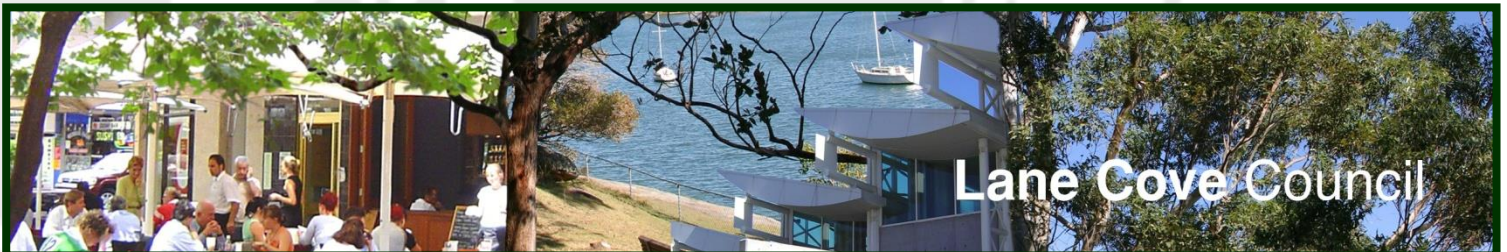


Agenda Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022

Council will commence consideration of
all business paper agenda items at 7.00 pm.



Notice of Meeting

Dear Councillors,

Notice is given of the Ordinary Council Meeting, to be held in the Council Chambers on Thursday 24 November 2022 commencing at 7pm. The business to be transacted at the meeting is included in this business paper.

In accordance with clause 3.26 of the Code of Meeting Practice Councillors are reminded of their oath or affirmation of office made under section 233A of the Act, and of their obligations under the Council's Code of Conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

Yours faithfully



Craig Wrightson
General Manager

Council Meeting Procedures

The Council meeting is chaired by the Mayor, Councillor Andrew Zbik. Councillors are entitled to one vote on a matter. If votes are equal, the Chairperson has a second or casting vote. When a majority of Councillors vote in favour of a Motion it becomes a decision of the Council. Minutes of Council and Committee meetings are published on Council's website www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au by 5.00 pm on the Tuesday following the meeting.

The Meeting is conducted in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice. The order of business is listed in the Agenda on the next page. That order will be followed unless Council resolves to modify the order at the meeting. This may occur for example where the members of the public in attendance are interested in specific items on the agenda.

The Public Forum will hear registered speakers from the Public Gallery as well as online using the web platform Zoom. All speakers wishing to participate in the public forum must register by using the [online form](#) no later than midnight, on the day prior to the meeting (Wednesday, 23 November 2022) and a Zoom meeting link will be emailed to the provided email address of those registered as an online speaker. Please note that the time limit of three minutes per address still applies, so please make sure your submission meets this criteria. Alternatively, members of the public can still submit their written address via email to service@lanecove.nsw.gov.au. Written addresses are to be received by Council no later than midnight, on the day prior to the meeting. (500 words maximum).

Please note meetings held in the Council Chambers are recorded on tape for the purposes of verifying the accuracy of minutes and the tapes are not disclosed to any third party under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, except as allowed under section 18(1) or section 19(1) of the PPIP Act, or where Council is compelled to do so by court order, warrant or subpoena or by any other legislation. Should you require assistance to participate in the meeting due to a disability; or wish to obtain further information in relation to Council, please contact Council's Executive Manager – Corporate Services on (02) 9911 3550.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

APOLOGIES

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

MINUTE OF SILENCE FOR RELECTION OR PRAYER

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING OF MEETING

PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public may address the Council Meeting on any issue for 3 minutes.

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21. MAYORAL MINUTE - GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE REVIEW 2021/22

It is recommended that the Council close so much of the meeting to the public as provided for under Section 10A(2) (a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, on the grounds that the matter will involve the discussion of personnel matters concerning a particular individual; it further being considered that discussion of the matter in open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to public interest by reason of the foregoing and as the report contains personal information about the performance of a staff member.

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NOTICE OF MOTION - CONVERTING COUNCIL CHAMBERS MEETING ROOM TO MULTI FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE SPACE

Subject: Notice of Motion - Converting Council Chambers Meeting Room to Multi Functional Performance Space
Record No: SU7405 - 67349/22
Division: Lane Cove Council
Author(s): Councillor Bridget Kennedy

Executive Summary

This report aims to convert the Council Chambers (including the adjacent meeting rooms) to a multi-function space to function as both a Council Chambers and a performance space which would provide maximum use of the space.

Background

Lane Cove Theatre Company (LCTC) has for close to thirty years, worked to imagine a thriving cultural neighbourhood in Lane Cove, with diverse, scattered artistic venues ranging from schools to community halls. This determination, adaptability and community spirit has been recognised and rewarded by Council many times since their inception. The organisation is now a vital cultural aspect of our community. Currently, LCTC does not have a permanent home and spends the vast majority of its budget on the rental of rehearsal and performing spaces. They have been advocating to council for over 25 years for a permanent space.

In 2004, Council adopted the Cultural Action Plan with one of the key goals/actions being to construct a multipurpose Cultural Facility within a 5-10 year timeframe. In 2009 The Pegasus Report to Council provided the Council with recommendations on how it could best provide support to community cultural groups. This included identifying the request for a performing arts space that would have an audience capacity for 150 – 200 people; sufficient backstage space; foyer and ticketing space.

Council has continued to consider the suitability of various spaces (for example the old Coles Lane Cove site) as a performing arts space and to date there has been no feasible location or funding model that has come to fruition. Council adopted Create Lane Cove: Cultural Plan in February 2016. ID 9.1 stated that Council would “ensure existing and future community facilities and open spaces are managed in such a way that they increase their long-term viability” and ID 9.2 stated that Council would “continue to investigate opportunities for a multipurpose cultural performance space and work alongside community cultural groups to ensure the solution is viable and sustainable.” These priorities were listed as critical.

Council has continued to consider the suitability of various spaces as a performing arts space and to date there has been no feasible location or funding model. Council has achieved a number of improvements across community cultural groups as identified in the Pegasus Report including:

The refurbishment of the old Lane Cove Community Aid building in 2012 to house Gallery Lane Cove and provide gallery and exhibition space for the Lane Cove Art Society and Centrehouse, Lane Cove Concert Band has enjoyed use of the new community space at the Waterview Community Centre located at 314 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove Music and Cultural Association was relocated into the new Little Street Community Facility on Pottery Lane in 2016 which also became home to Lane Cove and Northside Community Services.

Converting Council Chambers (including the adjacent meeting rooms) to a multi-function space to function as both a Council Chambers, AND a performance space would provide maximum use of a space that is often empty. This solution would be viable and sustainable for both Lane Cove

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NOTICE OF MOTION - CONVERTING COUNCIL CHAMBERS MEETING ROOM TO MULTI
FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE SPACE

Council in supporting cultural places and infrastructure and provide the Lane Cove Theatre Company with a dedicated performance space.

Its current layout is suitable, the existing entrance, public toilets, and kitchen area can provide a foyer and ticketing space, and with some modifications it can provide sufficient backstage space. (see attachment for concept sketch – many thanks to Cllr Bryla for the provision of this). If located and executed properly this facility could become an active and essential cultural hub for Lane Cove where many different community groups could meet to showcase their talent and collaborate to share ideas and inspiration. It would also attract patrons from outside the Lane Cove area, which would only help to add to and strengthen the cultural diversity already present. It would also allow Lane Cove to be recognised for its rich cultural, musical, and theatrical history.

The Lane Cove Theatre was built in the 1920's and later became the RIO THEATRE in 1934. Located at 26-28 Burns Bay Road Lane Cove where the Market Square building now stands. The Rio Theatre was home to the Lane Cove Musical and Dramatic Society and also acted as a cinema. The building was sold in 1951. In 1958 the Lane Cove Town Hall was opened and became the new home of the Lane Cove Players and Lane Cove Musical Society which flourished in the local community for over 40 years. These groups were forced to disband when the Lane Cove Town Hall was modified to redevelop the site into the existing Lane Cove Council building. This current location has a rich, vibrant cultural history and I call on Lane Cove Council to restore it to its former glory by making it possible to house local cultural and performance opportunities

The location is also ideal as a carpark already exists, near a public transport interchange. Creating a space like this could also provide other groups spaces (subject to facility availability), for example local dance performances, local school performances and other student concerts.

RECOMMENDATION

That:-

1. Council conduct, in late January 2023, after school returns, a workshop with local cultural groups of a size that would potentially utilise a Theatre, delivered by the conversion of the existing Council Chambers into a multi-use facility incorporating both Council Meetings and Cultural Performances, to:-
 - a. Determine the needs of the local cultural groups for the project; and
 - b. Review the initial planning ideas having regard to the identified needs of the groups.
2. Understanding that a DA is required due to a change of use of the space and that the requirements of the Building Code of Australia and Disability Discrimination Act will need to be addressed, Council investigate and determine the process for progressing the project in the shortest possible timeframe to allow for the implementation of the performance space in the 2023/24 Operational and Delivery Plan;
3. A presentation on the outcomes of the workshop be presented at the 2023 Corporate Planning Weekend; and
4. A report be submitted to the February 2023 Council Meeting on the outcome of the workshop together with an outline of the process that would be required for the project to proceed, with the aim of including in the 2023/24 Operational and Delivery Plan.

Councillor Bridget Kennedy
Councillor

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 [View](#) Concept Sketch

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NOTICE OF MOTION - PARKING NEAR DEVELOPMENT SITES FOR BUSINESSES
PROVIDING MEDICAL SERVICES

Subject: Notice of Motion - Parking Near Development Sites for Businesses Providing Medical Services
Record No: SU2735 - 67546/22
Division: Lane Cove Council
Author(s): Councillor Katherine Mort; Councillor David Brooks-Horn

Background

With large scale developments, developers, their employees, and contractors occupying free and/or restricted parking outside residences, small businesses, and businesses providing medical services to the community.

It should be noted that with respect to residences, most employees and/or contractors of the developer are gone by 4pm each day.

However, with respect to small business that provide medical services to our residents, these parking spaces are vital to ensure that medical treatment is received.

With employees/contractors of developers taking these spaces and notwithstanding time restrictions in these spaces, rotate and/or move their vehicle enabling them to park in these locations all day to the detriment of residents requiring ongoing medical treatment.

RECOMMENDATION

That:-

1. For large developments requiring SNPP approval, that Council as part of its assessment process, identify and/or upon request, businesses that provide medical services and discuss with them concerns that may impact the provision of medical services due to the pending approval of the development;
2. If the development is approved, meet with adjoining residents and the medical service provider impacted, and develop a plan to address time restriction and enforcement controls that will assist their needs;
3. Council's Compliance team carryout regular surveillance of these developments to ensure parking availability is maintained; and
4. Council staff undertake a review of all existing SNPP approved projects and undertake the process outlined in parts 1 and 3 above.

Councillor Katherine Mort
Councillor

Councillor David Brooks-Horn
Councillor

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022
NOTICE OF MOTION - SECURITY CAMERAS AND SECURITY GENERALLY OVER THE
CHRISTMAS PERIOD

Subject: Notice of Motion - Security Cameras and Security Generally Over the Christmas Period
Record No: SU453 - 67549/22
Division: Lane Cove Council
Author(s): Councillor Scott Bennison; Councillor David Brooks-Horn; Councillor Katherine Mort

Executive Summary

The Notice of Motion aims to increase the use of security cameras and general security within the LGA over the Christmas holiday period.

Background

Recently my number plates were stolen, placed on a similar vehicle, and used to commit another crime a couple of streets from where we are living.

Apart from the inconvenience of having to replace my number plates, it raises concerns about crime in our LGA and what can we do to assist the police in catching these criminals.

At the time, the Police advised me that one of the inhibitors of catching criminals was the lack of security cameras in LGA's generally.

I would like to investigate the option of placing security cameras at the entrance/exit points of our LGA that would provide the Police with surveillance data that may assist them in catching criminals.

Conscious of concerns over privacy, I would also like any data collected deleted after three months.

I note that the Mayor meets regularly with the local Police Areas Command and in the first instance, I would like the Mayor to canvas the idea and obtain their feedback on what measures could be taken to assist them in catching criminals.

Unfortunately, over the Xmas season Santa Claus may not be the only visitor coming to town.

Holiday thieves have no shame. They steal holiday donation cash boxes right off store countertops, small business tills, toys that are collected to spread a bit of cheer to needy children over the holidays and other crimes. We have witnessed how they work in groups to steal from our local small business.

Given the rising cost of energy and rent for our local small businesses, every cent counts and to have their Xmas takings stolen just before Xmas is disheartening.

There is also a rise in home break-ins over the Xmas period particularly when people are on holidays and residents need to be reminded to consider the security of their property over the Xmas period and take measures that may mitigate this risk.

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NOTICE OF MOTION - SECURITY CAMERAS AND SECURITY GENERALLY OVER THE
CHRISTMAS PERIOD

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The General Manager and/or the Mayor discuss at the next North Shore Police Area Command meeting the possible installation of security cameras at the entrance/exit points of our LGA and/or other measures that would assist Police in catching criminals; and
2. The General Manager contact our local Police and develop and implement an information campaign to provide residents and the business community that assists them in protecting their personal/business property from crime.

Councillor Scott Bennison
Councillor

Councillor David Brooks-Horn
Councillor

Councillor Katherine Mort
Councillor

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 NOTICE OF MOTION - COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS CONSULTATION</p>

Subject: Notice of Motion - Community Organisations Consultation
Record No: SU1041 - 67555/22
Division: Lane Cove Council
Author(s): Councillor Scott Bennison; Councillor David Brooks-Horn; Councillor Katherine Mort

Executive Summary

This Notice of Motion aims to organise a community forum to allow community organisations to determine which organisational structure would best suit their needs and represent their members.

Background

Community organisations play an important role in representing the views of residents.

There are a number of structures available to choose from including incorporated and unincorporated associations and companies limited by Guarantee.

Dependent upon which structure is chosen will determine the legal jurisdiction and reporting requirements.

For example, associations incorporated in NSW will fall under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009* while companies limited by Guarantee will fall under the *Corporations Act 2001*.

There are unique differences between each structure including limited liability, insurance, establishment costs, reporting / audit requirements and administration.

Deborah Hill who is the President of the Lane Cove Chamber of Commerce and a Chartered Accountant, has offered her time to assist Lane Cove Council in providing this community forum in explaining the different types of organisational structures and which structure would best suits their needs and represent their members.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Manager contact the President of the Lane Cove Chamber of Commerce with the express purpose of arranging a community forum that explains the different types of structures that best represent community members interests.

Councillor Scott Bennison
Councillor

Councillor David Brooks-Horn
Councillor

Councillor Katherine Mort
Councillor

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022
NOTICE OF MOTION - RISE OF ANTI-SEMITISM

Subject: Notice of Motion - Rise of Anti-Semitism
Record No: SU3474 - 67559/22
Division: Lane Cove Council
Author(s): Councillor Scott Bennison; Councillor David Brooks-Horn; Councillor Katherine Mort

Executive Summary

This Notice of Motion aims to allow the General Manager to contact the Jewish Board of Deputies and the Sydney Jewish Music to develop appropriate strategies that addresses the concerns of antisemitism and that Lane Cove Council provide the use of its Library facilities for this purpose.

Background

Last Wednesday I attended the Kristallnacht Commemoration.

The theme for this event is **Nazis Uncovered**, and the keynote speaker was **Nick McKenzie**, award-winning investigative journalist who uncovered the inner workings of Australia's biggest neo-Nazi cells. McKenzie's investigation was featured on 60 Minutes and the Stan documentary *Revealed: Amongst Us - Neo Nazi Australia*.

The commemoration also honour **Michael Samaras** - the former Wollongong Councillor who uncovered Wollongong's major art donor as a Nazi collaborator.

On November 9–10, 1938, Nazi leaders unleashed a series of programs against the Jewish population in Germany and recently incorporated territories. This event came to be called Kristallnacht (The Night of Broken Glass) because of the shattered glass that littered the streets after the vandalism and destruction of Jewish-owned businesses, synagogues, and homes. See attached additional information.

Nick McKenzie, an award-winning investigative journalist who uncovered the inner workings of Australia's biggest neo-Nazi cells, was the keynote speaker at the event.

The Australian Jewish News has quoted Nick McKenzie;

"I tried to let my family history be part of it, but that I said I am proudly Jewish".

"To have that personal connection to World War II – to have relatives who were killed in the gas chambers and family that's experienced antisemitism – then to confront neo-Nazis living a few suburbs away from my house, is confronting".

"But it also makes me more passionate to fight that hate because I understand what the hate does. The fact that there are violent, often young men, who sit in their houses and plot ways to come at the Jewish community, and who hold the Jewish community responsible for all the world's ills, it terrifying."

Former Councilor Michael Samaras, was honored with a bronze Kristallnacht-themed medallion by the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies and the Sydney Jewish Museum for his work in uncovering Lithuanian-born Bronius 'Bob' Sredersas was a Nazi collaborator.

The investigation into Sredersas revealed that in 1942 and 1943 he worked in the intelligence unit of the Nazi Security Office (SD) in his native Lithuania, volunteering for active duty in the Waffen-SS in 1943, after being granted German citizenship by the Third Reich. He migrated to Australia in 1950.

Sredersas, who died in 1982, donated around 100 art works by revered Australian artists including Grace Cossington-Smith and Arthur Streeton. Until June this year, Sredersas had a room named after him at the gallery.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 NOTICE OF MOTION - RISE OF ANTI-SEMITISM</p>

Last year a Lane Cove Facebook Group in our community posted a picture of Auschwitz with a caption comparing a policy of Lane Cove Council's to the atrocities committed by the Nazis.

The above posting, apart from being ignorant and unfortunate, was offensive to Holocaust survivors and/or their descendants who live in our LGA.

I understand that the Jewish Board of Deputies and the Jewish Museum are working with Wollongong Council in working with local communities raising awareness and anti-Semitic behavior.

I have spoken with the Jewish Board of Deputies and the Sydney Jewish Museum who have stated that they would support a similar initiative in Lane Cove.

RECOMMENDATION

That the General Manager contact the Jewish Board of Deputies and the Sydney Jewish Music to develop appropriate strategies that addresses the concerns of antisemitism and that Lane Cove Council provide the use of its Library facilities for this purpose.

Councillor Scott Bennison
Councillor

Councillor David Brooks-Horn
Councillor

Councillor Katherine Mort
Councillor

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 PRESENTATION OF AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022</p>

Subject: Presentation of Audited Annual Financial Statements - Year Ended 30 June 2022
Record No: SU772 - 63118/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Sarah Seaman

Executive Summary

Following completion of the audit, Council's Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2022, together with the Auditors Report, are presented to Council. It is recommended that the report be received and noted.

Background

Section 418 of the Local Government Act 1993, requires that as soon as practicable after a council receives a copy of the Auditor's Reports:-

- a) It must fix a date for the meeting at which it proposes to present its audited financial reports, together with the auditor's reports, to the public; and
- b) It must give public notice of the date so fixed.

The audit of the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 has been completed by Council's Auditors – the Audit Office of NSW and Grant Thornton Australia. A copy of the Audit Report is included within the Annual Financial Statements.

The 2022 draft audited Annual Financial Statements were presented to Council on 27 October 2022 for the purposes of lodging them with the Office of Local Government by 31 October 2022. The Annual Financial Statements were lodged with the Office of Local Government on Monday, 31 October 2022.

Notice was placed on Council's website on 4 November 2022 of the intention to present the Annual Financial Statements at the 24 November 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting. The Annual Financial Statements have been available for inspection on Council's website since 4 November 2022. Written submissions have been invited and at the time of writing this report, no submissions had been received. The audited financial statements, together with the Auditors Reports, are now formally presented to Council.

Council's overall financial result for the for the year was a surplus of \$28.89M including capital grants and contributions and \$7.609M excluding capital grants and contributions.

Council's Auditor will be in attendance at the meeting to present the Auditor's Report. A Copy of the Annual Financial Statements, including the Auditors Report, for the year ended 30 June 2022 is attached at **AT-1**.

Conclusion

The 2021/22 financial results reflect Council's ongoing strong financial position established and maintained over many years. Once again, Council exceeded industry benchmarks used in the Fit for the Future program, except the debt service cover ratio as Council has no borrowings.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 PRESENTATION OF AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022</p>

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Annual Financial Statements, together with the Auditors Report, for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Steven Kludass

Executive Manager - Corporate Services

Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1	View	2021/22 Annual Financial Statements and Auditors Report	82 Pages	Available Electronically
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Subject: Notices Of Motion Relating to Bushland
Record No: SU6014 - 66117/22
Division: Open Space and Urban Services Division
Author(s): Martin Terescenko

Executive Summary

Over the past 2 years Council has adopted three Notice of Motions relating to bushland. The first from April 2021, Notice of Motion - Preliminary Investigation of Options to Reduce Light 'Spill' on Urban Bushland in Lane Cove, the second from June 2022, Notice of Motion - Protect Bushland adjacent to the Western Side of the Golf Course and the third from July 2022, Notice of Motion - Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities.

