

# Bayside NEWS Council



Bayside Council

DECEMBER 2021

## Local Election on 4 December

Voting on **Saturday 4 December** is an opportunity to select representatives that sit on Council and make decisions on your behalf.

If you are over 18, an Australian Citizen and reside in the Bayside Council, voting is compulsory. Some people might think compulsory voting is a chore, but

we should remember that there are still many countries that do not enjoy the basic right to make a choice.

Voting is not only a privilege it is a responsibility. The decision you make on 4 December is important, not just for yourself, but for your community.

Voters in each ward will elect three councillors to represent them for the next Council term.

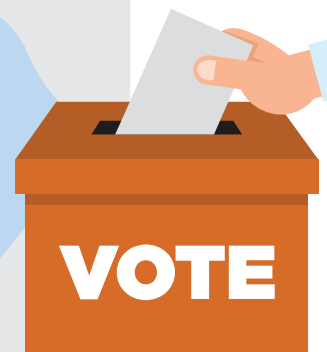
For more information visit the NSW Electoral Commission website at **[www.votensw.info](http://www.votensw.info)**

A full list of polling places in Bayside is on page 2.



**VOTING IS  
COMPULSORY**

Failure to vote  
may result in a  
\$55 fine



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# BAYSIDE POLLING PLACES

All polling places on Saturday 4 December are open from 8am to 6pm

## WARD 1

Banksmeadow Public School  
Trevelyan Street, Banksmeadow

Beckenham Mascot Uniting Church  
Hall, 40 King Street, Eastlakes

Botany Public School  
1076 Botany Road, Botany

Daceyville Public School  
Joffre Crescent, Daceyville

Alf Kay Eastlakes Community Hall  
Florence Avenue, Eastlakes

J J Cahill Memorial High School  
Sutherland Street, Mascot

Matraville Public School  
Cnr Bunnerong & Beauchamp Roads,  
Matraville

Mascot Public School  
King Street, Mascot

Pagewood Public School  
60 Page Street, Botany

Rockdale Public School  
Lord Street, Rockdale

South Sydney High School  
Paine Street, Maroubra

St Agnes Primary School  
511 Bunnerong Road, Matraville

## WARD 2

Arncliffe Public School  
Segenhoe Street, Arncliffe

Arncliffe West Infants School  
7 Loftus Street, Turrella

Athelstane Public School  
Athelstane Avenue, Arncliffe

Bayside Anglican Church  
54 Forest Road, Arncliffe

Beckenham Mascot Uniting Church  
Hall, 40 King Street, Eastlakes

Coronation Hall Arncliffe  
23 Barden Street, Arncliffe

Gardeners Road Public School  
827 Botany Road, Rosebery

J J Cahill Memorial High School  
Sutherland Street, Mascot

Mascot Public School  
King Street, Mascot

Mascot Senior Citizens Hall  
Aloha Street, Mascot

Rockdale Public School  
Lord Street, Rockdale

Rockdale Uniting Church Hall  
9-11 Bay Street, Rockdale

## WARD 3

A S Tanner Hall  
Burlington Street, Monterey

Arncliffe Public School  
Segenhoe Street, Arncliffe

Athelstane Public School  
Athelstane Avenue, Arncliffe

Bardwell Park Infants School  
4 Crewe Lane, Bardwell Park

Bexley Baptist Church  
484 Forest Road, Bexley

Bexley North Public School  
116 Kingsland Road, Bexley North

Bexley Public School  
348 Forest Road, Bexley

Brighton Le Sands Public School  
35 Crawford Road, Brighton Le Sands

Kogarah High School  
Gladstone Street, Kogarah

Rockdale Public School  
Lord Street, Rockdale

Rockdale Town Hall  
Bryant Street, Rockdale

Rockdale Uniting Church Hall  
9-11 Bay Street, Rockdale

Society of St Pius X  
280 West Botany Street, Rockdale

St George School  
2A Marshall Street, Kogarah

St Josephs Parish Centre Rockdale  
Parker Street, Rockdale

## WARD 4

Bexley Baptist Church  
484 Forest Road, Bexley

Bexley Public School  
348 Forest Road, Bexley

Bexley North Public School,  
Wilkinson Road, Bexley North

Carlton Public School  
60 Cameron Street, Bexley

Carlton-Kogarah Baptist Church,  
Durham Street, Carlton

Kingsgrove Bexley North Community  
Centre, 54A Shaw Street, Kingsgrove

Kingsgrove Community Aid Centre  
Inc, 30 Morgan Street, Kingsgrove

Kingsgrove High School  
Kingsgrove Road, Kingsgrove

Kogarah High School  
Gladstone Street, Kogarah

Kogarah Senior Citizens Centre  
Taylor Street, Kogarah

Ramsgate Public School  
Chuter Avenue, Ramsgate

Rockdale Public School  
Lord Street, Rockdale

Rockdale Uniting Church Hall  
9-11 Bay Street, Rockdale

St Josephs Parish Centre Rockdale  
Parker Street, Rockdale

