION:**

**(E) 6-8 WESTERN CRESCENT, GLADESVILLE - NO STOPPING SIGNS ON COULTER STREET AND ROSS STREET**

The following changes be considered on Coulter Street and Ross Street, Gladesville:

- a) A 12.5m long "NO STOPPING - WASTE VEHICLES EXCEPTED" zone be installed on the northern side of Coulter Street at the property frontage of 6-8 Western Crescent, Gladesville.
- b) A statutory "NO STOPPING" sign be installed on the eastern side of Ross Street, 10m north of Coulter Street.

**RESOLUTION:**

**(G) MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY- PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

The following changes be considered on Morrison Road, Putney:

- a) A 6m long "NO STOPPING" zone be converted to unrestricted parking on the southern side of Morrison Road outside property no. 210 Morrison Road, Putney.

**RESOLUTION:**

**(I) ROAD SAFETY UPDATE - ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS**

- a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**(A) JARVIS CIRCUIT, MACQUARIE PARK - PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Han)

- a) Staff undertake further investigation and come back to Council with a report of the cleaning schedule of the Lachlan's Line toilet block and the subject Council vehicle parking space.
- b) Nine (9) "2P 8AM-6PM MON-WED FRI-SUN 8AM-9PM THU" spaces be converted to "4P 8AM - 6PM" on the southern side of Jarvis Circuit outside play area on Lachlan's Line Park, Macquarie Park.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**(F) COXS ROAD, NORTH RYDE/EAST RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Lara-Watson left the meeting at 9.18pm during discussion on this Item and was not present for voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor O'Reilly left the meeting at 9.19pm during discussion on this Item and did not return. Councillor O'Reilly was not present for voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Maggio)

The following parking changes be considered on Coxs Road, North Ryde/ East Ryde:

- a) "NO STOPPING" restrictions be installed on both sides of Coxs Road, North Ryde / East Ryde (outside property numbers 46 to 57) along the existing double centreline.
- b) Statutory 10m "NO STOPPING" restrictions be installed at the intersections of Shaw Street and Wolfe Road with Coxs Road, North Ryde / East Ryde.
- c) "NO STOPPING" restrictions be installed outside 40 Coxs Road, North Ryde / East Ryde.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**(H) BUENA VISTA AVENUE, DENISTONE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

Note: Councillor Li disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Part (H) for the reason that he is friends with one of the property owners on this street. Councillors Li was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Lara-Watson returned to the meeting at 9.25pm during discussion on this Item.

Note: Councillor Deshpande left the meeting at 9.30pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Han and Maggio)

That Council notes the long standing garbage collection arrangements on Buena Vista Avenue and further consults with the street residents in order to explore alternative solutions that would enable waste to be collected but without loss of street parking. Alternative solutions to be explored should include regular vegetation pruning and allowing cars to park partly on the nature strip on garbage collection days.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**17 ARGYLE CENTRE - PROPOSED NOTICE OF MOTION - USE AS YOUTH ARTS RECREATIONAL CENTRE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**INFORMATION REPORT**

**18 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**1 RESPONSE FROM THE OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY**

Note: Councillor Li returned to the meeting at 9.32pm.

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Deshpande was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Li)

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 RESPONSE LETTER FROM THE HON RON HOENIG MP - TG MILLNER FIELDS**

Note: Councillor Deshpande returned to the meeting at 9.35pm.

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Li)

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORT, REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS - OUTCOME OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM STREAM 1**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION ON A SUITABLE YOUTH ARTS RECREATIONAL CENTRE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was considered in conjunction with Item 17 – Argyle Centre – Proposed Notice of Motion – use as Youth Arts Recreational Centre which was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**2 FACILITATION OF ONLINE MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM left the meeting at 9.36pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council facilitate an online meeting within 14 days with representatives from all local clubs and associations affected by the inclement weather this winter season. (The purpose of the meeting is to gather feedback on how to improve the experiences and outcomes for local clubs during adverse weather conditions in future winter seasons).
- (b) That staff compile a report based on the feedback and present this with recommendations to a Council meeting as soon as possible.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT COUNCIL MEETINGS - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

- (a) That Council review its Code of Meeting Practice in relation to allowing members of the public to speak on items being considered at Council meetings.

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- (b) That a workshop be convened with Councillors in October to discuss a streamlined approach to public participation.
- (c) That as part of the process to formulate guidelines, Council review the practices of other Councils.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Han)

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledge its Statutory obligation to review the Code of Meeting Practice at the commencement of the new electoral term in October 2024.
- (b) Acknowledge that Councillor Jerome Laxale suggested in a Council workshop that public participation should be discontinued.
- (c) Acknowledge that the current Code of Meeting Practice was adopted unanimously in a Motion that was moved by Councillor Roy Maggio and seconded by Councillor Bernard Purcell.
- (d) That Council review its Code of Meeting Practice in relation to allowing members of the public to speak on items being considered at Council meetings.
- (e) That a workshop be convened with Councillors in October to discuss a streamlined approach to public participation.
- (f) That as part of the process to formulate guidelines, Council review the practices of other Councils.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was Unanimous. The Amendment was CARRIED and then became the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Unanimous

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledge its Statutory obligation to review the Code of Meeting Practice at the commencement of the new electoral term in October 2024.
- (b) Acknowledge that Councillor Jerome Laxale suggested in a Council workshop that public participation should be discontinued.

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- (c) Acknowledge that the current Code of Meeting Practice was adopted unanimously in a Motion that was moved by Councillor Roy Maggio and seconded by Councillor Bernard Purcell.
- (d) That Council review its Code of Meeting Practice in relation to allowing members of the public to speak on items being considered at Council meetings.
- (e) That a workshop be convened with Councillors in October to discuss a streamlined approach to public participation.
- (f) That as part of the process to formulate guidelines, Council review the practices of other Councils.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**4 LIGHTING FOR PEDESTRIANS AND PARK USERS ACROSS THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Bernard Purcell**

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Han)

- (a) That Council conduct an audit of the lighting levels on pathways within the following parks, emphasising pedestrian and passive park user safety:-
  - Santa Rosa Park path
  - Crimea Road access to Epping Road
  - The Cascades from Top Ryde to West Ryde
  - Anderson Park play area
  - Temporary lighting for Blenheim Park until its masterplan is delivered
  - Meadowbank Playground
- (b) That Council explores funding sources for the necessary improvements in lighting levels on pathways with the aforementioned parks. This investigation should include both internal funding and potential external funding sources.
- (c) That staff take into consideration lighting that is acceptable for nocturnal fauna where possible.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (d) That a report be presented to Council detailing the findings of the audit and funding investigations as soon as practicable.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**5 PROVIDING ACCESS TO ELECTRICITY FOR FOOD TRUCKS IN COUNCIL CARPARKS TO PREVENT POLLUTION FROM COMBUSTION GENERATORS - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Motion was WITHDRAWN by Councillor Pedersen.

**6 INFORMATION EVENT ON MEDICARE URGENT CARE CLINICS AND CENTRELINK SERVICES IN THE RYDE LGA - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Motion was WITHDRAWN by Councillor Pedersen.

**7 COLLABORATING WITH POLICE AND SERVICE PROVIDERS ON A COURT TOUR THAT PROVIDES INFORMATION ON SERVICES AVAILABLE FROM VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MATTER OF URGENCY – Councillor Bernard Purcell**

**Confidential**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

Note: Councillor O'Reilly was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM returned to the meeting at 10.17pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Li)

That the Council resolve into Closed Session.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lane, Lara-Watson, Li, Maggio, Pedersen, Song and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Purcell

Note: The Council closed the meeting at 10.18pm. The public and media left the chamber and the webcast.

**MATTER OF URGENCY**

Councillor Purcell advised the meeting that he wished to raise a Matter of Urgency regarding a Request for an Investigation under Section 430 of the Local Government Act, 1993, the time being 10.19pm.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Brown did not accept this matter as an Urgent Item.

**OPEN SESSION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Brown and Councillor Lara-Watson)

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the Minutes of the Closed Session be adopted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Open Council resumed at 10.41pm.

The meeting closed at 10.42pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024

Chairperson

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### 3 JUNE QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT (UNAUDITED) INCLUDING 2023/24 CARRYOVERS - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2022-2026 AND 2023/2024 OPERATIONAL PLAN

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**Report prepared by:** Acting Chief Financial Officer  
**File No.:** FIM/23/46/1 - BP24/574

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#### REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to review final Income and Expenditure against the Adopted Budget and to consider any variations to the Budget as required by the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021. The report also outlines the projects that are required to be carried over from the FY23/24 Budget into FY24/25 Budget as a result of projects that were still in progress at the end of the FY23/24 Financial Year.

Council's financial position remains satisfactory as at 30 June 2024. It is important to note that Council's actual result to budget is not Council's final position, as adjustments are still being made due to year-end and this is still subject to external audit. The Audited Statutory Financial Statements will be presented to Council in November 2024.

In addition, Council's Four-Year Delivery Plan 2022-2026, and One Year FY23/24 Operational Plan, set out the strategic and financial objectives for the year. These plans detail the goals and performance measures for Council's seven key outcomes, along with the services and projects that Council planned to deliver in FY23/24. The attached report **ATTACHMENT 3 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** includes information about progress in each of the seven outcomes with regard to the targets adopted by Council for 30 June 2024.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That the proposed variations, FY23/24 carryover funds and proposed movements in reserves as detailed in **ATTACHMENTS 1 and 2**, be adopted by Council.
- (b) That the June 2024 Quarterly Review report (Four Year Delivery Plan 2022 - 2026 and One Year 2023/24 Operational Plan) for Quarter Four, *April – June 2024*, be received and adopted by Council. **ATTACHMENT 3 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.**

#### ATTACHMENTS

- 1 QBR4 Financial Summaries
- 2 Carryover Listing FY23-24 to FY24-25
- 3 2023-24 Quarter 4 Quarterly Review Progress Report (April - June 2024) - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

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#### Discussion

Attachments 1 and 2 detail the following:

- **Quarterly Budget Review Reports** – provides a financial overview of final Income and Expenditure against the Adopted Budget and to consider any variations to the Budget as required by the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.
- **Carryover Projects** – provides a listing of projects (and respective amounts) that are required to be over from the FY23/24 Budget into FY24/25 Budget as a result of projects that were still in progress at the end of the FY23/24 Financial Year.

To ensure Council is informed of key deliverables and the progress of these deliverables, the 'Quarterly Council Review Report June 2023' is provided in the **ATTACHMENT 3 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. This report addresses the delivery of Council's services and projects for the period July to June 2024 in accordance with the 2022-2026 Delivery Program and 2023-2024 Operational Plan.

#### Budget Result FY23/24:

##### Overview:

In FY23/24 The City of Ryde spent **\$193.9m** to provide for recurrent operations, renewal of existing infrastructure and building new assets. The City of Ryde delivers a broad range of recurrent operations such as civil and parks asset maintenance, community facilities, town planning, regulatory functions, waste and recycling, community service, libraries, community events and economic development activities. Council also continues to renew and construct critical infrastructure for its residents.

##### Operating Surplus (Unaudited):

The Original Budget forecasted an Operating Surplus of **\$13.5m**. As at 30 June 2024, Council's Statutory Format Operating Surplus is **\$61.3m**, however after the exclusion of grants and contributions for capital purposes the Operating Surplus is **\$6.6m**.

The variation from the Original Budget is mainly due to savings in employment costs as a result of vacancies and greater than anticipated Section 7.11 Contributions during Financial Year. The major variations between the Revised Budget and the actual year end result are detailed later in this report.

**It is important to note that this result is currently unaudited and subject to change as year-end is still being finalised.**

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#### **Capital Works** (*Excluding lease and loan payments*):

The Original adopted budget identified 104 Capital Works projects totaling **\$45.2m**. During the year a further 71 projects were added consisting of carry-over projects from FY22/23, some new projects added during the year and variations proposed in this Review resulted in 165 projects at the end of FY23/24 with a Revised Budget of **\$91.1m**.

#### **Cash & Investments**

Cash and Investments comprises of Internally Restricted (by Council Resolution), Externally Restricted funds and Unrestricted funds.

Total Cash and Investments as at 30th June 2024 total **\$310.5m**, compared to **\$247.7m** as at 30 June 2023.

Internally Restricted funds totalled **\$109.5m** as at 30 June 2024 compared to **\$108.6m** as at 30 June 2023, which represents a net increase of **\$863k**. Externally Restricted funds totalled **\$191.1m** as at 30 June 2024 compared to **\$130.6m** as at 30 June 2023 which represents an increase of **\$60.5m** which is mainly due to greater than anticipated Section 7.11 funds received during the year.

Council's Unrestricted Cash are funds that are not restricted for a specific purpose, it is held to cover day to day operational needs and must be sufficient to satisfy Council's short-term obligations when they fall due. These funds are viewed as a buffer against unexpected events, losses of income, fluctuations with cashflow and unforeseen circumstances and must be ample to safeguard Council against liquidity risk. Fluctuations in cashflow can result due to Council having no control on timing of receipts from creditors and payments to debtors, or Council often having to forward fund expenditure for grant funded projects where funding bodies only provide funds once work is complete. Unrestricted Cash cannot have a negative balance and must remain positive and sufficient to protect Council.

Council's projected Unrestricted Cash balance was **\$8.7m**, however as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 Council's (Unaudited) actual balance is **\$10.0m**. This balance may change depending on the outcomes of the external audit.

#### **Financial Performance Ratios:**

As at 30 June 2024, Council's operating ratios are positive against benchmark. Ratios have not been provided in this report as year-end is still in progress and further adjustments to accounts may occur.

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#### Income Statement:

The table below is a summary of the proposed variations and carryovers for June Quarterly Budget Review.

Statutory Format		Description	Management Reporting Format (Matching Principles)				Ref
Original Budget	FY2023/24 Actuals (Unaudited)		FY2023/24 Actuals	March Approved Budget	Proposed Carryover	Variance from Approved Budget after Carryovers	
(\$'000)	(\$'000)		(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	
<b>Income From Continuing Operations</b>							
109,718	110,194	Rates and annual charges	110,194	109,718	-	476	1
18,410	18,144	User charges and fees	18,144	18,177	-	(34)	2,4,6,9,11-12
5,477	13,625	Interest and investment revenue	13,625	11,090	-	2,534	14
12,535	12,534	Other Revenue	12,534	12,403	-	132	2-3,5,7-8,10,13
6,040	6,595	Grants and Contributions - Operating	6,595	2,750	169	4,015	15
13,286	54,693	Grants and Contributions - Capital	-	-	-	-	
1,226	-	Gain on Asset Disposal	-	-	-	-	
-	-	Trf From Internal Restrictions	7,358	8,631	1,181	(91)	
-	-	Trf From External Restrictions	25,104	26,565	600	(861)	
<b>166,693</b>	<b>215,784</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>193,553</b>	<b>189,333</b>	<b>1,951</b>	<b>6,170</b>	
<b>Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>							
64,275	60,418	Employee benefits and on-costs	60,418	63,226	-	(2,808)	16
108	371	Borrowing costs	371	108	-	263	17
53,163	54,928	Materials and contracts	54,928	59,112	2,526	(1,658)	19-30
28,820	29,412	Depreciation and Amortisation	29,412	28,820	-	592	18
6,864	7,190	Other expenses	7,190	6,864	-	327	26,31
-	2,220	Loss on Asset Disposal	-	-	-	-	
<b>153,230</b>	<b>154,539</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>152,319</b>	<b>158,129</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>(3,285)</b>	
<b>13,463</b>	<b>61,245</b>	<b>Operating Result (Surplus)/Deficit</b>	<b>41,234</b>	<b>31,204</b>	<b>(575)</b>	<b>9,455</b>	
Add back Non Cash Items:							
-	-	- Depreciation and Amortisation	29,412	28,820	-	592	
-	-	- Other Non Cash Items	(276)	-	-	(276)	
		<b>Budget Surplus before Transfer to Reserves</b>	<b>70,370</b>	<b>60,024</b>	<b>(575)</b>	<b>9,771</b>	
-	-	- Transfer to Asset Related Reserves	(37,197)	(33,926)	-	(3,271)	
-	-	- Transfer to Other Reserves	(33,173)	(25,937)	575	(6,660)	
<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Budget Result Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(161)</b>	

Commentary below details the variance between the Approved Budget including carryover funds and the final actual.

#### Operating Income – Net Increase \$7.1m:

##### 1. Rates & Annual Charges Income – Net Increase \$476k

\$476k increase in Rates and Annual Charges due to greater than anticipated income received. Of this \$326k relates to Domestic Waste Charge and Council's Special Levies and as such must be returned to their respective Externally Restricted Reserves as follows:

- \$416k Increase transfer to Domestic Waste Reserve
- \$75k Decrease transfer from Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve
- \$9k Decrease transfer from Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve
- \$6k Decrease transfer from Stormwater Management Reserve

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#### **2. Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre (RALC) Income – Net Decrease \$625k**

\$625k Decrease in RALC income mainly due to lower than anticipated Learn to Swim Program income in both the preschool and school age categories as a result of a reduction in the NSW Government Active Kids Program subsidy and increased competition due to newer facilities opening both in North Ryde and Parramatta.

#### **3. Bus Shelter Advertising Income – Net Decrease \$613k**

\$613k decrease in bus shelter advertising income due to delayed roll out of new bus shelters that were originally planned. The delays are primarily attributed due to changes in the Local Environmental Plan (LEP), which eliminated the need for Development Application (DA) submissions, and an increased need for approvals from Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and Busways. Measures are being implemented to ensure the rollout program is back on schedule.

#### **4. Development Application Income – Net Increase \$323k**

\$323k Increase in Development Application income received due to greater than anticipated applications processed this Financial Year.

#### **5. Porters Creek Commercial Facility Income – Net Increase \$507k**

\$507k Increase in Porters Creek Commercial Facility income mainly due to a Joint Venture Agreement with CPB Downer for a lease of a portion of the Porters Creek site to facilitate the Warringah Freeway upgrade.

#### **6. Rezoning Income – Decrease \$91k**

\$91k Decrease in Rezoning Income received due to lower than anticipated applications processed this Financial Year. It is proposed to transfer this shortfall from Planning Proposal Reserve.

#### **7. Affordable Housing Lease Income - Decrease \$93k**

\$93k Decrease in lease income due to greater than anticipated vacancy periods during the year of Council's affordable housing properties at 101 Waterloo Road. It is proposed to transfer this shortfall from Affordable Housing Reserve.

#### **8. Recycling Processing Rebate – Decrease \$120k**

\$120k Decrease recycling processing rebate income as under the new recycling contract, Council opted to receive a lower processing rate in exchange for the rebate. It is proposed to fund this shortfall from Domestic Waste Reserve.



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\$13k Decrease in Synthetic Playing Surfaces income due to slightly lower than anticipated utilisation than originally budgeted. It is proposed to transfer this shortfall from Synthetic Sports Surface Reserve.

**10. Parking Fine Income – Decrease \$221k**

\$221k decrease in Parking Fines income due to inclement weather during the Financial Year resulting lower than anticipated income.

**11. Hoarding Fee Income – Increase \$141k**

\$141k increase in Hoarding fees due to greater than anticipated construction and development during the Financial Year.

**12. Engineering Compliance Income – Net Increase \$219k**

\$219k Net increase in engineering compliance income mainly from engineering plan assessment fees and rock & ground anchor inspection fees. Increased income for these fees is a result of greater than anticipated construction and development during the year.

**13. Fair Value Increment on Investment Properties – Net Increase \$679k**

\$679k increase as a result of an increase in fair value on Council's Investment Properties. This fair value increment is following an external valuation and is a non cash entry, however must be recognised as income as per the Accounting standards.

**14. Interest on Investment Income – Net Increase \$2.5m**

\$2.5m increase in interest on investment income due to Council's cash reserves balances being higher than anticipated and higher interest rates being offered reflective of recent economic conditions. Of this, \$947k relates to interest earned on Section 7.11/7.12, Domestic Waste, and Council's Special Levies and as such must be returned to their respective Externally Restricted Reserves as follows:

- \$842k Increase transfer to Section 7.11/7.12 Reserves
- \$64k increase transfer to Domestic Waste Reserve
- \$38k Increase transfer to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve
- \$3k Increase Transfer to Stormwater Management Reserve

**15. Financial Assistance Grant – Net increase \$4.0m**

Increase in Financial Assistance Grant due to 85% prepayment received for FY24/25. It is proposed to be transferred to the Financial Assistance Grant Reserve and will be utilised in FY24/25.

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#### **Expenditure – Net Decrease \$3.3m:**

##### **16. Employment Costs – Net Decrease \$2.8m:**

\$2.8m net decrease in employment costs mainly due to salary savings from vacancies during the Financial Year. Of this \$104k relates to Externally and Internally Restricted Reserves and as such must be returned to their respective Reserves as follows:

- \$11k Increase transfer from Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve
- \$220k Decrease transfer to Section 7.11/7.12 Reserves
- \$58k Decrease transfer to Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve
- \$38k Increase transfer from Domestic Waste Reserve
- \$11k Increase transfer from Synthetic Sports Surface Reserve
- \$116k Increase transfer from Risk, WHS & Injury Management Reserve
- \$2k Decrease transfer to Planning Proposal Reserve

##### **17. Borrowing Costs – Increase \$263k:**

\$263k increase in borrowing costs, of which \$216k relates to interest accrued holding Deposits, Bonds and Guarantees and \$47k in interest on North Ryde Office Lease. This is not borrowing or a loan but rather is an on-going lease and is classified as “borrowing” as a requirement of the Accounting Standard.

##### **18. Depreciation Expense – Net Increase \$592k**

\$592k Increase in depreciation expense mainly due to greater than anticipated depreciation during the year of Council’s Stormwater Drainage assets.

##### **19. Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre (RALC) Utilities – Net Increase \$131k**

\$131k Net increase mainly due to significant increases in gas utility prices during the year. RALC gas utility expense amounted to \$662k compared to \$471k last Financial Year FY22/23 which represents an increase of 41%.

##### **20. Civil Operations Maintenance – Net Decrease \$428k**

\$448k Decrease in mainly civil maintenance contract expenditure, this is mainly due to funding initially provided to complete temporary road works at Constitution Road however these works were delivered as part of the Stage 1 Constitution Road major project upgrade. Of this \$43k relates to Infrastructure Special Levy and it is proposed to return these savings to the Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve.

##### **21. Streetlighting Expenditure – Net Decrease \$120k**

\$120k Net Decrease mainly in streetlighting utility expenditure as a result of ongoing replacement of LED lights within the LGA.

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#### **22. Synthetic Sports field Expenditure – Net Decrease \$61k**

\$61k Decrease in synthetic sports field operating and maintenance expenditure during the Financial Year, it is proposed to transfer these savings to Synthetic Sports Surface Reserve.

#### **23. Connect MPID Membership – Decrease \$103k**

\$103k Decrease in Connect MPID Membership due to a detailed evaluation of Council's membership including consulting with local stakeholders. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve.

#### **24. Affordable Housing Maintenance Expenditure – Decrease \$6k**

\$6k Decrease in maintenance expenditure for Council's Affordable Housing properties this Financial Year, it is proposed to transfer these savings to Affordable Housing Reserve.

#### **25. Reserve Street Investment Property Expenditure – Net Increase \$21k**

\$21k Increase in maintenance expenditure for Council's Investment Property at Reserve Street, West Ryde. It is proposed to transfer this shortfall from Investment Property Reserve.

#### **26. Domestic Waste Program Expenditure – Net Decrease \$630k**

\$630k Decrease in Domestic Waste Program expenditure mainly due to savings in collection service, disposal contracts and payment of Waste Levy to the NSW Environment and Protection Authority. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Domestic Waste Reserve.

#### **27. Revolving Energy Fund – Net Decrease \$63k**

\$63k Decrease in expenditure for Council's Revolving Energy Program this Financial Year. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Revolving Energy Fund Reserve to fund future initiatives.

#### **28. Work Health and Safety Projects – Net Decrease \$114k**

\$114k Decrease in various Work Health and Safety projects due to savings achieved by having some of these activities completed with 'in house' resources rather than the use of a consultant. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Risk, WHS & Injury Management Reserve.

