

# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL NEWS



MARCH 2023



CR MATTHEW BLACKMORE  
Mayor of Strathfield

Dear Resident,

It is an honour to be your Mayor and serve the community. I am extremely proud of the transformation of our Council during this Mayoral Term and how

supportive our beautiful community has been to me.

I would like to also thank the NSW Government who have provided almost \$22 million dollars of grant funding to our Council as part of the WestInvest Program:

\$8.2 million is allocated to Hudson District Park East to upgrade Hudson Park Oval and Pavillion/Grandstand, high intensity playground installation, Centenary Drive and Arthur Street traffic improvements, car park extension, underpass between Hudson East & West, sound proofing, landscaping and pedestrian pathways.

\$7.8 million will fund Begnell Field revitalisation to upgrade the amenities building and sports oval, new drainage, irrigation and lighting, a new car park area, outdoor gym and tiered grandstand including ramps and wheelchair seating.

\$4.1 million will be used to refurbish Airey Park which involves improvements to Airey Park amenities building, Alan Davidson Oval and surrounds to address drainage and flooding issues, declining and inadequate amenities, accessibility issues, and inclusion barriers.

Finally, \$1.6 million will be spent on revitalising Strathfield Park, which involves a new basketball court, new storage facility, seating, and landscaped green open space with additional shelter and barbecues.

There is to be a Mayoral vote this month, which is elected by an internal vote of Councillors, we do not have a voting system in Strathfield Council which allows the community to choose their Mayor. In my opinion for the betterment of the community and stability for our staff, this needs to change.

During my Mayoralty, I have worked hard to deliver what I promised the community. Residents will see the benefits of the hard work and planning that has been done over the last 12 months.

I am proud that our Street Tree pruning program has started and will continue over the coming years, we are reviewing our Street Sweeping to have an improved service, the footpath and road renewal works program is scheduled for the next financial year, communication with the community and transparency of decision making has improved and lastly, not one piece of land has been rezoned for development during my Mayoral Term. I love this area and will always put the stability of our community ahead of myself.

As always if you need help with any local matter, please contact me anytime 0406 099 048 or [cr.mblackmore@strathfield.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cr.mblackmore@strathfield.nsw.gov.au)

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SAVE THE DATE

STRATHFIELD FESTIVAL  
COMING SOON  
TO STRATHFIELD SQUARE

LOADING

29 : 04 : 23  
DAY MONTH YEAR

STAY TUNED!

# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL LIBRARY & INNOVATION HUB



## Lego Club

Think you have what it takes to be a Lego Master? Join us at the library for Lego Club for an hour of creative fun!

**When:** First Monday of every month,  
3:30pm-4:30pm

*Scan the QR code for more details and to register. Bookings are essential.*



## Community Directory

Are you part of a community service group or know of any services in the area? Join the Community Services Directory Listing so that residents in our community can easily search for what they are after.

**For more info on Library Programs:** Call 8762 0222 or visit the website or scan QR code to join now.



## Painting on Mondays: Catriona Grant & Megan Winch

Strathfield Library & Innovation Hub  
9 March - 30 April 2023

IRONBARK  
KAWA  
GALLERY

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## Painting on Mondays: Catriona Grant & Megan Winch

Head on over to the Ironbark Gallery to view the latest exhibition, Painting on Mondays: Catriona Grant & Megan Winch. These two friends have met for more than 15 years on a weekly basis to catch up over lunch to paint and continue to do so today. Catriona and Megan have explored art making in many forms, together and apart, endeavouring to capture the beauty around them, both natural and created. The exhibition will be open from 9 March – 30 April.

**Left Image:** Megan Winch, *Kangaroo Valley, river rocks*, 2021, acrylic on canvas

**Right Image:** Catriona Grant, *Still life with fruit and vases*, 2022, oil on linen

*Scan the QR  
code for more  
information*





## Development Determinations



Development Determinations are posted on Council's website monthly. Keep up to date and view them by scanning this QR code.

**Lodge your DA online:** All planning applications, including Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates for Strathfield Council will need to be electronically lodged online via the NSW Government Planning Portal by visiting [planningportal.nsw.gov.au/onlineDA](http://planningportal.nsw.gov.au/onlineDA)

# SUSTAINABILITY



## Selling plants in NSW

Did you know there are 82 plants you must not sell in NSW due to their risk to the environment, economy, or human health as a weed? Whether you're selling through Facebook marketplace, gumtree or as a business, avoid a fine and check which plants must not be sold.



Scan the QR code to explore the full list of plants that must not be sold.



## Do you live in a heritage building but don't know how to make it more sustainable?

Installing new sustainability measures in your heritage building may come with some restrictions, however, there are many options for you to consider, including:

- Installing solar panels for electricity and/or hot water systems. The location of the solar panels may require careful consideration to ensure that the installation does not impact on the heritage significance.
- Installing more energy efficient lighting. Where existing functioning light fittings have heritage value, modifications to come components may still be possible.
- Installing dual/low flush toilet cisterns.
- Switching off computers and printers and home entertainment systems after you use them (yes, they still use power if they're in standby mode!).
- Installing energy efficient hot water heating systems.

For more information, please reach out to our Heritage Planner Alin Almasan at [Alin.Almasan@strathfield.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Alin.Almasan@strathfield.nsw.gov.au).



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# PROJECTS



## HUDSON DISTRICT PARK STAGE 2 UPDATE

Council officially opened the Hudson Park Stage 2 project on Friday 24 February! Stage 2 features a new amenities building with toilets, shelter and BBQ facilities, new courts, exercise equipment, pathway connections, new children's play equipment and a bicycle track. This project was made possible by funding from the NSW Government's NSW Public Spaces Legacy Program and represents the continuation of the transformation of the former Hudson Park Golf Course into 14.1 hectares of open and recreational space for our community.



## POWELLS CREEK BRIDGE PROJECT

The Powells Creek Bridge project was officially opened on 17 February, as part of a plan to install new pedestrian and cycleway bridge crossings at Lorraine Street and Hamilton Street. We encourage you to visit and have a look! This project has been funded by the NSW Government under the Parramatta Road Urban Amenity Improvement Program, and is led by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. This is a \$198 million initiative to improve open space and active transport links along the Parramatta Road corridor. There will also be an incredible art installation that is due to be installed in mid-March and will play an important role in creating a sense of place.



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