



The Dulwich Hill Public School Community Composting project received an Environment Grant last year

Annual Grants **now open**

Last year, 89 Inner West projects received more than \$500,000 in Council funding. This year, \$443,000 is available for your project, initiative or event.

Applications for 2021 grants opens Monday 9 August and closes Friday 3 September, 5pm.

The Annual Grants program has five streams: Arts, History, Wellbeing, Environment and Recreation.

The grants are for projects commencing in February until December 2022.

Contact a grants officer to discuss ideas and proposals.
Go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/Grants to find out more.



Marrickville Library nominated

In early July, Marrickville Library was nominated for the International Public Library of the Year Award 2021.

The five finalists included amazing libraries in Norway, Belgium, China, and Holland.

The nomination added to the long list national architecture, design and heritage awards already won by Marrickville Library.

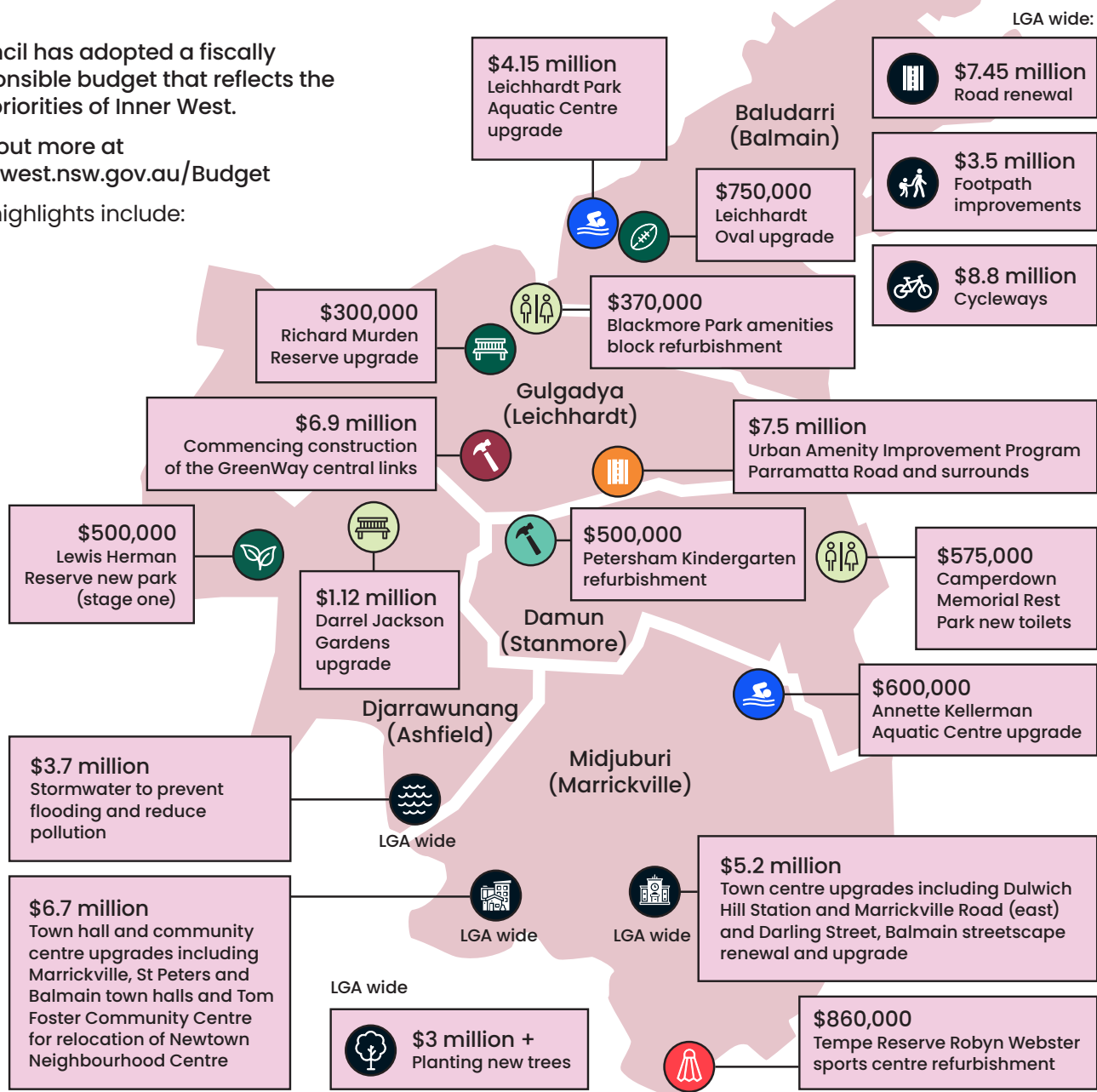
Find out if Marrickville Library took out the prize at innerwest.nsw.gov.au/Awards

Council's 2021-22 Budget

Council has adopted a fiscally responsible budget that reflects the key priorities of Inner West.

