

Bayside NEWS Council



Bayside Council
Serving Our Community



AUGUST 2019

Message from the Mayor



It's been a busy few months at Council as your councillors worked through and finalised the budget proposals for 2019-2020.

Our focus was a "business as usual" approach ensuring that all our services were funded with room for improvements along with a substantial capital works program that will see our community and recreational facilities and town centres upgraded.

A more detailed budget report is outlined in this newsletter, however, if you want to drill down and find out exactly where your rate dollars are being spent you can read the full budget report in the *Delivery Program 2018-2021* and the *Operational Plan 2019-2020* which is on our website.

Several major projects are also being finalised which we are all very excited about. The new amenities building at Rowland Park, the upgraded play area at the Hillsdale Child Care

Centre and Wilson's Cottage along with Lever Street Reserve will be completed by the end of the month. And the long awaited Skate Park in Mutch Park will be open soon.

The Bayside Business Awards are on again. I hope all businesses large and small get behind these Bayside Business Awards that recognise the positive contribution local business makes to our community.

Entries in our annual garden competition close on Sunday 1 September. Our local gardeners have a huge impact on making Bayside such a beautiful area. I encourage all of you to enter.

Council's many events, like the Spring Fair, Bayside Food & Wine, Carols in the Park, Carols by the Sea or NYE Fireworks, also provide opportunities for local sponsors, stallholders and entertainers.

Cr Bill Saravinovski, Mayor

COUNCILLORS CONDEMN CLEARWAY

Many residents and business owners attended an extraordinary council meeting held on Wednesday 31 July to hear Council condemn the State Government's proposal to extend clearways on Forest Road and Stone Creek Road, Bexley.

Bayside Councillors unanimously condemned the proposal and instructed Council to write to the Minister for Transport and Roads urging him to find a solution that will not destroy local businesses and the quality of life for residents.



"The RMS have done no consultation or proper planning. They have simply decided to whack in some clearways to improve the traffic flow with no thought about the impact on local businesses who contribute to the local economy nor the residents who live along these roads," Mayor Saravinovski said.

Bexley Depot Sets New Standard



Bexley Depot has been resurfaced with Reconophalt a new asphalt product that incorporates recycled materials like soft plastics, glass, toner from used cartridges and reclaimed asphalt in the mix.

The work at Bexley Depot involved laying nearly 400 tonnes of new asphalt containing recycled material equivalent to 314,558 plastic bags, 25,882 glass bottles and 7,142 toner cartridges.

The resurfacing has also improved access to Council's newly constructed Community Recycling Drop Off Event shed, where Bayside residents can drop off material such as mattresses, car tyres, metals, white goods, e-waste, green waste, toner cartridges, large flattened cardboard, clothing, gas bottles and x-ray film.

The next recycling drop off:

Bexley Depot: Saturday 7 September and 5 October.

Botany Depot: Saturday 17 August and 21 September.

Residents can check the dates on Council's website or download the Bayside Waste Services app.



Council Partners with Service NSW

Council has partnered with Service NSW to simplify the process for locals to set up a cafe, small bar or restaurant, through the launch of the 'Easy to do Business' program.

"Small business is the backbone of Bayside. Our partnership with Service NSW will help make it easier for anyone wanting to set up a small business", Mayor Saravinovski said.

The program streamlines business application processes via an online business portal through Service NSW.

'Easy to do Business' is a free service offering specialised advice from a business concierge who will help navigate the complexities of starting or growing their business.

For more information on 'Easy to do Business' please visit the website mybusiness.service.nsw.gov.au



Saturday 19 October
3pm - 9pm
Mascot Memorial Park



Bayside Council is looking for businesses interested in being part of a vibrant high end Food and Wine Festival.

Rebranding the former *A Taste of Mascot* to reflect the whole of Bayside this high end food and wine festival will target a more mature audience - 20 and above - who enjoy spending a relaxed afternoon tasting the culinary delights on offer, and picking up great cooking tips, all while being educated on the finer points of wine and beer making and of course tasting!