Sydney Technical High School  
686 Forest Road, Bexley

West Bexley Uniting Church Hall  
80A St Georges Road, Bexley

## WARD 5

A S Tanner Hall  
Burlington Street, Monterey

Brighton Le Sands Public School  
35 Crawford Road, Brighton Le Sands

Kyeemagh Infants School  
Beehag Street, Kyeemagh

Ramsgate Public School  
Chuter Avenue, Ramsgate

Rockdale Public School  
Lord Street, Rockdale

Rockdale Uniting Church Hall  
9-11 Bay Street, Rockdale

Sans Souci Community Pre-School  
95 Clareville Avenue, Sandringham

Sans Souci Literary Institute  
107 Ramsgate Road, Ramsgate

Sans Souci Public School  
413 Rocky Point Road, Sans Souci

St Andrews Brighton Le Sands  
Uniting Church, 41-43 Kings Road,  
Brighton Le Sands

St Marks Anglican Church Hall  
1-3 Trafalgar Street, Brighton Le Sands



# Patriotic Flag Restored

This beautifully restored World War I Patriotic Flag is now hanging in the Rockdale Town Hall lower foyer. During World War I (known as The Great War), in an effort to raise money for the war effort, a 'Bexley Patriotic Flag' was organised. 59 members of the Bexley community donated the sum of one pound to have their name embroidered on the flag.

The flag looks unusual in that it has a red, rather than a blue, background.

In 1903, King Edward VII approved two designs for the Australian flag; the Commonwealth blue ensign (for official and naval purposes) and the Commonwealth red ensign (for merchant fleet use).

## SYDNEY AIRPORT AND COUNCIL First Major Project

An upgrade to Botany Aquatic Centre is the first major project to benefit from a multi-million-dollar local partnership between Bayside Council and Sydney Airport.

In 2018, Bayside Council and Sydney Airport established the Community and Environment Projects Reserve Fund, which will fund a variety of community and environmentally focused projects over the next 10 years.

The first project to be funded is an integrated family and water play area with an aviation theme at the Botany Aquatic Centre. It will also include a water slide and a splash pad, for all ages and abilities.

This is perhaps the first time in Australia that a major airport has partnered with a local council to help provide recreational and environmental benefits for the community. Construction should start in March.



ARTIST IMPRESSION

## BAYSIDE CHRISTMAS FLAG WINNERS



Design by Alyssa Mariotti

Design by Tahlia Talbot

Council's 2021 Christmas flags will feature the unique artwork of a nine-year old from Mascot and a building certifier from Wolli Creek following the announcement of the winners in the recent flag design competition.

The winners are Alyssa Mariotti from Mascot and Tahlia Talbot from Wolli Creek.

Alyssa, who loves to draw and do crafts with her mum Jenny, submitted a colourful design featuring ginger-bread people, each one was decorated to reflect a different culture as a nod to Bayside's multicultural community.

Tahlia, who also loves being creative and crafty in her spare time, choose to combine a childhood memory with a Christmas theme. Tahlia's design featured a child's handprint decorated to represent Christmas symbols.

## New Technology Targets Hoons

Council has invested in the latest smart technology to help curb anti-social behaviour surrounding the magnificent foreshore of Botany Bay.

Council began trialling the Licence Plate Recognition software by installing high-tech cameras on a vehicle to issue parking infringements and saw the potential to use it for other purposes.

The first static cameras with the ability to read and record the licence plate of a vehicle while taking a photo have been strategically placed in Vanston Parade and Ida Street.

Future phases will focus on providing greater public safety on the foreshore. The technology installed will monitor anti-social behaviour / hooning, jet ski activity and catch anyone defacing businesses with graffiti.



# Affordable Housing Program

Council has taken ownership of its first five Affordable Housing Units in Pagewood Green, Pagewood, as part of its Affordable Housing Program which will provide accommodation for working families on low incomes.