Find out more at innerwest.nsw.gov.au/Budget

Key highlights include:



Beautiful Dawny now open

Council's heritage restoration of Dawn Fraser Baths is now complete. The Baths are set to reopen as soon as the public health restrictions are lifted.

Council is celebrating the completion of the \$8 million project with a special winter program and free entry for two weeks after the reopening.

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Funding for the project included a \$2.2 million grant from the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund.



New community space

Balmain has a new community open space.

The plan to demolish the front of the 1957 Telstra exchange building, improve the presence of the heritage post office and create an open space with seating and shade dates back to 2004.

The design includes a green wall with an artwork by local artist Sue Callanan, 'Connecting You Now', which references the telecommunications history of Balmain.

The heritage post office, in particular the clock tower, can now be more readily seen and enjoyed from areas around the Darling, Rowntree and Montague streets intersection.



Tempe Reserve upgrade

The \$6 million Tempe Reserve upgrade includes:

- New synthetic multi-purpose sports field
- New turf for the natural turf sports fields
- Irrigation upgrade to natural turf fields
- Stormwater drainage upgrades including stormwater harvesting to service the amenities block
- Sports field lighting upgrade
- Tree planting

Council has also set aside \$860,000 in this year's budget to refurbish Tempe Reserve Robyn Webster sports centre.

Alex Trevallion Plaza

Council's \$1,250,000 upgrade of Alex Trevallion Plaza is based on a major element of the Marrickville Town Centre Public Domain Master Plan. The final design was completed recently and includes:

- New bluestone and granite paving
- More seating
- Replacing the shelter
- New ramp access and dining platform adjacent to Post Office
- New landscaped garden beds with passive irrigation and replacing trees with native shade trees in the beds
- Upgrading lighting and providing decorative LED lighting
- Installing a totem and signs with historic information
- Relocating bins, meters, drainage pits and pipes

The upgraded Plaza will also feature an artwork that celebrates Marrickville's Greek heritage.



Plastic Free July

To celebrate Plastic Free July, Council asked Inner West citizens to send a photo showing favourite reusable items with a short caption explaining how this reduces plastic use.

Sarah Higginson sent this adorable photo of her son with the caption, *"Our favourite reusable nappy so our son can stay in touch with his heritage!"*

The prize was a hamper full of reusable or plastic free items. To find out who won, download the Inner West bubbler map or tips on how to go plastic-free, go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/PlasticFreeJuly

Local Government elections postponed

NSW local government elections have been postponed until Saturday 4 December, in response to the COVID-19 situation.





Betty's house Balmoral in 2019

New park in Croydon

The Inner West has a new pocket park.

Bell Reserve in Croydon was completed in late June.

Betty Bell bequeathed her home 'Balmoral' to the former Ashfield Council with the intention that Council maintain the land as an open space reserve. Council spent \$580,000 on transforming the block to create an inclusive community space that celebrates the site's history, has interactive nature areas for children to play and explore and also a rain garden that will naturally filter storm water.

Bell Reserve is located at 188 Croydon Road, Croydon.



Amie Zar and historian Vasilis Vasilas at Marrickville Town Hall

Little Greece

Marrickville Road between Livingstone Road and Victoria Road will soon be 'Little Greece'.

The Geographic Names Board is expected to soon approve the naming of the precinct, which recognises the long-standing contribution of Greek Australians in the Inner West.

Council's planned celebration in Marrickville Town Hall was postponed because of COVID-19 restrictions, but flew at Greek flag over the town hall to mark the occasion.



Little Vietnam

Council has asked the Geographic Names Board to approve the name 'Little Vietnam' for the area along Illawarra Road between Marrickville and Warren roads.

The precinct has many Vietnamese restaurants and shops.

According to Marrickville – Rural Outpost to Inner City (Cashman & Meader – 1990), the Vietnamese were part of the 'third wave of migrants' that occurred post-1945.

"During the 1980s the Vietnamese-born moved into Marrickville as fast as the Greek-born moved out and by 1986 the Vietnamese were the second largest non-English-speaking group in Marrickville."