This report provides a response to the adopted recommendations from these reports and recommends the following actions for each Notice of Motion:

Light Spill on Urban Bushland - At the next DCP review a control be added to Part H Bushland of the DCP to the effect that external lighting must be designed to minimise light spill into any adjoining bushland and then any subsequent Development Applications be conditioned accordingly.

Protect Bushland adjacent to the Western Side of the Golf Course - Council commence development of a process to involve the community in the selection of a name for the area currently known as the Northwood Slope along the western edge of the Golf Course and consider increasing the current Golf Course Bush Regeneration budget by \$10k in next financial year's budget.

Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities - Council design an educational poster with accompanying guidelines that will be used for educational purposes and enforcement for encroachment issues and add bushland encroachments that Council is in the process of investigating into the monthly Snapshot.

Background

Over the past 2 years Council has been concerned about the effects of development on bushland and encroachments from private property on to bushland. Three Notices of Motion relating to bushland were adopted to address these concerns.

The first Notice of Motion from April 2021, "Notice of Motion - Preliminary Investigation of Options to Reduce Light 'Spill' on Urban Bushland in Lane Cove" resolved:

1.
 - a. *Note the existing planning protections against light spill into bushland, given that the first objective of Lane Cove's DCP Part H - Bushland Protection is "to protect both public and private bushland from adjacent development which could result in any adverse change to the condition of bushland". And further, that the second objective is "To retain and protect...native fauna habitat".*

- b. In practice, supports such objectives by a unique DCP requirement for a 10m buffer from bushland required of all developments in Lane Cove, whether residential, commercial or industrial.*
- 2. Receive a report:*
 - a. on what Australian Standards or equivalent guidelines exist that consider impacts of light 'spill' on urban bushland and its impact on fauna;*
 - b. outlining if any other Councils have existing planning controls concerning the impact of light 'spill' on bushland; and*
 - c. recommending appropriate planning instruments to reduce the impact of light 'spill' on urban bushland.*
- 3. Approach the authors of the research provided to determine if they will work with Council to develop a standard to reduce the impact of light 'spill' on urban bushland.*

The second Notice of Motion from June 2022 "Notice of Motion - Protect Bushland adjacent to the Western Side of the Golf Course" resolved:

- 1. Amend the wording of the report from 'this area of bushland is currently not part of any bushland management plan' to 'this area of bushland is currently not part of any funded bushland management program';*
- 2. Investigate and report back to a Councillor Workshop for further discussion, the process, costs and resources required to identify opportunities to consolidate and extend the existing Northwood slope C2 zoning to cover adjacent remnant patches of bushland on public land;*
- 3. Investigate and report on damage to this area of bushland by any surrounding use and details how this damage will be repaired, including the funding of this repair;*
- 4. Undertake a public process to name the bushland known as the "Northwood Slope" located adjacent to the western side of the golf course; and*
- 5. Develop a plan and budget for future regeneration of this reserve;*

The third Notice of Motion from July 2022 "Notice of Motion - Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities" resolved:

- 1. Council investigate developing a public education program to ensure the community, particularly those living adjacent to bushland (C2) and public recreation and open spaces land (RE1), understands that encroachment is unlawful and damaging, and to assist them in appreciating the values of their adjacent bushland and open space in its natural state;*
- 2. Council investigate developing a publicly advertised process to address reported encroachments to ensure the boundaries are clear and encroached land is restored to the public domain and its natural state; and*
- 3. A report be provided to Council to outline the proposed programs, costs and processes to implement recommendations 1 and 2.*

Discussion

Notice of Motion - Preliminary Investigation of Options to Reduce Light 'Spill' on Urban Bushland in Lane Cove.

1.

- a. Note the existing planning protections against light spill into bushland, given that the first objective of Lane Cove's DCP Part H - Bushland Protection is "to protect both public and private bushland from adjacent development which could result in any adverse change to the condition of bushland". And further, that the second objective is "To retain and protect...native fauna habitat".***

Noted.

- b. In practice, supports such objectives by a unique DCP requirement for a 10m buffer from bushland required of all developments in Lane Cove, whether residential, commercial or industrial.***

Noted.

2. ***Receive a report:-***

- a. on what Australian Standards or equivalent guidelines exist that consider impacts of light 'spill' on urban bushland and its impact on fauna;***

The primary Australian Standard relating to outdoor lighting is AS/NZS 4282:2019 Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting. However, as outlined in the scope of the standard, due to the diversity of species throughout Australia and New Zealand and minimal information on thresholds and behavioural response to artificial light, the effect of obtrusive light on fauna is not covered within the normative parts of this Standard.

The only guideline found on this issue is the National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife Including marine turtles, seabirds and migratory shorebirds January 2020. These Guidelines provide users with information to assess if artificial lighting is likely to affect wildlife and the management tools to minimise and mitigate that affect so that wildlife is not disrupted within, nor displaced from, important habitat; and is able to undertake critical behaviour such as foraging, reproduction and dispersal. The guidelines can be applied regardless of scale, from small, domestic projects to large-scale industrial developments.

- b. outlining if any other Councils have existing planning controls concerning the impact of light 'spill' on bushland; and***

An initial scan of planning controls from a number of Councils has found mixed results in terms of both the application and specificity of planning controls concerning the impact of light spill on bushland.

Some councils such as Waverley and the City of Parramatta include quite specific controls such as:

- "External illumination fixtures must be directed downwards and away from reflective surfaces, avoid spill into parks, reserves and bushland and avoid short wavelength (blue-violet) light." (Waverley Draft DCP 2022 – B3 Landscaping, Biodiversity and Vegetation protection);
- Consideration must be given to the impacts of lighting on flora and fauna species and their habitat. (Parramatta DCP Section 2 General Controls); and
- Lighting in any future development to be designed to minimise light spill into the ecologically sensitive river riparian corridor to prevent disturbance of bat and migratory bird foraging and roosting habitat (Parramatta DCP Section 4 Strategic Precincts).

Alternatively, some councils such as Mid Coast Council include general controls within their DCP regarding the consideration of “the protection of natural biodiversity, including native vegetation and wildlife, their habitats and biological processes and functions”. Then depending on the siting of the development, either request lighting plans or condition that lighting use directions, shields, height limits, etc. to prevent light from being directed to natural habitats.

This may also be the case for other Councils who do not have reference to lighting spill on natural areas (Note - Blue Mountains, Ryde, Northern Beaches, The Hills, Sutherland, Hornsby all have no reference to this issue in their DCP)

c. recommending appropriate planning instruments to reduce the impact of light ‘spill’ on urban bushland.

The only standard or guideline that could be found which relates to the effects of light spill on wildlife was the *National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife Including marine turtles, seabirds and migratory shorebirds*. Upon reviewing these guidelines, it was noted that it has outlined 6 best practice lighting design principles which include:

1. Start with natural darkness and only add light for specific purposes.
2. Use adaptive light controls to manage light timing, intensity and colour.
3. Light only the object or area intended – keep lights close to the ground, directed and shielded to avoid light spill.
4. Use the lowest intensity lighting appropriate for the task.
5. Use non-reflective, dark-coloured surfaces.
6. Use lights with reduced or filtered blue, violet and ultra-violet wavelengths.

To minimise the effects of light spill on our bushland reserves, it is recommended that Council adopt changes to the DCP Part H - Bushland at the next DCP review. The changes are to include controls that limit the impacts of light spill on bushland that are based on the 6 best practice design principals of the *National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife*. These changes to the DCP will ensure the effects of external lighting must be designed to minimise harmful light spill on to any adjoining bushland. Council will also develop a set of standard Development Consent conditions that reflect these principles.

3. Approach the authors of the research provided to determine if they will work with Council to develop a standard to reduce the impact of light ‘spill’ on urban bushland.

The reports referred to in the Notice of Motion were based on studies of the effects of light spill on insectivorous bats. Their research demonstrated that light spill on the edge of bushland does have a disruptive effect on these bats. Council staff have reached out to three of the four authors of the research to see if they would be available to provide some assistance in reviewing Council’s proposed amendments to Council’s DCP or developing some further controls. Unfortunately, at the time of contact they were unavailable to assist. However, should an opportunity arise in the future to work with these authors, Council will consider any additional recommendations when preparing the Draft DCP amendments.

Notice of Motion - Protect Bushland adjacent to the Western Side of the Golf Course

- 1. Amend the wording of the report from ‘this area of bushland is currently not part of any bushland management plan’ to ‘this area of bushland is currently not part of any funded bushland management program’;***

This Resolution has acknowledged the change at the meeting.

2. Investigate and report back to a Councillor Workshop for further discussion, the process, costs and resources required to identify opportunities to consolidate and extend the existing Northwood slope C2 zoning to cover adjacent remnant patches of bushland on public land;

The proposed consolidation and extension of the C2 zoning around the western edge of the Golf Course to include areas of vegetation that are currently not zoned C2 has been broken down into the following task with cost estimates:

- a. Survey and locate property boundaries - \$45k
- b. Survey and locate existing C2 boundary - \$20k
- c. Engage Ecologist to provide report to demonstrate bushland meets C2 requirements - \$25k
- d. Survey new C2 boundary - \$40k
- e. Development and Lodgment of Planning Proposal with DPE - \$100k

The total estimated cost to of adjusting the C2 boundaries is approximately \$230k that is not included in Council's current budgets. If it was determined to undertake this task a funding source would need to be found. It is recommended that the C2 boundaries be unaltered.

3. Investigate and report on damage to this area of bushland by any surrounding use and details how this damage will be repaired, including the funding of this repair;

The total area along the western edge is over 25,000m² with approximately 9 properties that may be encroaching into C2 and RE1 areas.

Many parts of the bush found along the western side of Golf Course are heavily weed infested and are a higher priority for bush regeneration before attempting to convert encroachments into native bushland which would be very expensive.

Council currently engages Bush Regeneration contractors to restore bushland around the entire Golf Course as part of its annual works program. Council focuses bush regeneration in areas with the highest resilience first before directing its attention to heavily weed infested areas.

The entire area of bushland along the western edge of the Golf Course needs regeneration, not just locations where encroachments are located.

4. Undertake a public process to name the bushland known as the "Northwood Slope" located adjacent to the western side of the golf course; and

The bushland on the western side of the Golf Course is currently known as the Northwood Slope. Council's Human Services Division will commence development of a process to involve the community in the selection of a name.

5. Develop a plan and budget for future regeneration of this reserve;

Council currently engages contractors to undertake bush regeneration works in the bushland surrounding the Golf Course and has done so for many years. In 2021-22 financial year these contractors worked 559 hours at a cost of \$29,400.

The current plan for regeneration is to target areas with high resilience which are appropriate for bush regeneration, containing a range of diverse local native species while having a reasonably intact natural seed bank (low disturbance).

The bush regenerators protect the tree canopy in the area by removing weed vines using skirting, herbicide spray and manual removal techniques. Primary weeding would be used to remove woody weeds using mechanical and chemical application methods. Secondary hand removal of grass/herbaceous weeds would be required to remove colonising weeds that come up after primary removal.

The combination of herbicide application (organic and inorganic), flame weeding and hand weeding will be used in the maintenance stages of the regeneration works giving the best chance for the bush to recover naturally.

An ongoing maintenance schedule would be needed to continue to maintain weedy areas to protect the natural regeneration of ground cover and midstory native vegetation.

Areas which would benefit most from revegetation works are low resilient areas containing only some native tree cover with an understory of weeds.

Revegetation is generally used as a last resort when there is little to no natural regeneration. Only local endemic plants sourced from the Council nursery shall be used to revegetate as this will keep good local provenance.

Areas identified for revegetation works would be planned with a focus on habitat creation and linking wildlife corridors.

A maintenance bush regeneration schedule and perpetual budget shall be incorporated into the plan to ensure the plantings are maintained and watered, failed plantings to be replanted and the area kept free of weeds.

Budget

Currently Council's budget for the bushland surrounding the Golf Course is \$30k/annum. If an increase were considered it should be limited to \$10k. Any increase over \$10k would not increase the speed of regeneration as the process requires time. It is recommended to consider an increase in the Golf Course Bush Regeneration Budget of \$10k in next financial year's budget.

Notice of Motion - Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities

- 1. Council investigate developing a public education program to ensure the community, particularly those living adjacent to bushland (C2) and public recreation and open spaces land (RE1), understands that encroachment is unlawful and damaging, and to assist them in appreciating the values of their adjacent bushland and open space in its natural state;***

Council is in the process of designing an educational poster with accompanying guidelines that will be used for educational purposes and enforcement for encroachment issues.

The different types of encroachments to be addressed in the educational poster include

- a. Bush cleared for private assets (i.e. trampoline, swing set, BBQ's, firepits, garden sheds)
- b. Extension of homeowner's garden into bushland (i.e. landscaping, terracing, steps and lawn)
- c. Inappropriate planting into bushland (i.e. lawn, fruit trees, and exotic plants)
- d. Dumping (i.e. green waste, general waste and electronic waste)

The estimated cost to develop the poster and guidelines is \$5k, which is being covered within existing Bushland Budgets.

Once produced, Council will send the information to all properties adjoining and adjacent to bushland. This information will also be put out to the general community using Council's Website, Council's Facebook, Bushcare's Facebook, Bush Kids Facebook, Golden Whistler Bushcare Newsletter, Quarterly Newsletter and Notice Boards, etc.

2. Council investigate developing a publicly advertised process to address reported encroachments to ensure the boundaries are clear and encroached land is restored to the public domain and its natural state; and

Council currently notifies breaches for development activities in the monthly Snapshot report to Council. It is proposed to also add bushland encroachments that Council is in the process of investigating into the monthly Snapshot.

3. A report be provided to Council to outline the proposed programs, costs and processes to implement recommendations 1 and 2.

Based on the initiatives identified they can be accommodated within existing and future budget provisions.

Conclusion

In relation to the three Notices of Motion relating to bushland it is recommended that the following task be undertaken for each of the motions:

Light Spill on Urban Bushland

At the next DCP review controls be added to Part H - Bushland of the DCP to the effect that external lighting must be designed to minimise light spill into any adjoining bushland and then any subsequent Development Applications be conditioned accordingly.

Protect Bushland adjacent to the Western Side of the Golf Course

- Council commence development of a process to involve the community in the selection of a name for the area currently known as the Northwood Slope along the western edge of the Golf Course.
- Council consider increasing the current Golf Course Bush Regeneration budget by \$10k in next financial year's budget.

Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities

- Council complete the designing of an educational poster with accompanying guidelines to be used for educational purposes and enforcement for encroachment issues.
- Bushland encroachments that Council is in the process of investigating into the monthly Snapshot report to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Develop and adopt changes to the DCP Part H - Bushland at the next DCP review based on the 6 best practice design principals of the *National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife*, to ensure external lighting is designed to minimise harmful light spill on any adjoining bushland;
2. Develop a set of standard Development Consent conditions that reflect the 6 best practice design principals of *National Light Pollution Guidelines for Wildlife*;
3. Council commence development of a process to involve the community in the selection of a name for the area currently known as the Northwood Slope along the western edge of the Golf Course;
4. Consider increasing the current Golf Course Bush Regeneration budget by \$10k in next financial year's budget;
5. Council continue designing an educational poster with accompanying guidelines that will be used for educational purposes and enforcement for encroachment issues; and
6. Add bushland encroachments that Council is in the process of investigating into the monthly Snapshot report to Council.

Martin Terescenko

Executive Manager - Open Space and Urban Services
Open Space and Urban Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

Subject: Draft Community Engagement Strategy
Record No: SU80 - 65273/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Steven Kludass

Executive Summary

This report provides an update on the progress made in relation to the review of Council's community consultation and includes a Draft Community Engagement Strategy for Council's consideration. It is recommended that Council adopt the Draft Community Engagement Strategy for the purposes of public exhibition.

Background

Council resolved the following at its Ordinary Council Meeting of 18 August 2022:

That Council:

1. *Receive and note the Community Consultation Review report;*
2. *Develop a Draft Action Plan, consistent with the contents of this report, for referral to the Digital Transformation Reference Group for input and comment; and*
3. *Receive a Draft Action Plan for Councillor consideration at a Councillor Workshop, prior to the formalisation of a Final Action Plan no later than November 2022.*

Following a review of Council's adopted Community Engagement Policy, it was evident a separate Community Engagement Strategy was necessary to help enact, guide and enable the Policy.

The Draft Community Engagement Strategy has been distributed to members of the Digital Transformation Reference Group (DTRG) for input and comment. At the time of writing this report, Council had not received any comments from the DTRG in relation to the Draft Strategy.

A short presentation outlining the contents of the Draft Community Engagement Strategy was presented to Council at a Councillor Workshop on 14 November 2022. Feedback received from Councillors has been incorporated in the Draft Strategy.

Discussion

The Draft Community Engagement Strategy has been developed to guide Council's approach to community engagement. Whereas the Community Engagement Policy outlines Council's commitment to community engagement in a holistic sense, the Community Engagement Strategy specifically articulates Council's commitment to the IPA2 Framework, outlines our approach to community engagement (what, why, where, when and how) and contains key objectives and actions as components of an Implementation Approach.

One of the primary issues raised in previous community consultation workshop sessions has been Council's inconsistent execution of its Policy. The addition of four (4) Objectives and related Action Plan items will advance where Council's focus needs to be if we are to improve our current community engagement practices.

The four (4) Objectives are:

1. Building capacity;
2. Inclusive engagement;

3. Accountability and Transparency; and
4. Continuous Improvement

Each of these four (4) Objectives include a series of undertakings in the form of action items which will be periodically evaluated and reported to Council.

Community Consultation

Statement of Intent

The consultation is designed to gauge the level of community support for the Draft Community Engagement Strategy to obtain feedback regarding the content as well as to ascertain if any amendments are necessary. The consultation will take place for a period of six (6) weeks and any comments received will be reviewed and evaluated to determine whether any revisions are necessary to the Draft Community Engagement Strategy prior to adoption.

Method

Level of Participation	Inform	Consult
Form of Participation	- Website - eNewsletter	- Survey - Written Submissions
Target Audience	Lane Cove Community	Lane Cove Community Digital Transformation Reference Group

Conclusion

The Draft Community Engagement Strategy has been prepared in response to feedback received following a series of engagement sessions with members of the community, a number of Councillors and several members of staff over the past 3-4 months.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adopt, for the purpose of public exhibition, the Draft Community Engagement Strategy;
2. Council undertake community consultation for a period of six (6) weeks as per the consultation plan outlined in the report; and
3. Following the exhibition period, the Draft Community Engagement Strategy, together with a report on any submissions received and any proposed amendments, be considered at the Council meeting to be held in February 2023.

Steven Kludass
Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 [View](#) LCC Community Engagement Strategy

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Subject: Lucretia Baths - Options for the Future
Record No: SU8705 - 65553/22
Division: Human Services Division
Author(s): Jane Gornall

Executive Summary

The Jean Mitchell Baths (Lucretia Baths) in Dunois Street, Longueville have been in existence since the 1920's. The Baths were originally built by the residents of the area for use as private baths. The Baths operated under a lease between the residents and the Maritime Services Board (now Transport for NSW) TfNSW) until 1992 when the lease was transferred across to Council.

The Baths were reconstructed by the community members in 1968 and in 1987 and Council undertook works of \$7,500 in 1992. Council also undertook maintenance repairs in 2006. The Baths are now showing signs of their age and a rebuild of the structure is required.

Council has obtained estimates for the rebuilding of the Baths with the price estimated to approximately \$600,000.

Council unsuccessfully submitted a grant application into the NSW Government Places to Swim - 2021/22 Grant Program to rebuild the Baths and to enhance the surrounding foreshore area.

Council has resubmitted a revised grant application to the 2022/23 Places to Swim Program. The results of the Grant submission are expected to be known in February 2023. Council would be required to contribute \$150,000 towards the estimated \$600,000 if the grant was successful.

This Report raises the issue of Council deciding:

1. To undertake community consultation about the future of the Baths if the grant is unsuccessful – which would include considering providing funding in the 2023/4 budget to cover the cost of the rebuilding. An amount of \$150,000 would need to be included in the budget to cover the cost of Council's contribution if the grant was successful.
2. To exploring alternative options which could include – returning the Baths to TFNSW or demolishing the Baths and rejuvenating the area adjacent to the Baths to enhance its attractiveness to the community.

In the interim it is recommended that the Baths be closed for access as the structure is no longer safe to use.

Background

In November 1991, the Lucretia Baths Co-operative Society Board wrote to Council requesting that Council "give serious consideration to taking over the Baths Lease from the M.S.B. and the management of the Baths situated in Dunois Street, Longueville' citing "Individual Board members are no longer willing to take on responsibility owing to fears of personal liability in the event of serious litigation against the Lucretia Baths Co-operative Society."

Council considered the matter in November 1991, and March and April 1992. In 1992 the lease was passed over to Council. Council undertook works of \$7,500 based on the recommendations of Council's Chief Engineer and Council's insurer to ensure the safety of the Baths. The improvements included; removal of exposed rock and replacement with sand; replacement of

unsafe steps; installation of additional handrails and provision of a handrail on the walkway; erection of new depth boards; and more safety advisory signage.