Visit www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/events



LARISSA TAKCHI

MAJOR SPONSOR



BUY LOCAL

Bayside Council has partnered with St George Chamber of Commerce and Georges River Council in a 'Buy Local Campaign' to support local business.



"Buying local is a fundamentally important part of creating strong economies and even stronger communities. Every dollar that leaves Bayside is largely lost to our community, while every dollar spent within our boundaries gets spent over and over again," Mayor Bill Saravinovski said at the Council Meeting on Wednesday 10 July.

New Dog Poo Recycling Bins



Bayside Council is trialling Dog Poo Recycling Bins at off-leash dog parks and reserves for the community to responsibly discard dog poo.

The bio-degradable bags available on-site and dog poo will be combined with food waste from Council buildings to produce good quality soil, with the assistance of thousands of compost worms.

Dog poo recycling bins can be found at:

- ▶ Astrolabe Park, Daceyville
- ▶ Bona Park (fenced portion), 46 Sandringham Street, Sans Souci
- ▶ Civic Avenue Reserve (Scarborough Park), Kogarah
- ▶ Firmstone Reserve, Pagewood
- ▶ Frys Reserve, 1 Warialda Street, Kogarah
- ▶ Gaiarine Gardens, Pagewood
- ▶ Hayden Place in Sir Joseph Banks Park
- ▶ Kingsgrove Avenue Reserve, 15 Kingsgrove Avenue, Kingsgrove
- ▶ Sheppard Street Reserve, Bardwell Valley
- ▶ Sparks Reserve, Mascot

BODY CAMS FOR RANGERS

Council Rangers have been fitted out with new body camera hi-vis vests to reduce safety concerns as well as the opportunity to identify risks.

"The body cameras are visible and people will be aware they are being recorded" Mayor Saravinovski said. "Hopefully it will reduce the abuse our Rangers get for doing their job, particularly over the summer months along the foreshore area. Council will also have a record of interactions should a complaint be lodged against a Council Ranger. It will work both ways," he said.

As part of the *Summer Foreshore Improvement Program* Council will, for the first time, engage the services of local Police Officers to work with the Rangers to combat anti-social behaviour.

"The Police have greater enforcement powers" Mayor Saravinovski said "which will hopefully make those responsible think twice before acting."



NBN Construction

Council has received a number of complaints about the disturbance caused to footpaths and nature strips by contractors installing infrastructure for the National Broadband Network rollout.

Bayside Council has no control over these works. If anyone is unhappy with the way the area has been left they should contact the NBN Company on 1800 687 626 or send an email to complaints@nbnco.com.au

Complaints can also be made to the Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman at www.tio.com.au

Community Grants

Bayside Community Grants on-line applications open Monday 2 September and close Monday 30 September. Local not-for-profit community groups, clubs and organisations, are invited to apply for:

Small Grants (up to \$2,000) for the purchase of equipment, special activities or information resources

Seeding Grants (up to \$5,000) to establish innovative programs that foster initiatives to address the social, cultural, creative, artistic and leisure needs of the community

Information Sessions:

Thursday 19 September @ 6pm - 7:30pm

Monday 23 September @ 2pm - 3:30pm

Eastgardens Library, 152 Bunnerong Road

Tuesday 24 September @ 2pm - 3:30pm & 6pm - 7:30pm

Pindari Room, Rockdale Town Hall, 448 Princes Highway

RSVP and enquiries: Council's Community Grants and Administration Officer on 9366 3671 or email grantsanddonations@bayside.nsw.gov.au

Botany Aquatic Centre



Bayside Council will host three outdoor cinema evenings at the Botany Aquatic Centre when it re-opens for the summer season from Saturday 28 September.

The first outdoor cinema will be held in October to celebrate Halloween, then in February a Valentine's Day theme will be aimed at the 18 years and older and, to close the season, a movie for families and friends will be selected.

