

Refurbished Newtown Neighbourhood Centre now open

The relocated and refurbished Newtown Neighbourhood Centre was recently opened by Mayor Darcy Byrne after extensive \$1.9 million renovation of the Tom Foster Centre by Council.

The Inner West Council collaborated with the Neighbourhood Centre staff to create a purpose-built, fully accessible, welcoming and contemporary space at the Tom Foster Centre on Darley Street Newtown.

The Neighbourhood Centre had requested relocation to the newly refurbished facility from their former premises at Newtown Town Hall.

The Newtown Neighbourhood Centre will continue to serve as a hub for the community as it has done for

forty years, playing a pivotal role in providing social support, building social cohesion, hosting cultural activities and creating a sense of belonging and connection with community.

Council is working to open an LGBTIQ+ Pride Centre at the Town Hall, adjoining the newly opened Pride Square.



Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne and Deputy Mayor Philippa Scott with Boobs on the Run

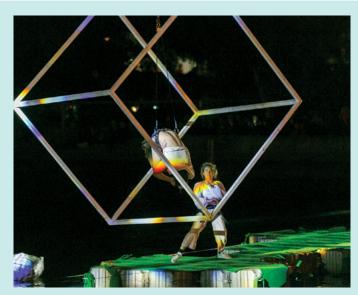
New Bay Run lights proving very popular with users

Some very happy runners from Boobs on the Run, a community running group for women, were joined by Inner West Mayor Darcy Bryne and Deputy Mayor Philippa Scott to celebrate the new lighting upgrades, making night time and early morning runs around the Bay a lot safer and more enjoyable for women.

60 new LED light poles have been installed between Leichhardt Park & Le Montage.

More new lighting will be installed soon at King George Park and along Lilyfield Road Bridge.

We are working to make the whole of the Bay Run safe and welcoming for everyone to use & enjoy at all times of day.



Council grant recipient Waters Edge, LEGS on the Wall, EDGE GreenWay, photo Brett Boardman

Are you an ideas person?

Turn ideas into reality with Council's Grants program
Do you have a great idea to improve the Inner West?

Council is looking for the best projects to fund through the 2023 Annual Grants program in arts and culture, community wellbeing, multicultural, and history.

Applications open 24 April and close 19 May, with projects to begin October 2023.

Call 9392 5000 or check out the website for details - Grants - Inner West Council (nsw.gov.au).

Have Your Say: Key strategic documents 2023/24

Interested in what activities Council will undertake in the next financial year, such as upgrades to parks, cycleways and aquatic centres?

View our key strategic documents including the annual budget plans and provide your feedback by 10 May 2023.

Visit yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov.au or Council's service centres or Balmain, Marrickville and Haberfield Libraries.





Bairro Festival back after three years

More than 20,000 Inner Westies braved the heat to hit the streets of Petersham in honour of our Portuguese community for the Bairro Festival.

Inner West Mayor, Darcy Byrne was joined on stage by the Secretary of State for Portuguese Communities in the Portuguese Government Mr Paulo Cafofo to officially unveil a plaque identifying the area as Little Portugal.

Street stalls lined Audley and Fisher Streets serving traditional

Portuguese food while dancers and musicians entertained the crowd.



Mr Paulo Cafofo and Inner West mayor Darcy Byrne

Make your voice heard by joining a local democracy group

Community members are urged to bring their passion and knowledge to a local democracy group.

Inner West Council is recruiting new members to three local democracy groups.

- ▶ Young leaders working group
- ► LGBTQ working group
- Planning and heritage advisory committee

Advisory committees and working groups are part of Council's Community Engagement Framework, providing advice and input to support Council's decision-making and actions.

So, make your opinions and knowledge count by joining now!



Entertainment precincts

Our Enmore Road Special
Entertainment precinct trial is a
NSW first. Now we have applied
to make it permanent, and
we are looking to expand this
successful pilot to main streets
across the Inner West. The Special
Entertainment Precinct pilot,
which has been in operation since
September, allows for:

- All main street businesses to host live music or entertainment without having to seek amendment to their consent;
- ► Licenced venues hosting artistic events to trade 30 minutes later; and
- ► Extending outdoor dining for an extra hour to 11pm

The results are in and the pilot has been a huge success. Venues have hosted more gigs and businesses along the strip have reported increased pedestrian traffic and night time activity.