Since then Council has intermittently carried out maintenance works, including in 2006 replacing some of the wooden slats with Modwood. While this work fixed the needs at the time, it was not in keeping with the heritage nature of the Baths, which was constructed using wooden slats. The local Heritage listing (1987) states *Of rarity value – one of 3 remaining examples of timber-paling harbourside baths left in Sydney. Of technical significance. Of social significance to Longueville, illustrating public recreational use of harbour. Of aesthetic value and an important part of the picturesque riverscape of Woodford Bay.*

The Baths are currently in a state of disrepair with significant funding required to bring the Baths up to a safe standard. If repaired, Council will also need to make an annual budget for maintenance available and it will also need to put aside funds for further replacement of parts of the structure in future years.

TfNSW who is the owner of the majority of the Baths has also raised concerns with Council regarding the current ability of boat owners to tie their boats up to the handrail on the platform on the western side of the Baths. TfNSW do not see this as lawful use of the Baths and have requested Council to consider ways of not permitting this activity.

Discussion

Council staff consider the present structure to be unsafe for public access and are recommending erecting signage notifying any prospective users that the structure is unsafe. Council will need to reach a decision if it feels that the costs of rebuilding the Baths is justified.

Council has submitted an amended grant application to the 2022/3 Places to Swim Grant program. If Council is either successful in receiving a Places to Swim Grant or decides to undertake the reconstruction of the Baths using Council funds several actions need to be carried out:

- Detailed Plans to the standard required for a Development Application need to be prepared and submitted to TfNSW;
- A tender process for a builder will need to be undertaken as the works will be over the Tender requirement of \$250,000; and
- At the end of the project Council will need to provide to TfNSW a Works as Executed (WAE) survey and a Port Bed Clearance Report (PCBR).

TfNSW have suggested Council enter into a new lease or licence agreement as Council is on a hold over lease from 1992.

If Council is to proceed with the works, it would not be able to commence until funding became available to undertake the detailed planning works and then the tender was finalised. The actual works are expected to take four – six months to complete.

One alternative to rebuilding the Baths would be to rejuvenate the beach and surrounds and include a BBQ, bubbler, shower, seats, and shade structure. This would enhance the area and allow people who would like to swim in the nearby water to swim but remove the Baths surround. TfNSW would need to agree to this project. There would still be costs associated with this concept including the demolition of the Baths, a port bed clearance report and costs associated with the rejuvenation of the area.

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Community Consultation

Statement of Intent

The consultation is designed to engage with the community to determine options for the future of the Jean Mitchell Baths (Lucretia Baths). Any comments received will be reviewed and evaluated to determine whether or not to proceed with the rebuilding of the Baths or demolition and rejuvenation of the Baths surrounds.

Method

Level of Participation	Inform	Inform	Consult
Form of Participation	Open	Targeted	Open
Target Audience	Lane Cove Community	Residents in the area surrounding the Baths	Lane Cove Community TfNSW
Proposed Medium	Advertisement and eNewsletter	Notification Letters and Brochure / Letterbox Drop Onsite signage explaining the options	Website Exhibition and Survey
Indicative Timing	December 2022 until end January 2023	December 2022 until end January 2023	December 2022 until end January 2023

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council proceed with the installation of signage advising that the Baths structure is unsafe. It is also recommended that Council commence community consultation on the possible options for the Baths precinct – including:

- a) Rebuilding of the Baths – at an estimated cost of \$600,000 with a Council contribution of \$150,000 if the grant is successful and the full cost to Council of \$600,000 if the grant is unsuccessful.
- b) Demolition of the Baths and rejuvenation of the area – with an estimated cost of \$150,000.

It is further recommended that Council enter into further discussions with TfNSW with regard to the future of the Baths.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Undertake Community Consultation as outlined in the report on the future of the Baths, with the options to include:-
 - Rebuilding of the Baths to attract and retain community use;
 - Demolition of the Baths and the rejuvenation of the area; and
 - Requesting the community to suggest other options.
2. Erect signage at the Baths to deter usage of the Baths due to safety concerns;
3. Liaise with Transport for NSW – (TfNSW) about the options for the future of the Baths; and
4. Receive a report after the Community Consultation has concluded.

Jane Gornall
Executive Manager - Human Services
Human Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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LEP AMENDMENT NO 40 – SUBDIVISION OF EXISTING APPROVED DUAL OCCUPANCY DWELLINGS

Subject: LEP Amendment No 40 – Subdivision of Existing Approved Dual Occupancy Dwellings
Record No: SU8814 - 65853/22
Division: Environmental Services Division
Author(s): Terry Tredrea; Christopher Pelcz

Executive Summary

This report outlines the Planning Proposal (**AT-1**) to permit subdivision of certain approved dual occupancy dwellings under company title in the R2 zone on or before Thursday 16 June 2022.

While it has always been permissible to construct dual occupancies in the R2 zone in Lane Cove LGA on lots with a minimum 750 sqm (attached) and 900 sqm (detached), it is prohibited to subdivide them.

This prohibition is Clause 4.1A of Council's *Local Environmental Plan*. The aim has been to maintain a “*desired low-density character*”, especially in the R2 residential zones by discouraging dual occupancies in smaller lots.

At its Ordinary meeting 23 June 2022 (**AT-3** and **AT-4**) Council resolved to prepare a planning proposal in support of the view expressed by a resident (**AT-2**) that:

“the owner or potential owner of company-title residences [experience great difficulty in obtaining] finance or equity release from a banking institution or other lender, due to recent universal changes in lending policy.”

In response, Planning Proposal No 40 was prepared to permit those four owners of dual occupancies currently registered under company title in R2 zones to *strata* subdivide their properties. That is, to amend clause 4.1A to permit strata subdivision of:

- certain approved dual occupancy dwellings
- in the R2 zone
- registered under company title
- on or before Thursday 16th June 2022.

In November 2022, Council's Local Planning Panel was requested to review and consider the proposal in relation to the Strategic Merit Test, the Site-Specific Merit Test and consistency with Section 3.33 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and advise Council accordingly.

The Panel notes (**AT-6**) that “*the Planning Proposal as proposed in its original form fails to meet the strategic merit test*”. Furthermore, such a selective amendment “*disadvantages those dual occupancies which have not gone down that path*” of using company title to create defacto subdivision and remained unsubdivided.

As a result, the Panel has suggested amending the wording to the original LEP amendment in order to “*introduce equity to the owners of all existing dual occupancies approved prior to 16 June 2022*”. It was recommended that Council forward the amended Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning and Environment to request the issuing of a Gateway determination on behalf of the Council.

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Background

Current Planning Controls

- In the R2 Low Density Residential zone, Dual occupancies (both attached and detached) are permissible with consent. "Dual occupancy" is defined as 2 dwellings on one lot of land.
- However, Clause 4.1 (4A) of the Lane Cove LEP states that:

Despite subclause (3), the size of a lot for the purposes of a dual occupancy must not be less than—

- (a) for dual occupancy (attached)—750 square metres, and*
- (b) for dual occupancy (detached)—900 square metres.*

- Clause 4.1A of the LEP regarding subdivision of dual occupancies, states:

Despite any other provision of this Plan, development consent must not be granted to the subdivision of land on which a dual occupancy is erected or proposed to be erected if the subdivision would result in the dwellings that comprise the dual occupancy being located on separate lots.

The result is effectively a total prohibition of subdivision of dual occupancies in R2, even where they are permitted to be constructed.

Discussion

The Planning Proposal process is governed by Division 3.4 of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and the *Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline* (prepared by NSW Department of Planning & Environment). The main steps involved can be summarised as:

- Step 1 – Applicant lodges Planning Proposal via NSW Planning Portal.
- Step 2 – Initial assessment report prepared by staff and presented to Local Planning Panel for advice (meeting is webcast and speakers can attend meeting).
- Step 3 – Panel's advice reported to Council who determines whether or not to forward the Proposal for a Gateway Determination (we are at this stage).
- Step 4 – NSW Department of Planning & Environment assesses Proposal and decides whether or not to issue a conditional Gateway Determination (delegation will normally be issued to Council to finalise).
- Step 5 – Subject to Gateway conditions, full community consultation will be undertaken.
- Step 6 – A post-consultation report is presented to Council with a response to submissions. Council determines whether to finalise the Proposal and delegate authority to General Manager.
- Step 7 – Amendments are finalised and published.

Local Planning Panel's advice

The Local Planning Panel have reviewed the proposal and were not supportive on the grounds that it did not meet the strategic merit test. They have suggested an alternative amendment of Clause 4.1A of the *Lane Cove LEP 2009* by the addition of a subclause states that despite the prohibition on subdivision of land containing a dual occupancy:

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(2) Development consent may be granted to the subdivision of a lot on which a dual occupancy is erected or proposed to be erected on condition that this applies to:-

- a) the land is in Zone R2 Low Density Residential; and*
- b) the dual occupancy had been erected, or the building work for the erection of the dual occupancy had commenced, on or before 16 June 2022; and*
- c) the erection was, or is being carried out, under a development consent or complying development certificate granted on or before 16 June 2022; and*
- d) the plans approved by the development consent or complying development certificate show parts of the building as being intended for separate occupation; and*
- e) the subdivision would create lots that substantially correspond with the parts shown on those plans as being for separate occupation; and*
- f) the size of each lot resulting from the subdivision is not to be less than 375 square metres.*

The Amended Planning Proposal will:

1. Allow owners of dual occupancies in the R2 zone of the Lane Cove local government area that were approved on or before 16th June 2022 to subdivide their properties.
2. By reference to the date of 16 June 2022, prevent “*an influx of dual occupancy development applications generally, since it is limited to existing dual occupancy developments or to those falling under the proposed sub clause 4.1A(2)*”.
3. Only retrospectively allow subdivision of buildings that were originally intended for separate occupation.

The attached Planning Proposal (**AT-1**) explains this under Section 2 *Explanation of provisions*.

The Local Planning Panel also recommended that Council “*gives consideration to revising its Local Strategic Planning Statement and its Local Housing Strategy to bring those policies into harmony with Planning Proposal No. 40*”.

This Panel recommendation is not supported because under the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, Section 3.9 (3A) any Local Strategic Planning Statement must be reviewed, supported and approved (in writing) by the Greater Cities Commission before Council adoption. Further, any amendment to the Local Housing Strategy must also be reviewed, supported and approved by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. This exercise would be time-consuming and ultimately unnecessary if the LEP amendment is supported by the Department of Planning and Environment.

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council support the amended Planning Proposal as suggested by the Local Planning Panel.

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Support the amended version of the LEP clause 4.1A amendment;
2. Forward the amended Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning and Environment to request the issuing of a Gateway determination on behalf of the Council; and
3. Grant delegated authority to the General Manager to correct any minor anomalies of a non-policy and administrative nature that may arise during the amendment process.

Mark Brisby
Executive Manager
Environmental Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1	View	Planning Proposal 40	12 Pages	Available Electronically
AT-2	View	Letter in support by resident	4 Pages	Available Electronically
AT-3	View	Notice of Motion - 23 June Meeting	3 Pages	Available Electronically
AT-4	View	Minute PP40 - 23 June Meeting	1 Page	Available Electronically
AT-5	View	Three model clauses	3 Pages	Available Electronically
AT-6	View	Advice - Lane Cove Local Planning Panel 8 November 2022	3 Pages	Available Electronically

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2022/23 BUDGET - FIRST QUARTER REVIEW**

Subject: 2022/23 Budget - First Quarter Review
Record No: SU8604 - 63254/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Sarah Seaman

Executive Summary

The 2022/23 Budget - First Quarter Review involves a number of variations to both income and expenditure estimates. Taking into consideration the variations from the First Quarter Budget Review, the projected 2022/23 overall operating result has been revised to a surplus of \$11.53M, with the operating result before grants and capital contributions forecast to be a surplus of \$0.05M. It is recommended that the Budget be varied in accordance with this report.

Background

Council is required to prepare a Budget Review Statement each quarter, in accordance with Clause 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. The purpose of these reviews is to ensure that the impacts of financial variations are reflected in the forecast of Council's global budgetary position to 30 June 2023, and the adopted Budget adjusted accordingly.

The majority of first quarter adjustments are attributed to income and expenditure estimates which have been carried forward from the 2021/22 Budget in order to complete projects or programs that were 'works in progress' as at 30 June 2022.

Discussion

A summary of Council's revised Budget for 2022/23 and a summary of budget movements have been included in this report:

	Original Budget (000's)	First Quarter Adjustments (000's)	Revised Budget (000's)
Expenditure - Operating	55,881	804	56,685
Income - Operating	56,184	552	56,736
Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Grants/Contributions	303	(252)	51
Income - Capital	10,214	1,265	11,479
Surplus/ (Deficit)	10,517	1,013	11,530

Summary of Budget Movements

Operational Expenses:

- *\$804K Increase in Materials and Contracts and Other Expenses which is made up of:*
 - \$36K Increase - Carryover grant for the Greener Neighbourhood Programme
 - \$20K Increase – Transfer from Sustainability Levy Fund, allocated to Spendmapp
 - \$232K Increase – Carryover funds for remediation at Lovetts Reserve
 - \$20K Increase - Carryover grant for the NSOOS Bush Regeneration Project
 - \$64K Increase – Carryover grant for the Loop Walk Wayfinding Project
 - \$380K Increase – Carryover grant for the Ventemans Reach Remediation Project
 - \$52K Increase – Carryover grant for the Social Cohesion & Resilience Program

Operational Income:

- \$552K Increase in Grant Income which is made up of:
 - \$36K Increase - Carryover grant for the Greener Neighbourhood Programme
 - \$20K Increase - Carryover grant for the NSOOS Bush Regeneration Project
 - \$64K Increase – Carryover grant for the Loop Walk Wayfinding Project
 - \$380K Increase – Carryover grant for the Ventemans Reach Remediation Project
 - \$52K Increase – Carryover grant for the Social Cohesion & Resilience Program

Capital Income

- \$1,265K Increase in Grant Income which is made up of:
 - \$80K Increase - Carryover grant for the NSW Planning Portal API Project
 - \$300K Increase - Grant received from Transport NSW for Mowbray Road Blackspot Project
 - \$27K Increase - Carryover grant for the Gore Creek Reserve Walking Track Project
 - \$275K Increase - Carryover grant for the Ventemans Boardwalk Project
 - \$83K Increase - Grant received for the Carisbrook Roofing Project
 - \$500K Increase - Carryover grant for the St Leonards Library Project

Capital Expenditure

- \$17,779K Increase Capital Expenditure which is made up of:
 - \$80K Increase - Carryover grant for the NSW Planning Portal API Project
 - \$300K Increase - Grant received from Transport NSW for the Mowbray Road Blackspot Project
 - \$20K Increase – Carryover from the Sustainability Levy Reserve for the Aquatic Centre Grandstand Solar Project
 - \$100K Increase – Carryover from the Sustainability Levy Reserve for the Civic Centre Solar Panel Project
 - \$22K Increase – Carryover from the Sustainability Levy Reserve for the Tantallon LED Lights Project
 - \$27K Increase - Carryover grant for the Gore Creek Reserve Walking Track Project
 - \$5,000K Increase – Bushland Expansion Program
 - \$276K Increase - Carryover grant for the Ventemans Boardwalk Project
 - \$1,000K Increase – Transfer from the Indoor Sport & Recreation Reserve to progress works related to the proposed Facility
 - \$10,077K – Transfer from the VPA Reserve for the completion of St Leonards Plaza.
 - \$165K Increase - Grant received for the Carisbrook Roofing Project
 - \$83K Decrease – Transfer from Facilities Management budget to Carisbrook Roofing Project
 - \$225K Increase – Carryover for the Market Square Carparking System Project
 - \$500K Increase - Carryover grant for the St Leonards Library Project
 - \$70K Increase – Transfer from the Capital Works Reserve, additional funding required for Henningham Playground Project.

A copy of all proposed budget adjustments can be found in **AT-1**.

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2022/23 BUDGET - FIRST QUARTER REVIEW**

Conclusion

The following statement, by the Responsible Accounting Officer, is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Lane Cove Council for the quarter ended 30 September 2022 indicates that Council's projected financial position will be satisfactory at year end 30 June 2023, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

RECOMMENDATION

That the 2022/23 Budget be varied as follows:-

	Original Budget (000's)	First Quarter Adjustments (000's)	Revised Budget (000's)
Expenditure - Operating	55,881	804	56,685
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Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Grants/Contributions	303	(252)	51
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Steven Kludass
Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1	View	Budget Review for the Quarter ended 30 September 2022	12 Pages	Available Electronically
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<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN - 2022/23 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW</p>

Subject: Delivery Program and Operational Plan - 2022/23 First Quarter Review
Record No: SU238 - 63259/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Stephen Golding

Executive Summary

This report outlines the 2022/23 First Quarter progress towards achieving the projects and activities listed in the adopted 2022/23 Delivery Program and Operational Plan. It is recommended that the report be received and noted.

Discussion

The 2022/23 – 2024/25 Delivery Program and 2022/23 Operational Plan was endorsed by Council on 23 June 2022.

Council's 2022/23 Delivery Program and Operational Plan outlines the strategies, actions and new initiatives proposed to be undertaken during the financial year in order to advance the goals and objectives of the *Community Strategic Plan: Liveable Lane Cove: 2035*. The First Quarter Review of the 2022/23 Delivery Program and Operational Plan is attached at **AT-1**. The report indicates the responsible work area and includes a short progress report and action status.

Some highlights for the First Quarter include:

- The Lane Cove Community Nursery this quarter potted 2,734 new plants potted distributed 3,842 plants this quarter through various Council programs;
- The Harbourcare program continues to facilitate rubbish clean-ups in our local reserves and waterways. This quarter, Council hosted 3 clean-up events and 1 individual clean-up. A total of 23 volunteers were active in this period, 32.5kg of rubbish was removed and 1,381 individual pieces recorded;
- The Sustainability Levy has been utilised to fund a total of 42 projects, covering the areas of environmental, social, and economic sustainability;
- The energy and water efficiency measures installed at the new Tantallon Pavilion and Oval were launched in September. The measures included a 60kw solar PV system, two 101kWh lithium-ion batteries, energy efficient LED lighting for the Pavilion and oval, 20,000 litre rainwater harvesting tanks to help irrigate the oval, and rain garden featuring native plants;
- Council launched a partnership in August with RecycleSmart to provide residents with a pick-up service of tricky to recycle items such as soft plastics and textiles. This quarter 133 pickups were completed, weighing over 500kg's;
- Lane Cove Festival ran throughout September 2022, with over 50 events targeting all members of the community;
- Sponsorship in 2022 allowed the brochure to be digitally available but also to be delivered to all residences in Lane Cove;
- Council ran several events during Cameraygal Week, in support of celebration of the traditional owners of the land;
- The draft Disability Inclusion Action plan was completed and prepared for public exhibition;

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- Lane Cove Library hosted a Technology Expo during Adult Learners week. The community was able to experience 3D printing, laser cutting, crafting with Cricut, virtual reality, etc;
- During the Lane Cove Festival, the Library organised a Spanish-themed week of events to celebrate a new collaboration with the Cervantes Instituto. Hundreds of the Institute's collection are now available at Lane Cove Library. A one year free membership also makes Spanish eBooks and eAudiobooks available to Library borrowers;
- Local Studies staff created a display to celebrate the life of Caroline Jones AO. Prior to her passing in May 2022, Caroline had donated a small collection of memorabilia to the Library including her 1972 Logie Award and her 2013 Walkley Award;
- Following a detailed review and successful exhibition, Council adopted the Sustainability Action Plan 2022-2025 at its 29 September Ordinary Council Meeting. The Plan provides a robust framework for Council to continue to pursue excellence in sustainability. It was developed with extensive stakeholder engagement, with Council's diverse range of functional areas, members of Councils Advisory Committees, and the broader community;
- Council has engaged three medium to high density apartment complexes to participate in the community-led resilience program. Five events have been held across the three complexes at Lane Cove North and St Leonards this quarter, with one complex already forming a resilience team after a series of engagements which focused on getting to know your neighbours, defining community resilience, identifying and prioritising local hazards and risks, and developing resilience solutions; and
- Council has partnered with service providers to promote emergency preparedness to our vulnerable communities. Two trial "get prepared" workshops were held in September for CALD community members in partnership with Willoughby City Council and the Australian Red Cross.

RECOMMENDATION

That the First Quarter Review of the 2022/23 Delivery Program and Operational Plan be received and noted.

Steven Kludass

Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

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AT-1 View	Delivery Program and Operational Plan - 1st Quarter Review 2022- 2023	193 Pages	Available Electronically
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Subject: Lane Cove Council Draft Annual Report 2021/22
Record No: SU245 - 61373/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Steven Kludass

Executive Summary

The Local Government Act, 1993 requires all NSW councils to prepare an Annual Report for the previous reporting period by 30 November each year. Lane Cove Council's Draft Annual Report for 2021/22 has been produced and this report recommends that Council adopt this document as the finalised Annual Report and send a copy to the Minister for Local Government as required by the Local Government Act, 1993.

