

A Message from the Mayor



This week we welcome teenagers from our Sister City, Brewarrina, in far western NSW who are here as part of Council's Youth Exchange program, now in its nineteenth year!

We are hosting four young women, 14 to 17 years old, who will spend a week learning to surf, snorkelling, trying their skills at laser tag and even attending a gala dinner in the city.

This program is about providing a unique experience for young people and promoting lifelong friendships between beach and bush communities. It was great to spend some time with them and see city life through their eyes.

In April, Council will send some Northern Beaches teenagers to Brewarrina so they too can experience what life is like far from the coast. Stay tuned for more details on how you can get involved.

And while we're on the youth theme, entries are now open for our very popular youth band competition, Northern Composure. Get in quick, entries close 18 February.

Here on the Beaches we are lucky to have such an active arts and creative community. There are many opportunities for Council and the community to

work together to deliver a greater sense of vibrancy and imagination across our region.

To that end we've developed a draft strategy which looks at supporting the arts through partnerships, planning, investment and events and we'd love your feedback on if we have it right. You can learn more at the info evening at Glen St next Wednesday night from 6pm or check it out online.

We also love our cycling and we're keen to hear from you as we look at developing our cycling network, new infrastructure and priority routes for the next five years. Drop a pin on our online interactive map or come to one of the many drop-in sessions to have your say.

Finally, from mid-Feb we celebrate the Seniors Festival with a range of events, exhibitions, lectures and workshops. Learn about the latest tech developments, hear from gardening guru Peter Rutherford, try your hand at poetry or join the dementia-friendly Barefoot Bowls. It's a packed program with something for everyone so get in quickly to book your spot.

Enjoy the weekend.

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Council Notices

Northern Beaches Local Planning Panel Wed 6 Feb, 1pm Civic Centre, Dee Why

Item 3.1 - MOD2018/0554 - 20 Jubilee Ave, Warriewood - modification of Development Consent DA N0116/06 granted for construction of an administration and packaging facility for Blackmores.

Item 3.2 - DA2018/1254 - 4-6 Niangala Cl, Belrose - alterations and additions to the Belrose Supa Centre and the addition of two takeaway food and drink premises.

Item 3.3 - DA2018/0639 - 7 Bruce Ave, Manly - alterations and additions to an existing dwelling house.

Item 3.4 - DA2018/1716 - Stirgess Ave, Curl Curl - construction of an electronic scoreboard.

Item 5.1 - PEX2018/0008 - Wandella Rd, Allambie Heights - Manly Warringah Memorial Park rezoning.

Requests to address the Panel: contact the Panel Coordinator on 9976 1528 by Tue 5 Feb, 4pm
View the agenda:
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Have Your Say

The following projects are currently open for comment:

Arts & Creativity Strategy (draft)

Information session: Wed 6 Feb, 6 - 8pm, Glen St Theatre

Comments close: Sun 17 Feb



Pittwater Waterway Strategy

Information session: today, 12 - 2pm, Church Point Wharf

Comments close: Sun 3 Feb

Northern Beaches Bike Plan

Comments close: Sun 3 Mar

Northern Beaches Walking Plan (draft)

Comments close: Sun 3 Mar

Planning Our Sustainable Future

Register your interest to get involved