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#### **29. North Ryde Office Outgoings – Decrease \$54k**

\$54k Decrease in outgoing expenditure for North Ryde Office, estimates were initially provided by the lessor however actual costs were lower than anticipated. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Accommodation Reserve.

#### **30. Planning Proposal Consultancy Expenditure – Decrease \$87k**

\$87k Decrease in consultancy expenditure for planning proposals due to rezoning. This due to a lower than anticipated applications received. It is proposed to transfer these savings to Planning Proposal Reserve.

#### **31. Provision for Doubtful Debts – Increase \$231k**

\$231k Increase in the provision for doubtful debts after protracted attempts by Council to recover these debts. This mainly comprises of \$110k which relates to contribution from sporting clubs in relation to the Christie Park Amenities project, \$83k relates to damage to Council assets at Meadowbank Park due to the installation of fibre optic cable by a contractor.

### **Proposed Reserve Movements (Operating):**

#### **Internally Restricted:**

- \$4.0m Transfer to Financial Assistance Grant Reserve as per Note 15 above.
- \$87k Net transfer from Affordable Housing Reserve as per Note 7 & 24.
- \$2k Net transfer from Planning Proposal Reserve as per Note 6,16 & 30.
- \$37k Net transfer to Synthetic Sports Surface Reserve as per Note 9,16 & 22.
- \$2k Net transfer from Risk, WHS & Injury Management Reserve as per Note 16 & 28.
- \$54k Transfer to Accommodation Reserve as per Note 29 above.
- \$63k Transfer to Revolving Energy Fund Reserve as per Note 27 above.
- \$21k Transfer from Investment Property Reserve as per Note 25 above.

#### **Externally Restricted:**

- \$1.1m Net transfer to various Section 7.11/7.12 Reserves as per Note 14 & 16 above.
- \$55k Net transfer to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve as per Note 1,14,16 & 23 above.
- \$952k Transfer to Domestic Waste Reserve as per Note 1,8,14,16 & 26 above.
- \$92k Net transfer to Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve as per Note 1,16 & 20 above.
- \$3k Net transfer from Stormwater Management Reserve as per Note 1 & 14 above.

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#### Capital Works Budget:

	Original Budget	March Approved Budget	FY2023/24 Actuals	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	Proposed Carryovers	Variance from Revised Budget after Carryovers
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Capital - Expansion	22,431	48,528	11,014	4,095	52,622	34,871	(6,737)
Capital - Renewal	22,808	38,154	27,756	320	38,474	7,607	(3,110)
Loan Repayment	364	364	364	-	364	-	-
Lease Payment	2,420	2,420	2,420	-	2,420	-	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>48,022</b>	<b>89,465</b>	<b>41,554</b>	<b>4,414</b>	<b>93,879</b>	<b>42,477</b>	<b>(9,848)</b>

#### Capital Works Variations - Increase \$4.4m

##### 32. New Projects – \$595k:

- a) \$300k funding provided for the raised pedestrian crossing at See Street, Meadowbank due grant received under the Get NSW Active Program from Transport NSW.
- b) \$295k funding provided for the raised pedestrian crossing at Argyle Avenue, due grant received under the Get NSW Active Program from Transport NSW.

##### 33. Increased Funds for Existing Jobs – \$3.8m:

- c) \$3.5m additional funding for Catherine Hamlin Park Project per Council Resolution dated 25 June 2024. It is proposed to be funded from Section 7.11 Open Space and Recreation Facilities Reserve.
- d) \$210k additional funding required for the LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath due to the discovery of heavily fissured sandstone that will require geotech consultants and changes to the original design to accommodate high voltage cable as required by Ausgrid. It is proposed to be funded from Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) Reserve.
- e) \$110k additional funding for Melba Drive, East Ryde - Roads Kerb Renewal project. Following excavation discovery of hard rock and adverse weather conditions delayed project progress and increased overall project costs. It is proposed to be funded from Stormwater Management Reserve.

##### 34. Changes in Source Funding:

- In 2022 Council received \$1m under the OLG Natural Disaster Grant Program which was established in response to severe weather and flooding events. Council initially elected to use this funding for stabilisation works for the Constitution Road retaining wall structure which required works to be completed by 30 June 2024. However, due to changes to the project scope the funding became ineligible for use. In discussions with OLG, Council has received approval to fund various road resurfacing projects as they enhance road resilience against future natural disasters. It is proposed to utilise this grant funding and reimburse Council funding sources.

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- \$447k proposed to be transferred from Section 7.11 Open Space and Recreation Facility to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve due to change of source funding for the Catherine Hamlin Park project as per Council Resolution dated 25 June 2024.

**Source Funds for Capital Projects Summary:**

	EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED RESERVES					INTERNALLY RESTRICTED RESERVES		TOTAL
	Infrastructure Special Rate	SW Management	S7.11 Open Space & Rec	Voluntary Planning Agreement	Macquarie Park Corridor Special Rate	Grants	Asset Replacement Reserve	
<b>New Projects</b>								
See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	300
Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing	-	-	-	-	-	295	-	295
<b>Increased funds for Existing Projects</b>								
Melba Drive, East Ryde - Roads Kerb Renewal	-	110	-	-	-	-	-	110
LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath	-	-	-	210	-	-	-	210
Catherine Hamlin Park - Passive Parks Expansion	-	-	3,500	-	-	-	-	3,500
	-	110	3,500	210	-	595	-	4,414
<b>Change Source Funding for Existing Projects</b>								
Church Street (Blaxland Road - Gowrie Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	(103)	-	-	-	-	219	(117)	-
Hunts Avenue (Balaclava Road - Threlfall Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	(110)	-	-	-	-	110	-	-
Lakeside Road (Glen Street - Hillview Road) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	(109)	-	-	-	-	109	-	-
Lancaster Avenue (Andrew Street - Parer Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	(86)	-	-	-	-	86	-	-
Shaftsbury Road (Terry Road (Eastwood) - Glen Street)	(235)	-	-	-	-	235	-	-
West Parade (Hillview Road - Rowe Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	(99)	-	-	-	-	99	-	-
Church Street (Gowrie Street - Victoria Road) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	-	-	-	-	-	131	(131)	-
Catherine Hamlin Park - Passive Parks Expansion	-	-	447	-	(447)	-	-	-
	(741)	-	447	-	(447)	988	(247)	-
<b>NET MOVEMENTS IN RESERVES</b>	<b>(741)</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>3,947</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>(447)</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>(247)</b>	<b>4,414</b>

**35. Net Savings from Completed Jobs - \$9.8m:**

\$9.8m Net savings in various new and renewal jobs as a result of projects that were completed this Financial Year or projects that have been deferred and funds were no longer required. The table below details projects savings by asset class and the proposed transfer of these savings to their respective Reserves:

Asset Class	EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED					
	Net Savings	S7.11 / 7.12	DWM	ISR Levy	SW Levy	Int Reserve / Grants / Contributions
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Roads*	1,868	-	-	1,813	-	56
Parks	464	6	-	185	-	273
Stormwater	675	-	-	108	619	(52)
Buildings	6,292	-	683	462	-	5,146
Traffic	392	-	-	-	-	392
Other	156	-	-	300	-	(144)
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,848</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>2,869</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>5,672</b>

\*Roads includes cycleways, footpaths and bridges

- \$6k Transfer to Section 7.11/7.12 Reserves
- \$683k Transfer to Domestic Waste Reserve
- \$2.9m Transfer to Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve
- \$619k Transfer to Stormwater Management Reserve
- \$6.2m Transfer to Ryde Central Reserve

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- \$407k Transfer to Asset Replacement Reserve
- \$204k Transfer to Investment Property Reserve
- \$161k Transfer to Asset Expansion Reserve
- \$181k Transfer from Plant Replacement Reserve
- \$1.1m Transfer from Grants and Contributions and other

### Carryover Funds - \$45.0m

Total carryover funds amount to **\$45.0m**. The projects that have been listed are funds that are required to be carried over from the FY23/24 Budget into FY24/25 Budget as a result of projects that were still in progress at the end of the FY23/24 Financial Year. Carryover of funds can occur for the following reasons:

- Grants and contributions received for new projects later in the Financial Year
- Adopted variations to projects provided later in the Financial Year
- Project delays due to circumstances beyond Council's control
- Project is a multi-year project and continues into the FY24/25 Financial Year

Of the total carryover of \$45.0m, \$27.0m is proposed to be transferred to various Internally and Externally Restricted Reserves, and the remaining 18.0m relates to grant funding for carryover projects that were still in progress at the end of the FY23/24 Financial Year.

The table below provides a summary of the proposed carryovers from the Capital Budget and the Operating Budget and the source of funds being carried over. A detailed list of all these carryover funds is detailed in **ATTACHMENT 2**.

Budget Type	Carryover \$'000	EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED						Grants / Contributions \$'000	Int Reserve \$'000
		\$7.11 / 7.12 \$'000	Other Developer Contributions ( '000)	DWM \$'000	ISR Levy \$'000	Mac Park Levy \$'000	SW Levy \$'000		
Capital	42,477	10,460	613	765	3,762	311	188	17,789	8,589
Operating	2,526	146	-	85	-	-	368	169	1,757
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,003</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>3,762</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>17,958</b>	<b>10,345</b>

- \$10.6m Transfer to Section 7.11/7.12
- \$613k Transfer to Other Developer Contributions Reserve
- \$850 Transfer to Domestic Waste Management Reserve
- \$3.8m Transfer to Infrastructure Special Levy Reserve
- \$311k Transfer to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve
- \$557k Transfer to Stormwater Management Reserve
- \$18.0m Transfer to Grants and Contributions
- \$7.1m Transfer to Asset Replacement Reserve
- \$2.2m Transfer to Asset Expansion Reserve
- \$250k Transfer to Ryde Central Reserve
- \$608k Transfer to Carryover Reserve



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- \$68k Transfer to Risk Management & WHS Reserve
- \$67k Transfer to Accommodation Reserve

### Other transfers to Externally/Internally Restricted Reserves:

The following adjustments to both Internally and Externally Restricted Reserves are proposed:

- \$14.1m Transfer to various Section 7.11/7.12 Reserves due to greater than anticipated income received this Financial Year.
- \$1.3m proposed to be transferred to Refundable Deposits Reserve due to additional bonds received this Financial Year, of this \$213k is due to interest earned on these funds and as such must be transferred to Refundable Deposits Reserve.
- \$760k proposed to be transferred to Employee Leave Entitlements Reserve based on the ELE entitlements and age profiles of existing staff within the organisation.
- \$572k proposed to be transferred to Investment Property Reserve due to compensation from compulsory acquisition of land.
- \$230k Transfer to Voluntary Planning Agreement Reserve due to contribution received by developer.
- \$198k proposed to be transferred from Plant Replacement Reserve due to lower than anticipated sales of fleet, due to continued delays in the supply chain of replacement vehicles.
- In addition, as a result of savings achieved during the year, it is proposed to transfer \$2.1m to Asset Replacement Reserve to proactively put aside funding for the delivery of the renewal of infrastructure projects for our community.

### Financial Implications

As at 30 June 2024 Council's financial position remains sound, and Council's available Unrestricted Cash balance is **\$10.0m**. This balance may change depending on the outcomes of the external audit.

### Conclusion

The following statement is made in accordance with the Clause 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021:

"It is in my opinion that the Budget Review Statement for City of Ryde for the period ended 30 June 2024 indicates that the Council's projected financial position as at 30 June 2024 is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure".

**Sacha Thirimanne**  
**Acting Chief Financial Officer**  
**Responsible Accounting Officer**



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**Financial Management Summary Report as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)**

Statutory Format		Description	Management Reporting Format (Matching Principles)				Ref
Original Budget (\$'000)	FY2023/24 Actuals (Unaudited) (\$'000)		FY2023/24 Actuals (\$'000)	March Approved Budget (\$'000)	Proposed Carryover (\$'000)	Variance from Approved Budget after Carryovers (\$'000)	
<b>Income From Continuing Operations</b>							
109,718	110,194	Rates and annual charges	110,194	109,718	-	476 1	
18,410	18,144	User charges and fees	18,144	18,177	-	(34) 2,4,6,9,11-12	
5,477	13,625	Interest and investment revenue	13,625	11,090	-	2,534 14	
12,535	12,534	Other Revenue	12,534	12,403	-	132 2-3,5,7-8,10,13	
6,040	6,595	Grants and Contributions - Operating	6,595	2,750	169	4,015 15	
13,286	54,693	Grants and Contributions - Capital	-	-	-	-	
1,226	-	Gain on Asset Disposal	-	-	-	-	
-	-	Trf From Internal Restrictions	7,358	8,631	1,181	(91)	
-	-	Trf From External Restrictions	25,104	26,565	600	(861)	
<b>166,693</b>	<b>215,784</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>193,553</b>	<b>189,333</b>	<b>1,951</b>	<b>6,170</b>	
<b>Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>							
64,275	60,418	Employee benefits and on-costs	60,418	63,226	-	(2,808) 16	
108	371	Borrowing costs	371	108	-	263 17	
53,163	54,928	Materials and contracts	54,928	59,112	2,526	(1,658) 19-30	
28,820	29,412	Depreciation and Amortisation	29,412	28,820	-	592 18	
6,864	7,190	Other expenses	7,190	6,864	-	327 26,31	
-	2,220	Loss on Asset Disposal	-	-	-	-	
<b>153,230</b>	<b>154,539</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>152,319</b>	<b>158,129</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>(3,285)</b>	
<b>13,463</b>	<b>61,245</b>	<b>Operating Result (Surplus)/Deficit</b>	<b>41,234</b>	<b>31,204</b>	<b>(575)</b>	<b>9,455</b>	
Add back Non Cash Items:							
-	-	- Depreciation and Amortisation	29,412	28,820	-	592	
-	-	Other Non Cash Items	(276)	-	-	(276)	
		<b>Budget Surplus before Transfer to Reserves</b>	<b>70,370</b>	<b>60,024</b>	<b>(575)</b>	<b>9,771</b>	
-	-	Transfer to Asset Related Reserves	(37,197)	(33,926)	-	(3,271)	
-	-	Transfer to Other Reserves	(33,173)	(25,937)	575	(6,660)	
<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Budget Result Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(161)</b>	

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**Capital Expenditure and Repayments Liability Report as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)**

	Original Budget	March Approved Budget	FY2023/24 Actuals	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	Proposed Carryovers	Variance from Revised Budget after Carryovers
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Capital - Expansion	22,431	48,528	11,014	4,095	52,622	34,871	(6,737)
Capital - Renewal	22,808	38,154	27,756	320	38,474	7,607	(3,110)
Loan Repayment	364	364	364	-	364	-	-
Lease Payment	2,420	2,420	2,420	-	2,420	-	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>48,022</b>	<b>89,465</b>	<b>41,554</b>	<b>4,414</b>	<b>93,879</b>	<b>42,477</b>	<b>(9,848)</b>
<b>Capital Funding</b>							
<b>Transfer from Internally Restricted Reserve</b>	(19,614)	(32,640)	(17,012)	247	(32,393)	(8,589)	6,792
<b>Transfer from Externally Restricted Reserves</b>							
Development Contributions Reserves	(3,751)	(7,489)	(970)	(3,947)	(11,436)	(10,460)	6
Voluntary Planning Agreement	-	-	(192)	(210)	(210)	(18)	0
Other Contribution	-	(825)	(229)	-	(825)	(596)	0
Domestic Waste Management Reserve	-	(1,448)	-	-	(1,448)	(765)	683
Macquarie Park Corridor Special Rate Reserve	(47)	(833)	(76)	447	(386)	(311)	(1)
Stormwater Management Reserve	(1,191)	(1,653)	(956)	(110)	(1,763)	(188)	619
Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve	(14,319)	(18,640)	(11,268)	741	(17,899)	(3,762)	2,869
<b>Grants and Contributions</b>	(9,101)	(25,937)	(10,851)	(1,583)	(27,519)	(17,789)	(1,120)
<b>Total Capital Funding</b>	<b>(48,022)</b>	<b>(89,465)</b>	<b>(41,554)</b>	<b>(4,414)</b>	<b>(93,879)</b>	<b>(42,477)</b>	<b>9,848</b>

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Cash and Investments as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

	Opening Balances	Original Budget	Carry Over Budget	September Review	December Review	March Review	Approved Budget	Approved Budget Balance	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget Balance	FY2023/24 Actuals
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
<b>Internally Restricted Reserves</b>											
Employee Leave Entitlements Reserve	4,556	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,556	-	4,556	5,315
Refundable Deposits Reserve	17,652	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,652	-	17,652	18,790
Interest on Refundable Deposits Reserve	224	-	-	-	-	-	-	224	-	224	436
Asset Replacement	10,588	(55)	(6,238)	(120)	1,299	-	(5,114)	5,474	247	5,722	15,331
Plant Replacement	7,440	281	-	-	-	325	606	8,047	-	8,047	7,667
Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre	-	500	-	-	-	-	500	500	-	500	500
Council Election	845	360	-	-	-	-	360	1,205	-	1,205	1,205
Investment Property	21,632	135	-	-	(5,040)	-	(4,905)	16,727	-	16,727	17,482
Ryde Central	9,375	(6,375)	(524)	-	-	-	(6,899)	2,476	-	2,476	8,927
Carryover Works	601	-	(601)	-	-	-	(601)	0	-	0	608
Accommodation	16,488	(1,726)	-	(341)	-	-	(2,067)	14,420	-	14,420	14,541
Public Art	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	18	18
Community Grants	128	-	-	-	-	-	-	128	-	128	128
Synthetic Sports Surface	908	239	-	-	-	-	239	1,147	-	1,147	1,184
Transport & Pedestrian Initiatives MP	241	-	-	-	-	-	-	241	-	241	241
Insurance Fluctuation	291	200	-	-	-	-	200	491	-	491	491
Risk Mgmt, WHS & Injury Mgmt	588	123	(168)	-	(128)	-	(173)	415	-	415	482
Planning Proposal	267	(3)	-	-	-	-	(3)	263	-	263	262
Affordable Housing	1,521	602	-	-	-	-	602	2,124	-	2,124	2,037
Workers Compensation	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Heritage	385	-	-	-	-	(43)	(43)	342	-	342	342
Asset Expansion Reserve	4,779	(385)	(3,300)	-	99	-	(3,587)	1,192	-	1,192	3,569
Financial Assistance Grant	4,465	-	-	(4,465)	-	-	(4,465)	-	-	-	3,990
Revolving Energy Fund	122	-	-	-	(55)	-	(55)	66	-	66	129
Information Technology Reserve	2,195	200	-	-	-	-	200	2,395	-	2,395	2,395
Legal	292	100	-	-	-	-	100	392	-	392	392
<b>Total - Internally Restricted Reserves</b>	<b>108,600</b>	<b>(5,805)</b>	<b>(10,831)</b>	<b>(4,926)</b>	<b>(3,825)</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>(25,105)</b>	<b>83,495</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>83,743</b>	<b>109,463</b>
<b>Externally Restricted Reserves</b>											
S7.11 Stormwater Mgmt Facilities Reserve	477	-	-	-	-	-	-	477	-	477	499
S7.12 Plan 2020 Fixed Development Consent	2,566	65	-	-	-	198	263	2,830	-	2,830	3,030
S7.11 Plan 2020 Plan Admin	541	(189)	-	454	-	-	265	805	-	805	1,163
S7.11 Plan 2020 Roads & Traffic Mgmt	2,355	850	-	984	-	677	2,311	4,667	-	4,667	5,634
S7.11 Plan 2020 Open Space & Rec Facilities	39,655	(1,511)	(3,284)	12,367	2,985	2,335	12,892	52,547	(3,947)	48,600	67,064
S7.11 Plan 2020 Comm & Cultural Facilities	18,654	1,125	(23)	6,862	-	901	8,865	27,519	-	27,519	33,277
Voluntary Planning Agreement	14,525	-	-	-	-	122	122	14,647	(210)	14,437	14,685
Other Contribution	825	-	(825)	-	-	-	(825)	-	-	-	596
Domestic Waste Mgmt Reserve	22,207	-	(1,514)	-	558	-	(956)	21,251	-	21,251	23,736
Macquarie Park Corridor Special Rate Reserve	3,706	1,783	(786)	-	-	(99)	898	4,604	447	5,051	5,417
Stormwater Mgmt Reserve	1,009	(274)	(712)	-	-	-	(986)	23	(110)	(87)	1,086
Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve	9,818	(720)	(4,296)	(139)	6	48	(5,101)	4,717	741	5,458	12,180
Consolidated Grant Reserve	14,261	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,261	-	14,261	22,708
<b>Total - Externally Restricted Reserves</b>	<b>130,599</b>	<b>928</b>	<b>(11,440)</b>	<b>20,528</b>	<b>3,549</b>	<b>4,182</b>	<b>17,748</b>	<b>148,347</b>	<b>(3,079)</b>	<b>145,268</b>	<b>191,074</b>
<b>Unrestricted Cash</b>	<b>8,499</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>8,660</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,660</b>	<b>9,989</b>
<b>Total Cash &amp; Investments</b>	<b>247,698</b>	<b>(4,716)</b>	<b>(22,271)</b>	<b>15,602</b>	<b>(276)</b>	<b>4,465</b>	<b>(7,196)</b>	<b>240,502</b>	<b>(2,831)</b>	<b>237,670</b>	<b>310,527</b>

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**Summary by Programs/Functions Report as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)**

Statutory Format	Original Budget (\$'000)	Programs	Management Reporting Format (Matching Principles)			
			FY2023/24 Actuals (\$'000)	March Approved Budget (\$'000)	Proposed Carryover (\$'000)	Variance from Approved Budget after Carryovers (\$'000)
		<b>Income from Continuing Operations</b>				
	6,472	City Development	2,675	2,600	8	83
	8,000	Community Safety and Amenity	7,730	7,800	-	(70)
	11,364	City Sports and Recreation	8,547	9,352	242	(563)
	467	Library	618	591	50	77
	-	City Economy	103	206	-	(103)
	170	Resilience and Sustainability	605	723	85	(32)
	11	Catchment Waterway	146	946	804	3
	27,428	Waste and Recycling	51,649	51,397	161	414
	5,484	Traffic and Transport	1,991	2,354	-	(363)
	4,054	Roads	4,422	3,506	174	1,090
	2,638	Paths and Cycleways	502	612	-	(110)
	1,392	Community Inclusion and Wellbeing	1,597	1,632	152	117
	375	Community Connectedness and Engagement	496	544	-	(48)
	3,268	Strategic Property	4,298	4,558	67	(192)
	2,170	Service Delivery Support	1,669	1,632	-	37
	93,399	Governance & Corporate Services	106,503	100,880	783	6,406
	<b>166,693</b>		<b>193,553</b>	<b>189,333</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>6,746</b>
		<b>Expenses from Continuing Operations</b>				
	6,514	City Development	5,991	6,485	8	(485)
	6,675	Community Safety and Amenity	6,487	6,686	-	(199)
	21,669	City Sports and Recreation	21,678	21,917	242	2
	7,963	Library	7,442	7,945	50	(452)
	2,263	City Economy	1,653	1,673	-	(21)
	3,591	Resilience and Sustainability	3,863	3,876	85	73
	7,082	Catchment Waterway	7,364	7,604	804	565
	26,033	Waste and Recycling	25,756	26,292	161	(375)
	5,729	Traffic and Transport	5,154	5,322	-	(168)
	12,120	Roads	11,702	11,865	174	11
	4,026	Paths and Cycleways	4,498	3,872	-	626
	6,355	Community Inclusion and Wellbeing	5,239	6,294	152	(902)
	6,103	Community Connectedness and Engagement	5,620	5,888	-	(267)
	7,393	Strategic Property	7,388	7,586	67	(131)
	4,687	Service Delivery Support	6,050	5,003	-	1,048
	25,027	Governance & Corporate Services	26,432	29,824	783	(2,609)
	<b>153,230</b>		<b>152,319</b>	<b>158,129</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>(3,285)</b>