Discussion

Council's Draft Annual Report for 2021/22 is attached electronically as **AT-1** and covers all of the matters listed in the Local Government Act, 1993 to be addressed, in particular the financial information included in the Audited Annual Financial Statements and the progress on achieving the projects and activities listed in the 2021/22 Operational Plan.

In order to maintain consistency amongst Council's Corporate Planning documents, the Draft Annual Report is organised into Council's Six Strategic Planning Themes in the same way as the Liveable Lane Cove: 2035 Plan and the annual Operational Plan. This helps to reflect Council's achievements across the key themes rather than by Council's internal organisational structure.

The Draft Annual Report contains an introduction by the Mayor and General Manager for this reporting period. The highlights for 2021/22 as described in their introduction has been reproduced below for the information of Councillors and the community:

A year ago, Lane Cove took out equal highest place in the Australian Liveability Census after our community's perceptions of liveability, community values and attributes were measured against neighbourhoods across Australia.

The results showed that Lane Cove's top liveability strengths are a sense of personal safety; local businesses that provide for daily needs; the natural environment; access to neighbourhood amenities; and a sense of belonging in the community. Other high-ranking results against the national average included sustainable urban design, cultural and/or artistic community, evidence of community activity, unusual or unique buildings and/or public space design and evidence of recent public investment (in infrastructure).

Over the course of this past year we have continued to deliver high-quality services and facilities for our community and with the introduction of a new Council in January 2022 came the opportunity to revisit our Liveable Lane Cove: 2035 plan to make sure it aligns with our community's expectations for the future.

As part of our commitment to planning for the future, Council joined together with 24 other councils to sign one of the largest renewable energy deals for local government which resulted in all Council facilities and streetlights being powered by 100% renewable energy from 1 July 2022.

The big picture focus has not however come at the expense of responding to the current needs of the community. For example, the outdoor dining trial on Longueville Road helped to provide additional opportunities for businesses recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic while the opening

of the 12ft Sailing Skiff Club, Friedlander Place and the Tantallon Oval Pavilion provided the community with greater access to foreshore areas, public space and public facilities.

Council continued to reduce its reliance on the grid by installing new solar PV systems at the Lane Cove Aquatic Leisure Centre, Council Depot and Tantallon Oval Pavilion. Drivers of electric vehicles can now also access faster charging stations at The Canopy while a new parking system at Market Square helps reduce the time taken to find a parking spot.

As the challenges of an enduring pandemic continue, Council has been conscious of creating vibrant, engaging places for our community to enjoy. This included running 100 additional events than the previous year and delivering the largest event so far at The Canopy with approximately 1,000 locals turning out for the ANZAC Day Service. In addition to continuing the success of some events being held online, Council has also continued to roll out its online service options for the community.

To improve road safety, new traffic signals were installed at Tambourine Bay Road/Burns Bay Road/Coxs Lane and the traffic signals at the intersection of River Road and Longueville Road were reconfigured. Shared User Paths were also constructed on River Road from Greenwich Road to St Vincents Road and on Tambourine Bay Road from River Road to Yallambee Road.

To ensure Lane Cove is a Sustainable Community, 300 advanced trees were planted in Longueville to improve the tree canopy, the preparation on an Urban Forest Strategy was commissioned, and new Climate Resilience and Sustainability Action Plans were adopted.

With such significant initiatives consistently being delivered by Council, our future as one of the most liveable communities in Australia is secure.

Conclusion

The Draft Annual Report has been prepared to meet the requirements of the Local Government Act. Upon adoption of the Annual Report, a copy will be forwarded to the Minister as required by the Local Government Act, 1993 and will be publicly accessible via the Popular Documents section on Council's website www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Council adopt the Draft Annual Report at **AT-1** for 2021/22;
2. The adopted Annual Report be forwarded to the Minister for Local Government; and
3. The Annual Report be published on Council's website.

Steven Kludass
Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 [View](#) Draft Annual Report 2021/22

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ANNUAL CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS 2022

Subject: Annual Customer Satisfaction Survey Results 2022
Record No: SU7705 - 66425/22
Division: General Managers Unit
Author(s): Jessica Quilty

Executive Summary

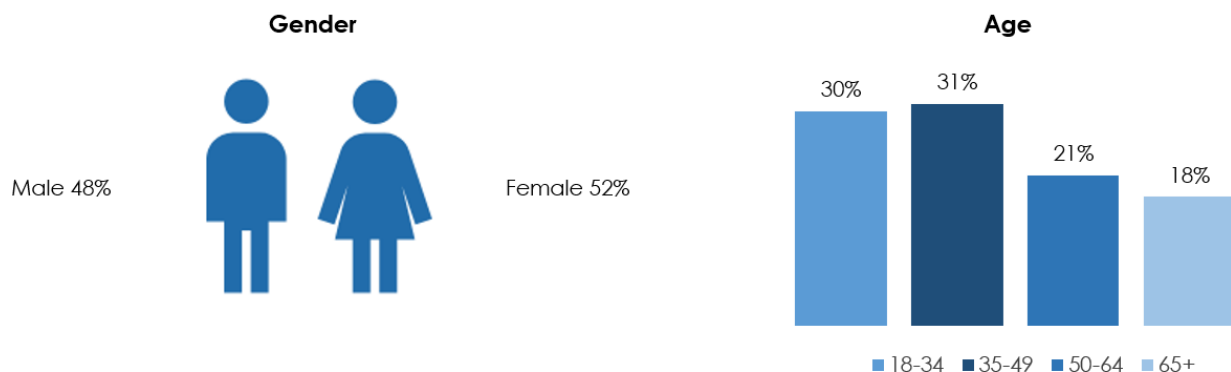
Each year Council undertakes a Customer Satisfaction Survey which aims to understand and identify the community's satisfaction with Council's performance across various service areas including planning and development, maintenance of roads and footpaths, parks and open space, and community services and facilities in accordance with Council Community Strategic Plan. It also identifies the community's overall level of satisfaction with Council performance and analyses the community's contact with Council and satisfaction with Council's customer service. This year Council achieved an overall satisfaction index of 6.90 against a target of 7. This report will also examine the demographic breakdown of respondents, areas of excellence and areas needing improvement. It is recommended that the report be received and noted.

Discussion

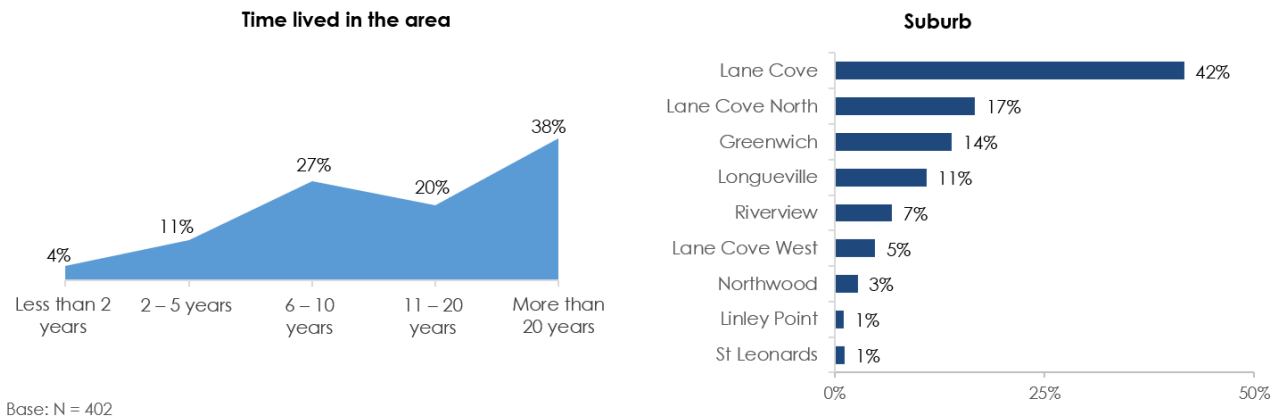
Background & Sample Profile

Council has been conducting the annual Community Satisfaction Survey since 1996 which allows Council to track and analyse key trends over time. This year's telephone survey was conducted by Micromex from the 20th- 29th September with 402 residents contacted to obtain feedback. Council uses a 4-point scale to accommodate comparisons with previous research (e.g. 1 = poor, 4 = excellent).

The demographic profile of the sample size was nearly a 50/50 split between male and female. In terms of age, the majority of respondents were under 49 which has been a shift on previous years.



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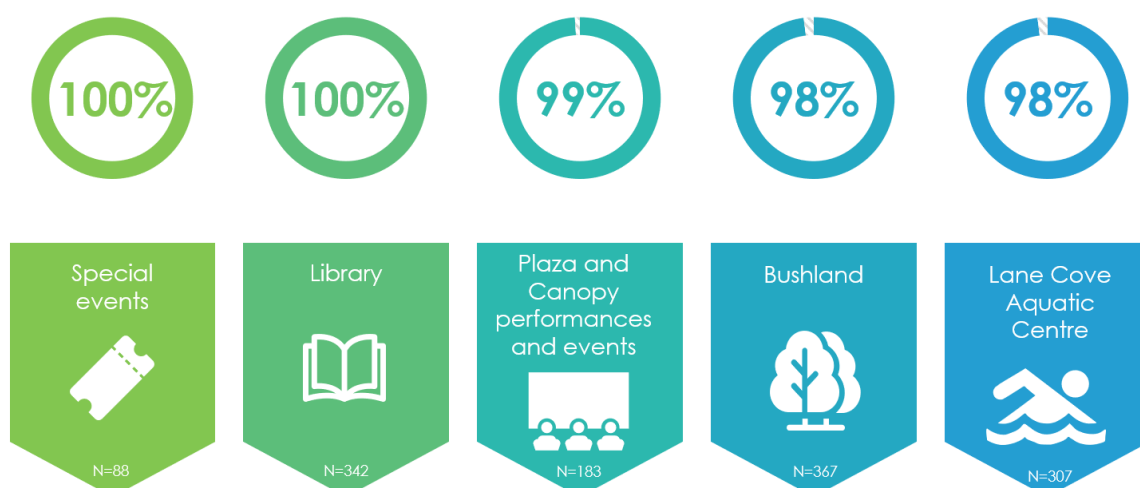
Satisfaction Results

Council recorded an overall satisfaction Index score of 6.90, slightly lower than last year's 7.01. Overall satisfaction with the Council remains in the "excellent" range. Residents who have lived in the LGA for fewer than 10 years were significantly more satisfied with Council. Overall satisfaction has remained steady over the past 10 years.



Council's top five services/facilities in terms of satisfaction include events, library, the Plaza and The Canopy performances, bushland and the Aquatic Centre.

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ANNUAL CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS 2022

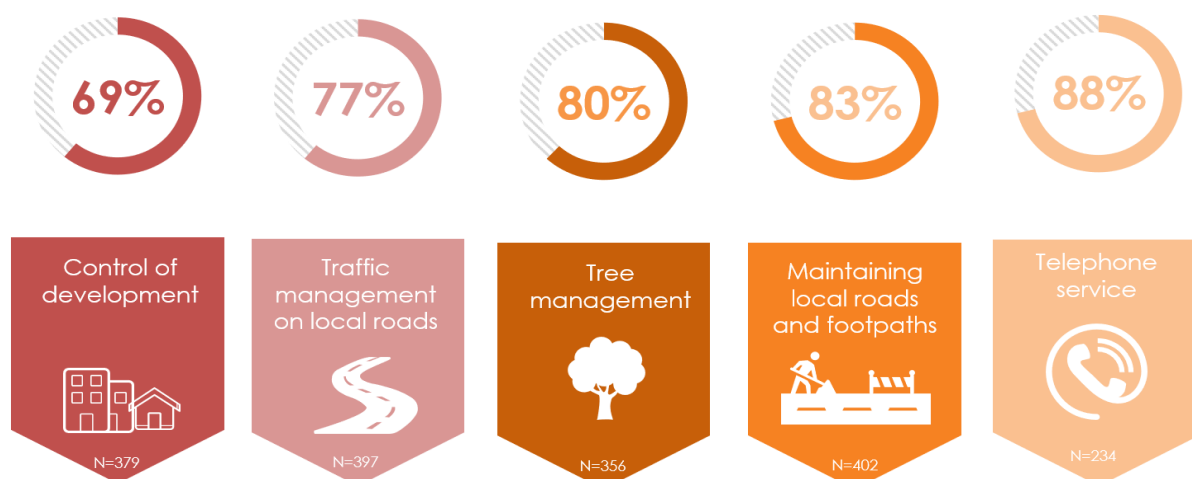


Other key areas of satisfaction were:

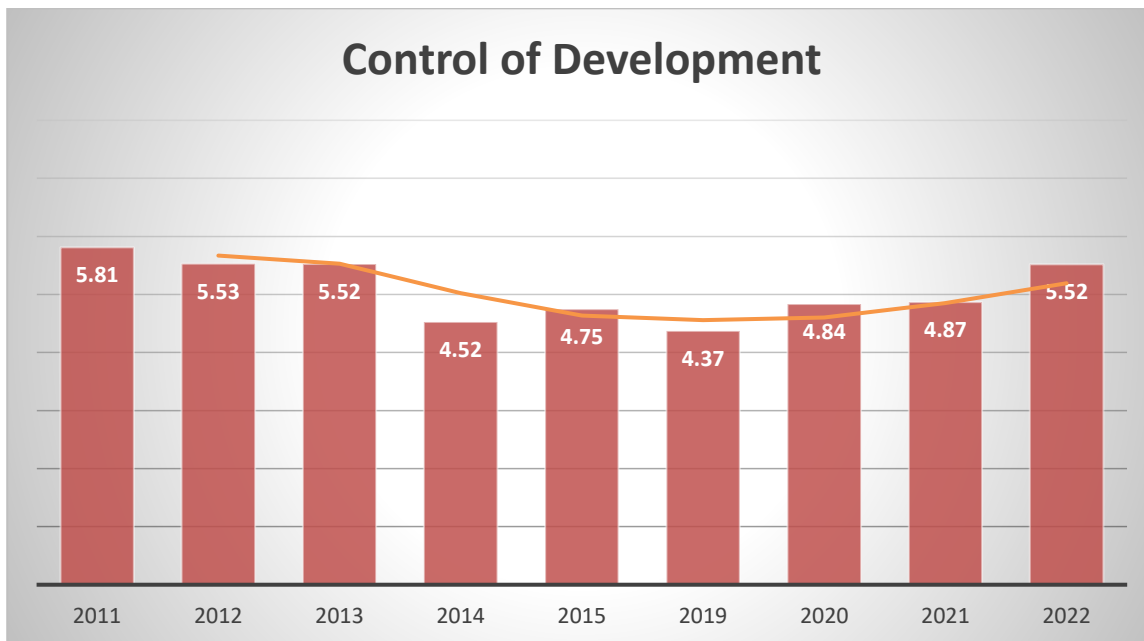
- Parks and Playgrounds - 97%
- Customer Service Centre – 95%
- Sportsfields – 94%
- Waste and recycling - 92%

Councils least performing services include control of development, traffic management, tree management, maintenance of road and footpaths and Councils telephone services. However, it should be noted that the latter still performed well with 80% plus satisfaction.

Council provides a wide range of services to the community. For each of the following services can you please indicate whether you believe the standard of service is Poor, Fair, Good or Excellent.



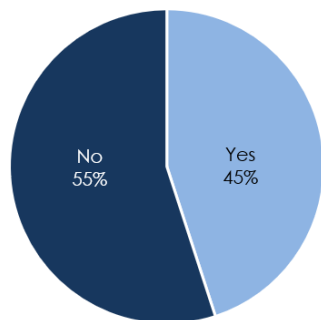
Control of development has historically been an area of dissatisfaction with residents with a low satisfaction range occurring between 2014 and 2019 which may correlate to the construction (property) boom in Sydney. However, minor improvements were seen in 2022.



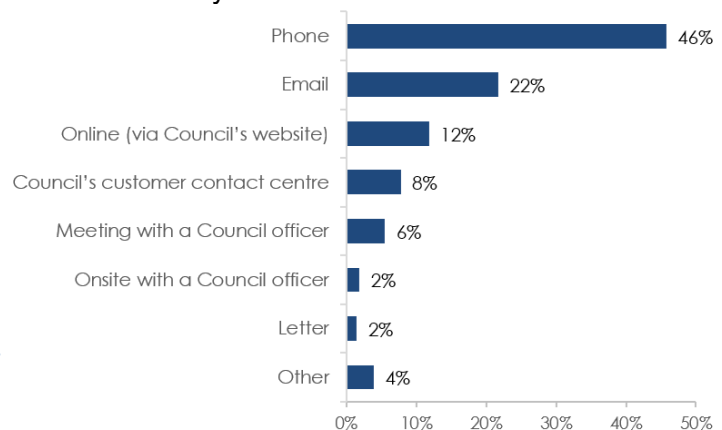
Council Contact and Strategies for Improvement

45% of residents have contacted Lane Cove Council in the past 12 months, with residents aged 65+ significantly more likely to have done so.

The primary modes of communication include phone (46%) followed by email (22%). Council is reviewing its telephone services structure aiming to improve first contact resolution whilst also offering more online 'self service' options for the community.



Base: N=402



Base: N=179

Council is undertaking various projects across the LGA to improve local traffic conditions. The intersection at Mowbray Rd/Centennial Ave is being upgraded to allow for greater capacity. Traffic calming measures are also being introduced in Dorritt Street following consultation, as well as Coxes Lane and Bridge Street. Council recently completed modifications to the Mowbray Road 'bend' aiming to improve safety. Council will also prioritise road and footpath maintenance in next year's budget.

A full breakdown of results can be found in **AT-1**

Conclusion

Overall, the 2022 customer satisfaction survey results indicate that Council's performance is consistent with prior years. There are improvements in the results in a number of service areas and some potential opportunities for future improvement in other areas which Council is taking steps to address.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

Craig Wrightson
General Manager
General Managers Unit

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 [View](#) Community Satisfaction Results 2022

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ADDITIONAL DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION REFERENCE GROUP AND LANE COVE
FESTIVAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

Subject: Additional Digital Transformation Reference Group and Lane Cove Festival Advisory Committee Nominations
Record No: SU827 - 64365/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Emma McLennan

Executive Summary

This report advises Council that two additional nominations have been received for the Digital Transformation Reference Group and the Lane Cove Festival Advisory Committee. It is recommended that these nominations be endorsed by Council.

Discussion

Council was advised in October 2022 that Leisa Wahlin has resigned from the position of 'digital expert from areas such as content strategy, development, and community engagement' on the Digital Transformation Reference Group. Council has since received a nomination from Monpasha Mukherjee who has nominated for this vacant position. Following a review of the applicants' skills, experience and interests, the Council Selection Committee recommended that Monpasha Mukherjee be appointed as the 'digital expert from areas such as content strategy, development, and community engagement' on the Digital Transformation Reference Group.

Council has received a nomination from Nathan Gilkes to join the Lane Cove Festival Advisory Committee as a Community Representative. The Lane Cove Festival Committee Charter allows for a maximum of 12 community representatives and the Committee currently consists of 9 Community Representatives. Following a review of the applicants' skills, experience and interests, the Council Selection Committee recommended that Nathan Gilkes be appointed to the Lane Cove Festival Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note Leisa Wahlin has resigned from the Digital Transformation Reference Group;
2. Endorse Monpasha Mukherjee as a digital expert on the Digital Transformation Reference Committee;
3. Endorse Nathan Gilkes as a Community Representative on the Lane Cove Festival Advisory Committee; and
4. Advise the nominees of Councils decision.

Steven Kludass
Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

Subject: Greenwich Point Wharf Upgrade - Update
Record No: SU438 - 66342/22
Division: Open Space and Urban Services Division
Author(s): Martin Terescenko

Executive Summary

Council resolved in September 2022 to write to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to advise that it wishes to work with TfNSW and with its community to develop a design solution for the Greenwich Point Wharf upgrade that addresses, to the extent possible, community concerns, whilst meeting TfNSW's statutory duties in terms of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 and Transport's Transport Access Program.

TfNSW have responded to Council's correspondence as indicated below. It is recommended that the report be received and noted.

Background

In relation to the Greenwich Point Wharf upgrade proposed by Transport for NSW in September 2022 Council resolved to:

- "1. Writes to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to advise that it wishes to work with TfNSW and with its community to develop a design solution for the Greenwich Point Wharf upgrade that addresses, to the extent possible, community concerns, whilst meeting TfNSW's statutory duties in terms of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 and Transport's Transport Access Program;*
- 2. Requests TfNSW to convene a community workshop to discuss the design issues outlined in TfNSW's report on submissions:*
 - opportunities to reduce the lift height;*
 - opportunities to reduce the length of the jetty;*
 - additional weather protection;*
 - different lift façades;*
 - installation of berthing infrastructure such as appropriately spaced fenders, ladders and cleats on the pontoon to support berthing by vessels of different sizes;*
 - extending bus operating hours; and*
 - other related design issues arising from the wharf upgrade program.*
- 3. Offers to assist TfNSW to notify relevant stakeholders of this workshop through Council's community engagement channels;*
- 4. Will participate in this workshop; and*
- 5. Will report back to Council on the outcomes of the workshop".*

Discussion

TfNSW have responded to Council's correspondence with the following:

"As discussed, the project team has consulted on the project twice. Initially in March 2021 on the preferred concept design and again in December 2021 when the Review of Environmental Factors was displayed to the community.