Council has now put a proposal to the State Government to allow the Enmore Special Entertainment Precinct to become permanent.

We are now investigating special entertainment precincts for Marrickville Road, Norton Street Leichhardt and Darling Street Balmain and Rozelle.

By promoting instead of prosecuting live music and performances we can help boost main streets and our arts scene across the Inner West.





Mayor, Darcy Byrne Inner West Council



GreenWay. Connecting the Cooks River to Iron Cove

When completed in 2025, the GreenWay will traverse the Inner West, from the Cooks River to Iron Cove, with beautiful parks and natural areas, sporting facilities and public artworks.

This once in a generation project will positively change the Inner West forever with a continuous active transport, biodiversity and public art corridor.

The GreenWay concept designs benefited from extensive community consultation and were finalised in 2020.

Now the GreenWay draft design is available for the community to see.

Construction is scheduled to start in August 2023 and we're seeking community feedback to ensure we have been true to the Masterplan.

You can view the draft detailed design at yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov. au/greenway

Or scan the QR code to visit the GreenWay page to find out more.

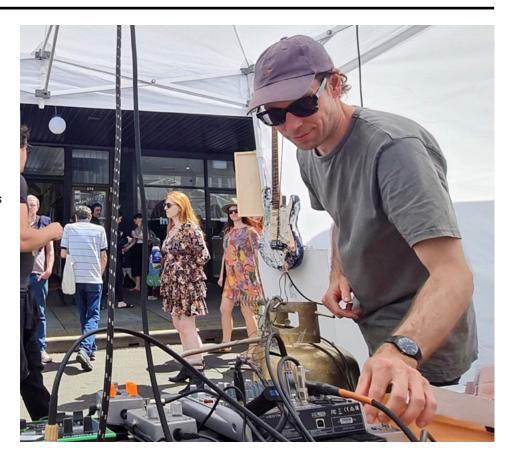
Ulterior Noises create music with everyday objects

Noise-collective Ulterior Noises is introducing young Inner West creatives to making sound-based objects out of found materials.

The mentoring program culminates in a showcase at Monster Mouse Studio on Friday 21 April in Marrickville, as part of Youth Week.

"It's a band and we'll make noise and music and are hoping to have 16 to 24 year-olds, high school students and university students with an artistic musical inclination," said Billy Burke from Ulterior Noises.

The project received funding from Council through the 2022 Grants Program, which helps support a culturally diverse, progressive and sustainable Inner West.





Tap into renewable energy

Inner West Council is hosting a Community Battery Information Session at Leichhardt Town Hall, on Saturday May 6 from 2-4pm.

Presented by Ausgrid, residents will get the chance to hear about the social, economic, and environmental benefits of community batteries shared between local customers, the wider community and electricity networks.

Hear from local groups and industry experts about the potential for a community battery in the Inner West and how these innovative energy solutions are imperative to a more sustainable future.



Pictured left to right: John Howell-Price DSO, DSC, Frederick Phillimore Howell-Price DSO, Owen Glendower Howell-Price, Phillip Llewellyn Howell-Price DSO, MC, Richmond Gordon Howell-Price MC

Five brave brothers from Balmain

When war broke out in 1914, five of the sons of the Rev John Howell-Price, Rector of St Marys Anglican Church Balmain, signed up and all served overseas with distinction and were highly decorated. Sadly, the three youngest brothers were all killed in action on the Western Front.

The eldest John, a sub-mariner was awarded the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) and the Distinguished Service Cross (DSC).

Frederick served in Gallipoli and Beersheba and received the DSO and was twice mentioned in despatches.

Owen Glendower won the Military Cross (MC) in Gallipoli and the DSO at Pozieres where he died in action in 1916.

Phillip DSO and MC served in Gallipoli, the Somme and Bullecourt and died in Belgium in 1917.

The youngest brother Richmond was killed in action at Bullecourt, France in May 1917 and was posthumously awarded the Military Cross.

Calling local conservation legends!

Inner West Council has opened submissions to recognise local conservation efforts, as apart of Council's Built Environment Awards.

The Marrickville Medal has been awarded annually since 1995, celebrating building works that have positive conservation outcomes, contributing to the understanding and preservation of Inner West's rich cultural and architectural heritage.

