

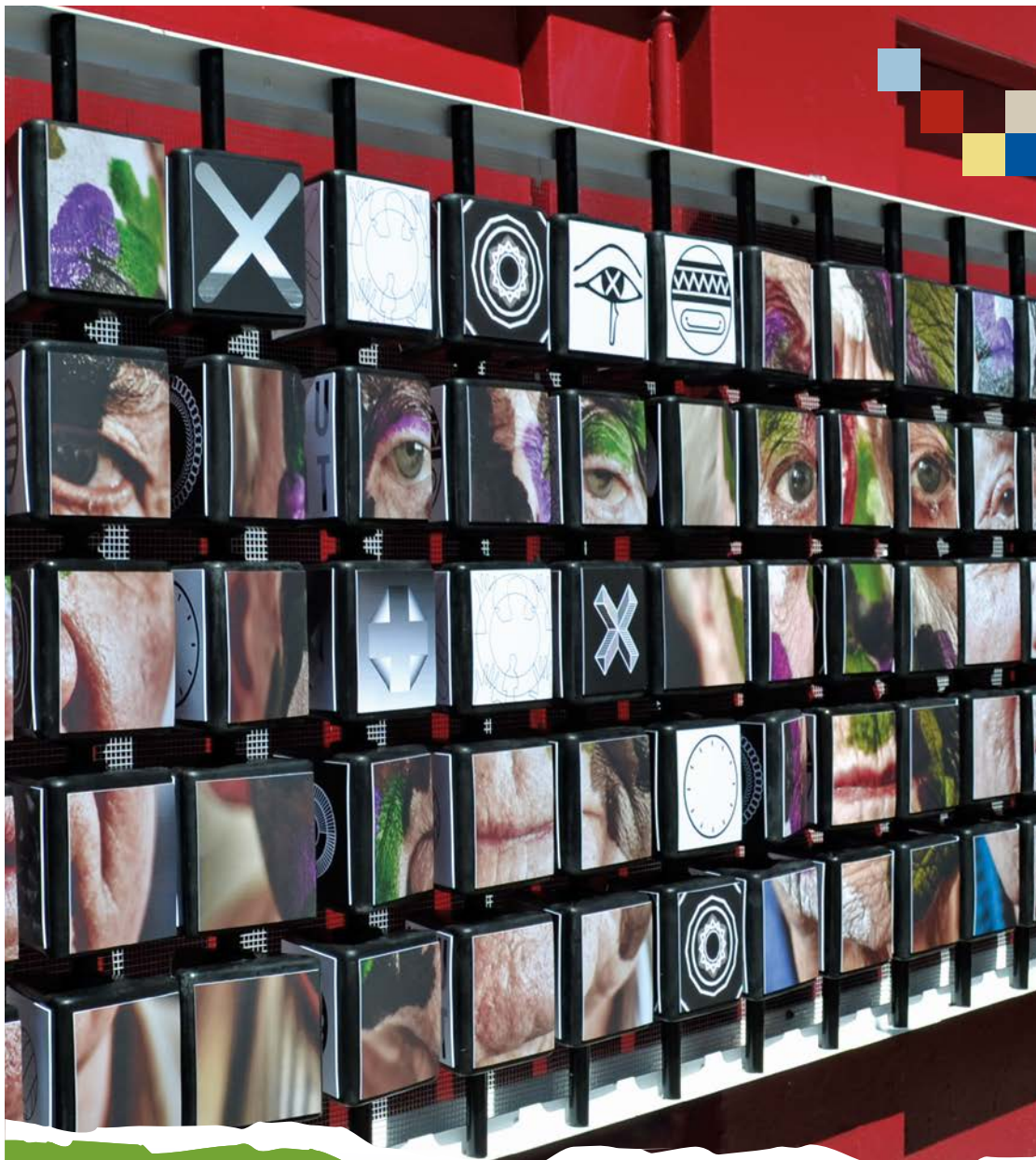
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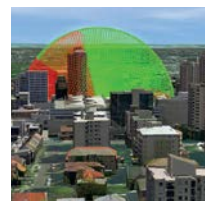
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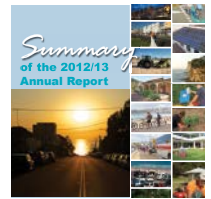
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“We are united by a common passion for our beautiful home between the city and the sea” This is the first line of the Community’s Vision statement in our Strategic Plan for Waverley.

As we think about our future, we need to concentrate on Bondi Junction because it is the engine room of our Municipality.

Bondi Junction is Waverley’s city centre – where we have our Library, the Service Centre, the Bus Rail Interchange, the Bus Depot, Westfield Shopping Centre, Eastgate Shopping Centre and many other retail shops as well as a growing residential precinct.

But what will Bondi Junction look and feel like in 2030...

It should be a place where investment is thriving, business is booming and where residents want to live, play and work. It needs to be an inviting liveable place, where visitors and especially elderly residents feel safe, where everyone can – particularly children – enjoy themselves and find inspiration. It needs to be a pedestrian friendly precinct with arts and culture around each corner. It needs to be a destination.

Council wants to build on its strengths, in collaboration with the community, and start to map out a wonderful and exciting vision for Bondi Junction and Waverley. To achieve this vision though, we will work with our community to ensure that Bondi Junction is the place residents want it to be.

So far, we have formed an Economic Development Working Group to liaise with other tiers of government and stimulate investment and jobs. An

economic strategist has also been employed to analyse the economy’s strengths and identify gaps, to ensure we stay sustainable. Additionally, we have commissioned a joint economic study with Randwick and Woollahra councils so we understand Waverley’s value and potential in the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney. With the Chamber of Commerce, we have formed the Waverley Business Forum to ensure that all stakeholders have a voice.

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On the ground, we have launched our Complete Streets Program with our pop-up seating in Spring Street and our artwork on Gray Street – this is a taste of things to come. Our Vision will see many more trees planted in our streets to provide shade. We have received a grant to commence our Energy Master Plan for Bondi Junction, which if realised will turn Bondi Junction into an Environmental Leader in sustainable cities. And we have commenced our long term consultation strategy, which looks at the issues associated with any possible introduction of light rail, on the Bondi Junction to Bondi Beach corridor in the future.

The community, via our precinct committees and community organisations are intrinsic to any future

vision for Bondi Junction. Our staff is becoming more open to ideas. We really want Waverley to be the very best council it can be as well as strategically important, and so, we are broadening the way we think, so that everyone in the organisation is involved in the planning for a very exciting future.

And so as we prioritise Bondi Junction we will not take our eyes off the rest of Waverley in 2014.

We will refurbish and expand the toilets at South Bondi and start designing the new toilets at North Bondi. We will be working with Rotary to improve the outdoor gym at North Bondi while we wait to put our Bondi Park Plan of Management on exhibition again.

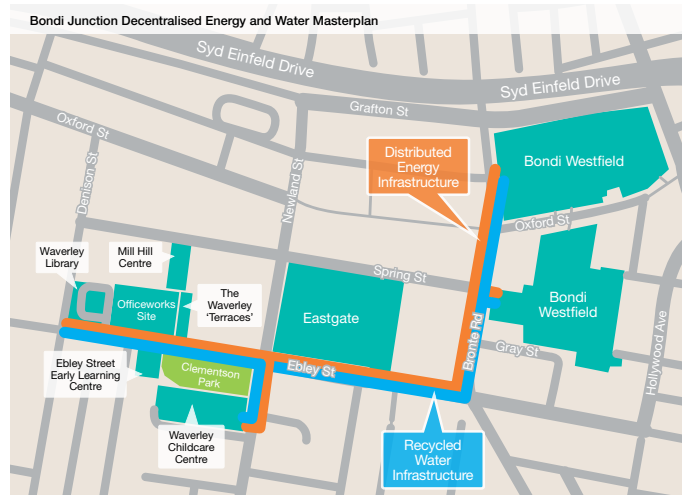
At Tamarama, we are just finalising the landscaping in the park and are really proud of the new improved kiosk and amenities building. The children’s playground upgrade at Bronte is of course a huge hit as well.