Details of the community engagement can be found on our website at <https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/greenwich-point-wharf-upgrade/index.html>.

TfNSW does not propose to undertake any further community engagement on the project.

In regards to the issues raised below:

- opportunities to reduce the lift height; **The lift height has been reduced as much as possible during detailed design.**
- opportunities to reduce the length of the jetty; **The fixed jetty length has been reduced as much as possible without impacting DSAPT requirements.**
- additional weather protection; **Additional weather screening had been included on the pontoon.**
- different lift façades; **The lift façade is glass as shown in the engagements mentioned above.**
- installation of berthing infrastructure such as appropriately spaced fenders, ladders and cleats on the pontoon to support berthing by vessels of different sizes; **This has been included in the design as much as practicable. This is limited by ferry berthing being the primary function of the wharf.**
- extending bus operating hours; **This is outside the project scope. I will pass on the comment to the relevant part of TfNSW to consider and return to Council with a response."**

Conclusion

TfNSW have advised that they do not propose to undertake any further community engagement on the Greenwich Point Wharf project. However, they will be amending the design to incorporate the design changes requested by Council where possible.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

Martin Terescenko

Executive Manager - Open Space and Urban Services
Open Space and Urban Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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GOLF COURSE ALTERNATE OPERATING MODEL - 12 MONTH UPDATE

Subject: Golf Course Alternate Operating Model - 12 Month Update
Record No: SU2092 - 66170/22
Division: General Managers Unit
Author(s): David Stevens

Executive Summary

This report outlines the new operator model for the Lane Cove Golf Club (LCGC) since the engagement of a new operator of the Pro Shop in October 2021. Northbridge Golf Club Pro Shop (NPS) replaced the incumbent Sydney Sports Management Group (SSMG) to manage day-to-day golf operations that included: accepting bookings and payment for social golf; acting as starter for Club Member competitions; and, managing the flow of money between the Pro Shop and Club for said competitions. Simultaneously, Kasey Dive Golf was directly engaged by Council to manage golf coaching activities having previously been sub-contracted to SSMG.

The 12 months from October 2021 to September 2022 was a difficult period to report on for the purposes of evaluating the success (or otherwise) of the new operator. Based on the available data and their observed performance it is recommended they be retained

For the FY21 and FY22 the Lane Cove Golf Club increased annual membership subscriptions payable to Council to help offset the course operating costs. These have assisted in Council reducing the operating subsidy for the course, as intended under the new model.

It is recommended the report be received and noted.

Background

At the July 2021 Council Meeting, Council considered a report titled "Golf Course Alternate Operating Model" (Refer **AT-1**) and resolved to:-

- 1. Receive and note the report;*
- 2. Endorse the alternate operating model outlined in the report except that in the first year Council receives an extra \$300 from the increase in subscription fees (not \$400); and*
- 3. Receive a further report at the end of the 12-month trial on the results from the alternate operating model.*

The above Report concluded by saying "For Golf to be sustainable at the site, it is important that changes be made to the current operating model for the course. Council has worked with the LCGC to understand what they believe to be the best model. While they have ultimately decided not to take full responsibility for managing the golf operations, they have proposed a series of changes which are worthy of trialing, including an **alternative operator**. To achieve this, in the short term there will be additional costs compared to the existing model. Ultimately, this will allow Council to understand the impact of various new measures to make golf activities sustainable in the site."

This report responds to resolution 3 to "Receive a further report at the end of the 12-month trial on the results from the alternate operating model."

Discussion

The above resolution provided the engagement of a new operator to manage day-to-day golf operations following the LCGC's decision not to proceed to operate the course and agreement to increase in annual member subscription fees and an increase in the amount Council received for club members to access to the course. The following outlines the outcomes of these changes.

New Operator Activities

In October 2021 NPS replaced the incumbent SSMG to manage day-to-day golf operations that included: accepting bookings and payment for social golf; acting as starter for club member competitions; and, managing the flow of money between the Pro Shop and Club for competitions. Simultaneously, Kasey Dive Golf was directly engaged by Council to manage golf coaching activities having previously been sub-contracted to SSMG.

NPS began the management of golf operations literally days prior to the COVID Lockdown being lifted. golf participation numbers (utilisation), noted as being "in steady decline" in the July 2021 Report, had posted a multi-year high in September before doing so again in October. By way of context, the September and October utilisation numbers were between 2.0 and 2.5 times greater than the same months in 2020 and largely reflected participation not seen at Lane Cove Golf Club for well over a decade.

An initiative undertaken by NPS of their own accord was the renovation of the "old pro shop" located adjacent to the first tee to replace the Council hired "site shed" from Kennards in June 2022. The renovated building has been met with widespread approval from members and social players alike. The updated premises have provided the opportunity for NPS to deliver a service and offering more akin to what any golfer would ordinarily expect at a Golf Club. Further, Northbridge Pro Shop commissioned golf merchandise (shirts, hats et al) with the Lane Cove Golf Club logo at its own expense to reinforce the upgraded service(s) and golf experience.

Overall, manage day-to-day golf operations by NPS has met Council's and the LCGC's expectations.

Lane Cove Golf Club Member Course Fees

For the FY21 and FY22 the Lane Cove Golf Club increased annual membership subscriptions from \$1,000 to \$1,400 in the full member category with \$300 flowing to Council (an increase from \$455 to \$755 per member per annum). In addition, all members are now required to book competition tee times one week in advance, and if any vacancies are available prior to competition day, those tee (block booking) times are released (competition time compressed) to the public for social play. This change resulted in \$28,000 in additional revenue to Council for FY22.

Overall Financial Performance

The financial years FY21 and FY22 included the COVID 19 lockdowns, which provided a boon for golf participation (17,257 and 14,797 public rounds respectively, up from 13,495 in FY 2020). However, unfortunately FY 22 was problematic years in terms of weather. NPS since taking over have endured the course being closed for a total of 103 days due to wet weather. Additionally, even when the golf course was open, greenkeeping staff were simply unable to maintain the golf course to the desired standards. The obvious outcome was a significant reduction in revenue (months of April 2022 and July 2022) the course was closed entirely for zero income) and participation. It should be noted that Council has no ability to reduce costs due to the unprecedented wet weather, as Council's golf course maintenance contract with Green Options is fixed price.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022 GOLF COURSE ALTERNATE OPERATING MODEL - 12 MONTH UPDATE</p>

While Council continues to subsidise the golf course operations on an annual basis, the shortfall has decreased significantly over the last two financial years due to the COVID-19 encouraged increased participation, (-\$92,000 in FY 2021 and -\$76,000 in FY 2022, down from \$-156,000 in FY 2020).

On a year to date basis, comparing the period NPS has operated the facility (October 2021 to September 2022) NPS generated public round revenue of \$201,000 (with 103 days closed), versus SSMG \$294,000 (4 days closed) for the same period a year earlier. Allowing for the number of days the course was closed, the resulting averaged revenue from public round use is very similar, \$767 per calendar day versus \$814 per calendar day respectively.

Conclusion

The 12 months from October 2021 to September 2022 was a difficult period to report on for the purposes of evaluating the success (or otherwise) of the alternate operating model. The impacts of COVID 19 lockdown rules and wet weather make comparison with historical performance difficult. NPS have introduced new initiatives such as the pro shop upgrade and undertaken increased marketing and awareness efforts, which have been thwarted by continued bad weather, prompting protracted periods of course closure. It is proposed to maintain the status quo from a golf operations management perspective by retaining NPS and Kasey Dive Golf.

Over the coming months, with the pending preparation for construction of the Lane Cove Sport and Recreation Facility, Council staff will be working with NPS and the club to develop a strategy for the golf course during the construction period.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the report.

Craig Wrightson
General Manager
General Managers Unit

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 View REPORT Golf Course Alternate Operating Model	4 Pages	Available Electronically
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Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022
INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE - 2021/22 ANNUAL REPORT

Subject: Internal Audit Committee - 2021/22 Annual Report
Record No: SU740 - 63702/22
Division: Corporate Services Division
Author(s): Steven Kludass

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to present the Internal Audit Committee Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022. The Annual Report highlights the role, focus and achievements of the Committee over the past financial year. It is recommended that Council receive and note the Internal Audit Committee Annual Report for year ended 30 June 2022.

Background

At a recent Internal Audit Committee meeting, it was recommended that an Annual Report be produced to promote awareness to Council and the community of the functions and performance of the Committee and the matters it has dealt with over the previous financial year.

It is understood this is a practice being undertaken by a growing number of Councils and is considered a prudent way of demonstrating sound governance, transparency and accountability to both Council and the community.

Discussion

The attached Internal Audit Committee 2021/22 Annual Report **(AT-1)** includes the following:

- Committee membership and meetings held throughout the financial year
- The Internal Audit Plan for 2021/22
- A Report Card for 2021/22
- A snapshot of the status of internal audit recommendations, and
- Financial management and external audit matters

Conclusion

The Internal Audit Committee Annual Report has been prepared for the benefit of Council and the community, and highlights the commitment of the Committee in undertaking their role. A copy of the Annual Report will be publicly accessible via the Popular Documents section on Council's website www.lanecove.nsw.gov.au.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the Internal Audit Committee Annual Report for year ended 30 June 2022.

Steven Kludass
Executive Manager - Corporate Services
Corporate Services Division

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 View	Internal Audit Committee - 2021/22 Annual Report	12 Pages	Available Electronically
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**Ordinary Council Meeting 24 November 2022
COUNCIL SNAPSHOT OCTOBER 2022**

Subject: Council Snapshot October 2022
Record No: SU220 - 66218/22
Division: General Managers Unit
Author(s): Craig Wrightson

Attached for the information of Councillors is a review of Council's recent activities. This report provides a summary of the operations of each division in October 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

Craig Wrightson
General Manager
General Managers Unit

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 [View](#) Council October Snapshot Report

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Council Snapshot – October 2022



CORPORATE SERVICES

GOVERNANCE

Community Consultation and Engagement

During October 2022, Council consulted with the community, via various methods, on the following matters:

- Draft VPA: 21-31 Holdsworth Avenue, 22-34 Berry Road, 42-46 River Road, St Leonards – Consultation closed on 05 October 2022;
- Sports and Recreation Precinct – Concept Design Workshop – Consultation held on 14 October 2022;
- St Leonards South – Setback to Pedestrian Link – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 23 November 2022;
- Greenwich Hospital Redevelopment via the State Government – Consultation closed on 26 October 2022;
- Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022 – 2026 – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 28 November 2022;
- Lane Cove Village and St Leonards Parking Study – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 29 November 2022;
- Sponsorship Policy – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 1 December 2022;
- Melbourne Cup Screening – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 9 December 2022; and
- Policy on Payment of Expenses and Facilities for Councillors – Consultation is currently underway and will close on 9 December 2022.

GIPAs

Two (2) formal GIPAs were received during the month of October 2022 and no Notice of Decisions were issued during the month of October 2022.

Tenders

No new Tenders were advertised during the month of October 2022.

Formal Complaints

There were no formal complaints received during the month of October 2022.

Pending Reports

Meeting Date	Res No	Details	Action Required	Division	By
21/2/22	18	Lane Cove North Neighbourhood Centre	Write to landowners within the Lane Cove North/Mowbray Precinct area who own land zoned R4 who have not yet lodged a Development Application to ask their level of interest in developing a 'Neighbourhood Shop' to support a local convenience store and/or local shops; and A report be provided back to Council on what is required to further the proposal should the owners display interest in progressing the matter.	ESD	Upon receipt of formal response
21/2/22	25	Notice of Motion - Improving Community Collaboration and Communication	<p>c. Preparing an options paper on:-</p> <p>i. How Council's existing and potential digital and other communication channels can be improved and integrated as a formal source of engagement and feedback in the Community Participation Plan and Community Engagement Policy; and</p> <p>ii. How Council can utilise initiatives such as search engine marketing, adoption of an 'opt-in' text messaging service; and further segmentation of Council's email database to achieve more efficient and targeted communication to segments of our community.</p>	CSD	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.
21/3/22	52	Notice of Motion - Report Into Affordable Council Childcare	Following the result of the Federal election being finalized, Councillors receive a briefing on how anticipated Federal and/or State Government policies may impact the provision of affordable childcare in the Lane Cove LGA.	HSD	Dec 2022
19/7/21	111	Golf Course Alternate Operating Model	Receive a further report at the end of the 12-month trial on the results from the alternate operating model.	GMU	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.

23/6/22	119	Notice of Motion - Recognise and Protect from impacts the bushland adjacent to the western side of The Golf Course	That Council investigate and report back to a Councillor Workshop for further discussion, the process, costs and resources required to identify opportunities to consolidate and extend the existing Northwood slope C2 zoning to cover adjacent remnant patches of bushland on public land.	23/6/22	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.
21/7/22	147	Notice of Motion - Address Reported Bushland Encroachments by Private Users on Public C2 Land and Identify Education Opportunities	Council investigate developing a publicly advertised process to address reported encroachments to ensure the boundaries are clear and encroached land is restored to the public domain and its natural state.	OSUS	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.
21/7/22	148	Traffic Modelling Possible Closure of Canberra Avenue	Council receive a further report once construction of projects in Canberra Avenue have commenced, outlining the process to consider a road closure, including the associated consultation processes and proposed design/configuration of the Duntroon Ave/Canberra Avenue intersection.	OSUS	May 2023
27/10/22	179	General Managers Performance Review 2021/2022	Note the General Managers performance review took place today. Whilst the outcome of the review was positive, on advice from the Consultant from LGNSW, they will be preparing a report on the outcome of the review. Therefore, it will be better to defer the report to the November Ordinary Council Meeting to provide a quality report for Council's consideration.	GMU	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.
27/10/22	185	Bob Campbell Oval - Draft Masterplan	Following the exhibition period, draft masterplan for Bob Campbell Oval, together with a report on any submissions received and any proposed amendments, be considered at the Council meeting to be held in February 2023.	OSUS	Feb 2023
29/9/22	187	Notice of Motion - Council Liaison with Community and Transport for NSW - Greenwich Point Wharf Upgrade	Will report back to Council on the outcomes of the workshop.	OSUS	Report submitted to Nov 22 meeting.

27/10/22	192	Draft Urban Forest Strategy	Following the exhibition period, the Draft Urban Forest Strategy, together with a report on any submissions received and any proposed amendments, be considered at the Council meeting to be held in February 2023.	OSUS	Feb 2023
29/9/22	194	Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP)	A report be submitted to Council following the public exhibition period.	HSD	Feb 2023
29/9/22	195	Lane Cove Village and St Leonards Parking Study	A further report be submitted to Council following the exhibition period, to consider the final Study for adoption.	OSUS	Feb 2024
29/9/22	197	Expression of Interest to Operate a Community Toy Library at 47 Burns Bay Rd, Lane Cove	Report back to Council twelve months after the commencement of the services to evaluate the project.	HSD	Feb 2024

FINANCE**Investments as at 31 October 2022**

Total Cash and Investments \$ 123,979,348.71

Actual Interest Return for the Month of October 2022 \$ 240,838.70

Return on Investments for the Month of October 2022 2.27%

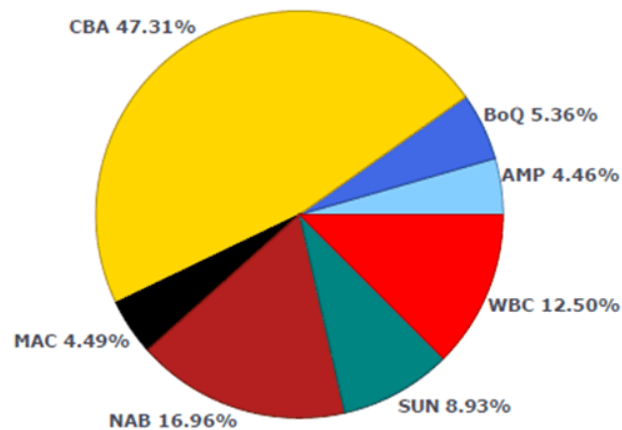
Investment Holdings Report – October 2022

Cash Accounts					
Monthly Return (%)	Fund Name	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	
2.1500%	Macquarie Bank	5,000,000.00		5,034,530.14	
1.8500%	CBA Business Online Saver	10,000,000.00		10,073,523.66	
		15,000,000.00		15,108,053.80	

Cash at Bank 1,979,348.71

Term Deposits									
Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Current Rate (%)	Institution	Credit Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)		
1-Nov-22	8,000,000.00	0.7200%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	8,000,000.00	2-Nov-21	8,057,442.19		
17-Nov-22	3,000,000.00	2.2900%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	3,000,000.00	18-May-22	3,031,432.60		
17-Nov-22	7,000,000.00	0.6000%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	7,000,000.00	18-Nov-21	7,040,043.84		
17-Nov-22	10,000,000.00	2.4500%	Suncorp Bank	A+	10,000,000.00	19-May-22	10,111,424.66		
24-Nov-22	5,000,000.00	0.6000%	Westpac Group	AA-	5,000,000.00	24-Nov-21	5,005,671.23		
14-Dec-22	2,000,000.00	0.7000%	Bank of Queensland	BBB+	2,000,000.00	14-Dec-21	2,012,350.68		
14-Dec-22	3,000,000.00	1.1000%	AMP Bank	BBB	3,000,000.00	14-Dec-21	3,029,112.33		
6-Jan-23	3,000,000.00	3.3200%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	3,000,000.00	6-Jul-22	3,032,199.45		
20-Feb-23	4,000,000.00	2.7700%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	4,000,000.00	18-May-22	4,050,694.79		
22-Feb-23	4,000,000.00	0.5600%	National Australia Bank	AA-	4,000,000.00	24-Feb-21	4,015,342.47		
14-Mar-23	2,000,000.00	3.8100%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	2,000,000.00	19-Jul-22	2,021,920.55		
6-Apr-23	3,000,000.00	3.7100%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	3,000,000.00	6-Jul-22	3,035,981.92		
19-Apr-23	3,000,000.00	3.9200%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	3,000,000.00	19-Jul-22	3,033,830.14		
18-May-23	10,000,000.00	3.1200%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	10,000,000.00	18-May-22	10,142,750.68		
8-Jun-23	4,000,000.00	3.6300%	Bank of Queensland	BBB+	4,000,000.00	8-Jun-22	4,058,080.00		
15-Jun-23	5,000,000.00	0.5200%	National Australia Bank	AA-	5,000,000.00	15-Jun-21	5,009,901.37		
6-Jul-23	4,000,000.00	3.8600%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	4,000,000.00	6-Jul-22	4,049,915.62		
12-Jul-23	10,000,000.00	0.6500%	National Australia Bank	AA-	10,000,000.00	12-Jul-21	10,019,945.21		
19-Aug-23	9,000,000.00	4.0000%	Westpac Group	AA-	9,000,000.00	19-Aug-22	9,072,986.30		
21-Aug-23	6,000,000.00	3.9800%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	AA-	6,000,000.00	19-Aug-22	6,048,414.25		
31-Aug-23	2,000,000.00	4.2500%	AMP Bank	BBB	2,000,000.00	31-Aug-22	2,014,438.36		
	107,000,000.00	2.2566%			107,000,000.00		107,893,878.64		

Total Cash and Investments 123,979,348.71



Legal Matters

Legal costs for the month of October 2022 were as follows: -

Legal Matters

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Firm/Matter	Previous Costs	Current	Total	Status	Category
HWL Ebsworth Lawyers					
Advice on Car park levy Scheme	Nil	\$ 2,510.20	\$ 2,510.20	Final	Legal Advice
LEC 50716/2022 113A Northwood Road	\$ 67,283.15	\$ 4,104.65	\$ 71,387.80	Ongoing	Legal Advice
LEC 2021/273374 1 Gatacre Ave & 5 Allison Ave – Lane Cove	\$ 150,922.16	\$ 13,207.70	\$ 164,129.86	Ongoing	Legal Advice
Marsdens Law Group					
LEC 2022/00167608 30 Landers Road Lane Cove	Nil	\$ 8,719.26	\$ 8,719.26	Ongoing	Legal Advice
LEC 2022/00187048 16A Brooks St Linley Point	\$ 8,249.00	\$ 2,080.10	\$ 10,329.10	Ongoing	Legal Advice
Schmidt- Liermann Pty Ltd					
General Advice	\$ 18,044.87	\$ 13,871.55	\$ 31,916.42	Ongoing	Legal Advice

Total Legal Expenses for October 2022: \$ 44,493.46

Budget Impact				
General Ledger Account Details "Legal"	Account Number	Budget 2022/23	Actual 2022/23	Budget Available
Environmental Operating Expenses	50019.2000.2106	\$ 215,000	\$ 151,173	\$ 63,827
Development and Health Operating Expenses	50020.2000.2106	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$15,000
Planning Operating Expenses	50035.2000.2106	\$ 100,000	\$35,624	\$ 65,375
Human Services Operating Expenses	50080.2000.2106	\$ 7,900	\$ -	\$ 7,900
Urban Services Operating Expenses	50163.2000.2106	\$ 28,000	\$ 11,250	\$ 16,750

PEOPLE & CULTURE

Staff Establishment

Equivalent Full-time Staff	190
Total number of positions	206
Total Headcount	239

Staff Turnover

Staff Turnover – October 2022	1.06%
Staff Turnover – Year to Date	5.29%
Staff Commenced – October 2022	4 Permanent
Staff Separations – October 2022	2 Permanent
Vacancy Rate	9.00%

GENERAL MANAGER UNIT

St Leonards Over Rail Plaza

Taking advantage of WK14, Arenco were able to complete earthworks on the rail side of the western abutment including re-grading the entrance to the new rail gate portal. Work undertaken during the WE15 possession included:-

- Completion of the GST posts;
- Removal of temporary walkways on girder 1 and 37;
- Installation of 500t dual lift crane on Pacific Highway;
- Rotation and installation of the L-Girder; and
- Demobilisation of temporary 500t crane.

