

# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



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### CR KAREN PENSABENE Mayor of Strathfield

Dear residents,

If there is a newsletter

you should read... it's this one!

We know Councils play a key role in the reduction of waste and its overall impact on the environment. Council will be planning an ongoing education program to reduce waste and improve environmental outcomes where waste is sent and processed.

A reminder that your:

- Green bin is for garden waste such as leaves, branches, twigs and grass clippings.
- Yellow bin is for marked recycling bottles, hard plastics, paper and cardboard. Soft plastics should not be placed in your yellow bin.
- Red bin is for general waste.

Waste disposal costs begin to increase dramatically when bins are contaminated with an item that should not be there. Education is key, and we will be working closely with residents to reduce, reuse and recycle many of the items we dispose.

This waste issue is one of great importance and is going to be a major project for our Council over the next 7 years. We will be introducing new waste initiatives, including the State Government requirement that all Councils must have food organics and garden organics (FOGO) up and running by 2030.

Council's Traffic and Safety team hosted another excellent forum with principals and representatives from 10 schools in our LGA in late June. Working with our school community always helps with ongoing difficulties during school drop off and pick up times. I'm sure every

resident understands the problem of narrow streets and congestion around our 16 schools, and that our main aim is to keep our children safe. Please work with your school to ensure the safety of our students and residents.

I am delighted to announce that Council's application to set up a live site for the FIFA Women's World Cup has been approved by Optus. We will be screening the games featuring the Australian National team at Strathfield Square from 20 July. Grab a bite to eat at one of the local businesses and join us as we cheer on the Matildas!

On behalf of Strathfield Council, I wish to congratulate Strathfield Girls High School Principal Mechel Pikoulas, on receiving the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) as part of the King's Birthday 2023 Honours List for service to education. Having been a teacher for 30 years and a principal for 10 years, Mechel's dedication to all students in her care is admirable.

Lastly, Council's Community Grants program is open for applications until 31 July 2023. This program provides funding for organisations or groups to develop community or cultural programs that support the community of Strathfield in accordance with the Community Strategic Plan – Strathfield 2035. Check out our website for more information.

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Scan the QR code to fill out the survey.

### Strathfield Youth Survey

If you or someone you know is aged between 12-24 years old, we want to hear from you!

Council is seeking feedback from young people within this age group who live, study, work or play in the Strathfield Local Government Area. A survey has been created to help better understand their interests, needs and wants. The survey will close on Sunday 20 August 2023.

Once completing the survey, you will go into the running to win one of the following prizes:

- First prize - \$250 gift card
- Second prize - \$150 gift card
- Third prize - \$100 gift card



# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL LIBRARY & INNOVATION HUB

## Homelessness Food Appeal

National Homelessness Week takes place on August 1-7, highlighting the struggle people face sleeping rough or for those experiencing homelessness in the community.

Strathfield Council is asking residents to donate non-perishable food for a Homelessness Food Appeal.



To register, scan the QR code.



Donation collection sites are available at Strathfield Council Library and the Strathfield Council Customer Service until 7 August 2023.



## Baby Bounce

Looking to get out of the house with your little one?

Join us at the library for Baby Bounce (ages 0-18 months) and introduce your baby to the wonderful world of songs and rhymes!

No booking required. Just show up for the fun and make connections with other parents and bubs in the area.

**When:** Every Tuesday (18 July - 19 September) from 10am - 10:20am



Scan the QR code for more information.



## NAIDOC Week with Walangari Karntawarra

Walangari Karntawarra is an Aboriginal artist, elder, educator and performer who will be launching an exhibition of his Dreamtime stories, or Jukurrpa known in his language. His artwork depicts animals and elements that are native to his language, including a Snake, Honey Ant, Witchery Grub, Centipede, Caterpillar, Water, Fire, Emu, and Kangaroo.

**When:** 27 June to 27 August 2023.



Scan the QR code for more information.



Water Dreaming Rock Holes, 2020, acrylic on canvas.



Scan the QR code to complete the survey.

## Have Your Say on Public Transport

A survey to understand the needs for local public transport services in Strathfield is now open and your feedback will help guide Council's next steps. Scan the QR code to complete the survey by Friday 11 August 2023.



## 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



## National Tree Day

Roll up your sleeves and get involved in one of Australia's biggest volunteering days of the year! National Tree Day is just around the corner, and once again Council will be hosting a planting event at one of our beautiful parks.

Bring your gardening gloves, sunscreen, hats and join us at Ismay Reserve on Sunday, 30 July 2023 from 9:30am - 12:30pm to take part.



Scan the QR code for more information.



Join the revolution and claim your discount today by scanning the QR code.

## Compost Revolution

Did you know that Strathfield Council residents get 50% off and free delivery of a compost bin, tumbler, worm farm or bokashi bin?

Compost at home today and cut your waste in half, reduce your carbon footprint, and make rich soil & fertiliser by recycling your food scraps.



Cafes who are keen to make a difference can sign up for free by scanning the QR code.



## Responsible Cafes

As part of our ongoing commitment to reduce waste in Strathfield, we have re-joined as a partner Council with Responsible Cafes. It is estimated that over 1 billion non-recyclable takeaway cups and lids are used in Australia every single year. By partnering with Responsible Cafes, Strathfield is encouraging cafes within the local area to become a 'Responsible Cafe' and create their own profile on the website where everyone can view their great waste saving and community initiatives.

Download free promotional posters and guides, get rated and listed on a searchable map of participating cafes visited by 100,000's of people per year.

## We Want Your Feedback

Let us know what you think of this newsletter! Your feedback will go towards ensuring the usefulness and accessibility of the newsletter. Scan the QR Code or visit: [www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au/projects/Newsletter](http://www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au/projects/Newsletter)



Did you know that plastic packaging and single-use plastic items make up 60% of all litter in NSW? Thank you to everyone who is taking part in Plastic Free July.



Scan the QR code to find out more helpful tips to reduce plastic waste.

FOR MORE INFO ON LIBRARY PROGRAMS CALL 8762 0222 OR VISIT THE WEBSITE

# PROJECTS



Hamilton St Bridge

## Lighting Artwork – New Pedestrian Bridges

The Parramatta Road Urban Amenity Improvement Plan (PRUAIP) is a \$198 million initiative funded by the NSW Government to improve open space and active transport links along the Parramatta Road corridor.

As part of this initiative, high quality art projects have been installed on the Powells Creek pedestrian bridges, which aim to create a visual impact on the area and to enhance the cultural and heritage assets for the local community to enjoy.

## Hamilton Street Bridge

The installation of lighting on the Hamilton Street bridge will be completed in August. The artwork on this bridge focuses on Mason Park Wetlands being a sustainable environment which is over twelve hectares in size.

## Lorraine Street Bridge

The installation of lighting on the Lorraine Street bridge is scheduled to be completed in September. The artwork on this bridge focuses on Strathfield's diversity and inclusive community, highlighting diversity in all its forms.



Lorraine St Bridge



## Bridge Road Public Domain Improvement- Homebush

The construction of new footpaths with pavers and installation of street furniture along Bridge Road, Homebush is successfully underway. This project is funded by the NSW Government and is scheduled to be completed by the end of this month. These domain improvement works aim to enhance the infrastructure and aesthetics of a busy entry point into the Strathfield local government area.

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