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**Capital Projects Report as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)**

Projects with proposed changes  
Note: Capital Works Listing below excludes lease and loan

Project No.	Business Team	Project Type	Project Description	Original Budget	Carry Overs	Approved Variations from Sep to Mar Reviews	Approved Budget	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	% Increase from Approved Budget	Ref
741313	BldLibraries	Expansion	AM - Eastwood Library Planning and Design	120,000	-	-	120,000	-	120,000		
740919	Cycleways	Expansion	AM - Chatswood to Burwood (RR-04) - Stage 1	-	228,396	-	228,396	-	228,396		
741398	Cycleways	Expansion	AM - Hermitage Road Shared Path, West Ryde	1,500,000	-	-	1,500,000	-	1,500,000		
741399	Cycleways	Expansion	AM - Regional Route 03 - Cycleway	1,541,150	-	-	1,541,150	-	1,541,150		
741267	Eastwood Central	Expansion	AM - Preliminary Eastwood Central Business Case	203,000	1,357,508	-	1,560,508	-	1,560,508		
741268	Eastwood Central	Expansion	AM - Traffic and Parking Study	-	127,895	-	127,895	-	127,895		
740993	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Abuklea Road (Longview Street - Balaclava Rd)	62,000	-	19,000	81,000	-	81,000		
740998	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Terry Road (Ryedale Road - Orchard Street)	44,000	-	38,000	82,000	-	82,000		
741004	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Kokoda Street (Cutler Pde - Edmondson St)	91,000	-	50,000	141,000	-	141,000		
741342	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Bidgee Rd (Bidgee Park to Gardener Avenue)	-	59,550	(27,000)	32,550	-	32,550		
741343	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Arthur St Kerb Ramp	-	114,328	(60,000)	54,328	-	54,328		
741344	Footpaths	Expansion	Bowden Street Footpath (Forward Planning)	-	20,763	(20,403)	360	-	360		
741351	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Brush Road (Sybil St - Terry Road)	-	139,721	-	139,721	-	139,721		
741414	Footpaths	Expansion	AM - Truscott Street (Cox's Road - Edmondson Street)	-	-	346,056	346,056	-	346,056		
741162	ITSoftware	Expansion	AM - ePlanning Portal - Integration with Council's system	-	-	80,000	80,000	-	80,000		
741304	ITSoftware	Expansion	AM - ICT Strategy Implementation	400,000	400,000	(800,000)	-	-	-		
741311	OldLandfills	Expansion	AM - Meadowbank Park - Remediation	-	765,000	-	765,000	-	765,000		
741054	PassiveParks	Expansion	AM - Catherine Hamlin Park	-	447,000	-	447,000	3,500,000	3,947,000	783.0%	33.(c)
741327	PassiveParks	Expansion	AM - Anderson Park Lighting	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	150,000		
741403	PassiveParks	Expansion	AM - Metropolitan Green Space Program Catherine Hamlin	47,370	-	402,628	449,998	-	449,998		
741362	SprtsfldGen	Expansion	AM - Morrison Bay Field Works	100,000	-	170,000	270,000	-	270,000		
741287	SprtsfldLight	Expansion	AM - LH Waud - Sportsfield Lighting	-	157,250	-	157,250	-	157,250		
741375	StormwterAsst	Expansion	AM - Smalls Road Public School Drainage & Easement Upgrade	1,056,000	-	(856,000)	400,000	-	400,000		
740855	StormwterWrks	Expansion	AM - Abuklea Road, Marsfield	-	78,544	(11,863)	66,681	-	66,681		
741231	StormwterWrks	Expansion	AM - Magdala Road, North Ryde	398,230	-	(396,271)	1,959	-	1,959		
741070	SynthPlaySurf	Expansion	AM - Meadowbank Park - LH Waud	-	4,122,813	-	4,122,813	-	4,122,813		
741316	TrafficFacil	Expansion	AM - LRCI Phase 3 - Public Footpath Federick St Ryde (Potts	-	88,129	20,528	108,657	-	108,657		
741318	TrafficFacil	Expansion	AM - LRCI Phase 3 - Brabyn St Denistone East Public School T	-	-	15,399	15,399	-	15,399		
741320	TrafficFacil	Expansion	AM - LRCI Phase 3 - Off Road Bike Path-Waterview St,Putney	-	340,648	-	340,648	-	340,648		
741323	TrafficFacil	Expansion	AM - LRCI Phase 3 - Street Lighting Enhance All Street Light	-	232,888	-	232,888	-	232,888		
740030	City Fabric	Expansion	AM - Planting Embellishment Program - Macquarie Park	47,190	-	-	47,190	-	47,190		
740151	City Resilience	Expansion	AM - Putney Beach Activation 8443056	-	619,792	-	619,792	-	619,792		
741409	City Spaces	Expansion	Korean War Memorial - Memorial Park	-	-	120,000	120,000	-	120,000		
740070	City Transport	Expansion	AM - ITS Implementation	270,000	339,063	-	609,063	-	609,063		
741122	City Transport	Expansion	AM - Integrated transport strategy review model	93,500	178,935	-	272,435	-	272,435		
740091	City Infracst	Expansion	AM - Ryde Central	6,375,050	523,995	-	6,899,045	-	6,899,045		
740040	InfrastructServ	Expansion	AM - Bus Stop DDA compliance	750,000	1,326,718	-	2,076,718	-	2,076,718		
740041	InfrastructServ	Expansion	AM - Bus Stop Seats - new	46,000	-	-	46,000	-	46,000		
740049	InfrastructServ	Expansion	AM - Pedestrian Crossing Lighting Upgrade	-	237,607	-	237,607	-	237,607		
741329	InfrastructServ	Expansion	AM - 100 - 104 Rowe St Stormwater Drainage Upgrade	-	1,607,471	-	1,607,471	-	1,607,471		
741407	InfrastructServ	Expansion	AM - M2 Upgrade Consent Public Infrastructure	-	-	59,950	59,950	-	59,950		
741090	LibraryPrograms	Expansion	Discovery Portals Local Studies Collection	-	23,379	(23,379)	-	-	-		
740088	Parks & Open Sp	Expansion	AM - Macquarie Park, Waterloo Rd	-	5,284,159	-	5,284,159	-	5,284,159		
741338	Parks & Open Sp	Expansion	AM - Gannan Park - Masterplan Delivery	4,815,000	177,090	-	4,992,090	-	4,992,090		
741406	Parks & Open Sp	Expansion	AM - Meadowbank Park Masterplan Delivery AIF	743,000	258,000	-	1,001,000	-	1,001,000		

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Projects with proposed changes

Note: Capital Works Listing below excludes lease and loan

Project No.	Business Team	Project Type	Project Description	Original Budget	Carry Overs	Approved Variations from Sep to Mar Reviews	Approved Budget	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	% Increase from Approved Budget	Ref
741353	Parks Planning	Expansion	Property Acquisition - City Space	-	-	5,040,000	5,040,000	-	5,040,000		
740002	Payroll	Expansion	Electronic Time and Attendance	-	93,225	-	93,225	-	93,225		
740107	Porters ECoMRF	Expansion	AM - Porters Park CRC Development	-	800,000	-	800,000	-	800,000		
741314	Records Mngmnt	Expansion	Records Digitisation	-	259,793	(259,793)	-	-	-		
740071	Transport	Expansion	AM - Road Safety Upgrades and Improvement	56,500	60,610	-	117,110	-	117,110		
741315	Transport	Expansion	AM - Constitution Rd/Bowden St Meadowbank-Traffic Control Si	3,329,400	824,726	-	4,154,126	-	4,154,126		
741411	Transport	Expansion	AM - Constitution Rd West Raised Pedestrian Crossing	-	-	282,406	282,406	-	282,406		
741473	Transport	Expansion	AM - Constitution Rd/Bank St Meadowbank - Traffic Control Si	-	-	500,000	500,000	-	500,000		
741474	Transport	Expansion	AM - See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing	-	-	-	-	299,500	299,500	100.0%	32.(a)
741475	Transport	Expansion	AM - Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing	-	-	-	-	295,000	295,000	100.0%	32.(b)
740126	Tree Management	Expansion	AM - Street Tree Planting Program	105,000	-	-	105,000	-	105,000		
741263	Tree Management	Expansion	AM - Greening Our City - Street Tree Planting Program	87,500	-	(87,500)	-	-	-		
750034	BldgCommercial	Renewal	LTFP - Commercial Building RENEWAL	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000		
741168	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - Community Facilities Forward Planning	20,000	-	-	20,000	-	20,000		
741170	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - Community Facilities Preschool Renaw Program	90,000	-	-	90,000	-	90,000		
741171	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - Community Facilities Access/Capacity Program	140,000	-	16,000	156,000	-	156,000		
741173	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - Community Facilities Lifecycle replacement Program	116,000	-	(100,000)	16,000	-	16,000		
741186	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - North Ryde Preschool Expansion	-	896,311	-	896,311	-	896,311		
741354	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - North Ryde School of Arts Renewal Works	121,000	-	13,000	134,000	-	134,000		
741355	BldgCommunity	Renewal	AM - Marsfield Community Centre Renewal Works	37,500	36,000	45,000	118,500	-	118,500		
741137	BldgCorporate	Renewal	AM - West Ryde Community Centre - Hydraulic solutions	40,000	-	(40,000)	-	-	-		
741185	BldgHeritage	Renewal	AM - Conservation Management Plan Program	156,000	-	100,000	256,000	-	256,000		
741113	BldLibraries	Renewal	AM - Minor upgrade Ryde Library	279,210	-	-	279,210	-	279,210		
741187	BldLibraries	Renewal	AM - Major Upgrade West Ryde Library	600,000	-	-	600,000	-	600,000		
750023	BldOperatiol	Renewal	LTFP - Operational Buildings RENEWAL	50,000	-	40,000	90,000	-	90,000		
740558	Bridges	Renewal	AM - Bridge Rehabilitation Works	83,000	-	-	83,000	-	83,000		
741218	Car Parks	Renewal	AM - Church Street Car Park	230,850	-	(230,850)	-	-	-		
741307	Car Parks	Renewal	AM - Lower Car Park - Ryde Central Site	300,000	-	-	300,000	-	300,000		
740909	Cycleways	Renewal	AM - Minor works for Cycleways	25,000	-	-	25,000	-	25,000		
740479	Footpaths	Renewal	AM - Defects List - Condition 4 & 5	681,450	-	244,850	926,300	-	926,300		
741292	Footpaths	Renewal	AM - Glades Bay Park Staircase improvement works	-	117,488	-	117,488	-	117,488		
741220	Kerb&Gutter	Renewal	AM - Kerb and Gutter condition 4 and 5	230,850	-	-	230,850	-	230,850		
741048	PassiveParks	Renewal	AM - Blenheim Park - Masterplan Delivery	150,000	-	553,000	703,000	-	703,000		
740799	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Santa Rosa Park	620,000	54,239	-	674,239	-	674,239		
740806	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Waterloo Park - Playground Renewal	-	57,586	28,000	85,586	-	85,586		
740808	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Brush Farm Park - Neighbourhood Playground	230,000	-	(37,920)	192,080	-	192,080		
741179	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Olympic Park - Neighbourhood	210,000	-	-	210,000	-	210,000		
741326	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Healy Reserve Sager Place East Ryde	25,000	-	7,000	32,000	-	32,000		
741366	Playgrounds	Renewal	AM - Ryde Park	115,000	-	(34,596)	80,404	-	80,404		
741167	RALC Asset	Renewal	AM - RALC Building Renewal	300,000	-	-	300,000	-	300,000		
741341	RALC Asset	Renewal	AM - RALC Asset Renewal	-	138,932	-	138,932	-	138,932		
740513	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Future Design and Planning	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000		
740522	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - SRV - Payten Street (Morrison Road - Phillip Road)	-	261,529	68,494	330,023	-	330,023		
740530	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Culloden Road (Waterloo Road - Marsfield Park)	900,000	-	(900,000)	-	-	-		
740531	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Darvall Road (Sybil Street - Rowe Street)	-	290,453	(35,144)	255,309	-	255,309		



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Project No.	Business Team	Project Type	Project Description	Original Budget	Carry Overs	Approved Variations from Sep to Mar Reviews	Approved Budget	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	% Increase from Approved Budget	Ref
740532	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Darvall Road (Rowe Street - Rutledge Street)	-	250,896	(42,147)	208,749	-	208,749		
740533	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Gardener Avenue (Bidgee Road - Jones Street)	-	372,692	-	372,692	-	372,692		
740535	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Taylor Avenue (Cobham Avenue - Wharf Road (Gladesville))	-	345,982	-	345,982	-	345,982		
740536	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Blenheim Road (Morshead Street - Donald Street)	575,000	-	-	575,000	-	575,000		
740537	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Cressy Road (Higginbotham Road - Holly Avenue)	600,000	-	-	600,000	-	600,000		
740538	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Cressy Road (Holly Avenue - Buffalo Road)	535,190	-	-	535,190	-	535,190		
740543	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Blenheim Road (Jopling Street - Cutler Parade)	950,000	-	-	950,000	-	950,000		
740990	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Brush Road (Sybil St - Terry Road)	-	-	-	-	-	-		
741213	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Pavement testing and design for 2023/24	200,000	274,554	-	474,554	-	474,554		
741395	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Victoria Lane (Regent St - End)	425,000	-	(425,000)	-	-	-		
741396	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Henderson St (Kings Rd - End)	300,000	-	-	300,000	-	300,000		
741410	Road Kerb	Renewal	AM - Brush Road(Lawson St - Terry Rd)	-	-	850,000	850,000	-	850,000		
740311	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - R2R SRV - Conrad Street (Cox's Road - Cul De Sac (S))	380,000	-	(88,887)	291,113	-	291,113		
740326	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Raymond Street (Desmond Street - Balaclava Road)	-	343,335	-	343,335	-	343,335		
740329	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Warrawong Street (Read Street - Darvall Road)	170,000	-	-	170,000	-	170,000		
740369	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Parklands Road (Trevitt Road - Beswick Avenue)	65,000	-	-	65,000	-	65,000		
740376	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Corunna Road (Bellamy Street - Erina Street)	-	107,090	16,022	123,112	-	123,112		
740382	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Hermitage Lane (Hermitage Road - Herbert Lane)	130,000	-	-	130,000	-	130,000		
740383	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Hermitage Lane (Herbert Lane - Falconer Street)	70,000	-	-	70,000	-	70,000		
740385	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Anderson Avenue (Anderson Avenue - Shepherd Stree	60,000	-	-	60,000	-	60,000		
740397	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - SRV - Tallwood Avenue (Bridge Road - North Road)	275,000	-	-	275,000	-	275,000		
740397	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Church Street (Blaxland Road - Gowrie Street)	-	205,700	50,000	255,700	-	255,700		
740398	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Church Street (Gowrie Street - Victoria Road)	-	133,450	-	133,450	-	133,450		
740413	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Hunts Avenue (Balaclava Road - Threiffall Street)	-	142,800	-	142,800	-	142,800		
740415	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Lakeside Road (Glen Street - Hillview Road)	-	110,485	-	110,485	-	110,485		
740417	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Lobelia Street (Fairlyland Avenue - River Avenue)	-	67,160	-	67,160	-	67,160		
740418	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Lyle Street (Cul De Sac (W) - Ellen Street)	-	-	75,000	75,000	-	75,000		
740419	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Lyle Street (Ellen Street - Cul De Sac (N))	-	-	70,000	70,000	-	70,000		
740428	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Waring Street (Alan Bond Place - Sobraon Road)	102,000	-	-	102,000	-	102,000		
740429	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Waring Street (Sobraon Road - Cul De Sac (E))	107,000	-	-	107,000	-	107,000		
740451	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Corunna Road (Balaclava Road - Bellamy Street)	-	-	209,000	209,000	-	209,000		
740452	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - R2R Cox's Road (Shaw Street - Cressy Road)	455,000	-	-	455,000	-	455,000		
740457	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Heath Lane (Heath Street - Rickard Street)	59,420	-	-	59,420	-	59,420		
740460	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Lancaster Avenue (Andrew Street - Parer Street)	250,000	-	-	250,000	-	250,000		
740461	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Laura Street (The Strand - Cul De Sac (E))	-	-	107,000	107,000	-	107,000		
740466	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Oslo Street (Yangalla Street - Cul De Sac (E))	54,000	-	43,434	97,434	-	97,434		
740468	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - R2R Quarry Road (Heath Street - Olive Street)	325,600	-	28,032	353,632	-	353,632		
740469	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Reservoir Lane (Heath Lane - Blaxland Road)	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	150,000		
740471	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Shaftsbury Road (Terry Road (Eastwood) - Glen Street)	308,000	-	-	308,000	-	308,000		
740472	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Trevitt Road (Leslie Street - Parklands Road)	78,000	-	-	78,000	-	78,000		
740473	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Trevitt Road (Milroy Street - Leslie Street)	200,000	-	-	200,000	-	200,000		
740474	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - West Parade (Hillview Road - Rowe Street)	160,000	-	-	160,000	-	160,000		
740476	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Future Design and Planning Road Resurfac	-	49,383	-	49,383	-	49,383		
741110	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Gilda Street (Pittwater Road - Cul-De-Sac)	200,000	-	-	200,000	-	200,000		
741389	RoadResurfac	Renewal	AM - Balaclava Road (Abuklea Road - Irene Crescent)	760,000	-	-	760,000	-	760,000		

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Project No.	Business Team	Project Type	Project Description	Original Budget	Carry Overs	Approved Variations from Sep to Mar Reviews	Approved Budget	Proposed Changes	Revised Budget	% Increase from Approved Budget	Ref
740649	Seawalls	Renewal	AM - Kissing Point Park - Foreshore protection works	-	391,863	224,664	616,527	-	616,527		
741217	Seawalls	Renewal	AM - Putney Park Seawall Rehabilitation Work	638,200	457,422	1,207,500	2,303,122	-	2,303,122		
741345	Seawalls	Renewal	AM - Wharf Road Boat Ramp - Kayak Launching Platform	-	110,000	-	110,000	-	110,000		
740771	SprtsfldAmnts	Renewal	AM - Gannan Park - New Amenities Building	-	1,224,660	290,000	1,514,660	-	1,514,660		
740773	SprtsfldAmnts	Renewal	AM - Waterloo Park - Amenities Upgrade	314,300	-	(306,338)	7,962	-	7,962		
740776	SprtsfldAmnts	Renewal	AM - Dunbar Park - Amenities Upgrade	756,720	-	300,000	1,056,720	-	1,056,720		
741361	SprtsfldGen	Renewal	AM - Magdala Park Field Works	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	150,000		
741283	SprtsfldLight	Renewal	AM - ELS Hall Park Pole Replacement	100,000	-	(50,000)	50,000	-	50,000		
741284	SprtsfldLight	Renewal	AM - Waterloo Park lighting upgrade	65,000	-	-	65,000	-	65,000		
740574	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - Future Design and Planning	40,000	9,127	-	49,127	-	49,127		
740596	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - SRV - Pit/Pipe Small Reconstructions	60,000	51,000	(50,000)	61,000	-	61,000		
740604	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - SRV - Pit Replacement	75,000	-	-	75,000	-	75,000		
740615	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - Pipe Lining Treatments - Combined	60,000	102,000	(60,000)	102,000	-	102,000		
740618	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - Moncrieff Drive, East Ryde	300,000	-	-	300,000	-	300,000		
741274	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - 12 Adelphi Rd, Marsfield	-	136,850	-	136,850	-	136,850		
741275	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - 1 Constitution Rd & Belmore St Culvert Replacement	319,000	-	-	319,000	-	319,000		
741276	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - 4 Primrose Ave, Ryde	-	142,680	-	142,680	-	142,680		
741376	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - 110-112 Talavera Road - Pipe Replacement	135,000	-	-	135,000	-	135,000		
741377	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - Melba Drive, East Ryde	-	-	406,000	406,000	110,000	516,000	27.1%	33.(e)
741378	StormwterAsst	Renewal	AM - Bronhill Avenue, East Ryde	-	-	250,000	250,000	-	250,000		
740846	StormwterWrks	Renewal	AM - CCTV investigations	125,000	-	-	125,000	-	125,000		
740848	StormwterWrks	Renewal	AM - Future Design and Planning	40,000	20,554	-	60,554	-	60,554		
741069	SynthPlaySurf	Renewal	AM - Christie Park Masterplan Stage 2	-	80,600	-	80,600	-	80,600		
740815	Toilet Blocks	Renewal	AM - ANZAC Park	460,000	-	-	460,000	-	460,000		
740548	TrafficFacil	Renewal	AM - Traffic Facilities Renewal (Forward Planning Program)	56,300	-	-	56,300	-	56,300		
741387	TrafficFacil	Renewal	AM - Traffic Facilities Renewal (Local & Regional Roads)	226,260	-	-	226,260	-	226,260		
741388	TrafficFacil	Renewal	AM - Traffic Facility Renewal – Traffic Calming Devices	208,440	-	(200,806)	7,634	-	7,634		
740042	InfrastructServ	Renewal	AM - Heavy Patching	307,800	300,454	-	608,254	-	608,254		
740045	InfrastructServ	Renewal	AM - Flood Mitigation/Constitution Road Upgrade	-	47,755	-	47,755	-	47,755		
740081	InfrastructServ	Renewal	AM - 146 Bowden St Trunk Drainage	-	697,683	110,000	807,683	-	807,683		
741352	InfrastructServ	Renewal	AM - Regional and Local Road Repair Program	-	3,495,127	-	3,495,127	-	3,495,127		
741412	InfrastructServ	Renewal	AM - LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath	-	-	591,724	591,724	209,900	801,624	35.5%	33.(d)
740118	LibraryServices	Renewal	Digital enhancement for Libraries	25,650	14,574	-	40,224	-	40,224		
740120	LibrarySuppServ	Renewal	AM - Libraries Public PC Renewal	-	90,000	-	90,000	-	90,000		
741350	Parks & Open Sp	Renewal	AM - Field of Mars Reserve Nature Trail - 43565	-	846,310	-	846,310	-	846,310		
741135	Plant & Fleet	Renewal	Plant & Fleet Purchases	4,100,000	-	(650,000)	3,450,000	-	3,450,000		
740106	Porters ECoMRF	Renewal	AM - Porters Creek Precinct	200,000	121,668	-	321,668	-	321,668		
740064	Transport	Renewal	AM - Traffic Calming Devices	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	150,000		
741413	Transport	Renewal	LRCI 1 Morrison Rd, Putney - Construction of Speed Cushions	-	-	57,471	57,471	-	57,471		
<b>Total</b>				<b>45,238,630</b>	<b>33,891,388</b>	<b>7,551,261</b>	<b>86,681,279</b>	<b>4,414,400</b>	<b>91,095,679</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	



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	Matching Variances	Proposed Variations	Total Qtr 4 Variations	June Quarter 2024 Comments
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Grants and Contributions - Capital (+ve is an increase in Revenue)</b>	<b>988,413</b>	<b>594,500</b>	<b>1,582,913</b>	
See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing		299,500	299,500	Additional grant received from Department of Transport NSW under Get NSW Active program
Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing		295,000	295,000	Additional grant received from Department of Transport NSW under Get NSW Active program
OLG Flood Relief Grant	988,413	-	988,413	Council has been granted approval to utilise OLG Flood Relief Grant for various Road Resurfacing projects detailed below.
<b>Capital Expenditure (+ve is an increase in Expenditure)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,414,400</b>	<b>4,414,400</b>	
See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing		299,500	299,500	Additional funding for See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing project and offset by additional Get NSW Active program grant received
Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing		295,000	295,000	Additional funding for Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing project and offset by additional Get NSW Active program grant received
Melba Drive, East Ryde - Roads Kerb Renewal		110,000	110,000	Additional funding due to discovery of hard rock following excavation and adverse weather conditions delayed project progress and increased overall project costs. It is proposed to be funded from Stormwater Management Reserve.
LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath		209,900	209,900	Additional funding required due to the discovery of heavily fissured sandstone that will require geotech consultants and changes to the original design to accommodate high voltage cable as required from Ausgrid. It is proposed to be funded from Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) Reserve.
Catherine Hamlin Park - Passive Parks Expansion		3,500,000	3,500,000	Additional funding for Catherine Hamlin Park Project per Council Resolution dated 25 June 2024. It is proposed to be funded from Section 7.11 Open Space and Recreation Facilities Reserve.