We are reviewing all the previous community consultation and refocussing on the overall future vision for our amazing Waverley Cemetery. Not only is it a working Cemetery, it is a beautiful heritage location and the guardian of some of our most treasured history.

As we enjoy the festive season we need to ensure that everyone is safe and happy. Please help us to keep our beautiful home between the city and the sea clean by asking everyone to put their rubbish in bins. Don’t forget to remind people to swim between the flags.



BONDI JUNCTION GOES GREEN



Bondi Junction will be turning green after Council received \$130,000 in funding to develop a proposed Green Infrastructure Masterplan for the centre.

The Masterplan will help make Bondi Junction a vibrant and sustainable centre with energy-efficient buildings, low carbon technologies, recycled water systems, and a high quality public domain with integrated waste, transport and water quality management solutions.

Waverley Council was one of a handful of NSW Councils to receive the funding under the Department of Planning and Infrastructure's Planning Reform Fund toward the preparation of a Green Infrastructure Masterplan.

The plan will help Council work toward its Environmental Action Plan 3 (EAP) targets for:

- a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 30% (and 70% by 2050)

- a zero increase in mains water consumption
- 75% resource recovery of residential and commercial waste
- the minimisation of sediments and suspended solids in stormwater discharged into waterways.

Council will commence feasibility studies in early 2014 to help inform the development of the Masterplan.

REDUCING WASTE TO LANDFILL

Waverley Council will reduce household waste going to landfill by up to 60 per cent after a contract was signed with Veolia Environmental Services and other councils to treat or recycle household waste at a new Banksmeadow facility – this means, combined with existing recycling collections, Council will exceed the State Government target of a 66 percent reduction in waste diversion from landfill.

Waverley is one of eight Councils which signed the joint contract as part of the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC), of which, Cr Sally Betts, Mayor of Waverley, is Vice-president. Given the size of the contract, a new plant will be built at Banksmeadow by 2015/16 to receive the household waste from five of the eight Councils; the remaining councils will use Veolia's existing facility at Clyde.

The new plant will have capacity to take more waste, encouraging other councils, government agencies and commercial collectors to enter into similar contracts, further reducing waste to landfill across Sydney. Under the contract Councils will still have to pay for waste disposal, but the waste levy and carbon liability and ongoing landfill management costs will be much less. SSROC estimates that several millions of dollars will be saved in levies in the first year, which will increase each year as the waste levy rises.



Mayor Sally Betts with representatives from Veolia and the other councils



Urban Lounging

We are enhancing Bondi Junction with a host of new projects and initiatives, as part of our aim to make the area a true destination. We want it to be more inviting, functional and desirable. We want it to be an exciting place to live, work, visit and enjoy.

One element of this strategy is the Bondi Junction Complete Streets Report. The Report involves strategies to add greenery and beautify Bondi Junction's footpaths and public places, making meeting places more vibrant and appealing, and improving connections for cycling, walking and access to public transport.

To celebrate the release of the Complete Streets Report we have installed two temporary pop up installations within the town centre.

■ To find out more about this exciting initiative, please visit our Customer Service Centre at 55 Spring Street, Bondi Junction or visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/building/current_projects/complete_streets.



The pop ups are fun and interactive and display much desired colour and public artwork. The first pop up is located on Spring Street and is called "Urban Lounge". It offers safe pockets of public seating to eat your lunch or sit back and relax in the sun whilst recharging your mobile phone. The second pop up is located on the corner of Gray Street and Bronte Road and is called "Jigsaw". Jigsaw is an interactive 3D photographic mural, game and way-finding artwork. Both pop ups are illuminated at night time and are a great addition to our streetscape.

Waverley Light Rail Study

Council is committed to facilitating the delivery of transport infrastructure and services that meet the needs of residents, businesses and visitors to Waverley, address traffic congestion, and improve the use of sustainable transport options. This includes investigating the feasibility of reintroducing light rail as a long term, future mass transit solution for the Bondi Beach to Bondi Junction corridor.

In December 2012, Council commissioned a study on the viability of reintroducing light rail. The purpose of the study was to gauge need (immediate and future), the potential impacts of introducing light rail and a preferred route if it were to be introduced.

The study was finalised in July 2013. It found that while reintroducing light rail was feasible, traffic congestion at present along the corridor does not warrant an immediate solution such as light rail. The study recommended that light rail in Waverley be further considered as a medium to long term transport option (10–15 years). This study is the first step in a long process to look at the feasibility of whether to reintroduce light rail in Waverley. While these investigations continue, Council will prepare an Interim Access Strategy by June 2014 that will identify short to medium term options to help improve public transport efficiency along the Bondi Road corridor.

■ The report can be downloaded in full at www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/environment/sustainable_transport.



As the weather warms up and the beaches get busier, people are reminded to stay safe when swimming at the beach. Make sure you swim between the flags, swim to your ability and take note of the signs. If you feel as though you are getting into trouble in the water, raise your arm to alert the Lifeguards. More information about beach safety is available on our website at

www.waverley.nsw.gov.au

As the year comes to a close, it's always good to take stock of the year gone by and look to the year ahead. Council's project highlights this year include:

- The Tamarama Park Upgrade, which is now complete
- Council's push to increase the number of Family Day Care centres in and around Waverley
- The Complete Streets project and vision for Bondi Junction
- The Bondi Beach, Park and Pavilion Plan of Management consultation
- Finalisation of Waverley's community plan Waverley Together 3.

These are only a few examples of the projects Council has been working on with the community over the past year. As you will see from the articles in this issue, we have a lot planned for the coming year and look forward to working closely with the community.

Finally, on behalf of the staff at Waverley Council, I would like to wish you all the very best this festive season, a happy and safe holiday period and hope you enjoy all the fantastic activities we are offering over summer.

**Acting General Manager
Peter Brown**

Doing business

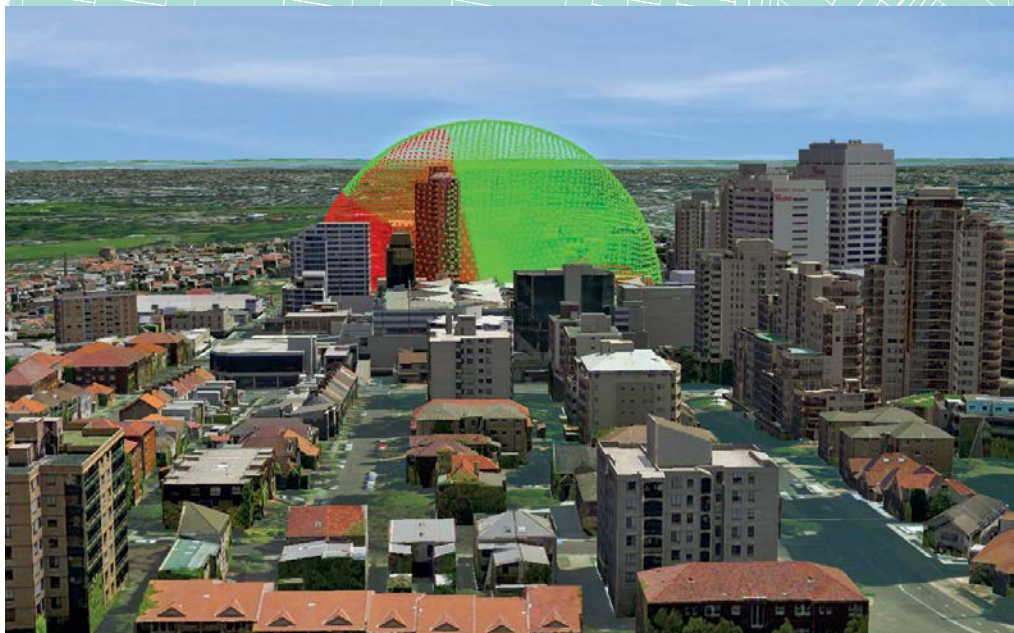


If you have a business in Waverley, we can help.