All projects within the Inner West local government area, completed in the preceding three years, are eligible to enter.

All properties are judged against the same criteria regardless of their scale and budget.

Submissions are open from 1 April to 30 June.

Visit Innerwest.nsw.gov.au for more information.





Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne joined by Australian Conservation Foundation and WIRES members

Endangered Inner West Mascot chosen

To highlight the importance of biodiversity and Australia's high extinction rate, Council recently partnered with the Australian Conservation Foundation to select a local endangered species as the first Inner West Mascot.

As part of the ACF's Save Our Big Backyard campaign, the Inner West community was asked to vote which of four endangered animals best represented the area. The grey-headed flying fox topped the poll with 31.3% of the vote, followed by the long-nosed bandicoot on 29.3%, the powerful owl on 26% and the golden bell frog on 13.3%.



The grey-headed flying fox in flight



Funding secured for new Callan Park Tidal Pool

With \$2 million committed to the project by new Premier Chris Minns, the Bay Run in Lilyfield is set to become even more popular with a new tidal pool with swimming lanes, a jetty and sunbathing pontoon.

After two years of extensive water testing, we now have the green light to proceed to the next stage of this exciting project. With funding now secured, Callan Park is sure to become one of the most picturesque swim sites in Sydney.



The Late Chrys Meade

Marrickville library auditorium to be named in honour of the late Chrys Meader

Chrys was a highly respected local historian and longtime Marrickville Council staff member who dedicated her life's work, researching and writing about the extraordinary local history of Marrickville.

Sadly, Chrys passed away last year, but her legacy will be forever remembered, not only with the naming of the auditorium, but also on the bookshelves where you'll find the many books she wrote.

The people and the places Chrys wrote about help tell our story and the rich tapestry that has shaped the Marrickville we love today.

All our local libraries hold copies of her work so when you next visit ask a librarian to point you towards the local history collection.

Rest in peace Chrys.



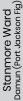
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Ashfield Aquatic Centre

Dawn Fraser Baths Balmain

Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre Petersham

Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre

Waterplay Park Illawarra Road, Marrickville South



What's On Inner West

For more information about what's on visit innerwest.nsw.gov.au

Customer service stalls and local matters forum

The next customer service stalls are on Saturday 15 April at Ashfield Park and Saturday 29 April at the Piazza Summer Hill.

Residents of the inner west are also urged to make their voices heard by getting along to their local matters forum on Tuesday 30 May at Haberfield Library.

Tell us what local matters you would like discussed at the face-to-face meeting by submitting a question when you register for an event in your neighbourhood.

Scan the QR code to find out more and register:







Youth Take over The Park

Young people in the Inner West can enjoy Youth Week activities for an entire month, with a huge program of events set to kick off in the school holidays from April 11.

Youth Take Over The Park will feature a hectic list of activities including bubble soccer, wheelchair basketball, sensory space, lawn games and Indigenous Games.

Throw in great tunes, demos and workshops and it's going to be wild at Darrel Jackson Gardens and Summer Hill Community Centre from 10am to 3pm.

Scan the QR code for a full schedule of Youth Week activities

EK and the Extraordinaires excited by Jazz in the Park

Multi award-winning jazz musician Ellen Kirkwood is encouraging everyone to enjoy Jazz in the Park in Gladstone Park on Saturday 29 April, from 2pm to 5pm.

"There aren't many opportunities for families, for kids to come and see jazz," said Kirkwood, who has assembled a five-piece band EK and the Extraordinaires.

"It will be a fun party atmosphere, festive, rhythmic and joyous."

Jazz in the Park will host an incredible line-up of bands and is part of the Balmain Rozelle Food and Art Festival, which runs from 22 April to 30 April.

For full event details visit: www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/JazzPark



Pictured from top left, Jacob Parks, Mick Stewart, Melissa Mony, Sarah Homeh and Ellen Kirkwood (centre).



ANZAC Day in the Inner West

Inner West Council in conjunction with the Balmain Rozelle RSL Sub Branch will deliver an ANZAC Day Dawn Service from 6am sharp at Loyalty Squre Balmain.

Scan the QR code for Ashfield, Petersham and Tempe ANZAC Day services.