If you have any suggestions for movies you can email council at events@bayside.nsw.gov.au

HAVE YOUR SAY

Residents have many opportunities to take part in discussions on key projects and provide feedback that helps shape the delivery of Council services.

Officers will be on hand at the following locations to hear your thoughts and address any questions you may have on the following projects.

Flood Studies for the Suburbs of Banksmeadow, Daceyville, Eastgardens, Hillsdale and Pagewood

Bayside and Randwick Councils have jointly completed a Flood Study of the Birds Gully and Bunnerong Road catchment. Bayside Council also completed a Flood Study of the Springvale Drain and Floodvale Drain catchments. These studies will be on public exhibition between 6 August and 6 September.

Enquiries on (02) 9137 5004 or email flooding@bayside.nsw.gov.au

Draft Swimming Pool Inspection Program

A draft will be available for public comment until 27 August.

Muddy Creek Masterplan

Council is developing a Master Plan for the Muddy Creek precinct in Kyeemagh and needs your feedback. The draft document is open for comment until 25 August.

Proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement

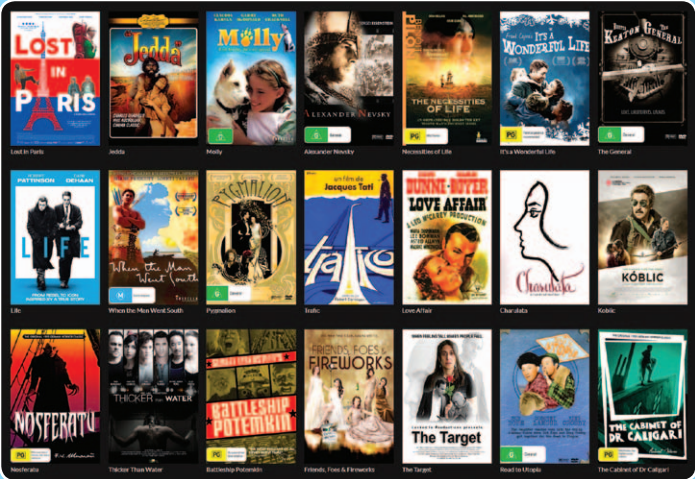
For 83-85 Railway Street, Rockdale. The proposed VPA on public exhibition. Submissions close on 30 August.

View all documents:	Online	haveyoursay.bayside.nsw.gov.au
	In person	at Council's Customer Service Centres
Provide feedback:	Online	haveyoursay.bayside.nsw.gov.au
	Via email	haveyoursay@bayside.nsw.gov.au
	In writing	PO Box 21, Rockdale NSW 2216

Library Streaming

Bayside library members can access over 700 of the best indie movies and documentaries for **FREE** using their library membership. The service is accessed via the library catalogue page, where members can log in using their library membership number.

Residents who don't have a library card can sign up for one on Council's website at www.bayside.nsw.gov.au



All NSW school-enrolled children are eligible for two \$100 Active Kids vouchers.

The vouchers can be used with any approved Active Kids provider, to help cover costs towards registration or membership fees for sport and active recreation.

More information <https://sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids>

COUNCIL'S PROJECTS



Rowland Park

Bayside Council is providing improved recreational facilities for the community. Works include construction of a new amenities building, a new playground and other recreational facilities within the park:

- ▶ New amenities building with new public toilets, external hand wash and drinking fountain;
- ▶ New sporting facilities with storage and change rooms;
- ▶ Internal upgrade to the canteen;
- ▶ New playground equipment for mixed age groups;
- ▶ Nature play spaces including sensory and musical elements and a sandpit;
- ▶ Shade sails and natural shade;
- ▶ Seats, bike racks, picnic tables and picnic shelters;
- ▶ Fencing on road frontages;
- ▶ Landscaping and tree planting;
- ▶ Outdoor ping pong table and basketball practice area.

Hillsdale Childcare Centre

The outdoor play area at Hillsdale Childcare Centre has been upgraded with exciting, functional play spaces for the children.