Council must do everything possible to help you in the lockdown

At such a strange and difficult time it's the Council's responsibility to do everything possible to support local people to stay safe and get through the lockdown.

Council is working in close partnership with NSW Health and NSW Police to protect you and to expedite the vaccination of the Inner West community.

We are taking action to help you get through the lockdown, including:

- Seeking to provide up to **\$400 in financial assistance** to ratepayers who have lost income due to the lockdown
- Extending the availability of the **Summer Hill Depot as a Covid-19 testing centre** until the end of September and offering town halls and depots as vaccination hubs
- **Turning the lights on** at sporting fields, tennis and basketball courts until 9pm on weeknights for the duration of the lockdown to allow more opportunity for safe exercise outside work hours
- Ensuring tenants of Council properties are not evicted during the lockdown, and that affected businesses receive a **deferral of rental payments**
- Directing Council rangers to **prioritise safety not issuing fines**. Infringements are not being issued for overstaying in residential areas

Please don't hesitate to let me know your ideas about how we can work together to support local residents and businesses in such a strange and difficult time.

For information about Council services and COVID assistance please visit innerwest.nsw.gov.au.



Darcy Byrne

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Mayor of the Inner West

Covid support lines

Useful Resources for Community

National Coronavirus Help Line
1800 020 080

Disability Gateway COVID-19
Information Helpline 1800 643 787

Ageing and Disability Helpline
1800 628 221

Translating and interpreter services
131 450

National Relay Service 1800 555 677
- if you are deaf, have a hearing or
speech impairment

**If you or someone you know is
struggling, you can access help 24/7**

Beyond Blue 1300 22 46 36

Lifeline 13 11 14

Kidshelpline 1800 551 800

Suicide Call Back Service
1300 659 467

NSW Domestic Violence Line
1800 656 463

Crisis Accommodation

Link2home 1800 152 152 - 24/7 referral
to accommodation and services

Missionbeat 1800 306 461
homelessness outreach, welfare
checks and services assisting people
who are sleeping rough

Volunteering

Aboriginal Children and Families:
www.absec.org.au/

Addi Road Food Pantry - addiroad.org.au/news/the-volunteer-family/

Asylum Seeker Centre - Asylum
Seekers Centre

Exodus Foundation - billcrews.org/volunteer-ashfield-sydney/

Inner West Neighbour Aid -
iwna.com.au)

Youth Off the Streets -
youthoffthestreets.com.au/

Food relief and supplies

Addi Road Food Pantry 9569 7633 -
142 Addison Road, Marrickville and
31 Pyrmont Bridge Rd, Camperdown
- Food relief hampers, groceries or
vouchers

Anglicare emergency assistance
1300 111 278

Peninsula Caring 9556 9550 -
Balmain, Rozelle, Birchgrove, Lilyfield,
Annandale and surrounds.

Vinnies 13 18 12

Legal Support

Marrickville Legal Centre - Legal
support with covid fines and work
rights

Australian Centre for Disability Law
1800 800 708

Centrelink Contact Numbers

Jobseekers hotline 132 850

Older Australians 132 300

Disability Support Pension 132 717

Multilingual Phone Service 131 202



Gadigal Wangal Wayfinding art

Council's Gadigal-Wangal Wayfinding art project is now complete.

Indigenous artists were invited to depict an element of the rich and unique Gadigal and Wangal culture in each of Council's five wards.

The final commission by Jasmine Sarin was installed in Camperdown Memorial Rest Park in July (pictured).

To read about all five projects, go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/GadigalWangalWayfinding



