

A message from the Mayor



Those who regularly tune into this column will know how keen I am to understand why our residents are resistant to installing household solar and what we can do at Council to break down those barriers. Currently just over 8,400 homes on the Northern

Beaches opt to use the power of the sun and yet 67,300 are potentially suitable - we are well below the Sydney average for solar PV installation.

So it was great to have Council endorse a plan last week to pursue an ambitious target of 50 percent of suitable premises to have solar panels installed by 2030.

One of the reasons I'm so invested in not just reaching but smashing that target is because I know the benefits solar power has for residents - not just in reducing emissions but also on the hip pocket. There are real financial savings for residents to be had, particularly as we see power bills sky rocketing year after year. The Australian Photovoltaic Institute estimates average savings for a home on the Northern Beaches is over \$1,000 each year.

You'll hear more from us as we roll out some initiatives to encourage greater solar uptake. In the meantime, there is a great digital tool available for residents to see if your property is suitable for solar. It calculates how much electricity and can indicate how much money a Solar PV system could save your home or business. It's called SunSPoT - check it out on our website.

Today marks the official start of the Manly Arts Festival, a three week program of exhibitions, live performances and artist open houses. While the Festival has its roots in Manly, there are activities now across the area including at the Creative Space at North Curlly and Glen Street Theatre. If you want to see the Northern Beaches at its creative best, look no further.

And congratulations to all our Northern Beaches Art Prize winners. Last week Mark Haynes took out the Waste-to-Art category and teenager Micah Lihachov the Youth prize.

Finally, the Picnic in the Park at Mona Vale today promises to be a great family day. The event is free, with live stage shows, dinosaur craft and fossil activities, a reptile display and face painting. Registrations are encouraged online, with all the entertainment beginning just after 9.30am at Village Park.

Have a great weekend.

Michael Regan

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Have your say

The following projects are open for comment:

Greendale Creek Flood Study

Survey closes: Sun 8 Sep

Birdwood Park Playground, North Narrabeen (renewal)

Comments close: Sun 29 Sep

Manly West Esplanade Heritage Activation Plan (draft)

Submissions close: Sun 29 Sep

Mona Vale Beach amenities and lifeguard storage

Comments close: Sun 29 Sep

Council notices

Expressions of interest - Urban Night Sky Place Project Working Group

We're looking for two local residents and two local interest group representatives to help us prepare an application to designate Palm Beach Headland as an Urban Night Sky Place.

Nominations close: Sun 22 Sep

Weed control program

We're conducting broadleaf weed control on sportsfields and some reserves on the Northern Beaches until mid-October.

Development proposals

View application plans and documents or make a submission online.

Call or email us to contact a planner.

Consent authority: Northern Beaches Council, unless specified

11 May Rd and 613 & 615 Pittwater Rd, Dee Why - amended plans

DA2018/1166 (Lot 2 & Lot 8 DP 22384 and Lot A DP 400997) - amended plans for demolition works and construction of a boarding house development as part of the current NSW Land and Environment Court proceedings.

Applicant: Leech Harmon Architects

Consent authority: NSW Land and Environment Court, as the applicant lodged a Class 1 Appeal against the refusal of the application by the Sydney North Planning Panel

Enquiries: Lashta Haidari, Principal Planner
Submissions close: Sat 28 Sep

163 & 165 Pacific Pde, Dee Why - re-notification

DA2019/0622 (Lot 1 & Lot 2 DP 1246740) - demolition works and construction of a residential flat building.

Applicant: Dilcara Construction

Northern Beaches Parking Permit Scheme Framework (draft)

Information sessions at Manly Town Hall:

- Today, 9 - 10am
- Tue 10 Sep, 10 - 11am
- Wed 11 Sep, 6 - 7pm

Submissions close: Sun 29 Sep

Tidal pool renewals - Little Manly and Forty Baskets

Comments close: Sun 29 Sep



Enquiries: Lashta Haidari, Principal Planner
Submissions close: Sat 21 Sep

5 Dalley St, Queenscliff

REV2019/0047 (Part Lot 1 DP 302634) - Review of Determination of development application DA2018/1069 for demolition works and construction of a residential flat building.

Applicant: Golden Beaches Pty Ltd

Enquiries: Rebecca Englund, Principal Planner
Submissions close: Sat 21 Sep

14 Ponsonby Pde, Seaforth - amended plans

DA2017/1364 (Lot 22 DP 7577) - amended plans for demolition of existing building and construction of a seniors housing development as part of the current NSW Land and Environment Court proceedings.

Applicant: Vimresh Pty Ltd

Consent authority: NSW Land and Environment Court, as the applicant lodged a Class 1 Appeal against the refusal of the application by the Northern Beaches Local Planning Panel

Enquiries: Daniel Milliken, Principal Planner
Submissions close: Sat 21 Sep

2 Macpherson St, Warriewood

DA2019/0887 (Lot 25 Sec C DP 5464) - subdivision of land into 24 community title lots comprising 22 residential lots and two residue lots.

The proposal is 'Integrated Development' and approval is required from NSW Rural Fire Service under s100B of the Rural Fires Act 1997.

The proposal is 'Nominated Integrated Development' and a Controlled Activity Approval is required from the Natural Resources Access Regulator under s91 of the Water Management Act 2000.

Applicant: Karimbla Constructions Services (NSW) Pty Ltd

Enquiries: Anne-Marie Young, Principal Planner
Submissions close: Mon 7 Oct