Are you a business in the Waverley area? Council's Events & Business Development Division are here to provide support. The Events & Business Development Division works with local business to ensure the business areas remain viable, attractive and competitive. Their role is to:

- Act as one-stop information and contact point for Waverley businesses
- Advocate on behalf of commercial centres and villages
- Promote commercial centres and villages to visitors to increase visitation and spend
- Nurture vibrant and interesting commercial and village centres through marketing programs
- Support business promotional initiatives generated by commercial centres and villages
- Provide information via e-newsletters and the Waverley Business Forum
- Coordinate Council services to promote clean and safe commercial and village centres.

Sign up for our monthly business e-newsletter to get information about doing business in Waverley sent directly to your inbox. Visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au and sign up today. If you have a business related question, email doingbusiness@waverley.nsw.gov.au.



3D modelling to guide planning choices

Council has recently introduced a 3D modelling system to help guide strategic planning decisions and development assessment in Waverley. The new technology maps out the Waverley area in 3D so that Council can visualise development in the local area more accurately than ever before.

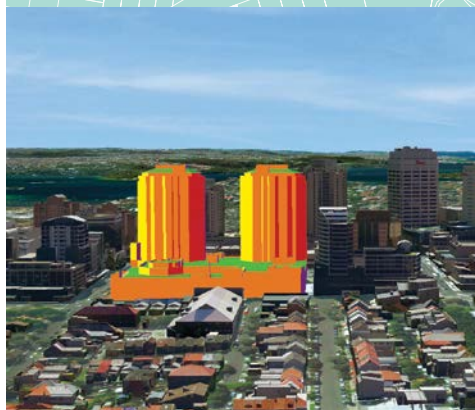
The technology, which enables a proposal to be viewed from a variety of angles, is being used to analyse and assess development proposals, including their impacts on the surrounding area.

Multiple proposals can be inserted into the model to determine a suitable design solution for an individual site or

the collective urban area. Town Planners are currently using the interactive model for accurate shadow casting, view analysis and urban design investigations.

Council is also using the technology to identify opportunities for improvement of Waverley's public spaces, as well as to help visualise state and local planning controls. This will assist Council in shaping the Waverley community and plan for its future development.

The Waverley Digital Model will assist both Council and local residents to visualise development that is happening in their community.

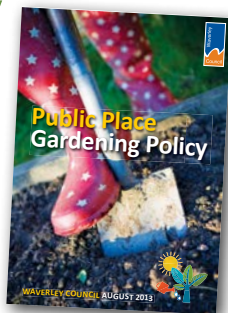


New public gardening policy

Waverley residents really have the gardening bug judging by the large number of community and street gardens

sprouting up. Council strongly supports our community caring for our green spaces, growing their own food and beautifying our streets.

Due to the diverse number of ways that you can grow plants and garden in Waverley, Council has prepared the Public Place Gardening Policy and Street Garden Guidelines. The new Policy and Guidelines provide a clear framework to our local residents on how they can carry out conservation work, start their own or shared garden, select the right location, maintain safety and ensure the support of the local community.



There are quite a few issues to consider before growing plants and maintaining them in to the future. So before you throw a few seeds in the ground or if you are thinking of starting a new garden on a nature strip have a look at the Policy and Guidelines and application form on Council's website. Alternatively, if you have any questions email: streetgardens@waverley.nsw.gov.au or call the Civic Pride Coordinator on **9386 7925**.



New depot to include shared facilities

Due to the rezoning of Council's current depot in Zetland, Council purchased a block of land at 67A Bourke Rd, Alexandria and staff will be relocating there when construction is complete.

Construction recently started on the new depot site, which will include shared facilities for Waverley and Woollahra councils.



The shared facility is an exciting step for Council as we work collaboratively with our neighbouring councils. Construction is only in the early stages – we hope to have the building construction completed late next year.

New Tree Management Policy

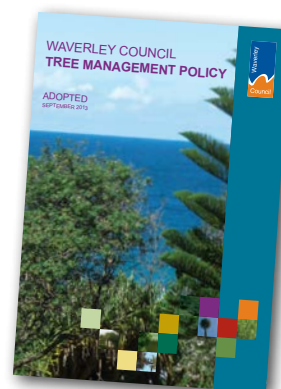
Waverley Council has a new Tree Management Policy (TMP), which was adopted in September this year.

This is an important document for residents. Under the new policy, an application is required to do work on a tree with:

- a height of five metres or over and trunk width of 300mm or over at ground level,
- a canopy spread of five metres or more and trunk width of 300mm or over at ground level, or
- a listing on Waverley Council's Significant Tree Register.

If you plan to prune or remove a tree on your property, please follow the above guidelines and apply for a permit if required.

■ **More information about trees in Waverley, including application forms and the TMP, are available on Council's website at www.waverley.nsw.gov.au**





Beach parking gets major upgrade

Upgrades to our beach car parks at Bronte and Bondi are almost complete.

Bronte Cutting car park has had a major upgrade with the removal of the entry and exit boom gates and the payment booth. The new smart meters will be installed in early 2014. The upgrade works have also included:

- resurfacing and line marking
- the addition of 10 motorcycle parking spaces
- the introduction of a 10km/hr shared zone to improve safety for pedestrians
- the installation of new directional signage at the entrance to the car park to indicate the availability of spaces before entering.

Queen Elizabeth Drive car park at Bondi will be undergoing similar upgrades over the coming months with new line marking of parking spaces. In the new year, the boom gates and the manned payment booth will be removed and replaced with 18 smart parking meters.

Beach Parking Permit holders will continue to be able to park anywhere in the car parks without charge, while non-permit holders will pay an hourly fee at the booth at Bondi or on the meters at Bronte for the length of their stay using cash or credit card.

NEW SMART PARKING METERS

The meters that will be installed in the beach car parks are smarter than the average meter, and will deliver more than just a meter ticket. This includes:

- recognising valid Beach Parking Permits, so that permit holders will no longer need to display their permit card on their dashboard
- accepting payment by coin, credit card and new contactless technology (including Paypass and Paywave)
- the capacity to renew Beach Parking Permits via the meter
- the ability to pre-program paid event parking.

Upgrades of the car parks and the smart meter installations have been timed so that Council's meters will meet new global standards for banking security but also have minimal impact on motorists during the Christmas and New Year period. Council and the suppliers of the new meters are working with banking institutions to ensure the extra global banking security standards can be met as soon as possible. This will give credit card users additional protections for the security of their banking details.

Some delays are being experienced in configuration of the meters to ensure that they will provide the required security and also charge customers correctly. The aim will

be to install the meters as soon as possible in early 2014.

In the meantime, Queen Elizabeth Drive car park will operate as normal, while interim parking meters have been installed at Bronte Cutting car park.

Beach Parking Permit holders will need to display their beach permit on their vehicle, while non-permit holders will be able to pay per hour using the meters by coin and credit card.

