RECENT OPENINGS...

FRANCES NEWTON RESERVE

This new sports centre in Frances Newton Reserve and can be hired by both individuals and organised sporting groups. With two indoor and two outdoor multi-purpose courts, it features changing rooms, spectator seating and is other community-focused sporting activities. We already have plans to expand the centre, by enclosing the two adjacent cycleway. It is perfectly located to meet the needs of families with young children.

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DYURALYA SQUARE

Meaning ‘brolga’ in the Sydney Aboriginal language, the name recognises the species of crane that thrived in the local wetland habitat, providing an abundant food source for the First Peoples of Australia prior to European settlement. The Reserve backs onto our East Sydney Early Learning facility designed by Andrew Burges Architects which is a testament to our staff and their respect for our work on climate change. I was very impressed to hear about the work that mayors around the world are doing to reduce emissions in their cities, often without support from other levels of government. I spoke about the outstanding results the City has achieved and was proud to hear how well respected our work on climate change is in a testament to our staff and their years of dedicated effort.

PERRY PARK RECREATION CENTRE

The City of Sydney has invested more than $10 million in the Perry Park Recreation Centre. The new centre is Sydney’s second multi-sport facilities and practice facility to be built by both individuals and organised sporting groups. With two indoor and two outdoor multi-purpose courts, it features spectator seating and other community-focused sporting activities. We already have plans to expand the centre, by enclosing the two adjacent cycleway. It is perfectly located to meet the needs of families with young children.

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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ON CLIMATE ACTION

In March, hundreds of thousands of school students around the world – including almost 20,000 students here at Sydney Square – went on strike to demand climate action from their governments. Many residents were surprised to discover there are no government air quality monitoring stations in the local government area, so we simply do not have accurate measurements of our air pollutions.

The City of Sydney is taking the lead on renewable energy. After Council unanimously endorsed a plan to purchase 100 per cent renewable energy to power our own operations, we asked the electricity provider to power our operations and facilities will be generated by indigenous-owned solar farms, with priority given to energy generated by community-owned solar panels. To further a further 18,000 tonnes from the City of Sydney’s emissions every year – equivalent to the emissions from the power consumption of around 4,500 local households.

As a result, the City of Sydney reached its emissions reduction target at least five years ahead of schedule. We continued our 30 per cent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions targets by 2020 set in line with Sydney 2030 strategy, but we are now in track to reach it by 2024. The City of Sydney was also the first local government to become carbon neutral in 2007. By 2050, our goal is ‘net zero’ emissions.

TACKLING OUR WASTE CRISIS

There is a crisis in NSW, and landfill figures are up 10 per cent due to changes in how the electricity providers price power. We need a rethink of the way we recycle and how we recycle, and look more seriously at finding ways to reduce our waste. We are one of the highest-waste generating councils in NSW, and we need a rethink of our recycling and repairing strategies.

City of Sydney residents generate around 65,000 tonnes of waste each year. In 2018, 67 per cent of this waste was sent to landfill. In the next five years, we will reduce this figure to 50 per cent with other opportunities to reuse, recycle or repurpose for energy.

To achieve our target of ‘zero waste’ by 2030, we all need to work together to squeeze out any recycling. The Reserve makes a significant contribution to access for recreational facilities, as Recreation Needs Study endorsed in 2016. We will also convert a recently purchased site at Perry Park Recreation Centre is 700 metres from Sydney Olympic Park and can be hired by both individuals and organised sporting groups. With two indoor and two outdoor multi-purpose courts, it features spectator seating and other community-focused sporting activities. We already have plans to expand the centre, by enclosing the two adjacent cycleway. It is perfectly located to meet the needs of families with young children.

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Lord Mayor of Sydney

City of Sydney

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SUSTAINABLE GROWTH FOR CENTRAL SYDNEY

After almost three years of work, the City of Sydney developed its new planning strategy for Central Sydney that balances development with protecting our city’s heritage and character. The strategy aims to create a new heart for the city, complete with community space and world-class buildings. It’s vital that people who live, work and travel into our city centre give us their feedback on our plan for the future.

The City has developed a draft Central Sydney Planning Strategy on our website, at central.sydney.nsw.gov.au.

WHAT IS CENTRAL SYDNEY?

Central Sydney extends from Circular Quay through to Hyde Park, and includes the historic Rocks precinct. It is home to 12,000 businesses, 330,000 workers, 30,000 park users, and Sydney’s 640,000 domestic and international visitors every day.

FUTURE TOWN HALL SQUARE

The City of Sydney has prepared a buffer alternative to the green space development proposed by the NSW Government for the Waterloo Housing Estate, and is calling for planning controls for the site to be used by the City of Sydney.

The Waterloo Housing Estate is already zoned for commercial or community use, with most of the new buildings around 60 storeys high, with 35 storey towers intruding on the Park. Significant space would be lost and overshadowing would reduce public space and the park's capacity to function as a green lung across the city centre.

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