The successful installation of the L-Girder marked a significant project milestone with the completion of the concrete base upon which the park will be built.

Concrete plinths for the lighting columns have been completed and waterproofing was continued to the northern end of the structure, previously hampered by consistent inclement weather. This resulted in the submission of EOT4 and EOT6. These claims have been assessed and approved thereby extending the PC date to Thursday 20 April 2023.

October work included the completion of the lift shaft on Canberra Avenue, the dismantling of the Tower Crane, commencement of stormwater drainage on the eastern abutment, and completion of the perimeter upstand walls.

Removal of the concrete crane footing and commencement of landscaping work is scheduled to begin in November.

St Leonards Over rail Bridge – Indicative Programme	
Sydney Trains Configuration Control Board Gate 3 approvals and permits – completed (Mar 2022)	Mar 2022
Temp Closures - Lithgow Street Pedestrian Underpass Works	Sep 2021– early 2023
Temp Closures – Canberra AVE (between Pac Hwy and Marshall Ave)	Nov 2021 - Jun 2023
Completion of Construction Main Works (PC)	April 2023

Lane Cove Sport & Recreation Precinct

A report was tabled at the October Council Meeting with updated architectural drawings for the proposed 8 court scheme at the 180 River Road site. Council resolved to lodge a Development Application for the Lane Cove Sport and Recreation Precinct including another round of Community Consultation to be run as a workshop with user groups and stakeholders. The Development Application is on track to be lodged by the end of November 2022. The Community Workshop will be held during the detailed design phase in Quarter 1, 2023.

COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS**Leases**

- Greenwich Flying Squadron (GFS) – Head lease, sub lease and Deed of Consent to sub lease have been executed by GFS and Council. Council awaits TfNSW execution of the Deed of Consent to sub lease.
- Macquarie University – Lease renewal pending for Boatshed in Tambourine Bay and lessee works which have now been completed on the pontoon. The bush track works have been costed and approval granted to proceed at the tenant's cost. Council and UMQ await quotes and / or further due diligence on the related sea wall project at the site.
- VIVA Pipeline – Council's revised Community Land Plan of Management (Crown Reserves with Council Manager) was taken to the October Ordinary Meeting whereupon Council resolved to adopt the Plan. In addition, it was resolved that Council:-
 1. Includes on the first page of the Lane Cove Community Land Plan of Management 21 October 2019 a notation that the plan does not apply to land that is included in the Lane Cove Community Land Plan of Management - Crown Reserves with Council Manager;
 2. Uploads both the above documents to Council's website; and
 3. Includes both documents on Council's Open Space Plan page.

Council will now proceed to re-engage the lessee for negotiation of commercial terms.

- Council has issued a draft lease and sub-licence to the 12 Foot Skiff Club to enter into a new long-term arrangement. Council and the Club have agreed a tiered (transition) rent structure in recognition of a deterioration in membership numbers since 2018. TfNSW's request for minor changes prior to execution have been attended to by Council and returned to TfNSW for their review.
- Greenwich Baths - The proposed lease was exhibited on 14 October 2022 (28 days, closing 11 November) with a public notification on site and resident notification letters delivered on the same day.
- The month of September saw Lane Cove Gift Card redemptions of \$1,347 via 38 transactions. The total load value is now \$92,565 since program inception. Council staff have geared up for a marketing and awareness push into the Christmas School Holidays and festive Season including three days of card sales at The Canopy in December.

Voluntary Planning Agreements

- At the October Council meeting, Council resolved to enter into a VPA with the proponents of Areas 1,2 and 4 and Areas 18, 19 and 20 at SLS under General Manager Delegated Authority.
- Two further Draft VPA's at the same site are under development and are due to be finalised in the second quarter of FY23.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Planning Proposals - Snapshot

Summary of Current Projects						
Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Preparation of Plan and/or Report to Council	Finalisation by NSW Planning & Environment
Planning Proposal Proposed Sub-Division (Strata of Dual Occupancies)	Proposal prepared	Meeting 8/11/22	n/a	n/a	Council meeting 24/11/22	n/a

Planning Proposal - Proposed Strata Sub-Division of Dual occupancies

Council at its 23 June Ordinary meeting resolved to prepare a Planning Proposal to allow the strata sub-division of dual occupancies that were approved prior to 16 June 2022 and registered as either company title or tenants in common.

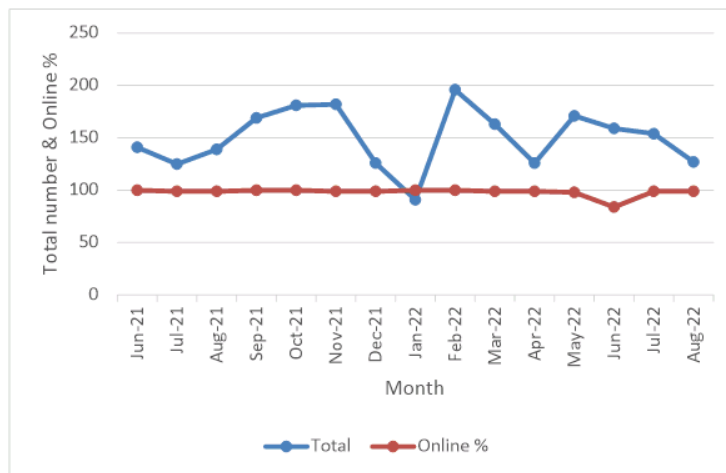
Section 10.7 Certificates (Property Certificates Stating Zoning etc)

The total number of Section 10.7 Certificates lodged with Council provides an on-going indicator for property sales and demand within the Local Government Area.

The total number of certificates processed was lower compared to the previous period last year, although the percentage of online certificates was higher. Approximately 98 per cent of all applications are processed within 2-3 working days. There is a continuing use of online certificate ordering.

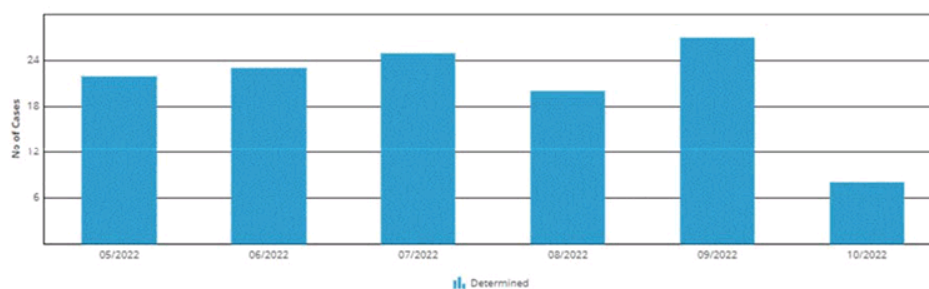
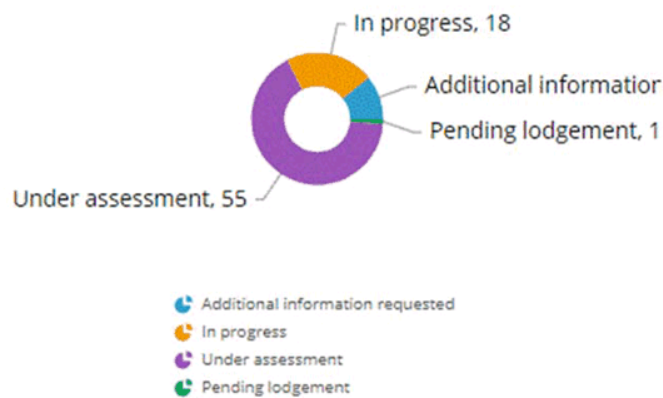
Total and Online Figures

	Aug-21	Sept-21	Oct-21	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22
Total number	139	169	181	127	132	200
Online %	99	100	100	99	99	100



DEVELOPMENT

Development Applications Determined and Outstanding as at October 2022



Average Processing Days YTD = 80

Median Processing Days YTD = 50

The Lane Cove Local Planning Panel

There were no meetings of the Local Planning Panel in October.

The Sydney North Planning Panel

There was a meeting of the Sydney North Planning Panel on 12 October to determine the following:

DA No	Address	Description	Determination
DA187/21	1-3 Holdsworth Avenue and 10-12 Marshall Avenue, St Leonards	Residential Flat Building with 104 units and basement parking	Approved

Court Appeals as at October 2022

Address and DA number	Date Lodged	Solicitor	Planner	Type of Appeal	Issues	Stage
1 Gatacre Avenue and 5 Allison Avenue, Lane Cove	24 September 2021	HWL Ebsworth	Rajiv Shankar	Appeal against determination	Height, SEPP 65, amenity of dwellings, setbacks	Hearing adjourned by the Court. LEC Hearing 29/11/22 – 1/12/22
113A Northwood Road, Northwood	21 February 2022	HWL Ebsworth	Neil Lynch	Appeal against Development Control order.	Development not in accordance with consent	LEC Hearing 25/09/22. LEC adjourned until 16/11/22.
1A and 3 Bridge Street DA169/21	27 May 2022	Marsdens Law Group	Andrew Bland	Appeal against determination	Tree removal	LEC Hearing 8 & 9 November 2022.
30-32A Landers Road, Lane Cove DA24/22	9 June 2022	Marsdens Law Group	Greg Samardzic	Deemed refusal appeal	Carparking and pedestrian safety	S34 Conciliation Conference 26 October 2022. Hearing: TBA
113A Northwood Road, Northwood	6 July 2022	HWL Ebsworth	Rajiv Shankar	Appeal against Lane Cove determination (boundary wall)	Height of side boundary wall	LEC Hearing 25/09/22. LEC adjourned until 16/11/22.
19 Upper Cliff Road, Northwood DA48/2022	29 August 2022	Marsden Law Group	Andrew Bland	Appeal against Council determination	Roof Top Terrace	S34 Conciliation Conference 19 & 20 Dec 2022.

Development Applications determined for October 2022

DA/CDC No	Address	Description
DA4/16	104 Arabella Street, Longueville	s4.55 Modification of Consent
DA187/21	1-3 Holdsworth Avenue and 10-12 Marshall Avenue, St Leonards	Residential Flat Building
DA36/22	18 Johnston Crescent, Lane Cove North	s4.55 Modification of Consent
DA39/22	20 Anglo Road, Greenwich	Alterations and additions to dwelling house including new garage
DA74/22	34 Ronald Avenue, Greenwich	Concrete swimming pool
DA76/22	22 Belcote Road, Longueville	Alterations and additions to dwelling house, swimming pool and boat shed
DA77/22	30 Dettmann Avenue, Longueville	New dwelling house and swimming pool
DA82/22	40 Little Street, Lane Cove	New pergola balcony
DA84/22	42 Dorritt Street, Lane Cove	Carport and front fence
DA90/22	30 Northwood Road, Lane Cove	Alterations and additions to dwelling house
DA94/22	3/59-61 Finlayson Street, Lane Cove	S4.55 Modification of Consent
DA95/22	27 Johnston Crescent, Lane Cove North	Alterations and additions including carport
DA98/22	10 Kingslingley Road, Greenwich	Proposed carport and stormwater system

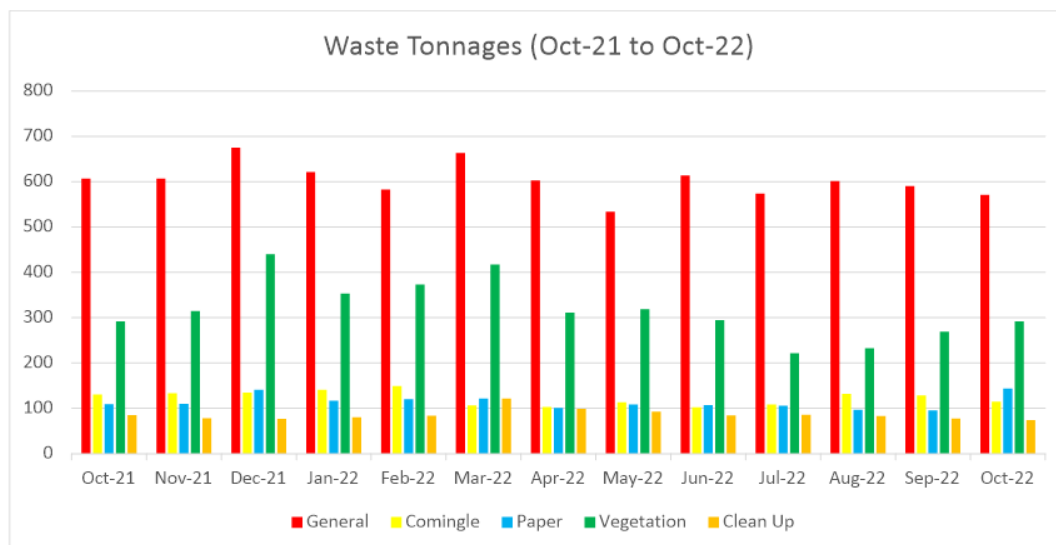
Unauthorised Work for October 2022

Address	Complaint	Action
347 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove West	Development not in accordance with consent	Referred to certifier + Written Directions
80 Phoenix Street, Lane Cove	Development without consent – Excavation	Written Directions
31 Fox Street, Lane Cove	Development not in accordance with consent – use of Public Land	Written Directions
34C College Road South, Riverview	Development not in accordance with consent – A/C location	Referred to certifier + Written Directions
106 Arabella Street, Longueville	Development without consent – Basketball Court	Stop Work Order
2 Pacific Highway, St Leonards	Public Safety – building structural support issues	Public Safety Order + Written Directions
181-187 Longueville Road, Lane Cove	Public Safety – traffic management and Public Land use	Written Directions
139 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions
133 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions
4 Landenburg Place, Greenwich	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions

Address	Complaint	Action
268-270 Longueville Road, Lane Cove	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions
1-8 Nield Avenue, Greenwich	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions
284 Pacific Highway, Greenwich	Unauthorised temporary advertising signage	Written Directions
266 Longueville Road, Lane Cove	Development not in accordance with consent – unauthorised use.	Stop Work Order
4 Northwood Road, Lane Cove	Development not in accordance with consent – traffic management and footpath obstruction.	Stop Work Order
4 Northwood Road, Lane Cove	Development not in accordance with consent – bus stop obstruction.	Written Directions

Infringements Issued – Development & Building Compliance, October 2022

4 Northwood Rd, Northwood	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent – hours of operation.
12 Romani Avenue, Riverview	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent - silt & sediment control and blocked footpath.
59 Karilla Avenue, Lane Cove	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent - silt & sediment control and blocked footpath.
4 Northwood Rd, Northwood	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent – hours of operation.
33 Greenwich Rd, Greenwich	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent – road standing permit.
211 Longueville Rd, Lane Cove	\$3000	Development not in accordance with consent – hours of operation.
4 Northwood Rd, Northwood	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent – hours of operation.
56 Austin Street, Lane Cove	\$3000	Development not in accordance with consent - items blocked footpath.
3 Second Avenue, Lane Cove	\$3000	Development not in accordance with consent – silt & sediment control.
213-217 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove West	\$8,000 \$6,000	Development not in accordance with consent – silt & sediment control.
175-179 Burns Bay Road, Lane Cove	\$6000	Development not in accordance with consent – silt & sediment control.
64 Kenneth Street, Longueville	\$1500	Development not in accordance with consent – silt & sediment control.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

During the month of October, 571 tonnes of red bin waste, 115 tonnes of mixed containers (yellow recycling bin), 144 tonnes of paper/cardboard (blue recycling bin), 292 tonnes of vegetation (green recycling bin), 74 tonnes of bulky clean-up materials, and 1 tonne of metals for recycling was collected through our kerbside services.

Monitoring of illegal dumping has seen an increase to the number of incidents during the month with 15 illegal dumps investigated by Council, compared to the recorded 17 in the same period last year. Of the dumps investigated, 10 dumps were removed at Council's expense.

SUSTAINABILITY & RESILIENCE**Levy Project Updates**

Staff provided the first quarter updates for 44 sustainability levy projects. The projects span a diverse range of focus areas across the spheres of economic, social, and environmental sustainability. Achievements this quarter include 81 students participating in the Every Child a Bushland Experience project, 7 new nature strip conversions, 304 supervised volunteer hours for bushcare regeneration, 2 emergency preparedness workshops and the design and publication of the Love Where You Live Neighbourhood booklet.

Recycle Smart Partnership

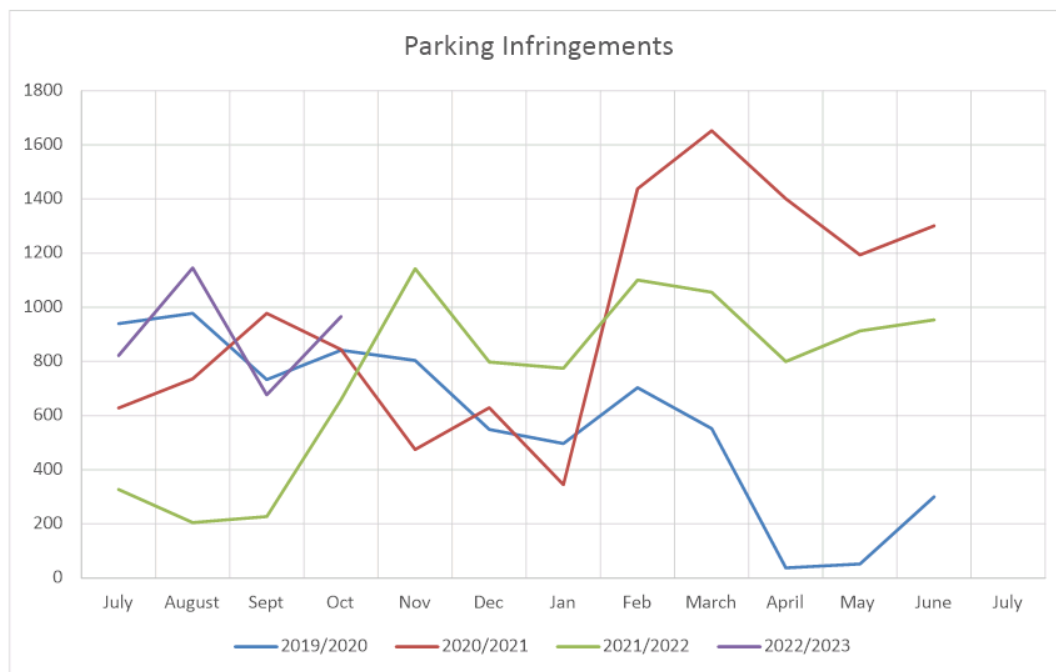
The Recycle Smart program, has also seen the collection of 378 bags from 172 pickups of tricky-to-recycle items (i.e. soft plastics, e-waste, clothing, batteries and bulbs). The majority of these items were textiles and soft plastics.

PARKING CONTROL

Council's Rangers regularly monitor parking activities within the Local Government Area. The purpose of monitoring parking areas is to encourage safe parking practices and ensuring the efficient circulation and access to parking in high demand locations, such as the shopping areas and school zones.

Following the easing of restrictions (Covid-19 Public Health Order) there has been an increase in demand for parking during across the LGA.

Comparative Data (4 Years) Infringements Issued Per Month



Note: The data shows trends for the past 4 operational years. Significant variations in enforcement activity can be seen during 2020 and 2021 operational years which is due to the Covid

HUMAN SERVICES

LIBRARY SERVICES

Library Loans

Items lent	Oct 2022	Oct 2021	July – Oct 22	July – Oct 21
Lane Cove Library	39,239	33,315	166,219	43,430
Lane Cove LTYD (includes Librarian's Choice)	2	198	35	4,061
Greenwich Library	1,281	511	5,864	742
The Yarn, Hunters Hill	508	1	2,432	6
Hunters Hill LTYD (includes Librarian's Choice)	6	35	16	436
eResource	4,590	4,851	18,429	21,922
Total	45,626	38,911	192,995	70,597

October 2022 Lane Cove Libraries lent 6,715 more items than the previous October.