Bayside Council has secured 45 properties as part of a Voluntary Planning Agreement with Meriton at the Pagewood Green Complex in Pagewood.

The terms of the agreement provided for the first five units to be transferred to Council prior to work beginning on Stage 2 of the former BATA site in Pagewood. The remaining 40 units will be transferred to Council in groups of 10 as works progress.

The Voluntary Planning Agreement also includes the dedication of land for open space and a \$23.9 million

cash contribution which will bring much needed infrastructure to the local community.

Council's affordable housing portfolio will be managed by Evolve Housing Limited.

Council's affordable housing targets Bayside residents or those who have an affinity with the area who are employed on low to moderate incomes.

It's different to the State Government's social housing which is for people on a pension or very low income.

The successful applicants will be charged rent at a reduced rate of up to 25 to 35 percent of the current medium market price.

It applies for a period of up to three years to give them a greater level of



housing certainty and opportunities to enter the private rental market or home ownership by the end of that period.

Evolve Housing Limited will provide management services for Council's Affordable Housing portfolio for a period of five years.

## TRAIN ON THE JOB

Keep an eye on Council's website and Facebook if you are interested in an apprenticeship or training for a career in Local Government.

Council has partnered with My Gateway to create six new apprenticeships or training opportunities for school leavers aged 18 to 21 years and will be advertising shortly.

The new apprenticeships or traineeships will be in the trades, childcare and corporate areas, such as in horticulture, landscaping, concreting, carpentry and painting.

Details will be available at: [www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/employment-programs](http://www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/employment-programs)



The newly upgraded Brighton Memorial Playing Fields were handed back to Bayside Council on Friday 1 October following a multi-million dollar makeover as part of the M6 Stage 1 project.

The works were undertaken, and fully funded, as part of the M6 Stage 1 project that will connect President Avenue in Kogarah with the M8 motorway at Arncliffe via a 4km tunnel.

The over-arching theme of the new facilities, continues to pay tribute to Australia's Armed Forces in line with the original naming of the Memorial Fields, including a commemorative walk, special plantings and design features such as the poppy etched into pathways.

The makeover also includes:

- ▶ An upgrade to the full-size synthetic field.
- ▶ New mid-sized grass playing field.
- ▶ A new playground area.
- ▶ A new memorial garden.
- ▶ A new amenity building including change rooms, canteen and toilets.
- ▶ Upgraded car-parking with increased capacity.
- ▶ As well as new fencing, lighting upgrades and landscaping.

Bayside Council has welcomed the new facilities and upgrades to the recreational and open spaces. Transport for NSW is also funding the upgrades at Ador Park (the former Rockdale Bowling Club) and McCarthy Reserve.

Transport for NSW has released a video to "virtually open" the new facilities which can be viewed at <https://caportal.com.au/rms/m6/crf>

# CHRISTMAS IN BAYSIDE

## Bayside Christmas Lights to Dazzle

Bayside Council will bring some permanent sparkle and dazzle to its streetscape this Christmas.

Council, at an Extraordinary Meeting in November, voted to use the funds normally spent on hosting the New Year's Eve Fireworks, Carols by the Sea and Carols in the Park, to install a permanent fairy light display at the plaza at Trafalgar Street and Bay Street, Brighton Le Sands, and new exterior lighting for the Botany Town Hall.

Council will also install special Christmas lights in several local shopping strips.

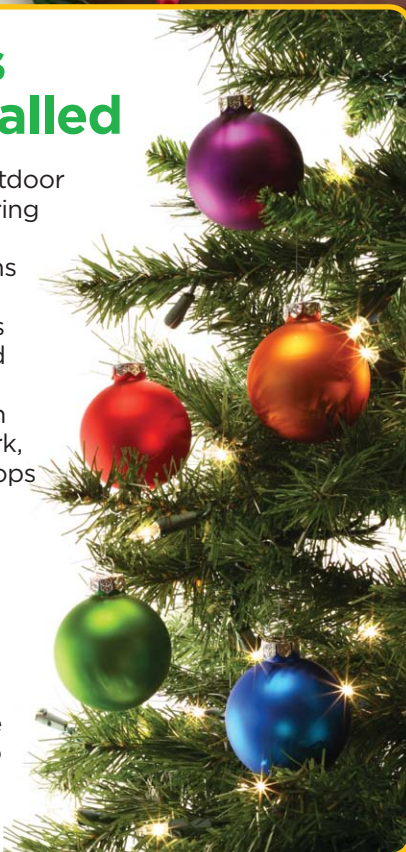


*Botany Town Hall set to dazzle in 2022. This is how the Botany Town Hall will look when permanent lights are installed.*

## Christmas Trees Installed

Bayside Council's outdoor staff are busy preparing to install Christmas Trees and decorations throughout Bayside. Decorated Christmas Trees will be installed on the foreshore at Brighton Le Sands, in Mascot Memorial Park, Ramsgate Beach Shops and King Street Mall, Rockdale.