PARKING METER NETWORK UPGRADE

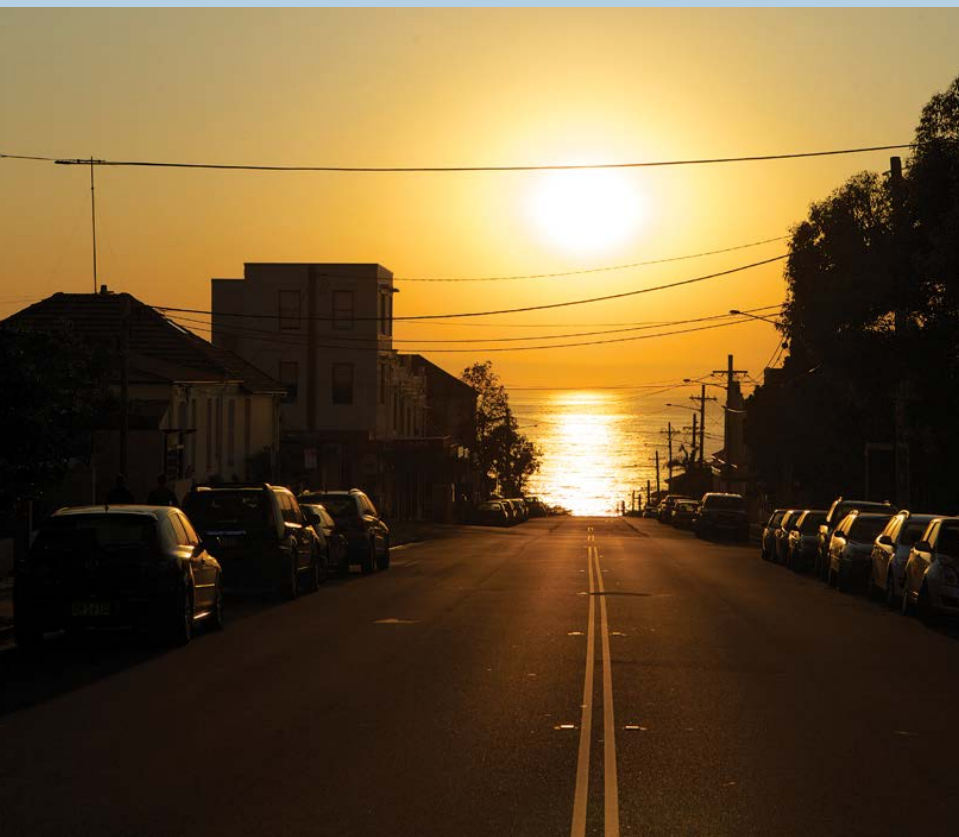
The installation of smart meters at the beach car parks is part of a broader parking meter network upgrade throughout Waverley.

We will begin rolling out installation of the new smart meters throughout Waverley's residential and commercial centres soon. The new meters will all have improved technology and allow for payments to be processed using new contactless payment methods, such as Paypass and Paywave.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information, please visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/residents/parking or contact our Customer Service team on **9369 8000**. And remember, watch the signage at the car parks for updates on the timing of the changeover.

Summary of the 2012/13 Annual Report



We are united by our common passion for our beautiful home between the city and the sea.



The full 2012/13 Annual Report provides a more detailed analysis of Council's performance. View it at www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/council/plans,_policies_and_reports/annual_report



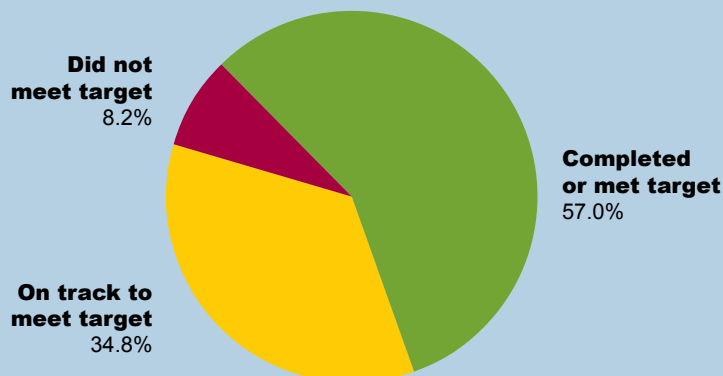
Waverley Council regularly reports to the community on what it delivers over each financial year. The Annual Report provides detailed results on Council's performance against the targets set out in the 2012/13 Operational Plan.

Meeting targets

Figure 1 gives a broad overview of Council's performance over the period 1 July 2012 – 30 June 2013.

This year Council performed well, with 92% of its deliverables being completed or on track to meet target.

Figure 1. Overview of Council's performance in achieving its deliverables* in 2012/13



*A 'Deliverable' is a project, service or activity Waverley Council identified in its Operational Plan.

Some of our highlights for 2012/13 were:

We reviewed the Community Strategic Plan and developed Waverley Together 3

We purchased 8 new garbage compactor trucks to improve our waste collection service

We provided \$1.29M in grants to community groups

We provided free Wi-Fi at Bondi Beach

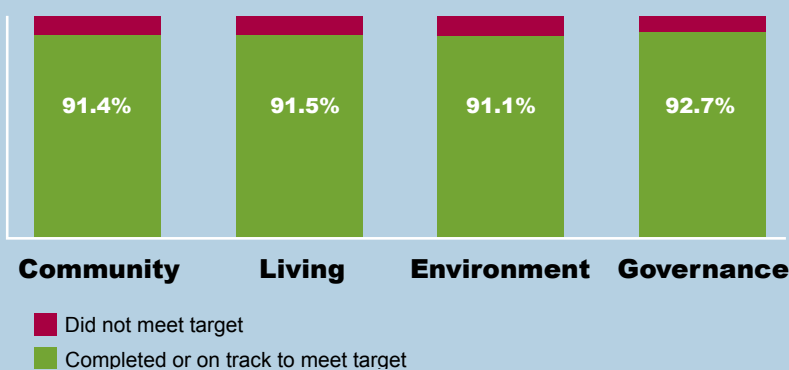
Community, living, environment & governance

Figure 2 shows that Council tracked well against its targets in each of the Quadrants of Community, Living, Environment and Governance.

On average the Quadrants achieved 91.7% of their targets. No Quadrants were below 90% and Sustainable Governance completed almost 93% of its targets.

Some targets were not being met due to program delays or rescheduling, delays by other agencies or legislative changes.

Figure 2. Performance by quadrant*



*Quadrants are the four areas of the Community Strategic Plan (Waverley Together 3) which cover community, economy (living), environment and governance (leadership).

Some of our highlights for 2012/13 were:

We implemented a new shopping trolley control system in Bondi Junction in partnership with Coles and Woolworths.

We ran the Waverley Local Hero Awards

We installed new portable lifeguard towers at North Bondi and Bronte Beaches

We won the NSW Green Globe 10 Year Sustainability Award for advancing environmentally sustainable practices

Summary of Service Plus



Community consultation undertaken from 2009-2012 consistently showed that the Waverley community were strongly in favour of enhancing the services that Council provides.

Many respondents supported a rate rise to fund the service enhancements and to help the community move towards their vision for the future, as set out in the Community Strategic Plan, *Waverley Together 3*.

In response, Council put a business case to the Independent Pricing & Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) for a rate increase to ensure we could maintain all past service levels and fund enhancements. The total package of services and enhancements now being provided by Council is referred to as **Service Plus**. IPART approved the rate increases for 3 years as set out in the table below.

Table 1

2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
14.50%	13.5%	12.5%

After coming into effect as of 1 July 2011 the rate rise has been combined with other funds to ensure Council can make the best contribution possible to the community's vision for its future as identified in *Waverley Together 3*.

In 2012/13 about 30% of *Service Plus* was funded by rates.

Figure 3 sets out the expected funding sources for *Service Plus* over the next ten years. The map shows the major projects underway, nearing completion or commencing under the *Service Plus* enhancements.