Library Visits

Visits to Library	Oct 2022	Oct 2021	July - Oct 2022	July – Oct 21
Lane Cove	32,855	12,969	124,009	13,291
Greenwich	626	0	2,588	0
TOTAL	33,481	12,969	126,597	13,291

In October 2022, 20,512 more people visited Lane Cove Libraries compared to the previous October.

Please note that due to COVID-19 health measures Lane Cove Library was closed July – September 2021 (first quarter) and Greenwich Library was closed July – October 2021.

Outreach Services

The Home Library Service currently has 108 individual clients and eight institutional members in the Lane Cove and Hunters Hill Local Government Areas. The Home Library service made 148 visits and lent 1,158 items during October.

Volunteers

There are three young people undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh program at the Library.

Local Studies & Archives

Local Studies staff answered 16 information requests and 51 visits were made to the Reading Room.

Local Studies staff attended a training session at the State Library NSW on using photographs for historical research.

Displays and Exhibitions

- Frocktober in the Display Cabinet and on display shelving
- Hallow's Eve in Display Cabinet and on display shelving
- Caroline Jones AO Exhibition in the Local Studies Display Cabinet
- Exhibition – Who's Been Living in my House?: Elizabeth Anderson's sketches of Lane Cove's present and past heritage buildings
- Artworks by Marjery Dennis are on display, including two works of the Sydney skyline and Figtree House at Hunters Hill.

COMMUNITY EVENTS**Library Events**

Date	Event	Sessions	Attendance
Children & Youth Programs - attendance includes carers			
11, 18, 25 October	Lane Cove Baby Bounce	3	261
6, 13, 20, 27 October	Lane Cove Storytime	4	168
10, 17, 24, 31 October	Greenwich Storytime	4	32
14, 21, 28 October	Hunters Hill Baby Bounce	3	50
5, 12, 19, 26 October	Hunters Hill Storytime	4	97
7 October	Meerkat Storytime with Aura Parker	1	50
7 October	HSC Study Night	1	88
26 October	Silly Spooky Evening Storytime	1	85
28 October	Celebrate your Grandparents Craft	1	30
	Sub Total	22	861
School Holiday Programs			
4 October (Lane Cove)	Osmo Playspace	1	8
4 October (Lane Cove)	Sea Creature Craft	1	30
5 October (Lane Cove)	Mandela Art for Teens	1	19
6 October (Lane Cove)	Makey Makey Music Maker	1	11
7 October (The Yarn)	Osmo Playspace	1	8
	Sub Total	5	76
Class Visits			
	Kindy Cove	1	15
	Lane Cove Occasional Care	1	17
	Birralee	3	60
	Currambena Primary	2	41
	Sub Total	7	133
	Total Children's Programs	34	1,070
General Library Programs			
11 October	Crafternoon Tea @ Greenwich	1	3
11, 18, 25 October	English Conversation Classes (three levels)	9	78

11 October	Military History Talk (with the Lane Cove RSL Sub Branch) – The Defence of Sydney during World War II	1	52
13, 20 October	Learn to Love Your Laptop	2	10
18 October	Meet Jan Latta, <i>Doing it my way</i>	1	15
19 October	Library Lovers with Maya Linnell (features Jane Harper & Richard Pritchard) – online event presented by Overdrive (Libby)	1	22
25 October	Ben's Book Club: Petronella McGovern, <i>The Liars</i> . Online event presented by Overdrive (Libby)	1	17
26 October	Moments in Music – A History of Jazz. Presented by local musician Graham Ball.	1	39
26 October	Crafternoon @ The Yarn, Hunters Hill	1	4
27 October	Writers in Residence	1	9
31 October	Poets in Residence	1	11
	Total Adult's Programs	20	260
	Total Library Programs	54	1,330

Upcoming Events

Library Events

Date	Event
Children & Youth Programs	
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 November	Lane Cove Baby Bounce
3, 10, 17, 24 November	Lane Cove Storytime
7, 14, 21, 28 November	Greenwich Storytime
4, 11, 18, 25 November	Hunters Hill Baby Bounce
2, 9, 16, 23, 30 November	Hunters Hill Storytime
From 1 December	Mystery Christmas Craft bags
14 December	Christmas Card Making for Kids
15, 21 December	Christmas Storytime
General Programs	
1 – 13 November	Ebbs and Flows: Poetry & Photographic Exhibition
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 November	English Conversation Classes (three levels)
2 November	Meet Eda Utku, <i>Live the Gift</i>
3 November	Knit-in @ Lane Cove
4 November	In Conversation with Rachel Johns, <i>The Work Wives</i>
8 November	Crafternoon Tea @ Greenwich
10, 17 November	Learn to Love Your Laptop
15 November	Tech Savvy Seniors: Introduction to Tablets: iPad
16 November	Library Lovers with Maya Linnell (features Alice Zaslavsky and Ali Watts) – online event presented by Overdrive (Libby)
17 November – 8 December	Christmas Tree of Joy
22 November	Ben's Book Club: Craig Silvey, <i>Runt</i> . Online event presented by Overdrive (Libby)
24 November	Writers in Residence
28 November	Poets in Residence
30 November	Moments in Music – The Story of Modern Popular Music. Presented by local musician Graham Ball.

30 November	Crafternoon @ The Yarn, Hunters Hill
From 1 December	Mystery Christmas Craft bags
8 December	LaVoce Community Choir Carols
13 December	Christmas Crafternoon Tea @ Greenwich

COMMUNITY SERVICES BRANCH**Events/Programs/Activities**

Date	Event	Venue	Attendance
6	Men's Cooking	Living and Learning Centre (LLC)	8
12	Stepping On – Falls Prevention program - new term introduction	LLC	10
13	Small Fish Big Pond – transition to high school webinar	Online	76
20	Men's Cooking	LLC	8
20	Get that Job!	Terrace Function Room	7

Meetings

Date	Event	Attending staff
6	Consumer Forum at Lane Cove	
10	Blind Citizens Australia Employment Symposium – making workplaces more accessible and inclusive for people who are blind or vision impaired.	Community Development Officer (CDO) – Seniors, Disability and Social Inclusion
13	Lower North Shore Domestic Violence Network	Manager Community Services (MCS)
20	Age Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting	MCS, CDO

Upcoming events/Programs/Activities

Date	Event
2 Nov	Business Breakfast with Zero Barriers Presenting
2 Nov	Pool Safety and Drowning Prevention Workshop
3 Nov	Seniors Festival Planning Meeting at Henley Garden
14 Nov	Local Area Network meeting
14-16 Nov	Age Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting – Date TBC
16 or 23 Nov	Stepping On – Next Steps and Council Information Talk
17 Nov	Tree of Joy opens at the Civic Centre, Library and Kindy Cove
18 Nov	Activate Inclusion Sports Day with Ryde Council
24 Nov	Get that job!
28 Nov	Public submissions for the Disability Inclusion Action Plan closes
30 Nov	Different Degrees Relaunch
1 December	1 Minute Silence for Violence in the Plaza
7 Dec	Lane Cove Choristers Concert

Current Programs and Projects

- **Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP)**

The draft plan is currently on public exhibition. Opening on 17 October, submissions close 28 November 2022. All Council Advisory Committee contacts have been asked to share this information amongst their committee members. All members of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee and the Age-Friendly Advisory Committee have been notified that the plan is on public exhibition.

- **Different Degrees**

Sydney Community Services, with assistance from Council, were successful in obtaining a small funding grant (\$1100) to enable a relaunch of the program with the aim of attracting new members. The event was due to be held as part of Mental Health Month but has been rescheduled to 30 November to coincide with International Day of People with Disability on 1 December 2022.

- **Men's Community Cooking Group**

The Group continues to meet on the first and third Thursday of the month. A three-course meal is prepared by the group with members all sitting down together to enjoy the meal. The program is overseen by a Home Economist who provides guidance on kitchen hygiene and safe food preparation.

- **Stepping On**

Stepping On is a 7-week fall prevention program coordinated by the Northern Sydney Local Health District. Classes are held at the Living and Learning Centre and include gentle exercises plus guest speakers. Representatives from Council's Traffic and Community Services team will both be presenting during this current term's program.

- **Blind Citizens Australia Employment Symposium**

This online symposium, organised by Blind Citizens Australia, was designed for businesses, organisations and government departments who want to make their workplace more accessible and inclusive. The event was aimed at management, human resources staff, recruitment professionals, diversity and inclusion leaders and anyone else who wants to explore how to employ someone who is blind or vision impaired.

Supporting access to meaningful employment is one of the four primary focus areas for Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan. Information learned at the symposium will be shared with relevant Divisions across Council.

- **Mental Health Month**

To acknowledge Mental Health Month, a series of posts were placed on Council's Facebook page. Each Monday throughout October information was posted to provide ideas about how to support mental health including the benefits of exercise, being creative, being socially connected, and knowing when to rest and relax.

- **Small Fish Big Pond – transitioning to high school webinar**

Small Fish Big Pond was a webinar to support parents of children who are transitioning from primary to high school. The webinar was provided in partnership with Headspace and KYDS Youth Development Service and provided information for parents and guardians on how to support their child with the transition, signs to look out for that their child may not be coping and strategies to help support their child.

Feedback from people who attended included:-

- "Absolutely brilliant so helpful";
- "Best zoom EVA (sic) for our little teens and us parents"; and

- “Big thanks for putting info out there before the problem arises”.

Synergy Youth Centre

Total drop-in numbers	602
Female	189
Male	395
Gender Diverse	18

Drop-in Ages:

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Unknown
4	67	167	208	76	38	32	5	5

Schools that accessed our space:

Most of the young people who came to Synergy in October were from Hunters Hill High School or Lane Cove Public School (for the younger cohort). The other schools that young people came from included:

Primary Schools:

- Greenwich Public School
- Lane Cove West Public School
- Mowbray Public School
- North Shore Demonstration School
- Ryde East Public School

Secondary Schools:

- Cammeraygal High School
- Chatswood High School
- Epping Boys High School
- Holy Cross College
- Monte Sant'Angelo Mercy College
- Riverside Girls High School
- Ryde Secondary College
- Saint Pius X High School
- Willoughby Girls High School

Combined Primary and Secondary Schools:

- Arden Anglican School
- Barker College
- Marist Catholic College North Sydney
- Northern Beaches Christian School
- Saint Ignatius' College Riverview
- St Augustine's College
- St Aloysius Catholic College
- Wenona School

Other:

- Intensive English Centre
- Luz All Abilities

Synergy Highlights for October:

Synergy continues to be a space which embraces diversity and strives to be inclusive. Youth workers were pleased to welcome young people and their support workers from **Luz All Abilities** to Synergy in October. It is hoped that this marks the first of many engagements with Luz All Abilities.

This month, youth workers helped facilitate several events which promoted community engagement, building stronger connections between young people, services, and communities. Youth workers visited Hunters Hill High School, speaking at the Year Assemblies for Year 7 and 8 and meeting with the Student Support Officer about future collaborations between Hunters High School and Synergy. A representative from **Headspace** visited Synergy for **Mental Health Month**. This marked the first of many future visits from Headspace with the intention of building stronger relationships between Headspace and young people in need of their services. Staff from Convic also visited the Youth Centre in October to consult with young people about the design for the updated **skatepark** in Blackman Park.

In October, youth workers started a "Weekly Riddles" competition at Synergy. This has been met with great enthusiasm from young people, with some spending days trying to work out the answer to each new riddle.

October Program Numbers and Engagement:

Date	Event	Venue	Attendance Total
4	School Holiday Program: Boxing with DAYSS	Synergy	10 (9 male, 1 female)
5	School Holiday Program: Basketball Workshop with Triple Threat Basketball	Synergy	10 (8 male, 2 female)
6	School Holiday Program: Drama Games and Movement	Synergy	0
7	School Holiday Program: Pool Day	Lane Cove Aquatic Centre	17 (7 males, 10 female)
19	Mental Health Month Event (in partnership with Headspace)	Synergy	15 (3 female, 12 male)
20 – 27	Creative Thursdays – Halloween Decorations	Synergy	7 (6 female, 1 NB)
25	Tuesday Workshop – Boxing with DAYSS	Synergy	11 (9 male, 2 female)
26	Skate Park Consultation	Synergy	13 (12 male, 1 female)
28	Freaky Friday – Halloween	Synergy	69

School Holiday Program

- **Boxing with DAYSS:**

Our Holiday Boxing program was such a success that we decided to bring DAYSS back to do boxing workshops throughout Term 4. The DAYSS team uses boxing as a fun medium to teach a number of really important life skills such as self-control, emotional regulation, mindfulness and empowerment. All of the participants really enjoyed themselves and were keen to participate in future sessions.

- **Basketball Workshop with Triple Threat Basketball:**

Henry Brown from Triple Threat Basketball facilitated an excellent basketball workshop despite the wet weather. Participants learnt the importance of dribbling and ball control. Henry also told his personal story of success, imparting the very important message that hard work pays off.

- **Inflatable Obstacle Course at Lane Cove Aquatic Centre:**

Once again, the Inflatable Obstacle Course at Lane Cove Aquatic and Leisure Centre was a hit.

Term 4 - Special Events

- **Mental Health Day – Mental Health Month:**

Mental illness is a serious concern amongst young people in Lane Cove. For Mental Health Month, we partnered with Headspace to provide a mental health day. Participants had great fun decorating their own cupcakes. After weeks of focus on mental health at school, there was no interest in participating in a sit-down workshop about Headspace and its services. Instead, the Headspace representative, Ryan Usher, challenged young people to a game of basketball. Ryan will continue to visit Synergy throughout Term 4, engaging with young people in a relaxed and informal context. It is hoped that the rapport developed during these visits will reduce the stigma around accessing mental health services and provide young people with the confidence to reach out to Headspace when and if they need supports.

- **Skate Park Consultation:**

On Wednesday 26 October, two staff members from Convic attended the youth centre to gain insights from young people about the design of the new skatepark at Blackman Park. 13 surveys of young people were completed on the day. Convic also provided photos of possible skatepark features and young people indicated which features they would like in their skatepark.

- **Freaky Friday – Halloween:**

Synergy had a Halloween Celebration of Friday 28 October. Young people were encouraged to dress up and a prize was offered for the best dressed. There was also a face-painting station complete with fake blood for people who didn't come in costume but wanted to get in the Halloween mood.

Regular Term Programs

- **Tuesday Workshops: Boxing with DAYSS**

On 25 of October, DAYSS returned for the first of five Term 4 boxing sessions. DAYSS taught participants the correct boxing stance. Then, participants were paired up (one person with boxing gloves, the other with pads) to practice jab hits and cross hits.

- **Wednesday BBQ:**

Wednesday BBQ has been popular amongst young people at Synergy. This event is a great way for youth workers to engage with young people in a relaxed and friendly environment. The high visibility of the BBQ has also brought new people to the centre. Young people walking past Synergy have seen the BBQ and come into the centre for a feed.

- **Creative Thursdays:**

Halloween has been the focus of Creative Thursdays in October. Young people made papier-mache skeletons, painted tablecloths and decorated the centre in preparation for Synergy's Freaky Friday Halloween Celebration.

- **Friday: Cook-Up**

Friday Cook-Up continues to be Synergy's most popular program. In October, there were over 60 young people each night during the Friday Cook-Up. Every Friday youth workers cook dinner with young people, involving young people in the cooking and cleaning process. This month, we cooked Spaghetti Puttanesca, Tacos and a BBQ. The first Friday of October fell during the Spring School

Holidays, so we did not run Friday Cook-Up on this day.

Services Engaged With:

- Chatswood Headspace:**
 Headspace is an early intervention mental health service which supports young people aged 12-25. In October, Ryan Usher from the Chatswood Headspace Office visited Synergy Youth Centre to engage with young people at the centre. Ryan will continue to visit Synergy on an ongoing basis in Term 4.
- Drug and Alcohol Youth Support Service (DAYSS):**
 DAYSS is a free confidential service for young people aged 12-24 years of age who have drug and alcohol concerns. DAYSS also provides education seminars and other support services related to drug and alcohol use. In October, DAYSS facilitated two boxing sessions at Synergy Youth Centre. They will return to the centre in November to facilitate four more boxing sessions.
- Luz All Abilities:**
 Luz All Abilities is a disability service in Lane Cove which provides individualised support programs for young people with disability. In October, young people and staff from Luz All Abilities visited Synergy Youth Centre to engage in programs.
- Youth Aware of Mental Health (YAM):**
 YAM is a school-based program for young people aged 13-17 which provides tools for discussing and addressing mental health concerns. The Department of Education runs YAM in a number of schools in and around Northern Sydney including Cammeraygal High School, North Sydney Boys High School, Turramurra High School, Hornsby Girls High School, Willoughby Girls High School, and Chatswood High School. In October, youth workers met with YAM representatives to discuss Synergy's programs and explore ways Synergy and YAM can work together in future. In 2023, youth workers will assist YAM facilitators to run their five-session program in schools. YAM will list Synergy as a local support service for young people in its 2023 Mental Health Resource Booklet.
- Convic:**
 Convic is an organisation which specialises in skatepark design, construction and planning. Lane Cove Council has commissioned them to design the updated skatepark in Blackman Park. In October, Convic conducted a skatepark consultation with young people at Synergy Youth Centre.

Meetings attended:

Date	Meeting
12/10/22	YAM (Youth Award of Mental Health) Department of Education Meeting
13/10/22	Skate Park Consultation Planning

Outreach and Community Engagement:

26/10/22	Hunters Hill High School	Hunters Hill High School Year Assembly – Year 7	Promoting Synergy Youth Centre and Programs	140 year 7 students
26/10/22	Hunters Hill High School	Hunters Hill High School Year Assembly – Year 8	Promoting Synergy Youth Centre and Programs	140 year 8 students
26/10/22	Synergy Youth Centre	Blackman Park Skatepark Consultation	Gain youth input into skatepark design at Blackman Park	13 young people

Upcoming Events/programs/activities

Date	Event
1 – 22 Nov	Tuesday Workshops: Boxing with DAYSS
17- 18 Nov	Youth Work Conference
29 Nov	Tuesday Workshops: Clinic 16
2 Nov – 7 Dec	Wednesday BBQ and Chill-Out
3 Nov - 8 Dec	Creative Thursdays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Screen printing - Pottery - Weaving - Painting - Paper crafts - Jewellery making
4 Nov – 9 Dec	Friday Night Feast – Cooking with young people
9 Dec	Synergy Christmas Party

COMMUNICATIONS

Food & Wine by the River – organisation & marketing

Business Breakfast – organisation & marketing

Public consultations: Sponsorship policy & Melbourne Cup screening live

eNewsletter stats

9 campaigns sent to 15,594 email addresses.

Open rate = 53.7%

New followers:

Facebook: 52 new followers

Instagram: 40 new followers

Top Facebook posts (organic reach & engagement):

1. [Free pavers](#) – 6 October

Reach: 8,207

Engagement: 881

Reactions: 70

Comments: 5

Shares: 9

2. [Sport and Rec Facility Concept Plans](#) – 13 October

Reach: 4,061

Engagement: 561

Reactions: 28

Comments: 12

Shares: 2

3. [Plaza Trees](#) – 26 October
Reach: 2,185

Engagement: 257

Reactions: 12

Comments: 3

Shares: 1

CULTURAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Events Held		
3 October	Community Piano Performance: Phillip De Villiers To encourage use of the Community Piano one of Council's Get Gig Ready Artists encouraged locals walking past to get involved with their singing and performance. A successful event.	200
7 October	First Fridays: Giant Games Cancelled due to rain	Cancelled
8 October	Saturday Sounds: James Lyon Cancelled due to forecast rain	Cancelled
9 October	Rotary Fair and Sustainability Lane Cancelled due to forecast wet weather	Cancelled
12 October	Australian Citizenship Ceremony 31 of Lane Cove's newest Citizens received their certificate as part of Lane Cove's official ceremony. All conferees received a special gift from Council.	56 (31 conferees)
22 October	Lane Cove's Diwali Celebrations Moved from the Plaza to the Terrace Function Room due to forecast wet weather members of the Lane Cove Indian Community with support from Lane Cove Council ran a wonderful event. There was a fashion parade, traditional dances and henna art activities.	200
22 October	Ride on Mechanical Animals A popular activity, children were able to ride mechanic animals for a small fee. The weather was favourable for this event.	170

28 October	Screen on the Green: Spooky Spectacular To celebrate Halloween Council screened two films in The Canopy. Monsters vs Aliens (PG) had a greater turn out with members of the public still braving the wind and the cold to watch Wallace and Gromit: The curse of the Were Rabbit (PG)	350
29 October	Beach Volleyball Taking place on The Village Green, children were able to enjoy a volleyball court on a Saturday afternoon. A very popular initiative.	225
30 October	Live Music at The Canopy: Phonic Duo The Canopy was serenaded by this regular stage performer. A two-hour stage performance enjoyed by the public and restaurant-goers alike.	250

KINDY COVE

Placements for 2023 have been finalised with offers to families on the wait list now confirmed.