They will also be putting up solar powered Christmas Light decorations in several of its smaller Town Centres for the first time this year, to bring some added sparkle and cheer.



## Santa is coming to Movie Night @ Botany

On Saturday 18 December Santa will drop by the Botany Aquatic Centre to check on the children of Bayside to see who has been naughty or nice.

Santa will arrive around 6pm to spend time talking to the local children before a special Christmas screening of 'Elliot the Littlest Reindeer' at 7:40pm.

Joining Santa will be the Cantabile Quartet who will perform traditional carols while patrons get settled and ready to enjoy the movie.

The pool canteen will be open for patrons to purchase drinks, lollies and ice-cream, along with a food van. Pool entry fee applies.

## Special Christmas Message for Seniors

Bayside's senior residents will receive a special Christmas message from our youngest residents this year.

The children attending Council's three child-care centres, (Hillsdale, Mascot and Garrigarrang) as well as the Family Day Care program have been busy creating designs and messages that will be turned into Christmas cards for our senior residents, especially those who are isolated or housebound.




*Little Christmas card elves hard at work drawing Christmas trees and rainbows at the Hillsdale Child Care Centre.*

# Summer at the Foreshore

## Smoke Free Foreshore Breathe Easy

Council has extended the smoke free trial across our 8km Foreshore of Lady Robinsons Beach.

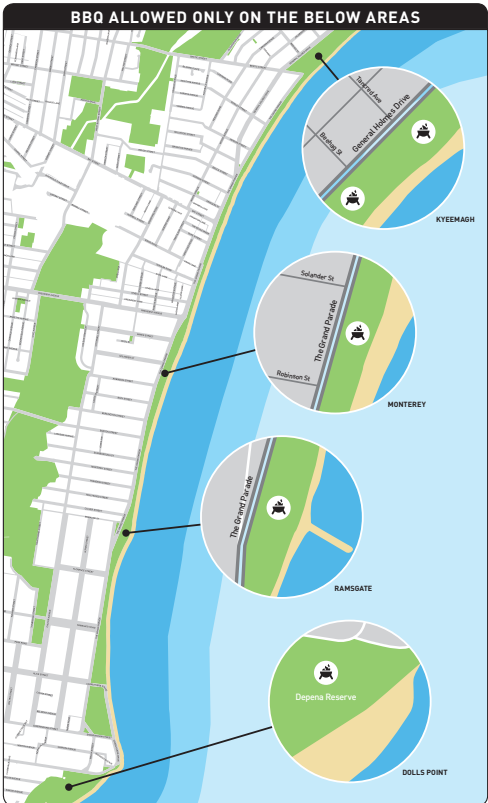
Four specific inclusion zones for BBQs are permitted at Kyeemagh, Monterey, Ramsgate and Depena Reserve as shown below.



### Smoke Free Zone ON LADY ROBINSONS BEACH

Notice is hereby given that these activities are prohibited, pursuant to section 632 Local Government Act 1993 (NSW). Penalties Apply.

**BBQ ALLOWED ONLY ON THE BELOW AREAS**



**Bayside Council**

## Keep Us Informed

To ensure our foreshore stays welcoming report any dumped rubbish or issues on **1300 581 299**.

Complaints about smoking in public spaces should be lodged with NSW Health on **1800 357 412**.

## Increased Waste Services and Bins

Council provides extra rubbish bins, hot coal disposal bins, litter collections and beach cleans. We want to make it easy to keep our beaches, parks and foreshore reserves clean – and protect marine life.



## Summer Foreshore Ambassadors

The ambassadors patrol the foreshore, create public awareness and education and provide public safety announcements. They also respond to and manage general customer enquiries and monitor crowd behaviour to ensure we are all COVID-Safe.



## Working Together

We are partnering with NSW Police and NSW Water Police to increase patrols of the foreshore, including PWC and jet ski watercraft to ensure we all enjoy a safe summer.



# Library Fines Support Bayside Women's Shelter

Council's recent amnesty on overdue library fines has yielded over 1,000 donations of non-perishable goods for the Bayside Women's Shelter.