The Centre caters for children aged 6 weeks to 5 years old and is committed to providing quality educational programs with an emphasis on play-based learning.

Bayside Council's Child Care Centres comply with the National Quality Framework for Early Education and Care and are regulated by the NSW Department of Education.

For more information or to secure a place on the waiting list call the Centre on (02) 9349 8648 or send an email to hillsdale.childcare@bayside.nsw.gov.au



Mutch Park Skate Park

The Skate Park will provide improved recreational facilities for the community and includes:

- ▶ Construction of a plaza style concrete skate park including elements such as flatbanks, ledges, stairs & hubba, quarterpipe and waterfall;
- ▶ Associated park furniture such as seating, a drinking fountain and shade shelter;
- ▶ Landscaping and tree planting;
- ▶ Improved access road off Wentworth Avenue to the car parking areas;
- ▶ Lighting to assist passive surveillance (not for night use of the skate park).

Wilsons Cottage

The works, conservation of the State Listed Heritage items, has been completed. They have included:

- ▶ Stabilisation of the stone walls and chimney;
- ▶ Repairs to timber roof structure and new roof sheeting;
- ▶ Replacement of timber verandah;
- ▶ Reinstatement of border stone and sandstone flagging;
- ▶ Construction of new concrete floor (the original was dirt);
- ▶ Replacement of doors and windows to replicate the original fabric;
- ▶ Connection of power to the building to install lights (there was no power previously).



Councillors Out & About



Superintendents Recognised

St George Police Superintendent Julian Griffiths and Botany Bay Superintendent Brad Hodder have both been transferred. Mayor Bill Saravinovski and Councillor Christina Curry presented them with a certificate of appreciation for their service to our Community.



NAIDOC Week Celebrations at Eastgardens

On Monday 8 July Council celebrated NAIDOC Week with a morning tea and cultural performances at Westfield Eastgardens.



Citizenship Ceremony

More than 100 new citizens participated at the latest Citizenship Ceremony in the Rockdale Town Hall on Tuesday 2 July.



Living Heritage Festival

Mayor Bill Saravinovski joined other history lovers for a look back in time at the recent Living Heritage Festival at Tempe House, Wolli Creek.



Defibrillator Presented to Sports Clubs

With support from the Member for Kingsford Smith the Hon. Matt Thistlethwaite, Bayside Council was successful in gaining funding from the Stronger Communities Federal Grants Program, to purchase four defibrillators for distribution amongst sporting clubs.

Mayor Bill Saravinovski and the Hon. Matt Thistlethwaite recently presented the defibrillators to Mt Carmel Cricket Club, Mascot Kings Soccer Club, Botany Golf Club and South Sydney Mustangs RLFC. The defibrillators will be kept at the sporting clubs home ground.

Upcoming Events

bayside.nsw.gov.au/events

GARDEN COMPETITION

Entries close Sunday 1 September

All entries are assessed by independent garden judges. Council will host an awards night on Saturday 2 November when the winners will be announced.

Visit: www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/gardencomp

BAYSIDE SPRING FAIR

celebrating
our cultural diversity

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
11AM - 3PM
EASTLAKES RESERVE

FREE RIDES & GAMES ✿ **ARTS & CRAFTS**
LIVE MUSIC ✿ **STALLS** ✿ **...AND MORE!**

Nominate YOUR LOCAL HERO



The Bayside Citizen of the Year Award recognises the exceptional contributions made by an individual to the local community.

This is your opportunity to nominate someone from Bayside you believe deserves special recognition.

Nominations close on 31 October and the winners will be announced on Australia Day.