During October we welcomed some Grandparents and Special persons to Kindy to share morning tea and engage with the children for a short visit. We have not been able to have grandparents here for many years, so it was great to have them exploring their grandchildren's early learning environment with them.

We celebrated Diwali across the centre in late October. We have several staff and families who shared their culture and traditions around the "Festival of Lights". We made several rangolis, read stories, made some delicious celebratory food and wore colourful clothing.

Our 4 year old's were able to participate in the Statewide Eyesight Pre-schooler Screening program this month. This free program run by NSW Health checks children's vision prior to starting school.

The children have been excited about Halloween and they enjoyed having dress up days, eating Halloween themed food and decorating our learning spaces.

Healthy eating has been a big focus in the program. Green room have been learning about the food pyramid and everyday food and sometimes food. They have been involved in trying different fruits and vegetables at morning and afternoon tea times, and now love eating a rainbow of food every day.

Our occupancy at the end of October is 98%.

COUNCIL FACILITY REPAIRS UNDERTAKEN AND PLANNED

Completed Adhoc Work: Contractors

Completed Work: Internal staff

Site	Work Completed
Civic Centre	Repair fallen wood frame to rear entrance
Civic Centre	Repair grip tape on front entry stairs
Library	Repair loose door handles on toilets

Kindy Cove	Cleaned 4 pits & install hook catcher in cleaners' room
Old Police Station	Pull out old bins for collection
Centre House	Remove rubbish from site
Library	Replace window lock in 3D print room & fix damaged book trolley
Civic Centre	Re-attach fallen exit signs x 2
Library	Fixed wobbly tabletop
Living & Learning	Replaced 4 ceiling tiles
Stokes St	Inspected ceiling tiles
Library	Removed & refitted carpet tiles
Carisbrook	Install reflective tape on wire barrier
Stokes St	Remove and cut 7 tiles and reinstall
Civic Centre	Remove battery recycling bin lid for repairs and reattach Assist HVAC in IT Comms room, unblocking & modification to drainpipe.
Kindy Cove	Install new mesh under path grate Fix door in toilet area Repair mosaic floor tiles Re-grout some tiled areas

Quotes obtained for upcoming works:

Site	Description	Decision
Civic Centre	Painting of external area, paint over salmon colour	Pending
Greenwich Seniors	Temporary fix of roof leaks	Approved – Scheduled 10/11/22
Birralee CC	Replacing asbestos sheeting	
Synergy Yth Centre	Installation of Acoustic Ceiling to reduce echoing within the centre	Accepted to be installed in Nov.
Civic Centre	Walkway on roof around air con units	Awaiting more quotes
Civic Centre	Roof Repairs	Approved start work 10/11/22
Civic Centre	Roof Audit – Fee Proposal	Pending Decision
Civic Centre	Repair ceiling in server room and replace air con unit	Approved work to be done Nov.

Under Investigation

Site	Comments
Possums Corner	Investigating storm water drainage
Civic Centre	Retaining wall and building cracking
NA	Height safety training
NA	Anchor Points certification

Fire Report

Site	Fire Inspection	CO2 Ext.	Air/ Water Ext.	Dry Chem	Fire blanket	Foam Ext.	Fire Hose	Emergency Light testing	Comments
LCMC – 47 Burns Bay Rd	L2 Annual inspection	3.5KG	9.0Ltr		ZFB			Work Performed By: C25 - Patriot Electrical Date: 09/08/2022 09:30 AM Customer Equipment: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys-SN9220 Serial: SN922009	
Golf Club Greenkeepers Shed	L2 Annual inspection			1.0Kg	ZFB	9.00Kg			
Mindarie Park (Pick me up Café)	L2 Annual Inspection			2.5Kg	ZFB				
Carisbrook House	L2 Annual Inspection	3.5 Kg		9.0Kg & 4.5Kg	ZFB			From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-JAN-2023 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys	
Puppy Café Blackman Park	L2 Annual inspection			2.5Kg	ZFB				
Burns Bay Rd Reserve	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg	ZFB				
Pottery Green Oval	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg	ZFB				
Manns Point Park	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg	ZFB				
Aquatic Park Cnr of Stuart & Mary St Longueville	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg	ZFB				
Tantallon Oval	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg	ZFB				Fire Hose Reel Not Tested

Greenwich Community Centre	L2 Annual Inspection		9.0Kg	4.5Kg	ZFB				Dry Chem Not Tested
Greenwich Seniors Centre	L2 Annual Inspection			4.5Kg & 1.5Kg	ZFB			From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-JAN-2023 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys	1.5Kg Dry Chem Ext. L4 Pressure test 5 yearly.
Blackman Park Scouts Hall	L2 Annual Inspection	5Kg			ZFB		Fire Hydrant		
Centre House	L2 Annual Inspection	3.5Kg & 5Kg	9.0Kg		ZFB				
Living & Learning	L2 Annual Inspection	3.5Kg	9.0Kg	4.5Kg	ZFB			— From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-OCT-2022 - For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys D900 Survey General - 0062 Passive Fire D024 Smoke Doors 0006 Emergency Warning Systems 0002 Fire Detection System Seniors 180 LONGUEVILLE ROAD LANE COVE Site No: U100173992 From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-JAN-2023 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys	L4 Pressure test done on 3.5Kg Co2 Ext & 9.0Kg Air/Water Ext. 5 Yearly test.
Synergy Youth Centre	L2 Annual Inspection	5.0Kg			ZFB		Fire Hydrant	F008 Emer. Evacuation lighting system 28/08/22	Fire hydrant failed; quote approved to fix issue. Fire Hose Passed
Civic Centre	L2 Annual Inspection	3.5Kg x 11 & 5Kg x 5	9.0Kg x 8	4.5Kg x 2	ZFB x 7		Fire Reel x 11 & Fire Hydrant x 3	From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-OCT-2022 For the systems listed below: Amount D078 Sound	1 x 9.0ltr Air/Water Ext. not tested (xaw0900-2) & Lvl 4 Pressure test on

								System D002 Fire Detection System F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys D900 Survey General D151 Hydrant Point Flow Test D124 Hydrant Electric Pumpset p'i, A' D043 Hose Reel Pumpsets D011 Fire Doors Hinged & Pivoted D003 Fire Hydrant System	4.5Kg Dry Chem ext. (5yrly) (xabe0450-4)
Kindy Cove	Emergency Evacuation Lighting							From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-OCT-2022 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys D900 Survey General D151 Hydrant Point Flow Test D003 Fire Hydrant System D002 Fire Detection System	
Art Centre	Emergency Evacuation Lighting							From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-OCT-2022 For the systems listed below: D122 Sprinkler Electric Pumpset D014 Drenchers (Wall Wetting) F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys D900 Survey General D006 Emergency Warning Systems D002 Fire Detection System	
Lane Cove Library	Emergency Evacuation Lighting							From: 01-AUG-2022 To: 31-OCT-2022 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys D900 Survey General D151 Hydrant Point Flow Test D011 Fire	

								Doors Hinged & Pivoted D006 Emergency Warning Systems D003 Fire Hydrant System D002 Fire Detection System	
Waterview Community Centre	Emergency Evacuation Lighting							304-314 Burns Bay Rd 304-314 Burns Bay Road Lane Cove Site No: U100173970 From: 01- AUG-2022 To: 31-JAN- 2023 For the systems listed below: F008 Emer Evacuation Lighting Sys	
Kingsford Smith Oval	Level 2 Annual fire Inspection								KINGSFORD SMITH OVAL 29/08/22 XABE0450 Ext Dry Chem ABE 4.5kg L2 ANNUAL SERVICE Anti Tamper Seal

AQUATIC CENTRE – MANAGED BY BLUEFIT

Lane Cove Aquatic Leisure Centre

Casual swimmers	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22
Casual swim	10,200	10,005	9,514	8,365	6,967	4,314	6,439	6,795	9,258
Fitness passport	1,356	1,280	1,475	1,382	1,298	1,279	1,237	2,098	2,313
Visit Pass	6,056	7,189	7,531	6,291	7,171	6,375	6,752	7,827	8,001
Total	17,612	18,474	18,520	16,038	15,436	11,968	14,428	16,720	19,572

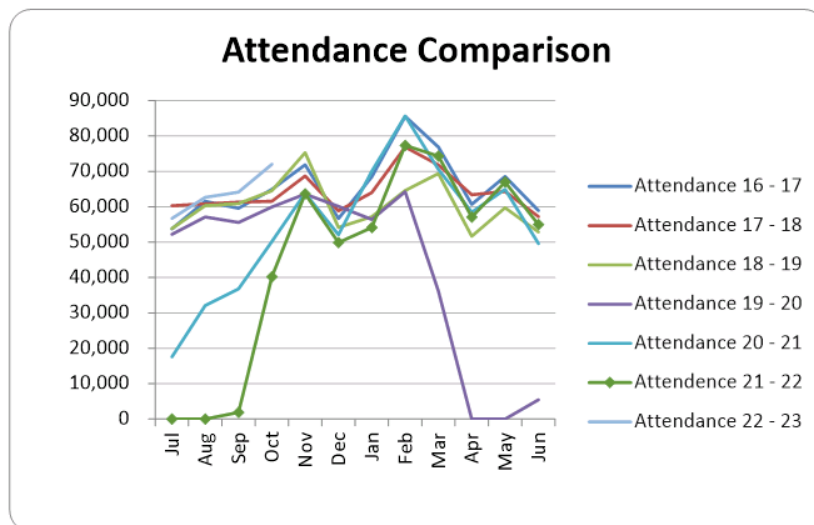
Total Visitations to the Lane Cove Aquatic Leisure Centre in September 2022 was 73,389.

Greenwich Baths

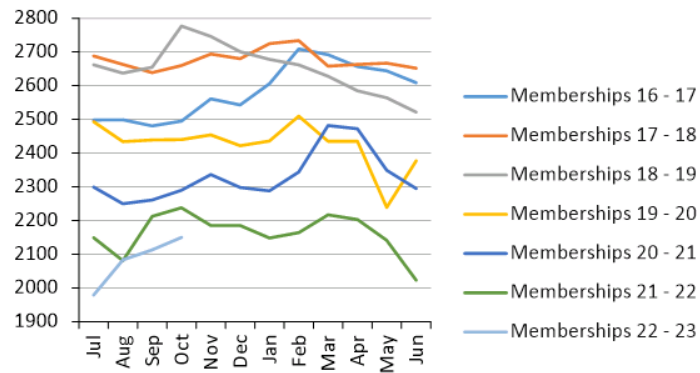
Attendance at Greenwich was 1,060 for October 2022, 77% less than in October 2021. This is attributable to the poor weather conditions and the fact that October 2021 was following restrictions being eased from Covid-19, with increased attendance as an outcome.

Recent Award

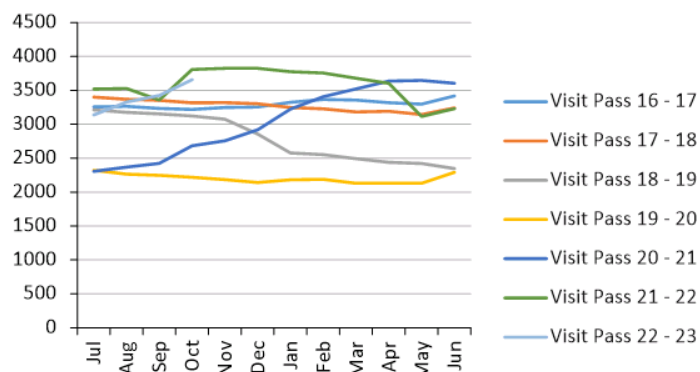
Lane Cove Aquatic Leisure Centre recently won the 2022 AH Pierce Memorial Facility of the Year Award at the recent Aquatic and Recreation Institute (ARI NSW) awards, recognising excellence across the NSWs aquatic and recreation sector.



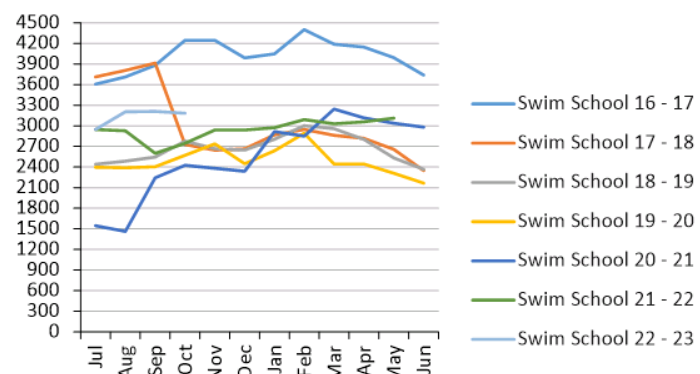
Membership Comparison



Visit Pass Comparison



Swim School Comparison



OPEN SPACE AND URBAN SERVICES

OPEN SPACE

Rainfall

- There was 287mms of rain recorded in Lane Cove during October.

Henningham Playground

- Works for this project is scheduled for commencement in early 2023.

Bob Campbell Oval

- The Draft Master Plan for Bob Campbell Oval was presented and endorsed for community consultation at the October Council meeting. Community consultation will commence shortly.

Central Park Amenities

- Work to upgrade the toilet block is underway and will include a new accessible toilet and 2 ambulant toilets.

Blackman Park Sports Grounds lighting upgrade

- B1 and B2 synthetic grounds have new LED lighting.
- B3 and B4 turf grounds, 3x3 basketball, cricket nets and pathway, poles and lighting related trenching works have commenced.

Sports Grounds

- Bob Campbell Oval has been fertilised and over sown with rye grass to thicken up the current coverage in preparation for the Greenwich Games in early December.
- Burns Bay Reserve has remained closed due to continued wet weather.
- All other ovals are in very good condition.

Lovetts Reserve Remediation Site

- All waste that was removed from the bushland areas has now been successfully trucked and delivered to a contaminated waste facility in Victoria.
- Revegetation works have been completed. Some follow up bush regeneration works are planned over the next 6 months.
- A couple more stone steps are to be installed to complete the track upgrade.

Ventemans Reach Contaminated Site

- Council has received quotes from 3 external planners for development application documentation and services. The panel will meet early November to choose the best quote.

Bushland Activities	Outcomes October
Bushcare Volunteer hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bushcare hours = 165.05 Bushcare sites worked = 20
Community Nursery activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of volunteers = 37 Number of volunteer hours = 143.5
Community Nursery production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of seed trays prepared = 16 Number of plants potted = 1457 Number of outgoing plants = 1048
Backyard Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 new habitat consultation occurred 0 Follow up Backyard Habitat consultations 137 native plants were provided from the program to local. The Backyard Habitat Officer, Vickie Lee who created the program, retired in October. The position has been advertised and applications are being reviewed.
Bush Friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of supervised Bush Friends sessions = 15 (4 nature strips and pocket parks, 11 Bush Friends) Number of supervised Bush Friends field hours (incl. nature strips) = 62 (14 nature strips and pocket parks, 48 Bush Friends) New Bush Friends volunteers signed up = 2 Worked across 8 different bushland reserves and 4 verges/parks. 79 plants installed across nature strips and reserves.
Bushcare Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living with Wildlife: 20 people attended this talk at Tantallon Oval Pavilion by Bev Young from Sydney Wildlife. An initiative of the Stringybark Creek Resident's Association who helped promote and host this talk for local residents. Berry Creek Habitat Walk: 13 people attended with Jenny Zvolanek from the Powerful Owl Project to learn about owls, their habitat and the special features of this green corridor. Sustainability Lane: postponed due to poor weather Waterbug Blitz: cancelled due to poor weather
Bush Kids Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were 7 activities in October with 77 participants attending. Activities were held at Blackman Park, Stringybark Reserve and Tambourine Bay Park.
Every Child a Bush Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No excursions this month.
Harbourcare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep Australia Beautiful Award (Highly Commended) for Councils Harbourcare Stream Watch and Water Bug programs. 1 Harbourcare event took place with 3 participants and 0.2kg of litter collected. 3 Harbourcare participants active this month. 0.2kgs of litter was collected this month.

Trees

- The tree assessment process is currently running on a three-week turnaround from application to inspection. There were 0 referrals to Independent Tree Review Expert Arbiter (ITREA) during October 2022.

Applications Processed	October
Total Number of applications processed	36
Total Number of 'Fast Track' applications processed (included in figures above)	4
Total Number of trees processed within the applications	147
Total number of trees processed for removal	58
Total number of trees processed to be pruned	89
Number of trees permitted to be removed (including additional trees requested at time of inspection)	61
Number of trees permitted to be pruned (including additional trees requested at time of inspection)	70
Number of trees refused removal and/or pruning	9
Number of removals processed as 'Fast Track' (included in figures above)	5
Number of pruning's processed as 'Fast Track' (included in figures above)	12
Number of non-compliant 'Fast Track' applications	0
Street and park trees trimmed	7
Street and park trees removed	5
Street trees planted	0

URBAN SERVICES

Schedule for Road Maintenance				
Road Name	Segment	Area	Time Frame	Completed
Oscar St	Carlotta St to Greenwich Rd		4th	
Bridge St	River Rd to Ross Smith Pde		1st	
Gordon Cres	Elizabeth Pde to Girraween Ave		2nd	Oct-22
Elizabeth Pde	Gordon Cres to		3rd	Oct-22

	Centennial Ave			
Mowbray Rd	Lynvale Close to Ralston St		1st	Oct-22
Figtree St	Centennial Ave to Burns Bay Rd		2nd	
Tantallon Rd	Epping Rd to Johnston Cres		2nd	
Northwood Rd	Cliff Rd to Point Rd		3rd	
Penrose St	Burns Bay Rd to Best St		4th	
Rothwell Cres	Kerb and gutter sections		3rd	
Central Ave	Longueville Rd to Little St		1st	Sep-22
Sutherland St	Burns Bay Rd to Coxs Lane		1st	Aug-22
Coxs Lane	Finlayson St to Sutherland St		1st	Aug-22
Oscar St	Carlotta St to Greenwich Rd		4th	Jul-22
Bridge St	River Rd to Ross Smith Pde		1st	
Schedule for Footpath Maintenance				
Road Name	Segment	Side	Time Frame	Completed
Arabella St	Stuart St to Woodford St	both	2nd	Oct-22
Cullen St	Banksia Cl to Alder Ave	L	1st	Jul-22
Yethonga Ave	Cullen St to Barwon Rd	R	2nd	Oct-22
Cliff Rd	Private Rd to Cliff Rd	L	3rd	
Greenwich Rd	River Rd to Pacific Hwy	L	1st	
Molesworth Lane	Arabella St to Kenneth St	L	2nd	

St Vincents Rd	Dead end to Gore St	L	4th	
Elizabeth Pde	Gordon Cres to Centennial Ave	both	2nd	Jul-22
Pacific Hwy	Berry Ln to Portview Rd	L	2nd	
Sam Johnston Way	Epping Rd to Orion Rd	L	4th	
Mars Rd	Sirius Rd to Banksia Cl	both	4th	
Schedule for Stormwater Maintenance				
Road Name	Description		Time Frame	Completed
Kenneth St	Reconstruct existing kerb and gutter between Dunois St and Stuart St			
Ross Smith Pde and Howell Ave	Construct a new dish drain			
Bent Lane	Reconstruct the access driveway for the maintenance of the existing GPT			
Stormwater Infrastructure Condition Assessment	Gore Creek Catchment			Oct-22
130 Burns Bay Rd	Reconstruct the existing stormwater line			
Kurri St and Karilla Ave	Construct a new KIP at Kurri St and reconstruct the existing stormwater line at Karilla Ave			
20 Pengilly St	Reconstruct existing stormwater pipe and converter			
Best St	Construct a new GPT			
100 Burns Bay Rd	Reconstruction existing kerb and gutter or install a new stormwater line			
Arundel St	Construct new kerb and gutter on the			Sep-22

	western side and reconstruct the existing open channel on the eastern side in front of the properties			
Annual GPTs cleaning	Cleaning 13 GPTs five times a year			Sep-22
Cumberland Ave	Reconstruct existing stormwater line			
Emergency Works	Such as collapsed pipes/pits, dislodged pipes, blocked pits and pipes that were found during the CCTV condition assessment and require to reline, patches and pressure clean			
Northwood Rd/Upper Cliff Rd	Reconstruct and extend existing stormwater line			
34 Fleming St	Construct new stormwater line			
Tambourine Bay Rd	Reconstruct new kerb and gutter 300mm back to the existing			Aug-22
14 Sofala Ave	Remove tree roots and install patches at joints that tree roots penetrated			Sep-22
300 Burns Bay Rd	Remove massive tree roots at the outlet pipe and patch all the joints that penetrated			Sep-22
12 Mary Street	Remove existing opening channel and install a new 375mm stormwater pipe			Sep-22
Myee Crescent	Construct Gabion wall, new drop pit and replace stormwater lines at dead end (No. 12)			Oct-22