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<b>Reserves Drawdown for Capital (-ve is an increase in Reserve Drawdown)</b>	<b>988,414</b>	<b>(3,819,900)</b>	<b>(2,831,486)</b>	
<b>Externally Restricted Reserve</b>				
<b>Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve</b>				
Church Street (Blaxland Road - Gowrie Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	102,580		102,580	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
Hunts Avenue (Balaclava Road - Threfall Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	110,278		110,278	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
Lakeside Road (Glen Street - Hillview Road) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	108,520		108,520	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
Lancaster Avenue (Andrew Street - Parer Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	85,600		85,600	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
Shaftsbury Road (Terry Road (Eastwood) - Glen Street)	235,019		235,019	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
West Parade (Hillview Road - Rowe Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	98,942		98,942	Proposed transfer to reimburse Infrastructure Special Rate Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
<b>S7.11 Plan 2020 Open Space &amp; Recreation Facilities</b>				
Catherine Hamlin Park - Passive Parks Expansion	(447,000)	(3,500,000)	(3,947,000)	Transfer from Section 7.11 Open Space and Recreation Facility due to additional funds required for the Catherine Hamlin Park project as per Council Resolution dated 25/06/24. In addition \$447k has been transferred to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve due to change of source funding.
<b>Macquarie Park Corridor Special Rate Reserve</b>				

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Catherine Hamlin Park - Passive Parks Expansion	447,000		447,000	Transfer to Macquarie Park Special Levy Reserve due to change of source funding for the Catherine Hamlin Park project as per Council Resolution dated 25/06/24.
<b>Stormwater Management Reserve</b>				
Melba Drive, East Ryde - Roads kerb Renewal		(110,000)	(110,000)	Transfer from Stormwater Management Reserve. Following excavation discovery of hard rock and adverse weather conditions delayed project progress and increased overall project costs. It is proposed to be funded from Stormwater Management Reserve.
<b>Voluntary Planning Agreement</b>				
LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath		(209,900)	(209,900)	Transfer from Voluntary Planning Agreement Reserve due to the discovery of heavily fissured sandstone that will require geotech consultants and changes to the original design to accommodate high voltage cable as required from Ausgrid.
<b>Internally Restricted Reserve</b>				
<b>Assets Replacement Reserve</b>				
Church Street (Blaxland Road - Gowrie Street) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	116,850		116,850	Proposed transfer to reimburse Asset Replacement Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.
Church Street (Gowrie Street - Victoria Road) - Roads Resurfacing Renewal	130,624		130,624	Proposed transfer to reimburse Asset Replacement Reserve. Council has received approval to utilise the OLG Flood Relief Grant for this project.

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**Contracts Awarded - Fourth Quarterly Review Report April 2024 to June 2024**

Contractor Name	Purpose of Contract	Contract Form	Contract Value	Commencement Date	Contract Options	Duration of the Contract	End Date	Included in Budget?	Is this a lease under AASB 16
Sea Dragon Diving Co	Putney Park Swim Site Activation - Netting	AS 4000-1997 - MW Construction Contract	\$ 163,516.00	28/05/2024		2 months	31/07/2024	Yes	No
Bedrule Pty Ltd (Tobco)	Council owned multifunction poles (MFP's) streetlights, park lights and bus shelter lighting	Minor Works contract	\$ 350,000.00	1/04/2024	2 + 1	2 years	31/03/2026	Yes	No
KK Civil Engineering	Truscott St North Ryde Footpath	LGP 420 - Minor works	\$ 185,240.00	3/05/2024		2 months	12/06/2024	Yes	No
State Civil Pty Ltd	Footpath zone at the western side of Victoria Road, Ryde, between Belmore Street and Shephard Street	LGP 420 - Minor works	\$ 158,845.00	27/05/2024		1 month	14/06/2024	Yes	No
Tom Stoddart Pty Ltd	New Bus Shelter – West Ryde Station – Ryedale Road Bus Stop ID 211428	Minor Works Contract	\$ 81,566.10	12/04/2024		2 months	28/06/2024	Yes	No
Ally Civil	Waterview Street Putney - Shared User Path Construction	LGP 420 - Minor works	\$ 260,460.64	15/04/2024		1 month	31/05/2024	Yes	No
ARCADIS AUSTRALIA PACIFIC PTY LTD	Strategic Utilisation Review of Porter Creek Facility	General Consultancy Agreement	\$ 231,000.00	29/04/2024				Yes	No
INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	Conduct a road condition assessment survey of Council's Road network including the collection and assessment of related visual data and reporting the results of the survey.	General Consultancy Agreement	\$ 199,458.82	24/05/2024		1 month	30/06/2024	Yes	No
Enstruct Group Pty Limited	Bank Street & Constitution Road Signalisation Project	LGP1208-4 Consultancy Agreement	\$ 80,960.00	20/06/2024		1 month	19/07/2024	Yes	No
Statewide Civil Pty Ltd	Upgrading of Gannan Park and McCauley Park at Ryde including the upgrade of the playing field, installing a stormwater harvesting scheme, construction of a storage structure, supply and installation of the sports field floodlighting, concrete pathways, extension to playground and landscaping works.	GC21	\$ 4,294,248.20	24/06/2024		1 year	30/06/2025	Yes	No
Ally Property Services Pty Ltd	Constitution Road West and Federal Road Meadowbank	LGP 420 - Minor works	\$ 260,544.48	13/06/2024		1 month	5/07/2024	Yes	No

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Legal & Consultancy Expenses as at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)**

Expenses	FY2023/24 Actuals (\$'000)	Budgeted (Y/N)
Legal Fees	\$ 974,458	Y
Consultancy Fees*	\$ 2,601,119	Y

*\*Note: Of the total consultancy expenditure of \$2.6m, \$1.5m relates to capital works and therefore these costs will be capitalised.*

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**ATTACHMENT 2**

<b>Budget Carryover - FY23/24 to FY24/25</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Reason for Carryover</b>	<b>Carryover Amount</b>
<b>Capital Carryovers</b>		
<b>Bus Stop DDA compliance</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi-year project with several sites programmed to be completed over the next five years.	<b>1,599,125</b>
<b>Heavy Patching</b>	Carryover proposed as initial scope of works during the Financial Year was undertaken through a separate grant funded project. Unspent funds carried over will be allocated to undertake heavy patching at other sites.	<b>221,390</b>
<b>Pedestrian Crossing Lighting Upgrade</b>	Carryover proposed due to defects identified which are being resolved by Ausgrid, and outstanding works to relocate services which has resulted in delays due to pending approval from the service providers.	<b>95,742</b>
<b>ITS Implementation</b>	Carryover proposed due to refresh of the Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) which is currently in progress. Once this is completed, funding will be required for implementation.	<b>581,128</b>
<b>ITS Review Model</b>	Carryover proposed due to refresh of the Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) which is currently in progress. Once this is completed, funding will be required for a robust monitoring and review plan.	<b>272,435</b>
<b>146 Bowden St Trunk Drainage</b>	Carryover proposed to undertake CCTV investigation and defect rectification.	<b>16,728</b>
<b>Catherine Hamlin Park</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multiyear project. The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure is managing the delivery of the project on behalf of Council. Council are currently negotiating with the preferred contractor with works anticipated to commence in FY24/25.	<b>9,395,241</b>
<b>Ryde Central</b>	Carryover proposed to finalise outstanding project commitments.	<b>250,000</b>
<b>Libraries Public PC Renewal</b>	Carryover proposed due to investigation of options for Council's Library PC network which provides stronger and more stable infrastructure.	<b>30,621</b>
<b>Putney Beach Activation</b>	Carryover proposed due to DA requirements that were not anticipated. The DA process was finalised in March 2024 and project is anticipated to be completed in Q1 FY24/25	<b>524,113</b>
<b>Lancaster Avenue (Andrew Street - Parer Street)</b>	Carryover proposed due to project delays as a result of latent conditions found on site. Approximately 2-3m section at the Andrew Street junction is excluded that encroaches the clearance area of the VIVA asset.	<b>100,453</b>
<b>Cressy Road (Higginbotham Road - Holly Avenue)</b>	Carryover proposed due to water leakage on Cressy road and as a result Agg lines will need to be installed on the road, which will require approval from Jemena for works as there is a gas line parallel to the SW gutter.	<b>412,804</b>
<b>Cressy Road (Holly Avenue - Buffalo Road)</b>	Carryover proposed due to water leakage on Cressy road and as a result Agg lines will need to be installed on the road, which will require approval from Jemena for works as there is a gas line parallel to the SW gutter.	<b>404,179</b>
<b>Bridge Rehabilitation Works</b>	Carryover proposed due to delays as a result of the limited availability of specialist contractors.	<b>82,052</b>

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**ATTACHMENT 2**

Project	Reason for Carryover	Carryover Amount
<b>Future Design and Planning</b>	Carryover proposed to ensure the future planning and design of projects in future years of Council's Delivery Program. This ensures projects are shovel ready in the funded year.	<b>64,668</b>
<b>Pipe Lining Treatments</b>	Carryover proposed due to Council awaiting specialised equipment which required air freight transportation. This lead to significant delays in delivery of the project. Works to be completed Q1 FY24/25	<b>61,474</b>
<b>Kissing Point Park - Foreshore protection works</b>	Carryover proposed as this is multi-year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	<b>110,037</b>
<b>Dunbar Park - Amenities Upgrade</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	<b>508,725</b>
<b>Santa Rosa Park</b>	Carryover proposed to fund remaining works such as turfing, establishment of soft-scapes, tidy up works, rectification of minor defects.	<b>31,235</b>
<b>CCTV investigations</b>	Carryover proposed to supplement the FY24/25 allocation to ensure a more comprehensive scope.	<b>125,000</b>
<b>Chatswood to Burwood (RR-04) - Stage 1</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	<b>214,766</b>
<b>Blenheim Park - Masterplan Delivery</b>	Carryover proposed as following the recent execution of the deed for the project as it is grant funded.	<b>419,262</b>
<b>Minor upgrade Ryde Library</b>	Carryover proposed due to long lead times in supply of furniture.	<b>208,264</b>
<b>RALC Building Renewal</b>	Carryover proposed following a recent structural assessment which indicated that approximately \$411,000 is needed for asset renewal. The requested carryover funding will supplement the FY24/25 budget allocation.	<b>101,735</b>
<b>Community Facilities Preschool Renewal Program</b>	Carryover proposed due to additional investigative works required.	<b>80,748</b>
<b>Olympic Park - Neighbourhood</b>	Carryover proposed as a result of delays due to latent site conditions.	<b>19,800</b>
<b>Major Upgrade West Ryde Library</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	<b>590,174</b>
<b>Pavement Testing and Design</b>	Carryover proposed due to delays as a result of the limited availability of specialist contractors for data collection.	<b>417,529</b>
<b>Putney Park Seawall Rehabilitation Work</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	<b>2,228,391</b>

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Project	Reason for Carryover	Carryover Amount
<b>Preliminary Eastwood Central Business Case</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	1,411,755
<b>1 Constitution Rd &amp; Belmore St Culvert Replacement</b>	Carryover proposed as project investigation is currently in progress regarding viable options for these works.	297,312
<b>LH Waud - Sportsfield Lighting</b>	Carryover proposed as this project is currently on hold while native title matters are resolved for the Meadowbank Park masterplan. Project will not recommence until native title clearance is obtained.	157,114
<b>Meadowbank Park - Remediation</b>	Carryover proposed as this project is currently on hold while native title matters are resolved for the Meadowbank Park masterplan. Project will not recommence until native title clearance is obtained.	765,000
<b>Meadowbank Park - LH Waud</b>	Carryover proposed as this project is currently on hold while native title matters are resolved for the Meadowbank Park masterplan. Project will not recommence until native title clearance is obtained.	4,116,707
<b>Eastwood Library Planning and Design</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	105,976
<b>Constitution Rd/Bowden St Meadowbank-Traffic Control Signals</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	3,925,386
<b>100 - 104 Rowe St Stormwater Drainage Upgrade</b>	Carryover proposed due to delays of further investigation required and refining the scope based on consultation with stakeholders.	1,595,864
<b>Gannan Park - Masterplan Delivery</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25. This work is part of the Field of Mars Master Plan and due to be completed in February 2025.	4,792,629
<b>Field of Mars Reserve Nature Trail</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year grant funded project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	731,079
<b>Melba Drive, East Ryde</b>	Carryover proposed due to lead time issues with specialised materials & Equipment. Works to be complete in Q1 FY24/25.	127,018
<b>Hermitage Road Shared Path, West Ryde</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	1,489,278
<b>Regional Route 03 - Cycleway</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	1,512,467
<b>Meadowbank Park Masterplan Delivery AIF</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi-year grant funded project. Stage 1 of delivery will commence Q4 FY24/25	835,900
<b>Constitution Rd West Raised Pedestrian Crossing</b>	Carryover proposed to undertake streetlighting works during FY24/25.	90,114



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**ATTACHMENT 2**

Project	Reason for Carryover	Carryover Amount
<b>LRCI 4 - Constitution Road, Meadowbank Footpath</b>	Carryover proposed to undertake addition work related to post closure improvements	17,512
<b>Truscott Street (Cox's Road - Edmondson Street)</b>	Carryover proposed due to additional works identified onsite and latent site conditions which delayed completion till FY24/25.	108,220
<b>Constitution Rd/Bank St Meadowbank - Traffic Control Signals</b>	Carryover proposed as this is multi-year project and unspent funds are required in FY24/25.	284,678
<b>Porters Creek Precinct</b>	Carryover proposed as project is still in progress and will continue during FY24/25.	198,456
<b>Electronic Time and Attendance</b>	Carryover required for the provision of ongoing support and maintenance.	32,563
<b>Korean War Memorial - Memorial Park</b>	Carryover proposed due to project delays as Council is discussing the donation of a memorial stone with the Korean Government.	120,000
<b>See Street Meadowbank Raised Pedestrian Crossing</b>	Carryover proposed due to additional grant received from Department of Transport NSW under Get NSW Active program	299,500
<b>Argyle Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing</b>	Carryover proposed due to additional grant received from Department of Transport NSW under Get NSW Active program	295,000
<b>Total Capital Carryovers:</b>		<b>42,477,347</b>
<b>Operating Carryovers:</b>		
<b>Porters Creek Strategic Utilisation Review</b>	Carryover proposed as this project is funded by Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC) and is scheduled for completion in the next financial year. This review aims to address waste service reliance challenges and optimise resource utilisation for the City of Ryde and fellow NSROC councils.	161,426
<b>Ryde Biodiversity Plan - Implementation</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi-year project and unspent funds will be required to complete this project in FY24/25.	85,304
<b>Harmonising Flood Studies</b>	Carryover proposed as this is a multi-year project and unspent funds will be required to complete this project by June 2025.	804,098
<b>Social Plan and Creativity Strategy</b>	Carryover proposed as project has commenced but will be completed in F24/25.	91,870
<b>Review of the City of Ryde Halls and Facilities Strategy</b>	Carryover proposed as this will be completed in the next Financial Year to allow a comprehensive analysis that aligns with the City's long-term planning and delivery objectives.	60,000
<b>Parks Masterplan Review</b>	Carryover proposed as these works did not commence when originally anticipated. These works are scheduled to commence during FY24/25.	241,639

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**ATTACHMENT 2**

Project	Reason for Carryover	Carryover Amount
<b>Library Strategic Review</b>	Carryover proposed as this will be completed in the next Financial Year to allow for a more detailed and thorough analysis, ensuring the outcomes fully support the City's long-term cultural and social planning objectives.	50,000
<b>Legislative compliance system</b>	Carryover proposed due to Council's Legislative Compliance Project being implemented in FY24/25.	68,000
<b>Information Technology Projects</b>	Carryover proposed mainly due to Technology One SAAS implementation to be completed October 2024.	514,873
<b>Building Maintenance Projects</b>	Carryover proposed due additional acoustics, workstations and furniture required.	67,361
<b>Interactive Heritage Walking Trail Project</b>	Carryover proposed to ensure interactive heritage walking trails are developed to fully capture and preserve the local heritage in an engaging and educational manner for the community. This project is grant funded.	8,000
<b>Service Level Review</b>	Carryover proposed as project has commenced however will be completed during FY24/25.	200,000
<b>Street Lighting Expenditure</b>	Carryover proposed as scheduled LED upgrade by Ausgrid has been delayed to FY24/25.	173,550
<b>Total Operating Carryover:</b>		<b>2,526,121</b>
<b>Total Carryover from FY23/24 to FY24/25</b>		<b>45,003,468</b>

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#### 4 PUTNEY PARK DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT (UPDATE) AND PUBLIC EXHIBITION

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Parks Planning  
**File No.:** GRP/24/37 - BP24/337

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##### REPORT SUMMARY

The current Plan of Management (PoM) for Putney Park was adopted by Council in 2011. The purpose of this draft Plan of Management (update 2024) is to reflect current legislative requirements, regional plans and Council policies which have changed overtime. The Park is approximately 6.8ha of Council owned Community Land and Crown reserve managed by Council. The *Crown Land Management Act 2016* requires local councils that are the appointed “Council-manager” for a Crown Reserve to prepare new plans of management for these areas. This draft Plan of Management (update 2024) does not propose any substantive changes to the context of the previous Plan of Management (2011). No changes to re-categorisations to community land are proposed.

The Masterplan (adopted in 2011) is included as an Appendix in the draft Plan of Management (2024 update). This Masterplan remains unchanged and will continue to be implemented overtime. Any additional park embellishments will occur following a resolution of Council.

Putney Park is zoned primarily are “RE1 – Public Recreation” with some areas of “C2 – Environmental Conservation”. The site primarily consists of “Park” with some areas of “Natural Area – Bushland” and “Natural Area – Foreshore”. The Park is situated directly on the Parramatta River and contains open space for public recreation, regional playground, walking tracks, picnic facilities, car park and sections of native vegetation. The community value, ecological function and role of the Park is important, especially with the increasing residential density occurring in the surrounding suburbs and is identified in Council’s *Integrated Open Space Plan (2012)* as a level 1 park.

The draft Plan of Management, provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**, identifies objectives, targets and strategies to protect and guide the future maintenance and management of the Park, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and other applicable legislations.

The draft Putney Park Plan of Management, update 2024 (“PPPoM”) provides a strategic planning and sustainable management framework for the Community and Crown lands that form Putney Park. It reaffirms the Park’s role in providing the community with a range of recreation opportunities, natural areas, and water access, and aids the conservation of the natural, cultural, and indigenous resources.

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Management actions recommended within PPPoM are to meet current and future demands of Park users and aim to improve the way the Park is managed, respond to the needs of the community, satisfy management objectives, clarify, and formalise lease and licensing opportunities and reinforce the values of Putney Park.

In accordance with the requirements of the NSW *Crown Lands Management Act 2016*, Native Title advice on the areas of Crown Land covered by the PPPoM has been obtained and Council's Native Title Manager indicates all the necessary requirements of the Crown Land Management Act (2016) have been met. Therefore, this report recommends the PPPoM be referred to the Minister of Lands and Property for approval to place on public exhibition in accordance with the requirements of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* and *Local Government Act 1993*. Following public exhibition, a report will be prepared outlining Council's response to feedback received, with a recommendation to formally adopt the PPPoM.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council refers the draft Putney Park Plan of Management (update June 2024) to the Minister for Lands and Property seeking approval to place on public exhibition as required by the *Crown Lands Management Act 2016*.
- (b) That following approval from the Minister, the Plan be placed on public exhibition for 42 days and a report be brought back to Council following this process.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 May 2024 Putney Park Plan of Management – For Exhibition – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

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## ITEM 4 (continued)

### Strategic Context

The draft Putney Park Plan of Management, 2024 update (“PPPoM”), provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**, has been prepared and updated in response to and with consideration to several strategic planning documents, including:

- *Greater Sydney Commission Our Greater Sydney 2056 North District Plan (2018)*
- *Planning Ryde Local Strategic Planning Statement (2020)*
- *Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014)*
- *City of Ryde Integrated Open Space Plan (2012)*
- *City of Ryde Sport and Recreation Strategy 2016-2026 (2017)*
- *City of Ryde Biodiversity Plan (2016)*
- *City of Ryde Resilience Plan 2030 (2020)*
- *Putney Park Masterplan (2011)*
- *Parramatta River Masterplan (2018)*
- Commonwealth and NSW legislations and plans as applicable
- Council plans and policies as applicable

### Local Context

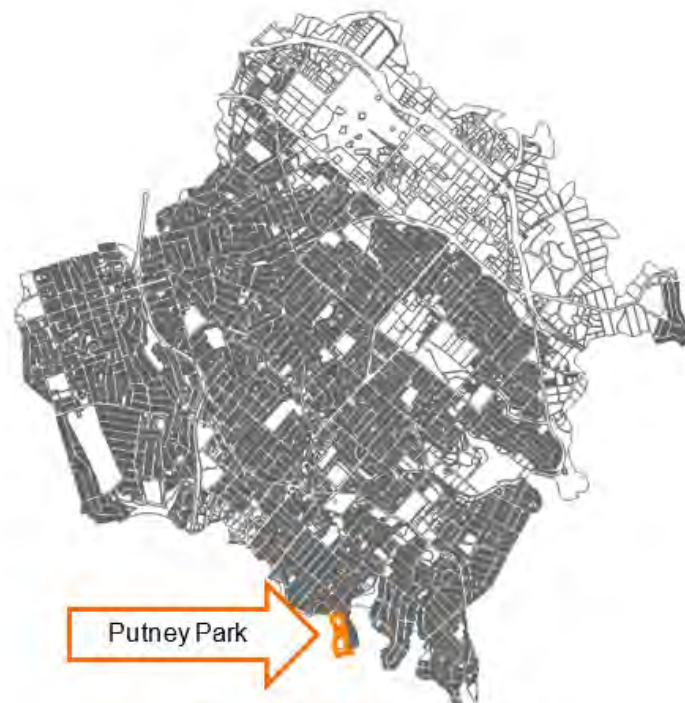


Image 1: Site Location - Putney Park

## ITEM 4 (continued)



Image 2: Site Overview - Putney Park.

### The Site

Putney Park is a Level 1 regional park located in the suburb of Putney bounded on the north/east by low density residential housing and on the west/south by Pellisier Road and Parramatta River. The Park contributes to the City of Ryde's total open space provision and provides recreation and biodiversity outcomes. The Park is highly valued by the community and is popular for playground use, picnics and other forms of passive recreation. The sections of natural areas within the park create a naturalistic riverside setting.

The Park comprises four parcels of land. Two parcels (85.58% of the Park) are owned by Council. The remaining two parcels of land (14.42%) is Crown Land, for which City of Ryde is responsible for care, control and management as appointed Crown Land Manager.

The Park primarily consists of sections of open space, vegetation and some sections of natural area. Built form includes a network of walking tracks, regional playground, picnic/BBQ facilities, amenity building, bitumen car park and stairs in the sea wall providing the community with water access.

The *Putney Park Masterplan (2011)* identifies park improvements to be realised progressively, subject to funding availability. The *Play Implementation Plan (update 2019)* identifies a regional playground upgrade in 2025/26.



#### ITEM 4 (continued)

The *Parramatta River Masterplan (2018)* identifies Putney Park as a future swim site. Council has received grant funding for installation of a netted swim site. The swim site development application was approved in March 2024 and is scheduled for commencement shortly.

#### Land Management – Zoning

Within the *Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014)* the Park is predominantly zoned as “RE1 – Public Recreation” with some areas of “C2 – Environmental Conservation” as shown in the following map.