New public art

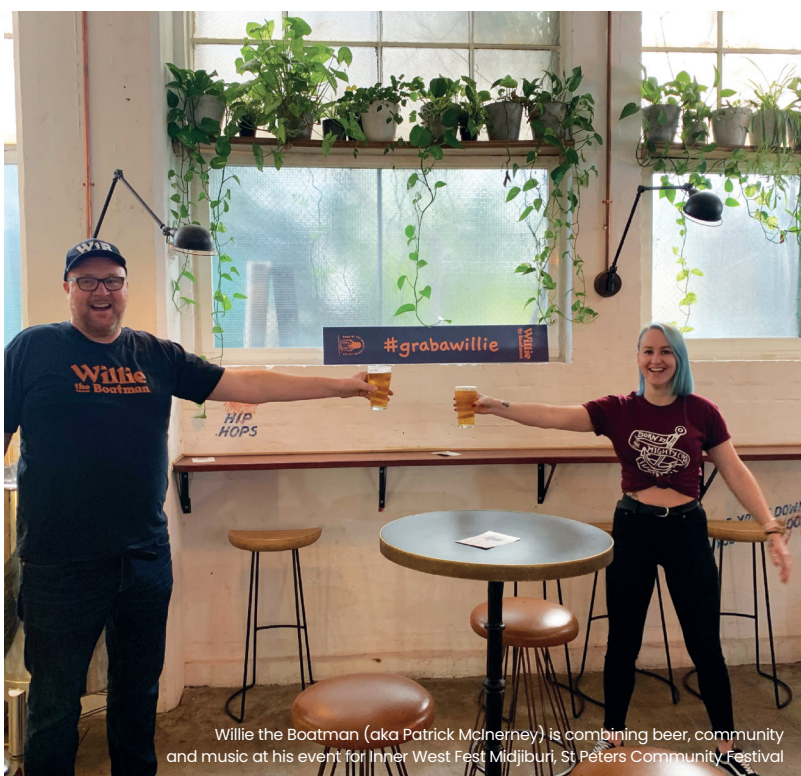
Council unveiled new public art earlier this year as part of the Perfect Match program.

Zachary Bennett-Brook is a contemporary Indigenous artist who was matched with the owner of a property in Flood Street Leichhardt.

Several Perfect Match artworks will be installed in August and October, as part of EDGE Sydenham and to celebrate the upgrade of Trevallion Plaza in Marrickville.

Perfect Match brings artists, residents, businesses, property owners and community together to collaboratively create fantastic new street artworks in public places.

innerwest.nsw.gov.au/PerfectMatch



Willie the Boatman (aka Patrick McInerney) is combining beer, community and music at his event for Inner West Fest Midjiburi, St Peters Community Festival

EDGE and Inner West Fest

Inner West Fest Midjiburi will see Marrickville, St Peters, Sydenham and Tempe teeming with action from Friday 15 October*.

There'll be plenty of live music, with much loved venues Gasoline Pony, Red Rattler, The Factory Theatre and Lazybones all taking part.

Plus creative markets from Maker Space and reuse masters Reverse Garbage.
















Check out the full program at innerwest.nsw.gov.au/InnerWestFest

EDGE Sydenham* has been rescheduled to coincide with Inner West Fest Midjiburi, 15 – 24 October. Go to innerwest.nsw.gov.au/EDGE

*Both festivals are subject to COVID-19 NSW Health Public Health Orders. See Council's website closer to the date

Your Councillors

Find your ward – innerwest.nsw.gov.au/WardMap

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Libraries

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Monday – Sunday: Ashfield, Balmain, Leichhardt and Marrickville

Monday – Saturday: Dulwich Hill, Stanmore and St Peters/Sydenham

Aquatics

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Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre
Marrickville

Ashfield Aquatic Centre
Dawn Fraser Baths, Balmain

Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre
Petersham

Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre

Water Play Park
Illawarra Road, Marrickville South



Petersham Park grandstand upgrade

The \$700,000 Petersham Park grandstand upgrade is now complete.

Council has celebrated the upgrade and the long and proud sporting history of Petersham Park with new artwork on the grandstand water tank.

Through the public street art program, Perfect Match, local artist Kelly Wallwork was commissioned to showcase the ground-breaking bowling action of local cricketing legend Mollie 'The Demon' Flaherty.

Summer Hill Community Centre

3Bridges, a not-for-profit organisation with extensive experience in operating community centres, has taken up operations at Summer Hill Community Centre.

The Centre will provide services including dementia social support groups, before and after school and vacation care, partnerships with the Portugal Madeira Club to deliver a men's mental health project and working with children from CALD and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities at Marrickville West Public School.



Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne with 3Bridges' Anna Pham, CEO Raj Nair, Vanessa Gauci, Amal Madani, Jon Spencer and Shannah Baichoo outside the centre



Around 65 Campaign Against Moral Persecution members first met publicly on Saturday 9 January 1971 in Balmain's St John's Anglican Church parish hall

50 years of CAMP

Council is installing a plaque at St John's Anglican Church parish hall in Balmain to commemorate the 50th anniversary of a milestone in Australian social history.

Campaign Against Moral Persecution (CAMP Inc), one of the first gay and lesbian rights organisations in Australia, held their first formal meeting there in 1971.

"Fifty years ago CAMP NSW envisaged a future where LGBTQIA+ people could walk proudly, hand in hand, on this ancient First Nation land, head held high with pride, without fear of violence, discrimination or hate," said a CAMP member.



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What's On Inner West

Discover local events or submit a listing innerwest.nsw.gov.au/WhatsOn