Forms are available at Council's Customer Service Centres and at www.bayside.nsw.gov.au

The Guild Theatre present

WHERE ANGELS FEAR TO TREAD

by Elizabeth Hart

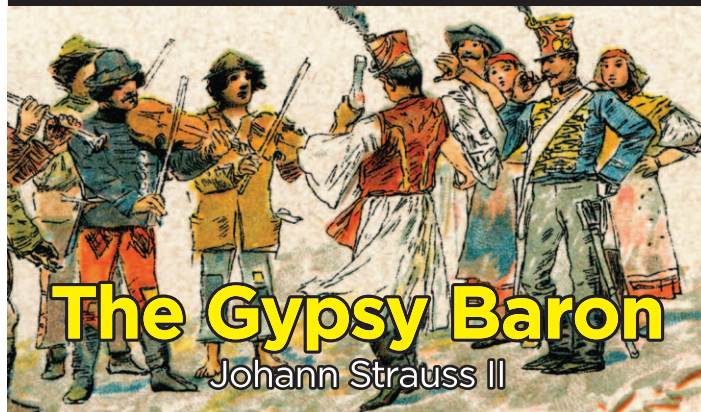
Play adapted from the famous novel by E. M. Forster
The play opens on 9 August and runs until 31 August

git the guild theatre limited



FOR BOOKINGS CALL
9520 7364

ROCKDALE OPERA COMPANY



The Gypsy Baron

Johann Strauss II

Rockdale Town Hall – November 2019
9th (7:30pm), 10th (2pm), 16th (7:30pm), 17th (2pm)
Bookings: www.rockdaleopera.com.au or 8197 1796



Kinky Boots

SEPTEMBER 6-14
ROCKDALE TOWN HALL

For bookings visit www.rockdalemusicalsociety.com

PAGEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL MARKET CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER ★ 9AM – 3PM
PAGEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL ★ 60 PAGE STREET
MARKETS ★ FOOD & COFFEE ★ RIDES PERFORMANCES

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The Beachside Dash

Sunday 8 September 2019

For more info visit <https://beachsidedash.org.au>

POETRY SLAM



Bayside poets to take the stage to perform their work and awe the audience. Performing writers have two minutes to inspire judges.

The two highest scoring slammers will compete at the Sydney final on 18 October at Story-Fest '19.

Saturday 14 September
Rockdale Library
1:30pm Registrations
2pm The Heat Starts

Our slam host is poet and satirist Tug Dumbly.

Anyone who wants to be in the audience should book in through eventbrite.



Bayside Customer Service Centres

Open from Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm and Saturday 9am-1pm at two locations:

EASTGARDENS Westfield Eastgardens, 152 Bunnerong Road

ROCKDALE Rockdale Library, 444-446 Princes Highway



Register for our monthly e-news at bit.ly/Bayside-eNews

Bayside 19/20 Budget

Mayor's Message



It gives me great pleasure to present the 2019-2020 budget for Bayside Council. Council has prepared a financially responsible, balanced budget which exceeds \$200 million.

This budget meets the demands of our City by maintaining and improving services for our community.

We continue to deliver on major projects in our parks, amenities, sports fields and transport network.

This budget ensures our residents live in well planned and well serviced suburbs.

We provide our community with a safe, clean environment and we are focussed on making it safer for all to enjoy with programs such as the summer foreshore program. We are responsible for more than \$1.7 billion in community assets.

Our budget ensures we are protecting and maintaining those assets so the community is able to benefit from them.

Your rates are an investment in your community and a large portion of our budget is funded by rates. However with strong financial discipline, we have been able to ensure rates are only increased by the State Government approved limit of 2.7 percent.

This is a major achievement in an environment where everyday costs for providing services are increasing at a much higher rate than our revenue. Keeping increases to the minimum is a challenge when costs are continually on the rise, but it is something we have been able to achieve as a result of fiscal discipline, adopting best practice, and supporting innovation and forward thinking.

Bayside is a growing and thriving community and this budget will take our community forward and continue to build on what has already been achieved.

The 2019-2020 budget outlined in this document for the next financial year provides stability and sustainability for everyone.