Figure 3. Funding Sources for Service Plus for period 2012/13 – 2021/22

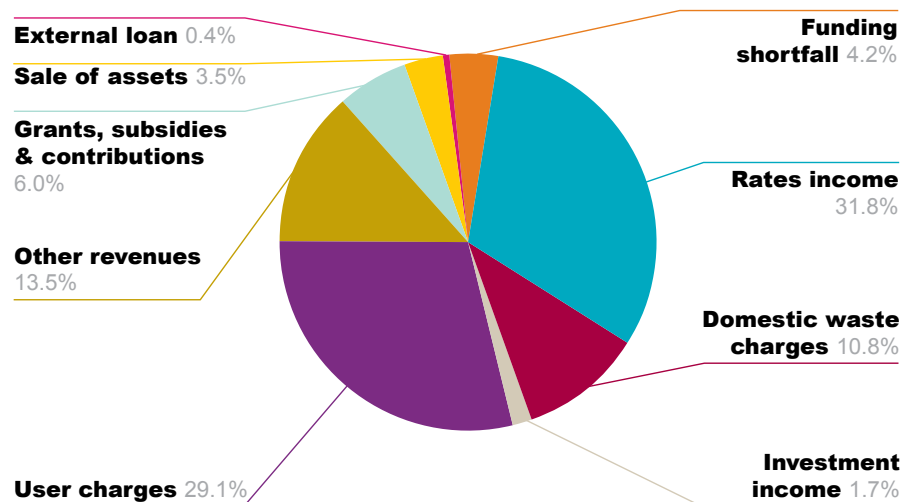


Figure 4: Service Plus activities in 2012-13

Service Plus

The rate rise of \$4,343,324 in 2012/13 has been combined with other funds to secure completion of...

1. Cemeteries infrastructure renewal program is to be accelerated

2. Bronte Park Playground upgrade

3. Bronte SLSC connected to stormwater harvesting system

4. Park upgrades at Bronte Park, Dudley Page Reserve and Varna Park

5. Tamarama Kiosk, amenities & Lifeguard facilities construction commenced

A new works depot site outside Waverley purchased

Green Links Project was extended

Increased graffiti removal

Footpath renewal and upgrade projects

Road and kerb renewal and upgrade projects undertaken

Landscaping around traffic calming devices undertaken

Greenhouse gas reduction initiatives for businesses and 12 schools

Stormwater drains construction and flood retention projects

Projects to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas in 9 Council buildings

Technology based water monitoring program

A new ride-on scrubber purchased to assist with public footway cleansing

50 workshops held to improve the community's environmental sustainability

92 bike and mini-scooter spaces installed in local schools

Feasibility assessment into development of light rail transport

6. Tamarama Gully remediation works

7. Lands for open space in Tamarama Gully acquired

8. North and South Bondi toilet upgrades

9. Bondi Beach stormwater harvesting and reuse

10. Bondi Park Plan of Management works

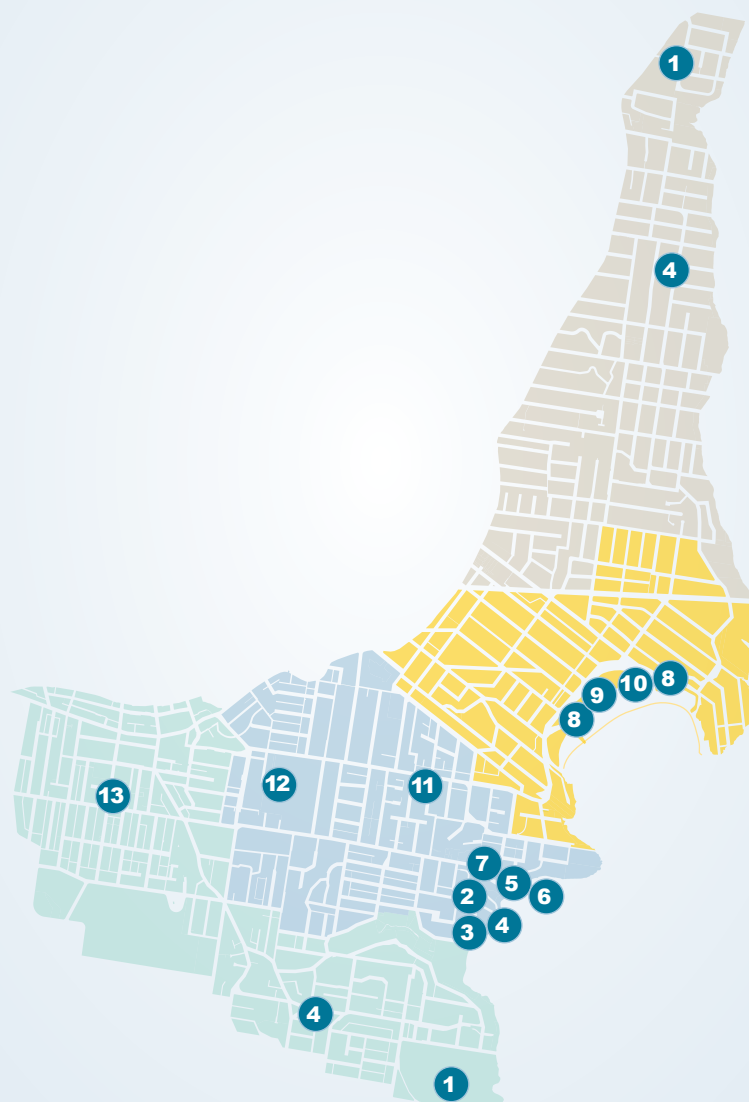
11. Bondi Road footpath upgrades

12. New Waverley Park amenities were completed

13. Implemented 2 Water Sensitive Urban Design projects in Bondi Junction

Street furniture upgrades

654 new households using compost and worm farms & 372 tonnes of food waste processed through residential composting program



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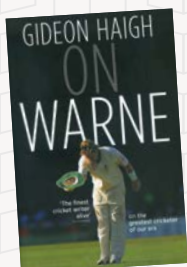
Library News...

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Waverley Library



Congratulations to winner of the Nib



Congratulations to this year's overall winner of The Nib Waverley Library Award for Literature, Gideon Haigh, for his biography *On Warne*.

On Warne - featuring cricket legend Shane Warne - edged out five other short-listed works from around Australia to win this year's \$20,000 prize at an awards ceremony held in November.

The five other shortlisted authors were Matthew Condon (*Three Crooked Kings*), Michael Fullilove (*Rendezvous with Destiny*), John Hamilton (*The Price of Valour*),

Hannah Kent (*Burial Rights*) and Helen Trinca (*Madeleine*).

A big thank you to everyone in the community who voted in this year's inaugural People's Choice category. Over 200 people voted for their favourite shortlisted book with John Hamilton's *The Price of Valour* - a moving story of World War One veteran and hero Hugo Throssell - topping them as overall favourite and winning \$500.

Congratulations to David Moses of North Bondi and Richard Grazier of Grass Valley in W.A, the two lucky *Price of Valour* voters who had their names chosen at random to win a set of signed shortlisted books.

Finally, thank you to the sponsors who helped support this year's award: Gertrude and Alice Bookstore & Cafe, The Wentworth Courier, Friends of Waverley Library and Bondi Icebergs Club. The Nib Waverley Library Award for Literature is a national award recognising excellence in literary research and is a unique example of Waverley Council's commitment to the cultivation, preservation and promotion of Australian literature and our national literary heritage.

All the nominated books from this year's award are now available at Waverley Library. Great summer reading and wonderful stories from the cream of Australian writing!

Bondi Pavilion Summer Events

THE CENTRE OF BONDI CULTURE

For more information call the Bondi Pavilion on 8362 3400 or visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipavilion

CAROLS BY THE SEA

WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER, BONDI PARK



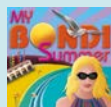
This lovely community event brought locals together to celebrate in the spirit of Christmas. Fantastic local youth groups kicked off the festivities at 5.30pm with musical entertainment, followed by a night of Christmas tune favourites at 7pm with Bondi Brass, led by Paul Goodchild.