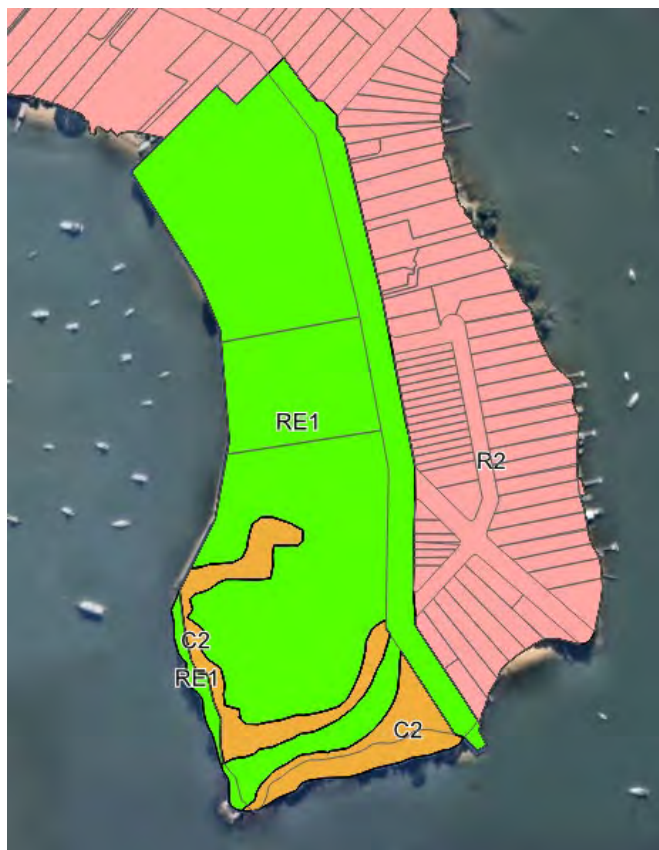


Image 3: Zoning of Putney Park as per Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014.

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**Land Management - Community Land Categorisations**

The vast majority of the Park is categorised as “Parks” with smaller areas of “Natural Area – Bushland” and “Natural Areas – Foreshore” as shown in the following map. When the current *Crown Land Management Act 2016* came into effect in 2018, Council as the appointed Crown Land Manager, were required to assign community land categorisations to the parcels of Crown Land in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*.



Image 4: Putney Park Community Land Categorisations (2024)

No land re-categorisations are being proposed as part of this draft Plan of Management (update 2024). However, some minor updates to the boundaries of the land parcels which form Putney Park have been made to reflect the most update version of the NSW Government’s Land and Property Information. The previous land categorisations have been carried forward and applied in an equivalent and consistent manner for the updated land boundaries.



## ITEM 4 (continued)

### Plan of Management (2011)

The current Putney Park Plan of Management was adopted in October 2011. Due to the specific nature and significance of the Putney Park, Council developed a specific Plan of Management for Putney Park. Plans of Management are generally updated approximately every 10 years. A Plan of Management guides the management of particular categories or specific areas of community land that are within the direct ownership of Council, or under Council's control and management.

The *Local Government Act 1993* states that all community lands are required to be covered by a Plan of Management and must identify:

- the category of the land
- objectives and outcomes for the land
- the means by which Council proposes to achieve objectives and outcomes
- the way by which Council proposes to assess its performance and
- expressly authorises any leases, licences or other estates.

The land categorisations of Putney Park are detailed in the section above. The Plan of Management was prepared based on the Core Objectives for these categorisations as specified in the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The current Plan of Management (2011) was developed with consideration of community consultation (July – August 2009) and public exhibition (June – August 2011).

### Plan of Management (update 2024)

A specific Plan of Management for Putney Park has been retained. The Park consists of a combination of Community Land and Crown Land and must therefore be managed in accordance with *Local Government Act 1993* and *Crown Lands Management Act 2016*.

The *Crown Land Management Act 2016* commenced in 2018 and required Crown Land Managers (i.e. Council) to create new plans of management for parks/reserves containing Crown Land. As Putney Park contains two parcels of Crown land, Council is required to update the Putney Park Plan of Management.

The draft Putney Park Plan of Management update 2024 (PPPoM), provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**, has been updated to reflect current legislation, regional plans and Council policies which have changed overtime. The PPPoM updated does not propose any substantive changes to the context of the previous Plan of Management (2011). No re-categorisations changes to community land are being proposed. The PPPoM will provide continued guidance for ongoing and future management of the Park to meet the needs and values of the City of Ryde and the community.

## **ITEM 4 (continued)**

### **Plan of Management – Native Title Advice**

As per the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*, Council is required to engage a qualified 'Native Title Manager' to oversee and approve dealings and actions that may affect native title. Native Title Managers must have training or qualifications that have been approved by the Minister. Council, as Crown Land Managers, must obtain the written advice of at least one Native Title Manager where it grants certain interests in the land, including leases, licences, easements, mortgages, covenants, and other restrictions on use. Council engaged *Lands Advisory Services Pty Ltd*, to provide Native Title advice for the PPPoM. This advice has indicated that all the requirements of the *Crown Land Management Act (2016)* have been met and Council is able to complete the process of adopting a Plan of Management for the land.

### **Plan of Management - Public Exhibition**

The *Crown Land Management Act 2016* requires Plans of Management involving Crown Land to be referred to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Industry – Crown Lands to seek Ministerial approval for public exhibition. The recommendations contained in this report seeks Council resolution to make this referral to the Minister.

Following the receipt of Ministerial approval, and under the requirements of the abovementioned legislation and *Local Government Act 1993*, the period for the public exhibition of the draft Plan of Management update is 28 days with a further 14 days allowed for comments to be received. At the end of this period, the submissions will be reviewed.

The community will be notified of this public exhibition via Council's website, stakeholder emails, advertisements, Council eNewsletter and park signage. During the exhibition period, a copy of the draft PPPoM will be publicly available and provided to relevant Council Working Groups for their review and input.

If the submissions are of a minor nature, then changes will be made and the PPPoM will then be returned to Council for adoption. If there are more significant matters identified through the public exhibition, then Council officers will determine how to appropriately manage these prior to reporting to Crown Land (if required) and Council for final adoption.

### **Financial Implications**

Adoption of this report has no financial implications for Council. Once the PPPoM (update 2024) has been approved and adopted, any identified priorities and recommendations with financial impacts will be incorporated into operational costs, Masterplan implementation and/or subject to Council's future budget planning processes.

**ITEM 4 (continued)****Conclusion**

For the reasons outlined in this report, it is recommended to Council that the draft Putney Park Plan of Management (update 2024), provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**, is referred to the Minister for Lands and Property for approval to place on public exhibition.

Following Ministerial approval/s (if/as necessary) and public exhibition, a subsequent report will be brought back to Council to adopt the PPPoM. Pending adoption, the Putney Park PoM (update 2024) will supersede the Putney Park PoM (2011).

Council is committed to protecting the recreation and ecological values of the Park and ensuring sustainable management of the Park into the future. The PPPoM (update 2024) seeks to meet Council's legislative requirements, retain the character of the Park and provide improvements for public and environmental benefit. This document will enable Council's continued management practices to ensure Putney Park is protected and managed appropriately for current and future generations of City of Ryde residents.

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## 5 PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN - TREE PRESERVATION

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Parks Planning  
**File No.:** GRP/24/37 - BP24/494

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### REPORT SUMMARY

As detailed in the City of Ryde Urban Forest Strategy, adopted by Council in 2023, the City's trees and urban forest are a critical part of the urban environment. It forms the foundation of the City's character, provides amenity to residents, and resilience to climate change. Feedback from the community through engagement on the preparation of Council documents such as the Community Strategic Plan and Local Strategic Planning Statement, have indicated the broader community places a high priority on the protection of trees to enhance the liveability of the City.

Council's existing Development Control Plan (DCP) – Part 9.5 Tree Preservation, was prepared in 2014 (minor updates were made in 2016). Since then, the NSW Government has updated legislation relating to tree and vegetation protection, detailed in the Biodiversity Conservation Act (2016) and State Environmental Planning Policy - Biodiversity and Conservation, 2021 (Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP). Since 2014, Council has also adopted a Local Strategic Planning Statement and an Urban Forest Strategy, all of which identified a 40% canopy target for the LGA. These documents have set the strategic direction for the management of trees within the LGA. An update to the DCP – Tree Preservation is required to ensure it reflects the current legislative environment and aligns to the relevant Council adopted plans and strategies. As such an updated document has been prepared for Council's approval to place on public exhibition.

A Development Control Plan (DCP) is a document which contains a set of detailed planning and design guidelines that compliments the controls of a Local Environmental Plan (LEP). Councils DCP Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation outlines the framework and processes applicable to the management of tree works on private land. It guides Council in the assessment of Development Applications received and determined by the City of Ryde. The introduction of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP, provides local government authorities with the statutory powers to issue penalties for illegal tree works undertaken without approval from Council where the SEPP is referred to in Council's relevant Development Control Plan. This is due to Council, through the DCP, declaring vegetation that requires a landholder to seek a permit for tree removal and pruning works.

Over the 3-year period from July 2021 to June 2024 a total of 4,067 local developments were notified to Council as either Complying Development Certification (CDC) or made via a Development Application (DA). Council is not the certifying/approval authority for CDC's, as these are subject to State Legislative controls. Of all the local developments undertaken in the 3-year period, a total of 1,093 or 27% of these were DA's, which are assessed in accordance with Council's DCP Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation.

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Tree removals – whether on private or public land - reduce the tree canopy and the benefits the urban forest provides the City and the broader community. This is so, even if removed trees are replaced due to the length of time to maturity for benefits derived from replacement trees to be received. As outlined in the Urban Forest Strategy, over the ten years from 2010 to 2020 there has been an overall canopy loss of 1.83% across the LGA (the equivalent to 102 rugby league fields).

Accordingly, Council's tree management priorities, as outlined in the updated draft Development Control Plan (DCP) Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation, provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**, focus both on the proactive retention and preservation of existing trees and the planting of new trees. In the development application context, Council's approach is to foster an ethos that views trees as development assets and opportunities with significant retention values rather than as 'problems' to be removed. The controls proposed in the draft updated Development Control Plan – Tree Preservation Part 9.5 are therefore aimed at optimising the retention of trees while also facilitating appropriate tree pruning and removals consistent with safety issues, economic imperatives, and other relevant factors.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the amended draft Ryde Development Control Plan, 2024 - Part 9.5 Tree Preservation as provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**, and that the document be placed on public exhibition in accordance with the provisions of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
- (b) That the Public Exhibition occur for an extended period of a total of 42 days.
- (c) That a further report come back to Council following the exhibition period, outlining the feedback received and any amendments proposed for the document.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Ryde DCP Draft Revised Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation

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### Discussion

Council's Development Control Plan (DCP) 2014 Part 9.5 Tree Preservation sets Council's policy for how trees are preserved and managed on private land. It provides guidelines, objectives and controls for people who wish to carry out development (tree works) in the LGA.

As well as the CoR local strategies and plans that have been developed and adopted since the current DCP 2014 was adopted, the State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021 (Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP) came into force in November 2022.

Chapter 2 (Vegetation in Non-Rural Areas), of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP sets the rules for the clearing of vegetation in NSW on land zoned for urban and environmental purposes that is not linked to a development application.

The SEPP aims to:

- preserve the amenity of non-rural areas of the State through the preservation of trees and other vegetation.
- The SEPP also allows councils to manage vegetation clearing in their local area through a permit system.
- Allow Councils to specify vegetation needing a permit to clear by declaring it in their development control plan as vegetation to which Part 2.3 of the SEPP applies.

The updated draft Part 9.5 has been revised to align with the purposes and requirements of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP and adopts a landscape approach to vegetation and tree management as recommended in the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Managing Vegetation with a Development Control Plan.

Most of the land (75%) within the City of Ryde is privately owned and managed, with Council having low to moderate influence over tree retention and plantings in these areas. However, this land also often supports a substantial proportion of the City's tree canopy cover. This land cover trend holds true in the City of Ryde, with lands on which Council has low and moderate influence for tree plantings currently supporting 46% of the City's tree canopy cover and experiencing nearly 85% of the loss in canopy cover between 2010-2020. The population is projected to increase from 116,302 in 2016 to over 180,000 by 2041, an increase of nearly 40%. Without a change in how tree protection and plantings are prioritised, such urban densification places nearly half of the City's current canopy cover at significant risk from loss due to land conversion.

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The purpose of Part 9.5 of the DCP is to protect the City's urban forest through retention of its mature tree canopy as detailed in the City of Ryde Urban Forest Strategy 2023, the Ryde Biodiversity Plan, 2016 and the Ryde Resilience Plan 2030.

The specific aims are to:

- i. Declare vegetation that requires a landholder to seek a permit for tree removal and pruning works under Clause 2.9 and 2.10 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP
- ii. Promote sustainable vegetation management best practice on development sites.
- iii. The trees and vegetation prescribed in this section of the DCP are protected under Part 2.3 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP and consent from Council or other approving authority must be obtained before any works can occur to a tree/vegetation as specified in these controls.

In the development application context, Council's approach is to foster an ethos that views trees as development assets and opportunities with significant retention values rather than as 'problems' to be removed.

The long-term objectives of the updated Draft DCP Part 9.5 - Tree Preservation are:

- i. Maintain and enhance the City's amenity via a thriving urban forest and urban landscape,
- ii. Prevent unapproved pruning or removal of trees and other vegetation, consistent with the aims and objectives of the Biodiversity SEPP, other relevant planning instruments and the controls of this DCP,
- iii. Recognise and protect the City's mature tree canopy and other vegetation considered significant due to heritage, cultural, social, and ecological value,
- iv. Preserve and enhance species diversity through the retention of habitat connectivity,
- v. Increase tree canopy (via existing tree maturation) on public and private land to mitigate urban heat island effects,
- vi. Facilitate the removal of priority weeds, immature vegetation with nil or low amenity, heat mitigation and/or biodiversity values, and replace with suitable species,
- vii. Provide a consistent framework to assess applications that require a permit for clearing vegetation and pruning or removal of trees.

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The table below outlines the amendments made to the updated draft Development Control Plan Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation.

Current	Proposed
No reference to Biodiversity SEPP	Ensure alignment to Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP (2021)
No reference to updated Urban Forest Strategy	Ensure alignment and reference to Urban Forest Strategy (2023)
Technical references included	Language simplified and noted where technical references are within other documents
Replacement plantings for approved removals required on a 1 for 1 basis	Replacement plantings for approved removals required on a 3 to 1 basis
Tree is exempt if it is 4m from an enclosing wall	Tree is exempt if it is within 3m from building structure over 25m <sup>2</sup>
Tree is exempt if it is within 4m of outside edge of pool coping	Deleted
Tree is exempt if it is within 4m of the outside edge of a carport	Deleted
Tree is exempt if stem circumference measured at 1.4m height is 450mm or smaller	Tree is exempt if stem circumference measured at 1.4m height is 150mm or smaller
Exclusions from Exempt Works	Expanded to indicate Council must be satisfied included proposed works meet exemption requirements
Lack of clarity in relation to tree works associated with Complying Development	Language clarified for tree works requirements relating to development sites
Removal of dead or dying requires an application	Expanded to include protection for trees with habitat hollows and clarity around tree risk assessment requirements
Camphor Laurel species included on exempt species list	Camphor Laurel tree greater than 10m in height are no longer exempt (subject to permit application)

**Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.



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The draft Development Control Plan, Part 9.5 Tree Preservation has been developed internally by staff with consultation across the organisation with those Departments that are involved with tree management, compliance and protection including:

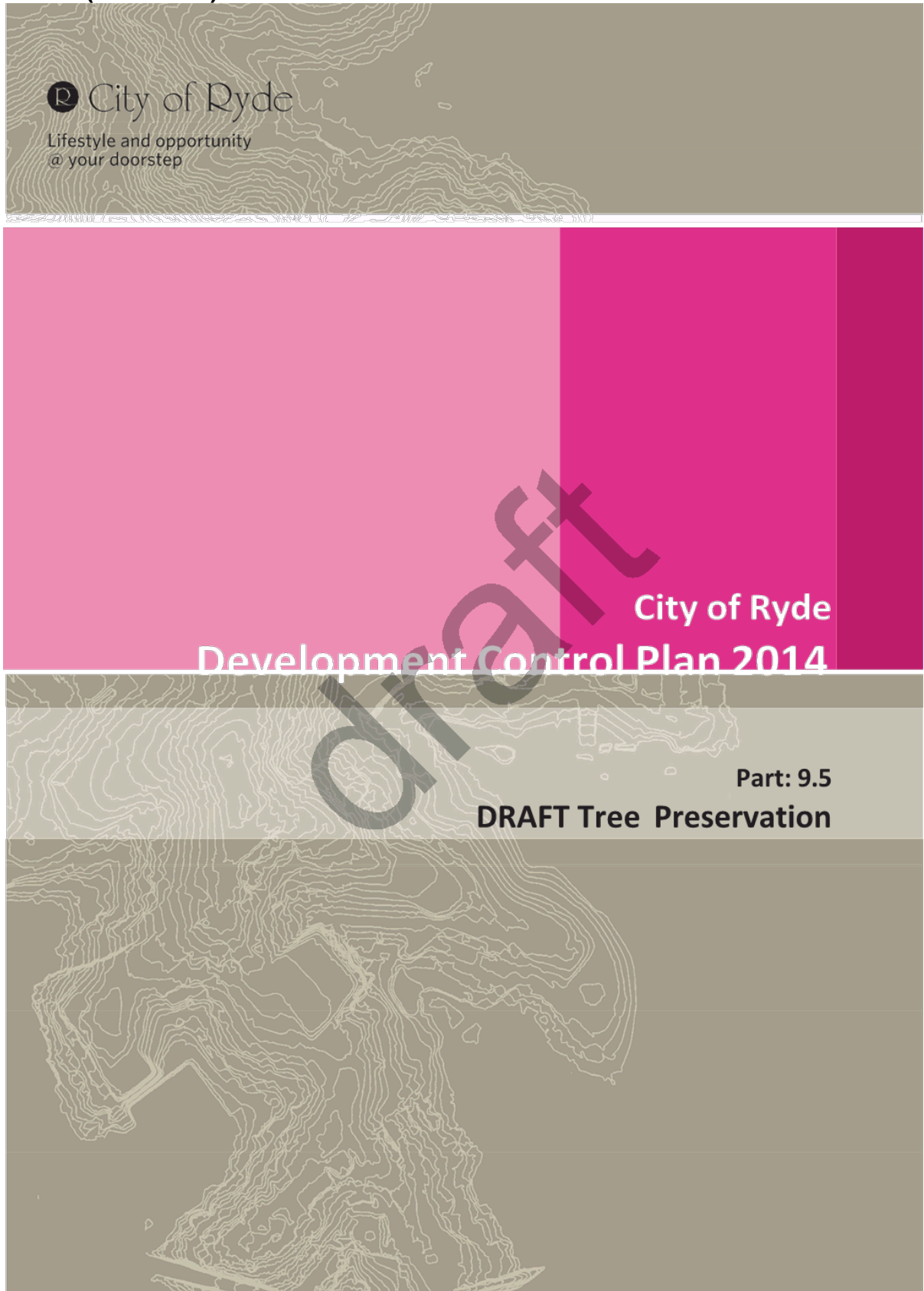
- Parks & Open Spaces Department
- City Resilience Department
- City Places Department
- Development Assessment Department
- Health, Building and Regulatory Services Department
- Project Management and Delivery team

**Options**

This report recommends that the draft Development Control Plan Part 9.5 – Tree Preservation be placed on public exhibition to obtain feedback from the community on the proposed update to the DCP. The community will be notified via Council's website and through relevant Council newsletters and publications. During the exhibition period, a copy of the draft DCP will be publicly available and provided to relevant Council Working Groups and key stakeholder groups for their review and input.

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Translation

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Amend. No.	Date approved	Effective date	Subject of amendment
2	June 2024		Revised and updated to align with current legislative and policy settings: Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP 2022; Urban Forest Strategy 2021; Ryde Biodiversity Plan; Ryde Resilience Plan; Ryde LSPS

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#### 1.1 Context – Preservation of the Urban Forest

As detailed in the City of Ryde *Urban Forest Strategy 2023*, the City's trees and urban forest are a critical part of the urban environment and form the foundation of the City's character, identity, and resilience to climate change.

More specifically, the urban forest's trees and other vegetation provide a multitude of social, cultural, economic, and environmental benefits, including improved health (from shade, improved air quality and urban heat mitigation), enhanced landscape amenity and property values protection of biodiversity and heritage values and improved well-being<sup>1</sup>.

Moreover, these benefits grow in value over time as the trees grow and mature – with larger trees providing greater benefits than small trees and those in poor health or condition.

Tree removals – whether on private or public land - reduce the tree canopy and the benefits of the urban forest. This is so even if removed trees are replaced due to the length of time to maturity and benefits derived from replacement trees.

Accordingly, Council's tree management priorities focus both on the proactive retention and preservation of existing trees and the planting of new trees.

In the development application context, Council's approach is to foster an ethos that views trees as development assets and opportunities with significant retention values rather than as 'problems' to be removed.

The controls in this section are therefore aimed at optimising the retention of trees on private land while also facilitating appropriate tree pruning and removals consistent with safety issues, economic imperatives, and other relevant factors.

#### 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this section of the DCP is to protect the City's urban forest through retention of its mature tree canopy on private land and as summarised above and detailed in the City of Ryde *Urban Forest Strategy 2023*, the *Ryde Biodiversity Plan 2016*, and the *Ryde Resilience Plan 2030*.

The section is framed in accordance with the purposes and requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021 (*Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP*) and adopts a landscape approach to vegetation and tree management as recommended in the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's *Managing Vegetation with a Development Control Plan*.

#### 1.3 How to use this Part

- I. This Part is to be read in conjunction with:
  - The City of Ryde Tree Management Technical Manual (Technical Manual) and Application Guide (Guide) which provide instructions on:
    - i. requirements for arboriculture and other technical reports

<sup>1</sup> The NSW Department of Planning and environment has documented canopy cover, heat vulnerability and the heat island effect across metropolitan Sydney at the suburb level (as assessed in September 2022). The data clearly demonstrates the sub-optimal achievement of these potential tree and urban forest benefits. <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-10/average-tree-canopy-cover-heat-vulnerability-heat-islands.pdf>

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- ii. technical arboricultural information
- iii. requirements as to the protection of trees on development sites
- iv. how to make an application under this Part
- v. dealing with trees on adjoining properties

Both documents can be viewed at [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au)

- Clause 5.9 Preservation of Trees or Vegetation of the City of Ryde Local Environment Plan 2014 (LEP 2014).
- 2. The controls in this Part, to the extent of any inconsistency in relation to trees, take precedence over the controls in other Parts of the City of Ryde Development Control Plan 2014 (DCP 2014).
- 3. All references to Acts, Regulations, Codes, Australian Standards, Plans, policies, the Technical Manual, and the Guide are to those documents as amended from time to time.

### 1.4 Aims

The specific aims of this section are to:

- i. Declare vegetation that requires a landholder to seek a permit for tree removal and pruning works on private land under Clause 2.9 and 2.10 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP
- ii. Promote sustainable vegetation management best practice on development sites
- iii. The trees and vegetation prescribed in this section of the DCP are protected under Part 2.3 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP and consent from Council or other approving authority must be obtained before any works can occur to a tree/vegetation as specified in these controls

### 1.5 Objectives

The declaration of trees/vegetation, and their protection under this section of the DCP, has the following long-term objectives:

- i. Maintain and enhance the City's amenity via a thriving urban forest and urban landscape
- ii. Prevent unapproved pruning or removal of trees and other vegetation on private land, consistent with the aims and objectives of the Biodiversity SEPP, other relevant planning instruments and the controls of this DCP
- iii. Recognise and protect the City's mature tree canopy and other vegetation considered significant due to heritage, cultural, social, and ecological value
- iv. Preserve and enhance species diversity through the retention of habitat connectivity
- v. Increase tree canopy (via existing tree maturation) on public and private land to mitigate urban heat island effects
- vi. Facilitate the removal of priority weeds, immature vegetation with nil or low amenity heat mitigation and/or biodiversity values, and replace with suitable species
- vii. Provide a consistent framework to assess applications that require a permit for clearing vegetation and pruning or removal of trees

## 2.0 DECLARATION OF PRESCRIBED TREES AND VEGETATION

All vegetation in the City is declared to be prescribed vegetation to which Part 2.3 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP applies, subject to the exemptions listed in section 4.0 below.



