

# Northern Beaches Weekly News



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## A Message from the Mayor



This is certainly an Easter like none we've ever seen before.

No packing up the car, no family camping, no picnics with friends, no visits to church. Regional areas are asking us not to holiday there. And we've sent out a message that Australia's number 1 most popular

beach is closed to stop hordes of people coming. What the!?

It's a difficult time and I'd rather not use this column to focus on all the dos and don'ts again. If you are in any doubt, apply common sense and assess everything you do against the messages from the government and police - STAY HOME!

And for goodness sake, give our lifeguards and rangers a break. They are out there doing their best to keep our community safe and healthy and prevent you copping a fine for doing the wrong thing.

What I'd like to focus on this week is some of the great things I am hearing going on in the community to keep us all connected.

Some neighbourhoods are participating in a teddy bear hunt. Bears are placed in a window visible from the street so when kids go out for their daily exercise they can spot them.

There are chalk drawings of rainbows, hearts and unicorns popping on up on suburban footpaths encouraging people to stay home and stay safe.

Similarly, posters with warm and positive messages are being seen on front lawns and in windows as people use their time at home to get creative.

I've even heard of an instance where a pre-schooler was disappointed to miss out on his birthday party so the street organised a happy birthday sing-a-long from their doorsteps as he walked by.

We've seen great generosity like Harris Farm giving away 100 boxes of fruit and veg a day to those in need, and the viral kindness community looking out for the most vulnerable.

This week Computer Pals and I taught each other how to use Zoom as they were missing their regular sessions at the Tramshed. I think they can now continue classes via Zoom - grandparents home schooling like their grandkids!

Add to all this the amazing work being done by our community organisations to support those in need and again we see the incredible Northern Beaches spirit shining through.

Finally, a shout out to our library staff this week. The new library2U service has been enthusiastically embraced, with almost 11,000 items borrowed since 1 April. The team is full steam ahead filling and delivering orders. Get your order in online.

Happy easter all. Stay safe.

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## Hello neighbour!

Check the letterbox next week for your Hello Neighbour card. We want everyone to feel connected and you can make a positive difference by:



Reaching out to say 'hello'



A simple act of kindness



Lend a helping hand

It's a great time to get to know your neighbour.

## All in this together

To help stop the spread and in line with NSW health advice the following changes are in place for the safety of our community.

### Manly, Shelly, Nth Steyne, Queenscliff & Dee Why beaches closed

Exercise is permitted on the sand area in line with social distancing rules. There are no flags. Swim at your own risk.

### Other beaches, parks and reserves

These are open for exercise only. No sunbaking or gathering. Practice social distancing at all times.

Playgrounds, skateparks, rockpools and outdoor gyms remain closed until further notice.

### 1hr parking restrictions

All beach carparks are now 1 hour only, including for people with permits. This is to encourage people to move on quickly.

### Avoid exercise hotspots

Stay away from congested exercise areas like Narrabeen Lagoon walking trail and beachfronts. You can help stop the spread.

**Remember - it's against the law for two or more people to gather in public unless they are from the same household.**

### Early start to waste service

Waste collection services are starting earlier each weekday to keep our workforce safe.

We thank you for your understanding at this time.

## Have your say

We value your feedback and encourage you to view currently open projects online.

## More online services for you

While our customer centres, libraries and many other facilities have temporarily closed, we are finding new ways to deliver services to you.

Subscribe to our newsletter by visiting our website and keep up with what's new online.

## Holiday at home this Easter

Stay put this Easter long weekend. Holidays and travel are not essential reasons to leave home.



## Council notices

### Northern Beaches Local Planning Panel

Wed 15 Apr, 1pm

This meeting will be held via teleconference

Item 3.1 MOD2019/0648 - 57 Smith Street, Manly - modification of Development Consent DA0251/2017 granted for Alterations and additions to the existing semi-detached dwelling.

Item 3.2 DA2019/0239 - 638 Pittwater Road, Brookvale - demolition works and construction of a mixed use development.

Item 3.3 MOD2019/0641 - 1A Queenscliff Road, Queenscliff - modification of Development Consent DA2015/1267 granted for alterations and additions to a residential flat building to include internal and external changes and a turntable in the basement car park.

Item 3.4 DA2019/1280 - 60 & 62 Beaconsfield Street and 7, 9, 11 & 13 Queens Parade, Newport - demolition works and construction of a multi-unit housing with associated carparking and landscape works.

View the agenda online. Requests to address the Panel: 8495 6474 by Tue 14 Apr, 4pm

### Notice of proposed consent to occupy road reserve adjacent to 161 Condamine Street, Balgowlah

Under Sections 138 and 139 of the Roads Act 1993, Council intends to consider a consent to the owner of 161 Condamine Street, Balgowlah (Lot 9 DP 8303) for the purpose of a pedestrian footpath and stairs with hand railing (approx. 16.2 m2).

Submissions can be made online, via email or to PO Box 82, Manly NSW 1655.

Visit [yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au](https://yoursay.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au) to see the plans or make a submission.

Enquiries: Council's Property Officer  
Submissions close: Sun 10 May