Joyous carol singing was led by this year's special guests, 'The Acappella Central Singers' directed by Gary Smith, with local choir, 'Bondi Sings' featuring throughout the night. Christmas glo-sticks were for sale

and a sausage sizzle with proceeds going towards local charities.

It was a great event for all in attendance this year, with beautiful weather and good old fashioned Christmas cheer! We are looking forward to next year.

**SHORE THING
NEW YEARS EVE
EVENT - 31 DECEMBER**
www.shorething.com.au



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

6-24 JANUARY

This great summer program of visual arts, drama, music, dance, yoga and pottery activities will keep your 3-12 year olds busy over the summer holiday period. Be sure not to miss the fantastic holiday show 'Journey to the Centre of the Earth' in the Seagull Room on Friday 10 January - an unforgettable theatrical journey!

www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/holidayprogram

FLICKERFEST INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

10-19 JANUARY

www.flickerfest.com.au

BONDI PAVILION GALLERY

For information on all the great exhibitions on over summer call the Bondi Pavilion or visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipavilion/gallery

BONDI PAVILION THEATRE

For all shows and performances, contact the Resident Theatre Company, The Rock Surfers Theatre Company on 1300 241 167 or visit www.rocksurfers.org

Staying safe at the beach

Make sure you stay safe this summer. Swimming in the ocean can be dangerous. In order to have a hassle free day at the beach:

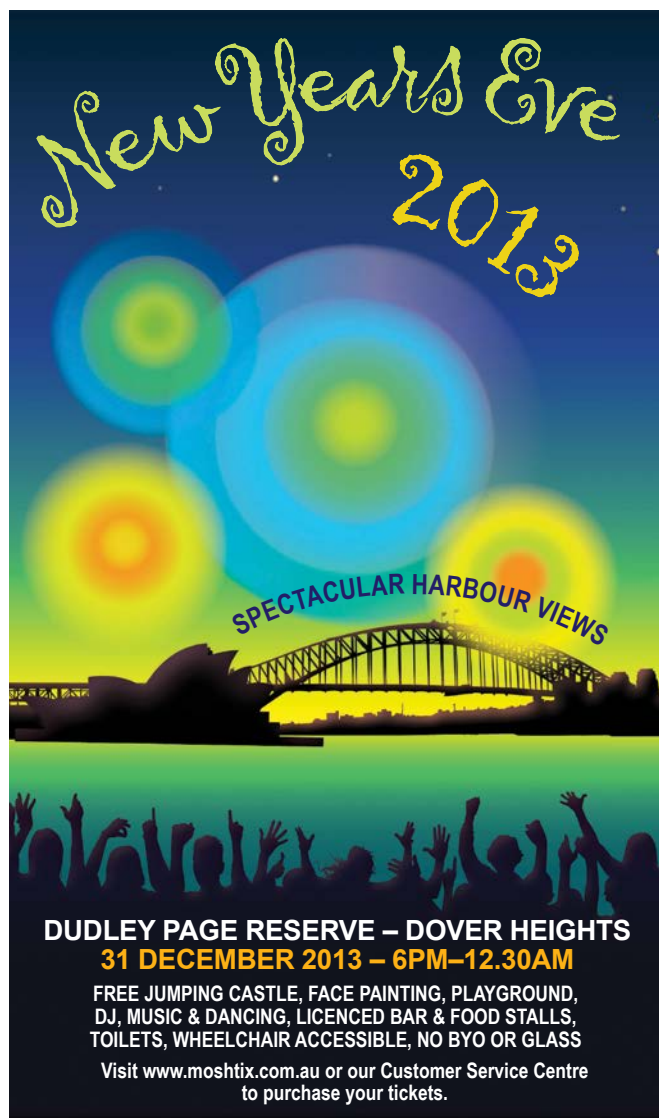
- Always swim between the flags under Lifeguard supervision. No flags, no swim.
- If you are not an experienced swimmer, don't swim alone. Swim with a friend or under supervision.
- Don't swim under the influence of drugs or alcohol (most adults who drown in NSW are alcohol affected).
- Learn to recognise dangerous rips and waves. Often the beach has only gentle waves and currents, but sometimes the waves or currents can be very powerful and overwhelm swimmers. It is important for beach swimmers to learn to recognise the strong currents (rips) and the dangerous waves.

If caught in a rip:

- Float, stay calm and raise your hand for help.

Our lifeguards patrol Bondi, Tamarama and Bronte beaches.

There is always a Lifeguard on duty between 6am and 7pm at Bondi and Bronte beaches and 9am to 7pm on Tamarama Beach throughout summer.





Meet our Parks Team

Council's Park Open Space Operations Team work hard year-round maintaining Waverley's parks and open spaces. Summer in particular is an extremely busy time for the team with between 50 and 60 people working at any one time. Each weekend has to be treated like an event in itself, with visitors in the 50–100,000s during peak times. With such a high number of visitors, the wear and tear on the parks is high, greatly reducing the lifespan of assets significantly.

Members of the Parks Team undertake parks maintenance and improvements at a wide variety of locations, including Bondi, Bronte and Tamarama and Waverley parks. In addition there are over 90 other parks and reserves that the Parks Team keep 'clean, safe and green'. Tasks include beach raking, cleaning public amenities and facilities, maintaining turf and garden displays as well as landscape improvement works. Staff are also responsible for planting and maintaining our traffic calming devices, the islands we use to slow traffic in certain areas.

As part of Council's duty of care to the public our Playground Maintenance Officer has the important role of ensuring our playgrounds are safe for children by conducting regular inspections and undertaking repairs as required.

Our Tree Operations Team conducts arboricultural maintenance including street tree planting and maintenance, formative pruning and reactive maintenance. The Team is also on call 24 hours day, being

able to respond to tree emergencies often as a result of severe weather events.

Parks staff work closely with other areas in Council, often collaborating on projects. One recent example is the Tamarama Park Upgrade. The Parks Team, Maintenance and Construction Team as well as the Open Space Planning Team have been collaborating throughout the project to ensure deadlines are met and the work is of a high standard.

Whatever the task or role, our Parks Team take great pride in their work. Without these busy men and women, our parks and beaches wouldn't be such great places to hang out!



Cleaning the beach and parks



Street tree planting



Mowing and trimming



Playground cleaning and safety checks



Watering



Operate and manage the beach rake



No butts about it!



Every summer, armed with our picnics and swimmers, we flock to the coast to enjoy our beaches. Apart from blistering sunburn and rowdy towel neighbours, could anything ruin these days by the sea?

One word - LITTER. Rubbish, isn't it?!

Ocean litter is one of the most serious pollution problems we face. It affects the health of people, wildlife and even local economies. Who wants to hang at a trash-laden beach, swim amongst discarded plastic and cigarette butts, or have a foot cut by stepping on broken glass?

Every year 50 to 80 million plastic bags end up as litter on Australia's beaches, streets and parks. In every square kilometre of ocean it's estimated that there are more than 18,000 pieces of plastic. A staggering 7 billion cigarette butts are tossed on Aussie soil annually. And rubbish is estimated to be responsible for killing 100,000 sea mammals and 1 million birds globally each year.

With 95% of the litter on our beaches coming from suburban streets and drains through the stormwater system, there's plenty of easy things we can do to keep our coast clean, and our community and wildlife safe.

Top trash-free tips:

- **Be the right tosser** – Throw your garbage and recycling in the right bin. Go on, it's only a few steps away.
- **Bag it** – Keep a small rubbish bag in the car, or bring one with you to a picnic or the beach. It saves you from walking to the bin every time you have a snack.
- **Bin your butts** – Remember, cigarette filters are made out of plastic filaments not cotton and

can take a long time to degrade. We've made it easy - there are butt-bins along the beach promenades.