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The clearing, pruning, ringbarking, cutting down, topping, lopping, removing, poisoning, injuring or willful destructions of prescribed trees and vegetation is prohibited without the written consent of the relevant approval authority which varies depending on the scale and/or location of the proposed works, as summarised in section 3.0 below.

### 3.0 APPROVAL PATHWAYS

#### 3.1 Vegetation clearing not linked to development consent and below the Biodiversity Offset Scheme (BOS) thresholds

A Council Tree Pruning and Removal Permit is required for the clearing/pruning of prescribed trees and vegetation, as defined in section 2.0, above.

The requirements and process for obtaining a permit is detailed in section 6.0.

#### 3.2 Vegetation clearing linked to development

A Development Application and consent is required for tree works where the tree or vegetation works are ancillary to works requiring development consent. This includes any tree work on public land associated with a complying development.

**Note:** Controls for vegetation clearing on development sites are detailed in section 7.0.

#### 3.3 Vegetation clearing within heritage areas

"Development consent (via DA or IDA) is required for tree works where the tree or vegetation forms part of a heritage item or Aboriginal object or is located in a heritage conservation area or Aboriginal place of heritage significance".

**Note:** State Heritage Listed properties will also require separate approval (e.g., Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit) or (standard or site-specific) exemption from the NSW Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure under subsection 57(1) of the Heritage Act 1977.

Exemptions may be standard or, where agreed with the Department, site specific. Standard exemptions include:

- pruning up to 30% of the tree canopy on a State Heritage Register listed site within a 2-year period but only if the work is 'performed by a qualified arborist, horticulturist or tree surgeon and must be necessary for the health of those plants'
- Removal of non-significant diseased, dying, dead and/or dangerous trees, but only where the removal does not disturb archaeological relics

#### 3.4 Vegetation clearing exceeding BOS thresholds

Under Part 2.4 of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP, clearing of vegetation above the bio-diversity offsets scheme (BOS) threshold triggers an alternate approval pathway through the Native Vegetation Panel and requires a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) prepared by an accredited assessor using the Biodiversity Assessment Method. The BOS thresholds are:

- The clearing of any native vegetation in areas that have been mapped on the Department of Planning and Environment's Biodiversity Value map (<http://www.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/BVMap>)
- Clearing an area that exceeds the BOS thresholds as follows:



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Minimum lot size associated with the property	Threshold for clearing, above which BDAR is required
Less than 1 ha	0.25 ha or more
1 ha to less than 40 ha	0.5 ha or more
40 ha to less than 1000 ha	1 ha or more
1,000 ha or more	2 ha or more

**4.0 EXEMPT TREES AND VEGETATION WORKS**

A permit or development application to carry out clearing of vegetation, pruning or removal of a tree is not required if:

- i. Council is satisfied that the vegetation or tree is dying or dead (from natural causes) and is not a hollow-bearing tree required as habitat for native animals and is a risk to human life or property, as per clause 2.7 of the *Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP*.

To provide Council with sufficient evidence to make this determination, proponents must comply with the following process:

- Undertake a tree risk assessment (evaluating 'likelihood of failure', 'likelihood of impacting a target' and 'consequences of impact') to identify the level of risk to human life or property by a suitably qualified arborist (AQF5).
- Provide evidence that the tree is dead or dying from natural causes.
- Commence works only after receiving written confirmation from Council that the tree is exempt from the requirement for a tree permit and that tree works may be undertaken.

**Note:** If Council is not satisfied that the tree has died of natural causes, a Council investigation will be undertaken. Penalties will be issued where the investigation identifies illegal removal or harm with intent to kill an existing tree or trees.

- ii. Trees/vegetation have the following dimensions:
  - a height less than 4m
  - trunk diameter less than 150mm measured at breast height (1.4m above ground level)
- iii. Removal of deadwood/ pruning of less than 10 per cent of the crown of a tree in a 12- month period provided the branches to be pruned do not have hollows required as habitat for native animals, the branch does not exceed 60mm diameter, and the work is carried out in accordance with Australian Standard 4373 –2007 Pruning of amenity trees and Safework NSW Code of Practice: *Amenity Tree Industry 1998*.

**Note:** Consistent with the Biodiversity SEPP's core aim "to protect the biodiversity values of trees and other vegetation in non-rural areas of the State", existing hollows in trees to be removed or pruned must be reviewed and identified prior to undertaking any tree works.

<sup>2</sup> The term "legally constructed" means built in compliance with environmental & planning legislation and instruments in force within the City of Ryde at the time of construction.

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iv. Tree Works on a tree where the stem of the tree at ground level is within three (3) metres of:

- the outside enclosing wall of legally constructed dwelling or outbuilding of over 20m<sup>2</sup>

**Note:** This exemption does not apply to trees on adjoining land. The Tree and the dwelling house or other structure referred to above must both be on the same land for the exemption to apply.

v. Tree Works on any tree on the following list:

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Acacia saligna</i>	Golden Wreath Wattle
<i>Acer negundo</i>	Box Elder
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	Tree of Heaven
<i>Alnus jorulensis</i>	Evergreen Alder
<i>Arecastrum romanzoffianum</i> (syn. <i>Syagrus romanzoffianum</i> )	Cocos Palm
<i>Bambusa spp.</i>	Rhizomatous Bamboo
<i>Celtis sinensis</i>	Hackberry
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i> (less than 10m)	Camphor Laurel (less than 10m)
<i>Cotoneaster sp.</i>	Cotoneaster
<i>Erythrina crista-galli</i>	Cockscomb Coral Tree
<i>Erythrina x sykesii</i>	Indian Coral Tree
<i>Ficus benjamina</i>	Weeping Fig
<i>Ficus elastica</i>	Rubber tree
<i>Lagunaria patersonii</i>	Norfolk Island Hibiscus
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	Broad leaf Privet
<i>Ligustrum sinense</i>	Narrow leaf Privet
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander
<i>Olea europaea africana</i>	African Olive
<i>Populus spp.</i>	Poplars
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Golden Robinia or Golden Locust
<i>Salix spp.</i>	Willows
<i>Schefflera actinophylla</i>	Umbrella tree
<i>Tamarix aphylla</i>	Athel tree
<i>Toxicodendron spp.</i>	Rhus tree

vi. Tree works on a tree on land owned or under the care, control, and management of Council where the tree works are carried out by Council.

**Note:** For tree works on land owned or under the care, control & management of Council:

- Council or its agents may carry out the pruning or removal of trees in compliance with relevant Australian Standards and specifications and legislation,
- Where non-essential tree works on Council land are requested by a resident and agreed by Council, and where those works are of a minor nature consistent with the aims of the Biodiversity SEPP, Council's Urban Forest Strategy and this DCP, the cost of the works

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will be the responsibility of the applicant. (Note: this does not include situations where a Council tree is causing proven damage to adjoining property assets).

- Where a Council public works project requires trees to be pruned/removed, consent from Council's Parks and Open Spaces unit is required. Removed trees are to be offset by replacement plantings at a ratio of 3:1 to maintain canopy cover.
- vii. Tree works on a tree on land owned by private schools, the Macquarie University, or the State Government and carried out by the agency or their contractor.
- viii. Any State or regional priority weeds listed in the Greater Sydney Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan or local priority weeds listed in the Ryde Local Priority Weed Management Plan,
- ix. The clearing of vegetation, pruning or removal of trees due to development that requires a consent under Part 4.2 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
- x. The clearing of vegetation, pruning or removal of trees authorised under other legislation:
  - a. SEPP (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008
  - b. Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016
  - c. Biosecurity Act 2015
  - d. Rural Fires Act 1997
  - e. Electricity Supply Act 1995 (trees on public land affecting power lines are managed by Ausgrid and works must only be carried out by Ausgrid and cannot be carried out by residents or arborists not engaged by Ausgrid).
  - f. State Emergency Services Act 1989
  - g. Water Management Act 2000
  - h. Roads Act 1993
  - i. NSW Rural Fire Service 10/50 Vegetation Clearing Code Of Practice

## 5.0 EXCLUSIONS FROM EXEMPTIONS

The exemptions listed in section 4.0 do not apply where:

- i. The trees/vegetation forms part of a heritage item, heritage conservation area, Aboriginal object or Aboriginal place of significance, and Council is not satisfied that the proposed works fall within the standard exemptions and/or the site-specific exemptions agreed by the NSW Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure, as noted in Section 3.3.  
(Note: as required Section 2.10(3) of the Biodiversity and Conservation SEPP)
- ii. The trees/vegetation are a threatened species or habitat for threatened fauna species or part of an endangered ecological community (for which a Biodiversity Conservation License (BCL) is required from the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage).
- iii. Tree/s are required to be retained by a condition of development consent or a Section 88B restriction to user instrument.
- iv. Tree/s are listed on the City of Ryde Significant Tree Register.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/v3/forms-and-documents/2023-07-tree-permit-heritage-properties-application-form.pdf>

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### 6.0 OBTAINING A PERMIT OR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

#### 6.1 Development application for tree works

Where tree/vegetation works are proposed for trees listed as a Heritage Item or within a *Heritage Conservation Area*, is an *Aboriginal Object* or is within an *Aboriginal Place of Heritage Significance*, the applicant must complete the Development Application for Tree Removal on Heritage Properties form (downloadable from Council's website<sup>3</sup>) and lodge it via the NSW Planning Portal.

#### 6.2 Tree permit application

For most other tree works – those below the BOS thresholds and not requiring development consent - applicants are required to submit a Tree Management Application form (also downloadable from Council's website<sup>4</sup>).

The steps for submitting applications - including fees, timelines, authorisations, and Council's criteria for assessing individual applications – are detailed in the 'How to Apply for Permit for Vegetation Maintenance and Tree Removal' on Council's website at

<https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Environment-and-Waste/Trees/Tree-Applications-and-Fees>

Tree Permits are valid for 12 months from the date of issue or until works have been completed. A copy must be held on site during the works and shall be produced by the person carrying out the works on request by a Council Officer.

**Note:** Council will not consider a Tree Management Application for the sole purpose of removing trees that pose a site constraint to allow for a Complying Development build.

#### 6.3 Tree replacement requirements

Council will require replacement trees of min 75 litre to be planted at a rate of 3:1 for any tree approved for removal. Where there is insufficient space for replacements on the applicant's land, Council will require payment of a fee for Council to undertake tree replacement on Council owned/managed land on behalf of the applicant.

### 7.0 BEST PRACTICE TREE WORKS ON DEVELOPMENT SITES

The following controls apply to the clearing of vegetation on development sites:

- i. The clearing of vegetation, pruning or removal of trees due to development that requires a consent (e.g., use of land, subdivision, erection, or demolition of a building) must be assessed as part of the development application.
- ii. Unless the clearing of vegetation or the pruning and removal of trees is exempt under Clause 4.0 of this plan, consent must be granted to clear, prune, or remove vegetation or trees, The proposed development is to be sited and designed to retain and minimise the impact on any trees or any other significant vegetation or surrounding environment such as ability to increase erosion or flooding issues if removed.
- iii. Where an applicant demonstrates to Council's satisfaction that there is no other reasonable alternative design and removal of trees and vegetation is warranted, suitable replacement planting will be required if consent is provided.
- iv. The landscape and/or architectural plans must identify the type and species of trees and vegetation to be retained or proposed to be removed, including those on adjoining sites within 5m of the boundary.

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/v/3/forms-and-documents/2023-07-tree-permit-heritage-properties-application-form.pdf>

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- v. An arborist report prepared by a suitably qualified Arborist must be provided to justify clearing vegetation, pruning or removal of trees
- vii. Where trees and vegetation proposed to be retained may be affected by construction works, including any trees or vegetation on public land, a Tree Protection Plan must be submitted with the development application and must include the measures detailed in Chapter 3 of Council's Tree Management Technical Manual

### 8.0 TREE MANAGEMENT TECHNICAL MANUAL (TMTM)

The Tree Management section of the DCP is supported by the TMTM<sup>5</sup>. The Manual provides additional information to assist applicants and their consultants to provide the appropriate level of information to satisfy the aims and objectives of the Section.

### 9.0 DEFINITIONS

**Aboriginal Object** means any deposit, object, or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises New South Wales, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by persons of non- Aboriginal extraction and includes Aboriginal remains.<sup>6</sup>

**Aboriginal Place of Heritage Significance** means one of Council's 62 existing Aboriginal heritage sites and any other place in the City of Ryde subsequently identified in:

- the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) or
- a local Aboriginal heritage study and adopted by Council.

**Arborist** (project and consulting) must have obtained through training and completed Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) Level 5, Diploma of Arboriculture.

**Biodiversity Offsets Scheme (BOS)** is the framework, established under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, for offsetting unavoidable impacts on biodiversity from development with biodiversity gains through landholder stewardship agreements. Applications for development or clearing approvals must set out how impacts on biodiversity will be avoided and minimised. Residual impacts can be offset by the purchase and/or retirement of biodiversity credits or payment to the Biodiversity Conservation Fund<sup>7</sup>.

**Biodiversity Offsets Scheme (BOS) threshold** means the biodiversity offsets scheme threshold referred to in section 7.4 of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

**Clearing** of trees and vegetation has the same meaning as in the Vegetation SEPP:

- a) cut down, fell, uproot, kill, poison, ringbark, burn, or otherwise destroy the vegetation, or
- b) lop or otherwise remove a substantial part of the vegetation.

**Damage** means to impair the value or usefulness or weaken the health or the normal function of a tree or vegetation.

**Dangerous tree** means a tree that will inflict imminent liability or harm to human life or property.

**Dead tree** means no functional cambium (tissue) and no green foliage and that the tree is no longer capable of performing living functions.

**Dying tree** means a tree in a state of decline where it is unlikely to recover. Generally, this may be represented by only  $\leq 20\%$  live canopy.

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/files/assets/public/v/1/publications/environment/tree-management-technical-manual.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 – sect

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/biodiversity-offsets-scheme/about-the-biodiversity-offsets-scheme>



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**Environmental protection works** has the same meaning as Ryde City Local Environment Plan including actions such as bush regeneration and erosion protection works.

**Exempt** refers to tree works not subject to protection by Council's DCP controls.

**Habitat** has the same meaning as in the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and includes hollow bearing trees, nests, and logs.

**Height** means the distance measured vertically between the horizontal plane of the lowest point of the base of the tree which is immediately above ground and the horizontal plane of the uppermost point of the tree.

**Heritage Conservation Area** means an area of land of heritage significance shown on a heritage map and described in a heritage schedule in a LEP and includes any heritage items situated on or within that area.

**Heritage Item** means a building, work, place, relic, place, tree, object, or archaeological site the location and nature of which is identified in a Heritage Study, described in a heritage schedule in a LEP or the NSW State Heritage Register.

**Imminent risk** refers to a tree which is about to fall over, a tree which is heaving (moving at the base/ground level), or a large part of a tree which is broken and/or hanging, about to fall and injure persons or property (and is to be determined through the application of industry- recognised risk assessment methodology such as QTRA, TRAQ).

**Legally constructed** means built in compliance with environmental and planning legislation and instruments in force within the City of Ryde at the time of construction.

**Native vegetation** has the same meaning as in Part 5A of the Local Land Services Act 2013, with the exclusion of 60B (4) for the purposes of including marine vegetation in the definition of native vegetation. Native vegetation means any plants native to New South Wales including:

- i. tree (including sapling and immature stages)
- ii. understory plants
- iii. groundcovers (all herbaceous vegetation)
- iv. plants occurring in a wetland.

**Owner** has the meaning ascribed to it in the Local Government Act 1993.

**Remove** has the same meaning as clearing in this DCP.

**Prescribed tree** are those trees protected by this DCP (as per section 2.0).

**Prescribed vegetation** is native vegetation that is protected by this DCP (as per section 9.2) **Prohibited activities** has the same meaning as "Clearing" as per this DCP when unauthorised and "Damage."

**Prune** means to selectively remove branches.

**Tree** is defined as a long lived woody perennial plant with one or relatively few main stems with the potential to grow to a height greater than 3 metres.

**Tree works** means any pruning of a tree crown, removal of a tree, pruning or removal of roots (greater than 30mm diameter) and any alteration (excavation, compaction, or fill) to the natural ground and soil level within the Tree Protection Zone of a tree on the land or on adjoining land.

**Tree Protection Zone (TPZ)** means the area above or below ground at a given distance from the trunk calculated in accordance with AS 4970 - 2009 set aside for the protection of a tree's roots and crown to provide for the viability and stability of a tree.

**Urban Forest** means all trees and vegetation (both naturally occurring and planted) that occur within or near urban areas.

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## 6 SAFETY FOR CHILDREN PLAYING AT HEATLEY RESERVE IN EAST RYDE

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Parks Operations  
**File No.:** GRP/24/36 - BP24/556

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### REPORT SUMMARY

This report has been prepared in response to the Council resolution from 24 October 2023:-

- (a) *That Council note the following:*
- i. *Local residents and shop owners have brought to the attention of Councillors that very young children playing in Heatley Reserve at East Ryde, have been seen running downhill into traffic on Moncrieff Drive.*
  - ii. *Moncrieff Drive and Sager Place are part of the 506 bus route, both City bound and Macquarie University bound, arriving and departing regularly and swinging around the corner.*
  - iii. *There is a 50 km hour speed limit on Moncrieff Drive, but residents complain that traffic is often travelling much faster.*
- (b) *That staff investigate the provision of a suitable barrier/deterrent (wooden fence or thick native hedge) along Heatley Reserve, East Ryde at Moncrieff Drive and Sager Place, to deter small children running directly into traffic and the bus interchange area.*
- (c) *That a report be presented to Council detailing the findings of the investigation outlined in part (b) above, including identification of different options and funding sources to provide a visually appealing deterrent that enhances the new design of the Reserve.*

Heatley Reserve is a local park situated in East Ryde between Elliott Ave, Sager Place and Moncrieff Drive. The Sager Place Centre surrounds the reserve and includes a number of local businesses.

The reserve features nine parking spaces, a fenced playground, and a bus stop on Sager Place with a low-line timber fence on the perimeter that provides as a physical barrier between park users and traffic.

In 2021/2022, Heatley Reserve underwent significant enhancements as part of the Park Improvement Program. During these improvements, a section of the existing low-line timber fencing was removed to facilitate access.

This report outlines options to prevent small children from running into traffic and the bus interchange area, the Council has considered a number of options outlined within this report.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses Option 1 to retain and maintain the existing planting along the frontage of Moncrieff Drive, this can be accommodated in the existing Parks Maintenance Base Budget.

**ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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### Discussion

### Location

Heatley Reserve is a local park situated in East Ryde between Elliott Ave, Sager Place and Moncrieff Drive (see Figure 1). The Sager Place Centre surrounds the reserve and includes a number of local businesses.

Heatley Reserve includes a fenced playground (see Figure 2) and nine (9) car park spaces which service the Sager Place Centre and the Reserve with a bus stop located on Sager Place frontage.

A low line timber fence surrounds the reserve along Sager Place serves as a physical barrier between reserve users and traffic on Sager Place.



Figure 1 – Location of Heatley Reserve situated between Elliott Ave, Sager Place and Moncrieff Drive.



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Figure 2 – Playground at Heatley Reserve

### Background information

Council signage and a new power pole was installed circa. 2015 in preparation for the town centre and park upgrades. As part of this work a section of the existing low timber fencing was removed to provide access to the site (see Figure 3).

Park improvement works were conducted at Heatley Reserve during 2021/2022 as part of the Park Improvement Program. These works included: levelling the turf area, adding sandstone terrace seating, installing a seat, relocating existing picnic tables, creating an informal social zone, planting an embankment as a buffer to Sager Place, planting new trees to increase shade and installing a new accessible see-saw in the playground.

In response to Councillor Helpdesk Requests (#30005 and #30036) on the 2 & 9 January 2024, Council's Parks Maintenance team installed plantings along the removed section of fencing with the works completed before, end of January 2024 (see Figure 4). This solution was to align with the existing planting that were installed as part of the original park upgrade works in 2021 / 2022 and address safety concerns raised by the community.



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Figure 3 – Corner of Sager Place and Moncrieff Drive prior to signage and power pole installation circa. 2015.



Figure 4 – Displays the new plantings where the section of timber fencing was removed along Moncrieff Drive

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### Options for consideration

Council has identified three (3) options to deter small children from running directly into traffic and the bus interchange area:

Option 1 - Retain the existing planting that was installed in January 2024, this option provides immediate impact and addresses the concerns of the resolution.

Option 2 - Extending the low timber fence by approximately 9 metres: This option provides an immediate impact and requires lower maintenance. It would enhance safety by providing a clear physical barrier, preventing children from running into traffic and the bus interchange area.

Option 3 - Planting approximately 9 metres of hedging along Moncrieff Drive: This option offers a natural aesthetic physical barrier. Traffic have confirmed that the planting of hedging that matures to a maximum height of 800mm would not obstruct sight lines to traffic and the street.

### Financial implications

The below outlines the financial implications to Council based on the options identified above.

Option	Approximate cost	Budget source
Option 1 – maintain existing planting	Ongoing maintenance cost of \$500.00 per annum	Passive Parks Maintenance budget
Option 2 – extend timber fencing by approximately 9m	\$1,500.00 and no ongoing cost	Passive Parks Maintenance budget
Option 3 – natural aesthetic planting approximately 9m	\$500.00 for planting and ongoing maintenance cost of \$500.00 per annum	Passive Parks Maintenance budget



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## 7 INSTALLATION OF SHADE SAILS AT DENISTONE PARK

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**Report prepared by:** Manager - Parks and Open Spaces  
**File No.:** GRP/24/36 - BP24/252

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### REPORT SUMMARY

This report has been prepared in response to part (c) of the Council resolution dated 12 December 2023, which stated:

- (a) *That Council staff investigate the feasibility of the implementation of shade cloths at Denistone Park for UV protection of children.*
- (b) *That Council staff investigate the availability of funding from the current approved budget.*
- (c) *That a report outlining the findings from the investigation be provided to Council in February 2024, with a view that the works be undertaken subject to funding availability.*

Denistone Park neighbourhood playground is located at Terry Road, Denistone. A playground renewal upgrade was completed in December 2022, as part of the 2022/23 Playground Construction and Renewal Program. The scope of works for this project included installation of sandstone surround, softfall (mulch), and a range of play equipment that integrates into the existing seated gazebo area.

The playground was designed in accordance with the adopted Childrens Play Implementation Plan (Play Plan) policy, to ensure the playground delivered was safe, accessible, high-quality, and provided play value for all Ryde residents.

One of the key Play Plan design framework recommendations for a neighbourhood playground is to utilise trees to achieve a minimum 50 percent shade coverage rather than install shade sails, unless where necessary.

The Denistone Park playground design was exhibited for community consultation from 18 November 2021 to 9 December 2021, it was promoted through the City of Ryde's Have Your Say website, flyers to surrounding residents, signage in the park, Facebook ads, listings in the local newspaper and the Your City News eNewsletter. Based on the Play Plan design framework recommendations and community feedback a shade sail was not identified as an essential item and was therefore not included into the final design.

There is currently insufficient funding in the approved 2023/24 financial year budget and funding has not been identified in the delivery plan for the or 2024/25 financial year for consideration of shade sails at Denistone Park.

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Council has confirmed the newly constructed playground meets the 50 percent shade requirement recommended in the Play Plan using trees and the provision of a shade sail is not required.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council supports the use of trees to achieve shade at Denistone Park in accordance with the adopted Play Implementation Plan policy.
- (b) That Denistone Park Playground continues to operate in its current arrangement.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Adopted - Children's Play Plan - 2019 Review and Update – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 2 Denistone Playground Consultation Feedback

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### Discussion

#### Site Description

Denistone Park (Figure 1) is located in the east ward and is bordered by Terry Road and property boundaries of Marlow Avenue, Stratford Avenue, Elston Avenue, Florence Avenue and Blaxland Road. The park is over 50 percent remnant bushland (mapped as Blue Gum High Forest) and the remainder is managed as a passive recreation park.

