

### PARRAMATTA WARD UPDATE

#### PARRAMATTA WARD COUNCILLORS







Councillor Sameer Pandey



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#### **Arthur Phillip Park Masterplan**

Council is undertaking a masterplan process for Arthur Phillip Park to inform its future improvements. Community feedback identified three park improvement priorities:

- Upgrade to District Park to provide a broad range of recreational activities including a future water play facility
- Enhance park safety and accessibility through provision of park lighting and pathway improvements
- Provision of additional social, play and gathering spaces to cater for all ages and abilities

Public exhibition of the draft Arthur Phillip Masterplan concluded 25 June 2021. Following public exhibition and adoption of the masterplan, Council will implement a staged delivery to upgrade the park.

To learn more about this project scan the QR code below or email placeservices@cityofparramatta.nsw. gov.au



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### Message to our community

Welcome to the project update newsletter for Parramatta Ward.

Planned projects include Arthur Phillip Park Masterplan, Binalong Park Masterplan, creek rehabiliation at Gallery Gardens, Old Toongabbie and pedestrian safety improvements at Fitzwilliam Road, Old Toongabbie.

Council completed upgrades to Gallery Gardens Park Old Toongabbie, Richill Park Constitution Hill and Stage 1 of Parramatta CBD's first smart street (Phillip Street), among others.

You can find further information about these projects and many others throughout this newsletter.

#### **Gallery Gardens Park Upgrade**

The Gallery Gardens Park and tennis courts are located at the corner of Fitzwilliam Road and Picasso Crescent at Old Toongabbie. The park recently underwent an \$830,000 upgrade to support community well-being and recreation, and to protect the near-endangered Cumberland Plain grasses recently identified at this site.

Council celebrated the park upgrades with a community cinema night held at the park on 17 April 2021. The tickets for this event sold out quickly so we look forward to bringing you more neighbourhood events soon.



Left to right: Cr Phil Bradley, Cr Sameer Pandey, Lord Mayor Cr Bob Dwyer, Mark Taylor MP, Cr Martin Zaiter at Gallery Gardens Cinema Night



Cinema night at Gallery Gardens

Visit our new Gallery Garden Park and tell us your thoughts by scanning the QR code below.



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#### **Binalong Park Masterplan**

Developing a Binalong Park masterplan will provide a longterm future vision and fulfil a statutory requirement to fund new recreational facilities and amenities. Improvements to Binalong Park will provide much-needed additional open and recreational space to support community wellbeing and active sporting programs.

Proposed improvements to Binalong Park include:

- Infrastructure upgrades or embellishments to enable more people to use existing playing fields, as well as playing surface upgrades and increased maintenance
- Increasing park accessibility by levelling the fields, providing a circuit path to support walking, and adding accessible amenities for users of all-abilities
- Increasing social activities and gatherings with indoor multipurpose rooms and facilities for the local community
- Revising carpark configuration to improve traffic flow and sight lines, and upgrading the carpark entrance

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Draft Binalong Park Masterplan Map

#### Working in partnership with Karabi Community and Development Services

Karabi Community & Development Services Inc. has been providing support, activities and events for children, young people, individuals, families and seniors for almost 34 years through three community centres based at Constitution Hill, Seven Hills and Wentworthville. Council works closely with Karabi to engage with local communities on local projects and activities. Recently, Karabi helped Council collect community feedback to inform the upgrade of Richill Park at Constitution Hill. To learn more about Karabi and their amazing work, visit **karabi.org.au** 



Left to right Cr Martin Zaiter, Cr Phil Bradley, Nicole Chadszinow (Karabi Program Coordinator) and Cr Sameer Pandey at Karabi Community Centre, Constitution Hill



Left to right: Cr Sameer Pandey, Nicole Chadszinow (Karabi Program Coordinator), Cr Martin Zaiter and Cr Phil Bradley at Richill Park, Constitution Hill

### Pedestrian Crossing Outside Toongabbie Public School

Council plans to install a kerb extension on the south side of Fitzwilliam Road at the existing pedestrian refuge island, west of Picasso Crescent, Old Toongabbie (outside Toongabbie Public School). The aim is to support pedestrians crossing at this busy intersection. Community consultation has finished, and works are scheduled to commence in September/October 2021.



Concept plan of pedestrian safety improvements to Fitzwilliam Road, Old Toongabbie

#### **Bungaree Road Upgrade**

After two rounds of community feedback, improvements to the streetscape and public domain outside the Bungaree Road shops (20-30 Bungaree Road, Toongabbie) are underway. Funded by Council's 2020/21 Better

Neighbourhood Program, improvements include new landscaping, seating and bins, 90-degree angle parking with wheel stops, new paving and a bike rack. Works are estimated to be completed by mid-2021.

#### **Phillip Street Smart Street**

The aim of this project is to create Parramatta's first 'smart' street in the CBD, Phillip Street. The project will deliver the infrastructure needed to support technologies for a smart street, along with streetscape improvements to transform Phillip Street into a promenade that will link Parramatta Wharf to the new stadium. The \$4.3 million Stage 1 of the project, including upgrading and expanding the footpath and public domain along the southern side of the street between Church and Smith streets, is complete. These improvements enable outdoor dining along the kerb line and a clear path of travel for pedestrians. New kerb ramps and improved pedestrian crossing points have also been installed. Design works for Stage 2 of the project (the southern side of Phillip Street between Smith and Charles streets) have commenced.



Councillors Phil Bradley, Martin Zaiter, Sameer Pandey at Phillip Street (Council's first smart street)

### Phillip Lane to become an activated dining hotspot

Phillip Lane's outdoor dining trial proved such a success that the laneway is set to become a permanent dining hotspot. The trial, funded by the NSW Government in late 2020 and early 2021, aimed to support adjacent businesses by expanding their outdoor dining at a time of COVID-19 capacity restrictions and intensive construction works on Church Street. Additional NSW Government funding has now been made available to make permanent many of the trialled elements. Council will work with businesses and landowners to deliver the project with the aim of creating an exciting new destination to attract customers back into the heart of our CBD.



Councillors Sameer Pandey, Phil Bradley and Martin Zaiter at the river foreshore

## City river foreshore transformation

The Escarpment Boardwalk is now officially open to the public, connecting Parramatta Park to Melrose Park via a completely off-road walking and cycling path along the Parramatta River.

Co-funded by City of Parramatta Council and the NSW Government, this \$18 million project is the final link in the popular Parramatta Valley Cycleway.

As part of the project, Council has also delivered two new sets of stairs, providing direct access from the boardwalk to Stewart Street and Macarthur Street for Macarthur Girls High School students and the public. With this new connection, the community can now enjoy more than 20km of off-road paths on both sides of the Parramatta River. The boardwalk is the first stage of Parramatta Quay's transformation, the riverside gateway to the Parramatta CBD, with the upgrade of Charles Street Square to follow.

# Council is keen to hear your thoughts and feedback on our Project Update News.

Scan the QR code on the right to access the survey, or visit: **grco.de/punsfeedback** 

To view an interactive map showing current upgrade projects in your area visit cityofparramatta.co/capitalworks