- **Only rain in the drain** – Wash your paintbrushes in a sink and clean your car on the grass. This prevents toxic chemicals going down stormwater drains to the ocean.
- **Scoop the poop** – Pick up your dog's poo in public places and toss it in the bin.

KEEP YOUR EYES AND EARS OUT:

This summer we are bringing together music, art and conversation around reducing and recycling rubbish. No butts about it!

New cycleways

Calling all cyclists and wanna-be-riders: You can soon be able to cruise along Waverley roads on paths dedicated to pedal power. So don your helmet, put away your fears of sharing the street with other vehicles, and enjoy a more peaceful and safer ride. Sounds too good to be true?

It's true! We've given the big tick to a new Bike Plan, following public exhibition and support in the last few months. This plan paves the way for six priority cycleways to be completed over the next five years:

1. Bondi Beach to Bondi Junction and CBD
2. Bondi Beach to Rose Bay (Curlew St)
3. Bondi Junction to Bronte Beach
4. Bondi Junction to UNSW/ Randwick via Queens Park
5. Bronte Beach to Centennial Park
6. Coastal Cycleway

These corridors have been on the books previously, but we've added Route 2 along Curlew St, which meets up at O'Sullivan Rd and provides a connection to Birriga Rd and Bondi Junction.

The Coastal Cycleway on Route 6 is on-road, suitable for experienced cyclists and will extend through Woollahra and Randwick areas.

A number of secondary bicycle routes support these main cycleways to complete a cycle network over the entire LGA.

Bike parking will be increased at beaches, villages (including Bronte, Bondi Beach, Charing Cross, Bondi Junction) and transport hubs. And we will continue to run workshops and programs to promote this healthy and fun mode of transport.

■ **Check out the Bike Plan online:** www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/environment/sustainable_transport

Happy cycling all!

Concept illustration of possible two-way separated cycleway along Oxford St.



WHAT'S NEXT?

In the next six months Council will start work on:

1. Installing way-finding signs, plus upgrading route signage and pavement markings for the priority bicycle routes.
2. Planning with Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) for a 2-way separated cycleway in Bondi Junction* to link with a separated cycleway along Centennial Parklands on Oxford St and proposed cycleways by City of Sydney. This will result in a separated cycling route from Bondi Junction to the City enabling safe cycling for commuters of all skill levels.

* This route will be along Spring St, Denison St and Oxford St west to York Rd.

2014



Get snappy happy!

Enter our Facebook photo competition:

- Runs 15 December–21 January
- Theme: What do you love about living near the water?
- Post your photo on Summerama FB page (from 8am 15 December to 9pm 21 January) for your chance to win.
- All ages welcome!
- Winning photo will be chosen by 3pm 24 January. The most 'liked' photo will also win a great prize.

First prize: An Olympus Tough TG-820 underwater camera.

Second prize: family ticket to Australia Museum's blockbuster *Tyrannosaurs*.

Third prize: Captain Cook Middle Harbour Coffee Cruise for two people (Retail value: \$110).

Summerama is here!

It's that time of year we all (well, most of us) love: balmy days, ocean dips and sizzling BBQs. Hang out at the beach, sand between our toes, and find cool respite in the watery depths. Is there anything better than that?

How about learning exciting new stuff about our coasts whilst savouring the sunshine and sea air – all for free?!

Rockpools Discovery Tour

Tuesday 14 January and Saturday 18 January

Explore Bondi's rockpools and get up close to some fascinating marine creatures. Join two marine biologist guides in this exciting family activity.

Snorkelling Tours

Saturday 11 January, morning and afternoon

Keen to explore Bronte's underwater world? Grab your flippers and join this exhilarating snorkelling expedition with two experienced marine biologists.

Coastal Bush Tucker

Sunday 19 January and Thursday 23 January

Discover the natural gems along the Bondi to Bronte Coastal walk. Experienced guide, John Lennis will teach you about Indigenous history and native plants along the coastline – while enjoying delicious bush tucker!

Dr Rip Science of the Surf

Sunday 12 January

With Dr Rip's award-winning presentation learn everything you need to know about surf, sand, waves, rips and sharks. Stay after the talk to watch it in action with a food dye release at the beach!

For further details visit www.summerama.com.au or call 9369 8045

For free bookings visit www.eventbrite.com.au



BONDI JUNCTION'S VERY OWN FILM STUDIO

Did you know Bondi Junction used to have a film studio? In 1925 Australasian Films/Union Theatres bought the Centennial Roller Skating Rink site at 65 Ebley Street, Bondi Junction, converted it into a film studio and began making silent films. As they still needed the rent from the skating rink to subsidise their filmmaking business, the studio used the site during the day and the skaters used it at night.

The 1930s was the era of the film studio, and this was reflected locally in Waverley. By 1931 the film studio had become Cinesound Productions, which went on to become a pioneer Australian film company.

They set out to produce low-budget popular films which would be distributed through Union Theatres.

The studio was soon in full-time continuous production of films and night-time roller skating was no more. In 1934 the studio employed 144 people permanently and 450 casuals and operated three film studios – Bondi Junction, Rushcutters Bay and St. Kilda. The Bondi Junction site was known as Studio no. 1.

Cinesound Productions made feature films until the early 1940s, after which the fortunes of Cinesound started to decline. The Ebley Street building was then sold in 1951.

The Ebley Street site was bought by a company with a franchise to produce American soft drinks and it was used as a factory until the mid-1950s. The building again became a studio from 1956-1973, this time for different film and television production companies including Ajax Films. After that it became a furniture retailer and is now home to Spotlight, a fabric and home interior store.

For more information on our fascinating local history see the Local Studies website on Council's website, www.waverley.nsw.gov.au.

ENGLISH

When visiting the beach, you are reminded to swim between the flags, swim to your ability and take note of the signs. If you feel as though you are getting into trouble in the water, raise your arm to alert the Lifeguards.

Tickets are available for our New Years Eve at Dudley Page Reserve in Dover Heights. Enjoy spectacular views of Sydney Harbour in a family friendly environment with a free jumping castle, face painting, food stalls, music and dancing.

Visit www.moshtix.com.au to get your tickets today.

Council has adopted a new Tree Management Policy. Under the new policy, an application is required to do work on a tree with:

- A height of five metres or over and trunk width of 300mm or over at ground level; or
- A canopy spread of five metres or more and trunk width of 300mm or over at ground level; or
- A listing on Waverley Council's Significant Tree Register.

RUSSIAN

При посещении пляжа не забывайте о том, что нужно плавать между флажками, плавать соответственно своим физическим возможностям и обращать внимание на знаки. Если вам кажется, что вы оказались в опасности на воде, поднимите вверх руку, чтобы привлечь внимание спасателей.

Уже можно приобрести билеты на празднование Нового Года в парке Dudley Page Reserve района Dover Heights. Полубойтесь живописными видами Сиднейской Гавани в дружеской атмосфере, где будут надувные замки, аква-грим, лотки с продуктами питания, музыка и танцы. Посетите сайт www.moshtix.com.au чтобы пораньше приобрести билеты.

Совет принял новую политику в плане ухода за деревьями (Tree Management Policy). Согласно новым правилам, необходимо подать заявление на проведение работ с деревьями, которые соответствуют следующим критериям:

- Высота дерева - пять или более метров при ширине ствола на уровне земли в 300мм или более; или
- Крона простирается на пять или более метров, при ширине ствола на уровне земли в 300мм или более; или
- Дерево значится в Списке особых деревьев в Совете Уэверли (Waverley Council's Significant Tree Register).

ITALIAN

Quando andate in spiaggia, vi ricordiamo di nuotare solo nelle zone delimitate dalle bandierine, di non sopravvalutare le vostre capacità e di prestare attenzione ai cartelli. Se pensate di avere dei problemi quando siete in acqua agitate le braccia per avvertire i bagnini.