In return for waiving the monetary fine, Bayside Council's Library staff invited its library members returning overdue items to donate something to the Women's Shelter.

Over 3,000 library items were returned during the amnesty, and the Bayside Women's Shelter received over 1,000 non-perishable items ranging from tinned food, cleaning products to gifts of perfumed soaps and hand lotions which will be included in the special welcome packages for new house guests.

In the coming months Council will continue to offer an amnesty on overdue library items in return for non-perishable Christmas items and gifts which can help the families staying at the Shelter and its outreach Centres to celebrate and enjoy Christmas and the holiday season.

# VOLUNTEERS Recognised

Council recognised two outstanding volunteers at the November Council Meeting – the late Len Harper and Cooper Fenton, both Botany people.



Cooper Fenton received the 2021 Young Volunteer of the Year from the Centre of Volunteering.

# Turf Trial in Dog Parks

Council is trialling a new method of laying turf in several Off Leash Dog areas to extend the life of the grassed areas.

Council staff will install 'turf reinforcement mesh' over the newly laid grass to protect it from doggie activities such as digging which typically destroys the turf.

The mesh also acts as a support for the grass roots, increasing their strength and resilience and making the turf areas harder wearing.

Irrigation systems will also be installed to assist in the overall turf health to provide a great result for these dog parks.

Grassed areas in dog parks can become dust bowls when well used. Council is hopeful the new system for laying turf will extend its longevity.

The new system for returfing has been installed in High Street Reserve, Mascot; Sparks Street Reserve, Eastlakes and Gaiarine Gardens, Pagewood.



Len Harper dedicated 40 years to the Botany Rams Rugby League Football Club. Len Harper's certificate was accepted by Shannon Gray and Wade Harper.



# NEW SANS SOUCI CYCLEWAY

A new on-road cycleway has been constructed along Russell Avenue, linking Rocky Point Road in Sans Souci to Dolls Point beach in response to community requests for safer corridors across Bayside.

The project was funded by the NSW Government through its 'Streets as Shared Spaces' grant and will be reviewed after 6 months for permanent placement.



## Vale Former Deputy Mayor David Jory

Bayside Council acknowledges the significant contribution of former Councillor David Jory who passed away on 27 September 2021.

David was an elected representative on the former City of Botany Bay from 1983 to 1995 where he also served for a time as Deputy Mayor.

David was active within his community as a member of local clubs. He played golf and squash at local sporting facilities.

**Celebrate Australia Day**  
@ Botany Aquatic Centre

**INFLATABLES, MUSIC & WORKSHOPS**

Wednesday 26 January 2022  
from 7am - Entry fee applies

Botany Aquatic Centre



## Band Together to Keep DA Contributions Local

Bayside Council is one of 23 metropolitan councils that have launched a campaign demanding the NSW Government abandon its plan to divert local government infrastructure funds into State revenue.

Local councils levy developers to help pay for local infrastructure such as playgrounds, sports fields, libraries, and parks. The NSW Government is trying to take half of local government developer contributions for State projects and local councils are concerned rates will have to rise to make up the shortfall.

Residents are urged to SAY NO to the cash grab by signing the petition at [stopthecashgrab.com.au](http://stopthecashgrab.com.au)

## Events Cancelled

Bayside's Christmas events Carols by the Sea and Carols in the Park, together with its Family Friendly New Year's Eve Fireworks have been cancelled.

Council opts for COVID-Safe for one more season.

## Libraries and Customer Service HOLIDAY HOURS

Friday 24 December	8:30am - 1:00pm
Saturday 25 to Tuesday 28 December	Closed
Wednesday 29 December	8:30am - 4:30pm
Thursday 30 December	8:30am - 4:30pm
Friday 31 December	8:30am - 4:30pm
Saturday 1 to Monday 3 January	Closed
Tuesday 4 January	Resume normal hours

Our other Libraries will be closed from 1pm Friday 24 December 2021 and reopen on Tuesday 4 January 2022. Library returns can be made through the 24/7 chutes at Eastgardens and Rockdale Libraries.

## Bayside Customer Service Centres

**EASTGARDENS** Westfield Eastgardens, 152 Bunnerong Road

**ROCKDALE** Rockdale Library, 444-446 Princes Highway

Open from Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm and Saturday 9am - 12pm.

Check Council's website at [www.bayside.nsw.gov.au](http://www.bayside.nsw.gov.au) for latest updates.



Voting is compulsory **Election Day Saturday 4 December**