Features within the passive park include a neighbourhood level playground, a fenced dog off-leash area, and the lookout at the Terry Road car park that provides views south and south-east of Olympic Park and the Parramatta CBD. The playground site is located at the western, lower end of the park and incorporates a shelter with picnic settings and is situated within proximity to mature trees.

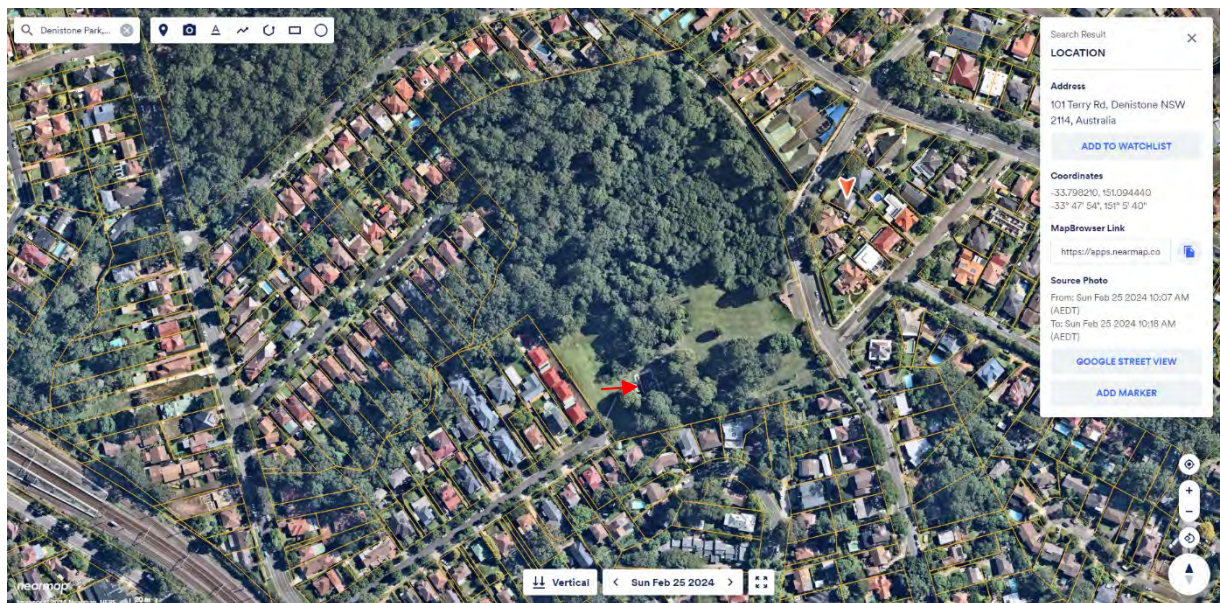


Figure 1 – The Playground location adjacent red arrow in the context of the Denistone Park

### Background

The City of Ryde's vision for playgrounds is to support and nurture children and family friendly communities. To achieve this vision, in June 2019, Council adopted the Childrens Play Implementation Plan (Play Plan) (**ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**). The aim of the Play Plan is the provision of safe, accessible, and sustainable high-quality playgrounds that equitably improve distribution and play value for all Ryde residents.

The recommendations of the Play Plan assist Council with future budget planning and programming for playground improvements, replacements and maintenance all guided by a strategic approach.



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In line with the recommendations outlined in the Play Plan, and as part of the 2022/23 Playground Construction and Renewal Program, Council completed an upgrade of the Denistone Park playground in December 2022 (Figure 2 and 4)



*Figure 2 – Denistone Park playground prior to 2022 upgrade. Looking north.*

### Community Consultation on Design

The concept design for the new playground was exhibited from 18 November 2021 to 9 December 2021. The design was promoted through the City of Ryde's Have Your Say website, flyers to surrounding residents, signage in the park, Facebook ads, listings in the local newspaper and the Your City News eNewsletter.

Council received 26 submissions from the community (**ATTACHMENT 2**), only 3 submissions provided feedback regarding shade and the other submissions related to play equipment and other amenity items.

Based on the Play Plan design framework recommendations and community feedback a shade sail was not identified as an essential item and was therefore not included into the final design.

### Current Playground Shade

One of the key Play Plan design framework considerations for a neighbourhood playground recommends incorporating trees into the design to achieve a minimum 50 percent shade of the playground and places a low priority on the use of shade sails.

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Based on this principle, the playground was positioned to take advantage of the existing mature trees to achieve the 50% shade (Figure 3) and comply with the Play Plan recommendations. To increase the shade coverage into the future, the project also incorporated the planting of an additional 9 trees around the playground.

Council has used site observations and aerial imagery software such as Near Map to confirm Denistone Park playground receives 50% (Figure 2 and figure 3) and complies with the adopted Play Plan requirements, and as result there is no requirement for additional shade.

The Playground has been used actively since 2022 and based on Council records there has been no issues raised concerning the requirement for additional shade for the playground.



*Figure 3 – Aerial of Denistone Park playground following the 2022 upgrade showing the placement of the playground to take advantage of the existing mature trees to provide shade.*



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*Figure 4 – Denistone Park playground following the 2022 upgrade. Looking south.*

**Feasibility of installing a Shade Sail**

Within the City of Ryde there are some existing examples of playgrounds with shade sails such locations include Putney Park.

In most instances the life expectancy for a shade sail is 5-7 years, during this period maintenance requirements involve the removal of mould (3 times annually), and tears (figure 5 and figure 6) that demand more frequent monitoring to ensure public safety and eventually result in the sail needing to be replaced.



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*Figure 5, Shade Sails at Putney with mould build up, prior to cleaning.*



*Figure 6. Displays the shade sail at with both mould and tears as a result of deterioration of the shade material.*



**ITEM 7 (continued)****Financial Implications**

The estimated cost to install a shade sail at Denistone Park is \$40,000, this covers expenses for service location, excavation and installation of bracing and acquisition, of the shade sail.

The expected cost for maintaining and replacing the shade sail over the 5-7 years of life expectancy is approximately \$40,000. This includes tasks such as cleaning (as per manufacturers recommendations), repairing any tears or failures that will occur as the sail ages and the eventual removal and replacement cost.

The Denistone Park playground is already being provided shade by the existing mature trees and the useful life expectancy of the trees is more than 40 years with minimal maintenance costs.

Additionally, there is no allocated funding within the adopted 2023/24 Capital works delivery plan for the installation of a shade sail at Denistone Park, and to ensure the continuous maintenance extra funding would also be required for the park maintenance base budget.

Given the playground is already being shaded by trees, the substantial costs involved, and the absence of allocated funds in the current capital delivery plan, Council staff cannot recommend installing a shade sail at Denistone Park Playground as it is not financially feasible.

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**Denistone Playground Comments**

Community Consultation Comments
<p>On visiting a friend who lives opposite the park I was surprised that there was no parking near her house. I then looked over at the park, which I found very nicely planned but no car parking. As this time was just after school finished there were many children visiting the park and crossing the road which was very dangerous. As cars park on both sides of the street it is even very hard to drive without meeting other cars.</p>
<p>I support the intention to upgrade the playground equipment at Denistone Park - but encourage Council to consider alternative options which feature less enclosed tube/tunnel elements (as places where dangerous objects such as broken glass can potentially be concealed). Thanks.</p>
<p>As a parent living in Stratford Avenue this is great news! Since lockdown the park is being used by a lot more people so an upgrade is very much needed! I like the mix of equipment for younger and older children. Some suggestions to consider on the proposal: - the afternoon sun shines directly onto the current playground, making the equipment and the space very hot in summer. Can you please ensure there is some protection from the sun. - Please consider adding a water play feature, similar to the one in Anzac Park? I know many kids would love this! - Please consider adding a nest swing, these are always popular Thanks and look forward to the upgrade!</p>
<p>Suggestions for inclusion: Sun shade, ensuring that the playground is sheltered all day Benches and tables Drinking water fountain Swings, same style as those at Kings Park</p>
<p>Please include seatings for parents and kids Please include water bubbler and a separate drinking for dogs Please include climbing equipment - the equipment tend to cater for very young kids only. Please vary the equipment to cater for all kids ages Equipment 5 (e.g. mirror &amp; abacus) is not all necessary - and may block viewing of kids from the shelter. Position of rubbish bin to be considered - currently not shown. Please include suitable natural flooring - not bark</p>
<p>Please consider having more than 2 swings - with one of them being a baby swing there are not enough options for older kids, and the swings are always so popular. Thanks for considering.</p>
<p>I do not think a playground upgrade is warranted. The area made for dogs must have cost a considerable amount and is used by very few people and their dogs. They prefer to have them run around in the whole park. The area to be used for the upgrade will mean there is less area for people to picnic etc. The path will be difficult to by pass from the entrance. There are a lot of older people who use this park for meeting, for walking and for exercise. I would like to see the money spent on repairing the entrance where there is huge hole and also to having the park mown regularly .</p>
<p>Equipment for older and younger kids. Provide a BBQ facility. More tables and sitting furniture. Keep existing surface as mulch please. Provide a bubbler or drinking facility.</p>
<p>Thanks for your notice. We hope to keep the swings, slide and see-saw in the playground. If possible, add some music instruments in the park will be great.</p>
<p>My daughter said she will miss the monkey bars and see-saw here. Please add climbing equipment and monkey bars.</p>

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<p>Hi, We live on Stratford Ave and have been enjoying the existing facilities. We support the upgrade plan. May we suggest that a table tennis table to be included in the playground? We have been going to Meadowbank Park and using the table tennis table there from time to time. Would be great to have one installed in Denistone Park when the upgrade takes place.</p>
<p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback. The proposed upgrade has our full support. We live close by and regularly use the park for exercise and recreation. The park hasn't had a facilities uplift or refresh for sometime now so this is timely. We would also submit that (a) consideration be given for the addition of 1 or 2 table tennis tables like the one at Meadowbank Park as an exercise facility for the adults (b) the existing shelter has a refresh and extended or an additional shelter built to provide more sheltered space. Thank you.</p>
<p>Would love to see a table tennis table in the new playground.</p>
<p>I usually go to this playground because it is the one of very few playgrounds in the area that has monkey bars that are suitable to my age and height, I'm 10 years old and more than 1 and a half metres tall. I enjoy playing on monkey bars and I would like to have some monkey bars in the playground that are more suited to kids 10 years and older. All of the old playgrounds that have monkey bars are being replaced by new ones that I can barely use because of my height. I would really appreciate it if there were more playgrounds in Ryde suited to kids 9 years or older because there is only a very small amount of parks left suited for kids this age. Please take my comments into consideration for the update of this playground and future playgrounds in the area.</p>
<p>Thanks for doing the redesign of the park! It's very exciting. I meant to submit this earlier, sorry - our kids are keen to have one of those big rings that you lean/sit on and then push to spin around-like an angled round about. Also a 'nest' swing -a swing that's a large dished net. They love both those! Thanks and I hope people more organised than me suggested those bits of equipment! Best wishes.</p>
<p>The upgrade is good, however can we please have some adult equipments for daily excercises? Please keep flying fox, the upgraded equipments are only suitable for little kids.</p>
<p>The playground upgrade seems to be targeting young children only. You are not including the older children that also live in the area. Please consider installing exercise equipment as there are many older children, teens and adults that do their exercise at this park. Also, I would like to see the flying fox go back into this upgrade. It is such a popular equipment with people of all ages. Thank you.</p>
<p>Its nice that you are upgrading the equipment, but you should add more equipment for the older kids such as keeping the Monkey bars and flying fox. Also adult exercise equipment for daily Use.</p>
<p>Please keep but upgrade the Flying Fox to one that is longer and like Livie's Park. Separate area for exercise equipment would be great. New picnic tables and chairs under the gazebo and maybe some more scattered around the park</p>
<p><b>From Content Manager</b></p>
<p>There appears to be a lack of older kids equipment in the design. The existing monkey bars are well loved. Can we incorporate some monkey bars into the plan please. If budget permits a flying fox would be fantastic</p>

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I received a request for feedback on Denistone Park upgrade. I live a couple of houses down from this park and use it frequently. My feedback would be that the "new" design is old-fashioned with over the top colours. By comparison, the newly built Riverglade Livvi's in Hunters Hill Council is more appropriate for 2022 and what I'd expect from a park upgrade. It has natural materials with tonnes of open-ended opportunities for creative and physical play. I've attached a photo from <https://www.huntershill.nsw.gov.au/news/new-playspace-now-open/livvis-place-riverglade-1/> This would be my preference for our local park.

Lovely to hear the local park is being upgraded. Kids are requesting to pls possibly keep the flying fox, seesaw and monkey bars as part of the play equipment available. Interactive play panels are not much fun. Wouldn't use or play for long with them. An overhead shade is necessary as the equipment heats up and burns during the day. A toilet facility and/or BBQ area would be fantastic near the existing shelter. Or a sink/hand wash station.

From the proposed plans for the new playground, it appears that 2 sets of monkey bars will be removed without being replaced. These are the main parts of the playground that my children use when we visit denistone park. Is it possible to include these in the new design

My kids love, LOVE, this park. They will be sad to see the well worn equipment go, but I'm sure that they will like the new stuff too. I think the increased accessibility is great and am all for it. The only thing my kids aren't keen on is the lack of monkey bars, it is easily their favourite, but not just theirs, whenever we visit, the monkey bars are always busy. We (my family) would really appreciate it if the new equipment could include some monkey bars and also a steering wheel type thing, that is also pretty popular

Ok, but the best thing is to put the fence around the playground and make the rest of the park off-leash. The current off-leash is useless and ignore

We are living near this Denistone park playground area and like the outdoor exercises . Specifically we like to play table tennis. For this, nowadays we have to travel to Eastwood park or Meadowbank park to play. It would be convenient if we can have a table tennis facility at this Denistone Park Playground

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**8 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS - VIMIERA ROAD FOOTPATH**

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Infrastructure Services  
**File No.:** GRP/24/36 - BP24/664

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report is prepared following an application from Councillor Justin Li (refer to **ATTACHMENT 1**) to extend the existing footpath on Vimiera Road, Marsfield, to the Marsfield Park car park. The proposed extension, approximately 46 meters in length, will enhance pedestrian connectivity and safety, particularly benefiting wheelchair users, parents with prams, and the wider community. The footpath extension is not included in the current 4-year delivery plan. The project aligns with the objectives of the Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council approves the allocation of \$49,000 excluding GST from the Councillor Discretionary Fund to the 2024/25 Footpath Expansion Capital Works Program for the construction of the Vimiera Road footpath extension subject to recommendation part (b).
- (b) That the project proceeds only if no additional costs (in excess of the discretionary funding limit) for service relocation or protection are required. Should such costs arise, the project feasibility will need to be reassessed and Councillors will be informed accordingly through the Councillor Information Bulletin.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Application Form - Councillor Discretionary Fund Project
- 2 Vimiera Road Footpath Location Plan

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**Senior Coordinator - Infrastructure Services**

Report Approved By:

**Meroeh Suesser**  
**Manager - Engineering and Project Delivery**

**Charles Mahfoud**  
**Executive Manager - City Infrastructure**

**Luke Homann**  
**General Manager - Business and Operations**



## ITEM 8 (continued)

### Discussion

#### Site Description

Vimiera Road in Marsfield is located in the West Ward and serves as a key connection to Marsfield Park. The existing footpath on the southern side of Vimiera Road terminates at the park boundary, creating a gap in pedestrian access to the park's car park. The proposed extension will connect the current footpath to the car park, covering approximately 46 meters (figure 1).



Figure 1: Vimiera Road (Epping Road - Marsfield Park)

#### Policy Compliance

The project has been assessed under the Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy, particularly clause 4.10, which requires that discretionary funds be used for projects that benefit the wider community.

The footpath extension will improve accessibility for all community members, ensuring safer community access to Marsfield Park and aligns with Council's Community Strategic Plan objective of "Our Connected and Accessible City."

#### Financial Implications

The estimated cost of the footpath extension is \$49,000 excluding GST. This estimate includes footpath construction, site-specific adjustments, potential driveway crossing, sandstone log fencing, and supplementary costs such as site restoration and project management (refer to attachment 2 for scope of works). The funding is proposed to be sourced from the Councillor Discretionary Fund and allocated to the 2024/25 Footpath Expansion Capital Works Program.

**ITEM 8 (continued)****Risks**

There is a risk that additional costs may arise if underground services require relocation or protection. Should this occur, the project budget and timeline may be impacted, and a reassessment would be required to ensure financial viability of the project.

**Conclusion**

The extension of the Vimiera Road footpath to the Marsfield Park car park aligns with Council's goals of improving pedestrian safety and accessibility. The project is recommended for approval, contingent upon the availability of funds and the absence of unforeseen costs related to service relocation or protection.



**ITEM 8 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy**



**Appendix A**

**Application Form: Councillor **Discretionary** Fund Project: Minor Works or Project**

1. Councillor details	
Councillor sponsoring the application.	Justin Li
Councillors in support of this Discretionary funding application (if applicable):	

2. Proposed Minor Works or Project details	
Name and location of project / purpose of funding:	Completion of missing links for footpath on Vimiera Rd (see attached photos)
Details of funds requested:	Approximately \$49,000
Attach scope of estimating the requested funding	See email from Charles Mahfoud to Justin Li dated 16 May 2024.

3. Declaration of conflict of interest and compliance	
Pursuant to Chapter 14 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> , I hereby declare that regarding the above application for funds through the Councillor Discretionary Fund that I have:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No conflict of interest ( <i>whether perceived or actual</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> A pecuniary interest* <input type="checkbox"/> A significant pecuniary interest* <input type="checkbox"/> A non-significant non-pecuniary interest*	
*If any conflict has been declared, please provide details:	
I declare that this application complies with the intent and conditions of the City of Ryde Councillor Discretionary Funds Policy Signature: <u>Justin Li</u> Date: <u>16 July 2024</u>	

➤ When completed and signed, the form should be scanned with any supporting documentation to the City of Ryde Councillor helpdesk email (DHelp@ryde.nsw.gov.au).

➤ If there are any questions concerning the completion of the application, please contact the Manager Business Assurance and Governance at Governance@ryde.nsw.gov.au.

Councillor Discretionary Funds		
Owner: Business Assurance & Governance	Owner: Business Assurance & Governance	Owner: Business Assurance & Governance
CM Reference: D24/32383	Initial: June 2024	Next review date: June 2028

**ITEM 8 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 2**

Construct 46x3m of 100mm footpath

Vimieria Road

Marsfield Park

Sandstone blocks or logs along footpath.

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**Vimieria Road**  
**House No. 223 - House No. 229**  
**Extent of Works**

## **INFORMATION REPORT**

### **9 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2024**

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**Report prepared by:** Acting Chief Financial Officer  
**File No.:** GRP/24/36 - BP24/637

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 31 July 2024, and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes Council's loan liabilities.

Council's rate of return on investments for the reporting period is 4.92%, which is 0.43% above the benchmark figure of 4.49%.

Income from interest on investments is budgeted at \$9.9m and as at 31 July 2024 funds of \$1.3m have been earned.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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Report Approved By:

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**General Manager - Business and Operations**



## ITEM 9 (continued)

### Background

Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio as per the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Section 212 and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The **preservation of capital is the principal objective** of Council's Cash Investment Policy. Investments are to be placed in a manner that safeguards the investment portfolio and risk tolerances are prescribed to ensure the best financial outcome for residents.

Funds are to be invested at the most favorable interest rate available at the time, whilst having due consideration of the following parameters to mitigate risk:

- **Liquidity:** Investment terms should be sufficient to meet cash flow requirements of Council operations.
- **Legislative Compliance:** Council is guided by both the Local Government Act 1993, Local Government Regulations 2021 and to the most current Ministerial Investment Order that has been issued by the NSW Minister for Local Government.
- **Institutional Limitations:** Council is not permitted to invest in Authorised Deposit taking Institutions (ADI) that is an Australian subsidiary of a foreign bank, all ADI's Council invests with must comply to ratios monitored by Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).
- **Overall Portfolio Limits:** In order to diversify risk of Council's Investment Portfolio, maximum limits apply based on Standard & Poor (S&P) credit rating. Council is not permitted to invest in any ADI which is BBB- or less.
- **Term to Maturity:** maximum limits apply to term deposit terms that are between 1 - 3 years and greater than 3 years.

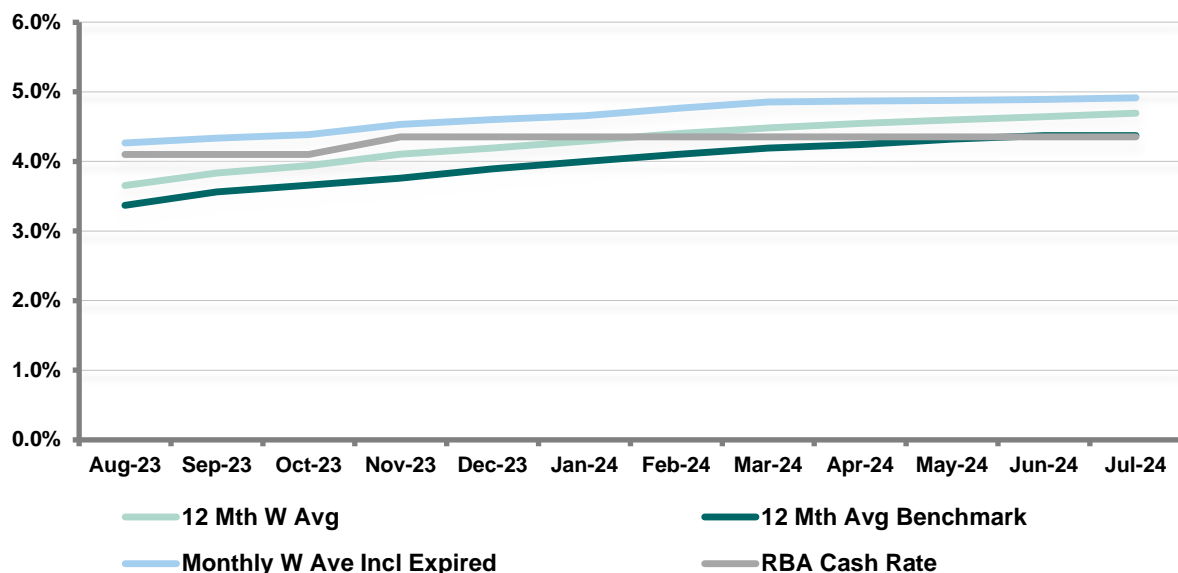
### Standard & Poor (S&P) Rating Scale:

<b>AAA</b>	An obligor has <b>extremely strong</b> capacity to meet its financial commitments
<b>AA+</b>	An obligor has <b>very strong</b> capacity to meet its financial commitments. It differs from the highest rated obligors only to a small degree
<b>AA</b>	
<b>AA-</b>	
<b>A+</b>	An obligor has <b>strong</b> capacity to meet its financial commitments but is somewhat more susceptible to the adverse effects of changes in circumstances and economic conditions than obligors in higher rated categories
<b>A</b>	
<b>A-</b>	
<b>BBB+</b>	An obligor has <b>adequate</b> capacity to meet its financial commitments. However, adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity for the obligor to meet its financial commitments
<b>BBB</b>	
<b>BBB-</b>	

**ITEM 9 (continued)**
**Investment Performance Commentary**

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for July 2024 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	<b>July</b>	<b>12 Month</b>	<b>FYTD</b>
<b>Council Return</b>	4.92	4.69	4.92
<b>Benchmark</b>	4.49	4.37	4.49
<b>Variance</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.43</b>

**Performance - All Investments**


Council's investment portfolio as at 31 July 2024 was as follows:

Cash/Term Deposits	\$152.47m	49.26%
Floating Rate Notes	\$88.93m	28.73%
Fixed Bonds	\$68.15m	22.02%
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$309.55m</b>	

Council continues to utilise the Federal Government's current guarantee (\$250k) investing in Term Deposits with a range of Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions (ADI's) on short to medium term investments (Generally 30 days to 365 days maturity) where more competitive rates are available.