Sono disponibili i biglietti per la notte di Capodanno di Dudley Page Reserve a Dover Heights. Godetevi viste spettacolari della baia di Sydney in un'atmosfera familiare con castello gonfiabile gratuito, disegni sul viso, bancarelle di cibo, musica e ballo. Visitate il sito www.moshtix.com.au per acquistare i vostri biglietti oggi stesso.

Il Comune ha adottato una nuova politica per la gestione degli alberi che prevede la presentazione di una domanda per l'esecuzione di lavori relativi ad alberi:

- di cinque o più metri di altezza e con tronco di 30cm o più di circonferenza al livello del terreno; o
- con espansione diametrica della chioma di cinque metri o più e con tronco di 30cm o più di circonferenza al livello del terreno; o
- inclusi nell'elenco degli alberi significativi del Comune di Waverley.

SPANISH

Cuando vaya a la playa, recuerde nadar entre las banderas, nadar según sus habilidades y prestar atención a los carteles. Si le parece que está empezando a tener problemas cuando está en el agua, levante un brazo para alertar a los salvavidas.

Están disponibles las entradas para nuestro festejo de Fin de año en Dudley Page Reserve, en Dover Heights. Disfrute las espectaculares vistas del Puerto de Sídney en un ambiente amigable y familiar, con castillos inflables gratuitos, maquillaje de fantasía, puestos de comida, música y baile. Visite www.moshtix.com.au para obtener hoy sus entradas.

El Concejo ha adoptado una nueva Política para el manejo de árboles. De acuerdo a la nueva política, se debe presentar una solicitud para trabajar en un árbol que:

- Tenga una altura de cinco metros o más y un tronco de 300 mm de ancho o más a ras del suelo; o
- Tenga un follaje que se extienda cinco metros o más y un tronco de 300 mm de ancho o más a ras del suelo; o
- Forme parte del Registro de Árboles Importantes del Concejo de Waverley.

SIMPLIFIED CHINESE

到海滩游泳时，请在旗标之间游泳。游泳时要量力而行并随时留意安全标志。如果您感觉在水中遇到麻烦，请高举手臂向救生员示意求救。

本市将在Dover Heights的Dudley Page保护区举办新年前夜庆祝活动，门票现已开始公开发售。届时您可以与家人一起观赏悉尼海港大桥的壮观美景，共同度过一段美好时光，现场有免费蹦蹦床城堡、面部彩绘、美食摊档、音乐会和歌舞表演等精彩纷呈的娱乐活动。请立即登录www.moshtix.com.au获取门票。

市议会颁布了新的《树木管理政策》。根据该政策，对以下树木进行施工必须递交申请：

- 地面上高度超过5米（包括5米）、树干直径超过300毫米（包括300毫米）的树木；或
- 地面上树冠直径超过5米（包括5米）、树干直径超过300毫米（包括300毫米）的树木；或
- 列入Waverley市议会《重要树木登记册》的树木。

GREEK

Όταν επισκέπτεστε την παραλία, σας υπενθυμίζουμε να κολυμπάτε μεταξύ των σημαίων, να κολυμπάτε ανάλογα με την ικανότητά σας και να λαβαίνετε υπόψη τις πινακίδες. Αν αισθανθείτε ότι αντιμετωπίζετε πρόβλημα όταν κολυμπάτε, σηκώστε το χέρι σας για να ειδοποιήσετε τους Ναυαγοσώστες.

Διατίθενται εισιτήρια για την εκδήλωσή μας την Παραμονή της Πρωτοχρονιάς μας στο Dudley Page Reserve στο Dover Heights. Απολαύστε την εντυπωσιακή θέα του Λιμανιού του Σύδνεϋ σε ένα οικογενειακό φιλικό περιβάλλον που περιλαμβάνει δωρεάν παιχνίδι σε φουσκωτό κάστρο για παιδιά, ζωγραφική προσώπου, πάγκους με φαγητό, μουσική και χορό. Επισκεφθείτε το www.moshtix.com.au για ν' αποκτήσετε τα εισιτήριά σας σήμερα.

Ο Δήμος έχει υιοθετήσει μία νέα Πολιτική Διαχείρισης Δέντρων. Σύμφωνα με τη νέα πολιτική, απαιτείται υποβολή αίτησης για να γίνει εργασία σε δέντρο:

- Ύψους πέντε μέτρων και άνω και πλάτος κορμού 30 εκατοστά και άνω σε επίπεδο εδάφους, ή
- Άνοιγμα φυλλώματος πέντε μέτρων ή περισσότερο και πλάτος κορμού 30 εκατοστά και άνω σε επίπεδο εδάφους, ή
- Καταχώρηση στο Μητρώο Σημαντικών Δέντρων του Δήμου Waverley.

What's on in Waverley

DEC

Summerama's photo competition

15 Dec 2013–21 Jan 2014

Get snap happy and show us what you love about Sydney's coastline for your chance to win! There are some amazing prizes up for grabs, including an Olympus Tough TG-820 underwater camera, a family ticket to the Australian Museum's summer blockbuster Tyrannosaurs, and a Captain Cook Cruises voucher for two people.

Entering is super easy - check out www.summerama.com.au for more information.

NYE at Dudley Page Reserve

Tues 31 Dec, 6pm–12.30am

Family NYE event with free jumping castle, face painting, playground, DJ, music & dancing. Licensed bar & food stalls. Purchase tickets online at moshtix.com.au

PRECINCT MEETINGS

Have your say!

Our precinct system is a great way to get involved. These are regular meetings run by residents with support from council.

JANUARY

No Precinct meetings are held in January.

Visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au or call Mary Shiner on 9386 7924 for more info.



Waverley Council's Summer **HOLIDAY** PROGRAM
6-24 January 2014

For details on summer holiday events and activities, scan QR code or visit www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/holidayprograms

The banner features a QR code, a watermelon, a beach umbrella, a beach chair with a person reading, and a beach ball.

JAN

Dr Rip: Science of the Surf

Sunday 12 January, 11am - 12.30pm
Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club

Let Dr Rip captivate your attention with his entertaining and award-winning presentation about how our beaches work and behave. Learn about surf, sand, waves and rips and to how to spot and deal with a deadly rip current. Stay after the talk to watch it in action with a dye release at Tamarama where there are some of the strongest rips in Sydney.

Bookings via www.EventBrite.com.au are essential. For questions about this activity, e-mail Council's Environment Officer, on environment@waverley.nsw.gov.au

Flickerfest International Short Film Festival

10–19 Jan, Bondi Pavilion

In 2014 Flickerfest will handpick over 100 films from a massive 2100 entries all guaranteed to be the very best, most innovative, provocative and entertaining shorts the world has to offer. Come and join us this summer at our funky beachside cinema and bar for some fabulous not to be missed bite sized chunks of great cinema.

For more information go to www.flickerfest.com.au

FEB

Summer Camp

Presented by The Rock Surfers, Waverley's Resident Theatre Company

27 Jan–23 Feb,
Bondi Pavilion Theatre

A summer festival mash up of theatre, music, spoken word and fun times from the best local, national and international guest artists.

Tickets and more info www.rocksurfers.org or 1300 241 167.

BOWL-A-RAMA™

22 Feb, Bondi Skate Park

Vans BOWL-A-RAMA™ Bondi is celebrating its 10th birthday with skateboarding's most successful and influential skaters. The line up is set to include Vans legendary skater Steve Caballero, new world champion Pedro Barros and the iconic Tony Hawk; who is coming out of his competitive retirement to help light the candles. They will join the rest of the world's best skaters to make Vans BOWL-A-RAMA™ Bondi the pinnacle of all bowl skate competitions.

The shores of Bondi Beach, Sydney will play host to the biggest week of skateboarding infused cultural festivities in Australia.

For more information visit www.bowlarama.com.au



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