Council's income from investments continues to exceed original budgeted expectations, primarily due to Council's cash reserves balances being higher than anticipated and higher interest rates being offered reflective of recent economic conditions.

**ITEM 9 (continued)****Loan Liability**

Council's loan liability as at 31 July 2024 is \$47k, which represents the balance of a \$1.5m loan drawn down on 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.



**ITEM 9 (continued)**

**INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 JULY 2024**

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel Free	Invested at 31-Jul-24 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return	Return since 01 July 2024	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenor
Bank of Queensland	1. Bank of Queensland Floating Rate Note	AAA	Y	1,200	5.55	5.49	5.55	0.39	14/05/2025	1826
Bank of Queensland	2. BoQ FRN	AAA	Y	2,000	5.55	5.48	5.55	0.65	14/05/2025	1051
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	3. Bendigo FRN (Covered)	AAA	Y	4,000	5.43	5.37	5.43	1.29	11/11/2025	1096
Suncorp-Metway	4. Suncorp Covered Bond	AAA	Y	3,979	3.56	3.55	3.56	1.29	24/08/2026	1593
Westpac Banking Corporation	5. WBC Covered Bond	AAA	N	3,198	3.94	3.95	3.94	1.03	20/05/2025	1096
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	6. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,000	1.56	1.56	1.56	0.65	29/08/2024	1827
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,000	1.67	1.67	1.67	0.65	29/08/2024	1805
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	8. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,000	1.71	1.69	1.71	0.65	16/01/2025	1827
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	9. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,999	1.80	1.80	1.80	0.97	29/08/2024	1612
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	10. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,000	4.09	4.07	4.09	0.65	12/05/2025	1096
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	11. ANZ FRN	AA-	N	1,200	5.64	5.48	5.64	0.39	31/03/2028	1827
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	12. ANZ FRN	AA-	N	2,800	5.39	5.32	5.39	0.90	11/09/2028	1827
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	13. CBA Business Online Saver	AA-	N	18,473	4.43	4.35	4.43	5.97		
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	14. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,999	4.30	4.31	4.30	0.97	18/08/2025	1096
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	15. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	N	3,911	5.38	5.39	5.38	1.26	18/08/2027	1756
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	16. CBA FRN	AA-	N	2,400	5.67	5.55	5.67	0.78	13/01/2028	1826
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	17. CBA	AA-	N	2,500	5.40	5.36	5.40	0.81	17/08/2028	1827
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	18. CBA Term Deposit	AA-	N	2,000	5.16	4.89	5.16	0.65	13/08/2024	256
National Australia Bank	19. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	N	3,495	2.98	2.99	2.98	1.13	25/02/2027	1826
National Australia Bank	20. NAB FRN	AA-	N	3,000	5.48	5.41	5.48	0.97	12/05/2028	1827
National Australia Bank	21. NAB FRN	AA-	N	3,200	5.49	5.50	5.49	1.03	16/11/2028	1827
National Australia Bank	22. NAB FRN	AA-	N	2,800	5.42	5.37	5.42	0.90	22/03/2029	1826
National Australia Bank	23. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.27	5.15	5.27	1.29	22/10/2024	362
National Australia Bank	24. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.06	5.03	5.06	1.29	21/01/2025	330
National Australia Bank	25. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.09	5.09	5.09	1.29	10/12/2024	294
National Australia Bank	26. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	2,000	5.27	5.24	5.27	0.65	26/09/2024	365
National Australia Bank	27. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	3,000	5.25	5.21	5.25	0.97	3/10/2024	365
National Australia Bank	28. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.15	5.17	5.15	1.29	19/06/2025	365
National Australia Bank	29. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.32	5.32	5.32	1.29	9/10/2024	345
National Australia Bank	30. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.37	4.92	5.37	1.29	9/07/2025	363
National Australia Bank	31. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.18	5.03	5.18	1.29	17/09/2024	365
National Australia Bank	32. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.45	5.45	5.45	1.29	22/04/2025	299
National Australia Bank	33. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.02	5.17	5.02	1.29	4/02/2025	301
Westpac Banking Corporation	34. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	N	2,599	2.76	2.75	2.76	0.84	17/03/2025	1096
Westpac Banking Corporation	35. Westpac FRN	AA-	N	2,600	5.23	5.17	5.23	0.84	10/08/2026	1096
Westpac Banking Corporation	36. WBC FRN	AA-	N	3,500	5.42	5.33	5.42	1.13	19/09/2028	1827
Westpac Banking Corporation	37. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.43	5.43	5.43	1.29	5/11/2024	371
Westpac Banking Corporation	38. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.41	5.41	5.41	1.29	29/10/2024	365
Westpac Banking Corporation	39. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.14	5.14	5.14	1.29	9/08/2024	366
Westpac Banking Corporation	40. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	2,000	5.18	5.18	5.18	0.65	19/08/2024	367
Westpac Banking Corporation	41. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.10	3.36	5.10	1.29	11/03/2025	386
Westpac Banking Corporation	42. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	N	4,000	5.43	5.43	5.43	1.29	10/12/2024	406
Westpac Banking Corporation	43. Westpac TD	AA-	N	4,000	5.28	5.28	5.28	1.29	17/12/2024	379
Macquarie Bank	44. Macquarie Bank Fixed Bond	A+	N	4,000	1.71	1.72	1.71	1.29	12/02/2025	1827
Macquarie Bank	45. Macquarie Bank FRN	A+	N	3,200	5.32	5.24	5.32	1.03	14/09/2026	1096
Suncorp-Metway	46. Suncorp-Metway Fixed Bond	A+	Y	3,595	2.62	2.57	2.62	1.16	25/01/2027	1826
Suncorp-Metway	47. Suncorp Fixed Bond	A+	Y	3,909	3.65	3.59	3.65	1.26	25/01/2027	1763
Suncorp-Metway	48. Suncorp Fixed Bond	A+	Y	1,413	5.53	5.48	5.53	0.46	25/01/2027	1683
Suncorp-Metway	49. Suncorp-Metway Floating Rate Note	A+	Y	1,200	5.63	5.56	5.63	0.39	24/04/2025	1823
Suncorp-Metway	50. Suncorp FRN	A+	Y	2,577	5.71	5.67	5.71	0.83	25/02/2027	1711
Suncorp-Metway	51. Suncorp FRN	A+	Y	2,200	5.74	5.65	5.74	0.71	14/12/2027	1826

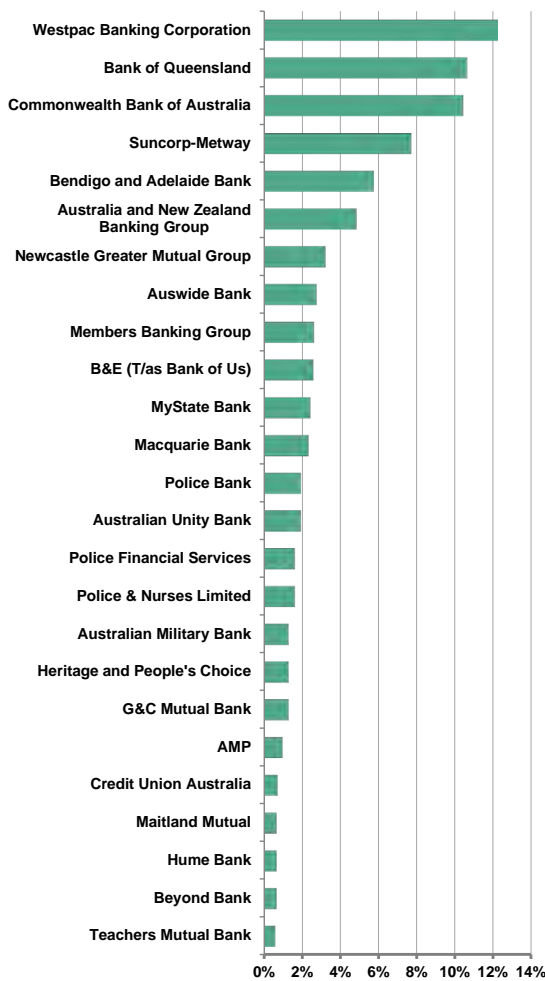
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Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel Free	Invested at 31-Jul-24 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return	Return since 01 July 2024	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenor
Macquarie Bank	52. Macquarie Bank Fixed Bond	A+	N	4,000	1.71	1.72	1.71	1.29	12/02/2025	1827
Macquarie Bank	53. Macquarie Bank FRN	A+	N	3,200	5.32	5.24	5.32	1.03	14/09/2026	1096
Bank of Queensland	54. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	3,797	2.14	2.13	2.14	1.23	27/10/2026	1826
Bank of Queensland	55. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	1,921	4.06	4.06	4.06	0.62	6/05/2026	1496
Bank of Queensland	56. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	754	5.26	5.24	5.26	0.24	27/10/2026	1498
Bank of Queensland	57. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	481	5.22	5.20	5.22	0.16	27/10/2026	1495
Bank of Queensland	58. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	2,552	5.14	5.14	5.14	0.82	6/05/2026	1321
Bank of Queensland	59. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	3,292	5.44	5.44	5.44	1.06	30/04/2029	1826
Bank of Queensland	60. BoQ Fixed Bond	A-	Y	3,939	4.99	4.99	4.99	1.27	27/01/2027	937
Bank of Queensland	61. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	A-	Y	3,000	5.04	5.36	5.04	0.97	15/04/2025	364
Bank of Queensland	62. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	A-	Y	2,000	5.10	2.98	5.10	0.65	13/06/2025	365
Bank of Queensland	63. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	A-	Y	4,000	5.13	5.29	5.13	1.29	25/03/2025	273
Bank of Queensland	64. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	A-	Y	4,000	5.15	5.15	5.15	1.29	16/10/2024	218
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	65. Bendigo Fixed Bond	A-	Y	3,748	3.10	3.08	3.10	1.21	17/03/2025	1096
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	66. Bendigo Bank Fixed Bond	A-	Y	998	3.44	3.43	3.44	0.32	17/03/2025	1088
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	67. Bendigo Fixed Bond	A-	Y	2,566	3.26	3.26	3.26	0.83	6/09/2024	882
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	68. Bendigo Bank FRN	A-	Y	3,500	5.74	5.67	5.74	1.13	15/05/2026	1096
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	69. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Term Deposit	A-	Y	3,000	5.06	4.81	5.06	0.97	29/10/2024	273
AMP	70. AMP FRN	BBB+	N	2,000	6.25	6.08	6.25	0.65	29/06/2026	1096
AMP	71. AMP Term Deposit	BBB+	N	1,000	5.25	5.25	5.25	0.32	2/08/2024	366
Australian Military Bank	72. Australian Military Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.14	5.14	5.14	1.29	14/01/2026	540
Australian Unity Bank	73. Australian Unity Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	4.98	4.74	4.98	0.65	28/10/2024	270
Australian Unity Bank	74. Australian Unity Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.10	5.29	5.10	1.29	14/01/2025	364
B&E (T/as Bank of Us)	75. Bank of us Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.12	5.12	5.12	0.65	17/10/2024	365
B&E (T/as Bank of Us)	76. Bank of us Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.32	5.18	5.32	1.29	29/07/2025	364
B&E (T/as Bank of Us)	77. Bank of us TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.05	5.05	5.05	0.65	13/11/2024	282
Beyond Bank	78. Beyond Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.40	5.31	5.40	0.65	17/12/2024	371
Credit Union Australia	79. Great Southern Bank Floating Rate Note	BBB+	Y	1,000	5.63	5.56	5.63	0.32	24/10/2024	1827
Credit Union Australia	80. Great Southern Bank FRN	BBB+	Y	1,200	6.17	6.10	6.17	0.39	9/02/2027	1461
G&C Mutual Bank	81. G&C Mutual Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.35	5.35	5.35	1.29	24/06/2025	364
Heritage and People's Choice Hume Bank	82. Heritage Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.83	5.76	5.83	1.29	9/01/2025	181
Heritage and People's Choice Hume Bank	83. Hume Bank TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	4.98	4.79	4.98	0.65	27/10/2024	269
Members Banking Group	84. RACQ FRN	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.70	5.64	5.70	0.65	23/05/2025	1096
Members Banking Group	85. RACQ FRN	BBB+	Y	3,100	5.97	5.90	5.97	1.00	24/02/2026	1096
Members Banking Group	86. RACQ FRN	BBB+	Y	3,000	6.09	6.08	6.09	0.97	5/03/2027	1095
MyState Bank	87. MyState FRN	BBB+	Y	1,500	5.11	5.04	5.11	0.48	16/06/2025	1461
MyState Bank	88. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	5.28	3.00	5.28	1.29	10/04/2025	289
MyState Bank	89. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.15	3.13	5.15	0.65	4/03/2025	365
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group	90. NPBS FRN	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.07	4.99	5.07	0.65	4/03/2026	1826
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group	91. NPBS FRN	BBB+	Y	3,244	5.23	5.15	5.23	1.05	4/03/2026	1458
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group	92. NPBS FRN	BBB+	Y	3,717	5.96	5.89	5.96	1.20	10/02/2027	1720
Newcastle Greater Mutual Group	93. NPBS FRN	BBB+	Y	989	6.07	6.00	6.07	0.32	10/02/2027	1482
Police & Nurses Limited	94. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	1,000	5.13	4.75	5.13	0.32	7/01/2025	280
Police & Nurses Limited	95. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.15	3.64	5.15	0.65	30/01/2025	365
Police & Nurses Limited	96. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.43	5.37	5.43	0.65	7/01/2025	189
Police Bank	97. Police Bank FRN	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.97	5.90	5.97	0.65	21/11/2025	1096
Police Bank	98. Police Bank FRN	BBB+	Y	4,000	6.03	6.04	6.03	1.29	17/11/2026	1096
Police Financial Services	99. BankVic Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	5.27	4.93	5.27	0.65	29/04/2025	363
Teachers Mutual Bank	100. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB+	Y	1,100	5.15	5.07	5.15	0.36	16/06/2026	1826
Teachers Mutual Bank	101. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB+	Y	700	5.83	5.83	5.83	0.23	21/06/2027	1095
Auswide Bank	102. Auswide FRN	BBB	Y	3,000	6.01	5.92	6.01	0.97	17/03/2026	1096
Auswide Bank	103. Auswide FRN	BBB	Y	3,500	6.14	6.10	6.14	1.13	22/03/2027	1095
Auswide Bank	104. Auswide Bank Term Deposit	BBB	Y	2,000	5.22	3.23	5.22	0.65	28/01/2025	358
Maitland Mutual	105. The Mutual FRN	BBB	Y	2,000	6.12	6.12	6.12	0.65	10/05/2027	1095
Police Financial Services	106. BankVic TD	BBB	Y	3,000	5.21	5.21	5.21	0.97	10/09/2024	371
				<b>309,545</b>	<b>4.91</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>4.91</b>	<b>100</b>		

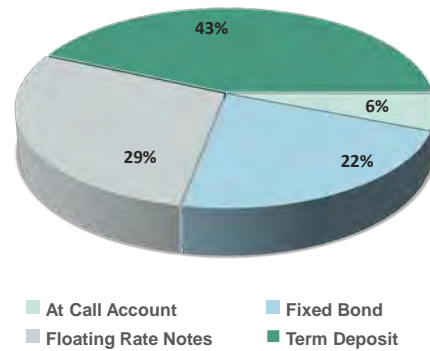
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	<365 days	>365 days
Cash/TDs	\$148.5M	\$4.0M
FRNs	\$8.9M	\$80.0M
Fixed Bonds	\$28.1M	\$40.0M
	<b>\$185.5M</b>	<b>\$124.1M</b>

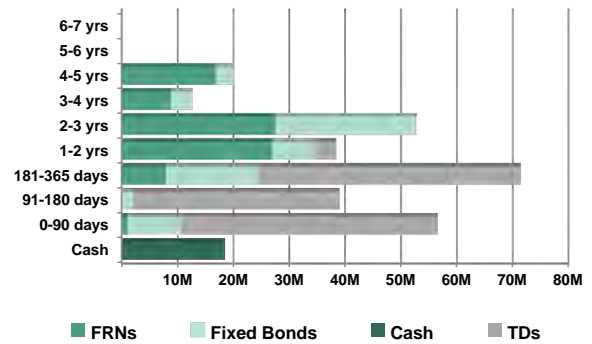
**Active Investment by Institution**



**Summary by Investment Type**

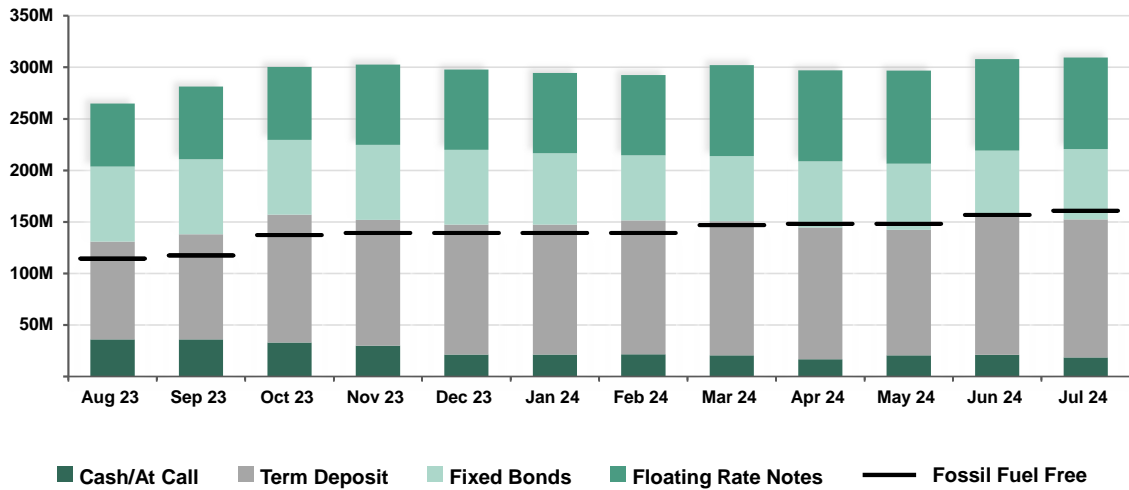


**Summary by Duration**

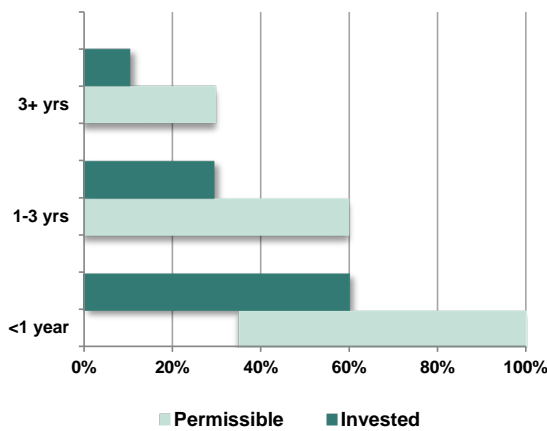


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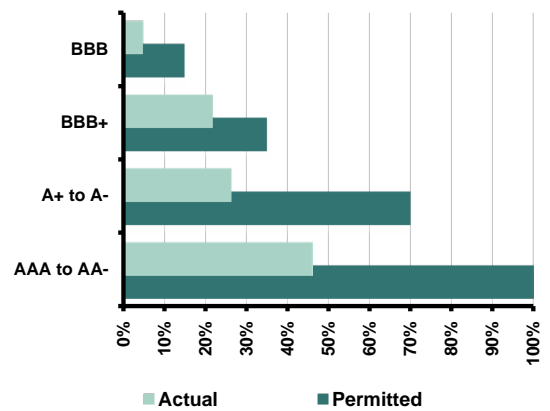
**Total Funds Invested**



**Policy Limits on Maturities**



**Investment Summary by Rating**



Note: Portion of deposits covered by Federal Guarantee are rated 'AAA'

**Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

Council uses the entity Market Forces to validate its classes of investments into either fossil fuel or non-fossil fuel aligned institutions. Market Forces is a publicly available website and is not a contractor that Council has engaged for this information.

**ITEM 9 (continued)**

As at 31 July 2024, Council has a total amount of \$160.67m invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, which is 51.91% of its total investment portfolio. Whilst Council has a preference for non-fossil fuel aligned institutions, these institutions are often rated at the lower end of the (S&P) rating scale and in order to manage risk, Council's Investment Policy places limits on BBB+ (35%) BBB (15%) and Council cannot risk divesting 100% in these institutions as adverse economic conditions or changing circumstances are more likely to lead to a weakened capacity for the obligor to meet its financial commitments. The Investment Policy ensures that the divestment in these categories are restricted to minimise risk and ensure preservation of capital. Council cannot breach its Policy, and any losses of income experienced as a result of poor investment decisions is ultimately Council's responsibility.

**Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 4.92%, which is 0.43% above the benchmark figure of 4.49%.

The budget for interest income from investments is \$9.9m and as at 31 July 2024 funds of \$1.3m have been earned.

**Summary**

Council's investment portfolio continues to perform well and is consistent with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which deals with the investment of surplus funds by Councils.

**Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer (Responsible Accounting Officer)**

I certify that as at the date of this report, the investments listed have been made and are held in compliance with Council's Investment Policy and applicable legislation.

**Sacha Thirimanne**

**Acting Chief Financial Officer  
Responsible Accounting Officer**

**NOTICES OF MOTION****1      DISABILITY PARKING AT CHURCH - CUTLER PARADE, NORTH RYDE -  
         Councillor Penny Pedersen****File Number:** CLM/24/1/1/6 - BP24/666

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**BACKGROUND:**

A few years back City of Ryde staff met with the North Ryde Uniting Church, about a Disabled Parking spot in front of the Church at 2 Cutler Parade, North Ryde. Following deliberations, the Church were given a "Weddings & Funerals" reserved spot near the laneway by the Church. However, with very few weddings and funerals taking place at the Church they don't see that spot being used much.

They have requested a Disability Parking spot in front of the Church and in front of the Notice Board. Many of the older members of the congregation drive to Church and it would be good to secure a spot for them in front of the Church. Although there are 2 disability spots in the Council car park, it is further for the elderly to walk and these spaces are normally taken up by North Ryde community aid users.

The Church has 4-6 people with disability, wheelchair users, who attend each Sunday.

**MOTION:**

That City of Ryde explore making the current weddings and funerals parking spot a permanent disability parking space.



**2 CONSERVATION OF THE SYDNEY TURPENTINE IRONBARK FOREST;  
AND COASTAL ENRICHED SANDSTONE MOIST FOREST AT THE  
FORMER IVANHOE ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT SITE - Councillor Penny  
Pedersen**

**File Number:** CLM/24/1/1/6 - BP24/667

**BACKGROUND:**

The Ivanhoe Estate site supports important biodiversity resources for the City of Ryde, with two native ecological communities identified on site:

- Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest; and
- Coastal Enriched Sandstone Moist Forest

In April 2018, NSW Land and Housing Commission lodged the State Significant Development (SSD) application for the redevelopment of Ivanhoe Estate. On 26 February 2019, Council resolved (in part): “for the existing E2 Zone [now C2 Zone] immediately adjoining the proposed Ivanhoe Estate to be extended into the Ivanhoe Estate site within the riparian corridor along the eastern side of the Estate and along LPP Planning Proposals with Epping Road, to protect these areas in the long-term, as this zone will ensure stronger conservation management protection”.

The Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) (now part of the Environment and Heritage Group of the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment) provided comments to the SSD application in a letter dated 15 May 2018. It supported Council’s view and recommended that “the existing adjoining E2 zone (now C2) be extended into the site within the riparian corridor...as this zone will ensure stronger protection”.

**MOTION:**

That staff conduct a workshop for Councillors before the Ordinary Council meeting in November 2024 to discuss the preparation of an independent ecology expert report on the current state of (and any damage to) the natural area’s at the State Significant Development Site of the former Ivanhoe Estate, detailing the health of the Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest; and the Coastal Enriched Sandstone Moist Forest, the state of the natural areas and progression of Council’s request to extend the E2 (now C2) conservation zone into the site.