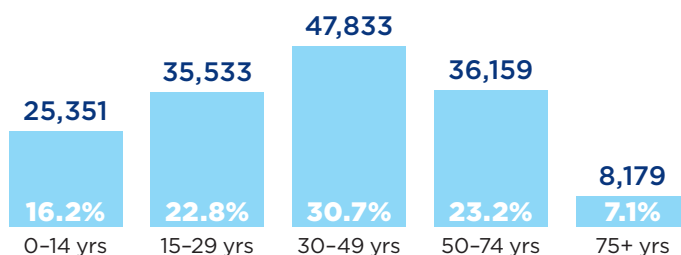
You can read the full budget report on our website.

Cr Bill Saravinovski, Mayor

Our Community

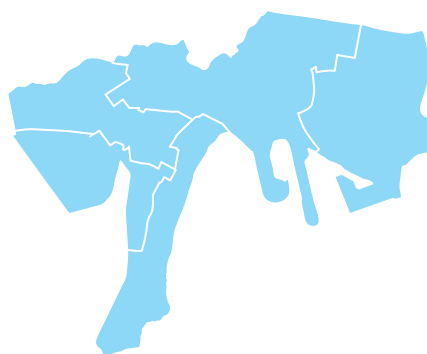
POPULATION BREAK DOWN (2016)*

156,055 residents of Bayside Council
47% born in Australia (1% are indigenous)
73.7% Australian citizens



*Profile.id.com.au

BAYSIDE LOCAL GOVERNEMENT AREA



Land Area
50km²

Suburbs
29

Residential properties
61,589

Total businesses
15,754

HOUSING TYPE (2016)



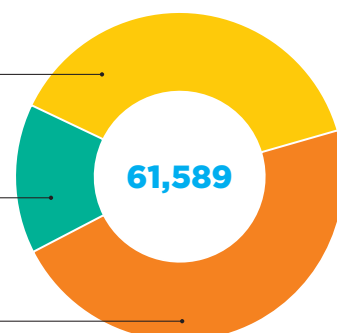
Separate house
23,785 | 38.5%



Semi-detached, row or terrace house
9,075 | 14.7%



Flat or apartment
28,729 | 46.8%



\$203
MILLION

2019-2020
Budget

\$55
MILLION

Capital
Works

\$41
MILLION

Asset
Maintenance
(Roads, Parks
& Drainage)

\$38
MILLION

Waste &
Cleansing
Services

\$17
MILLION

Planning
Approvals

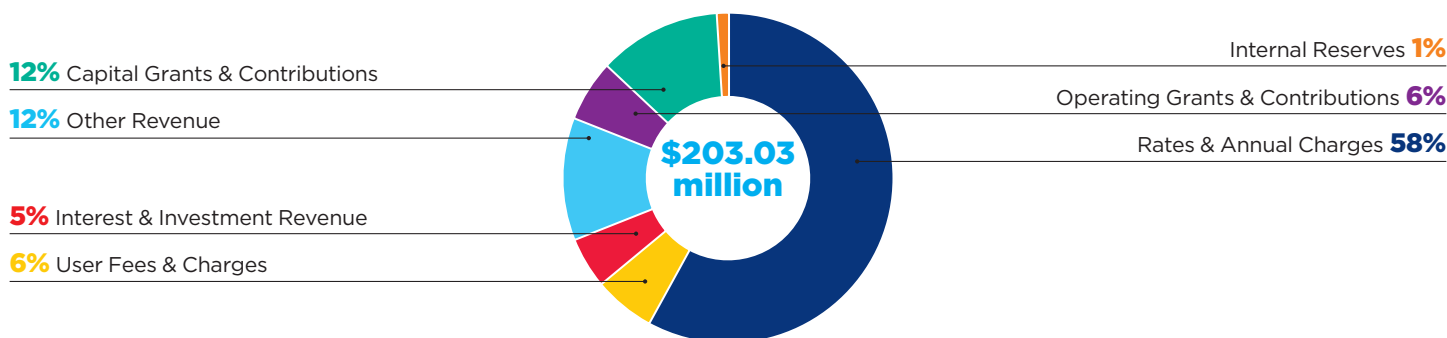
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Community
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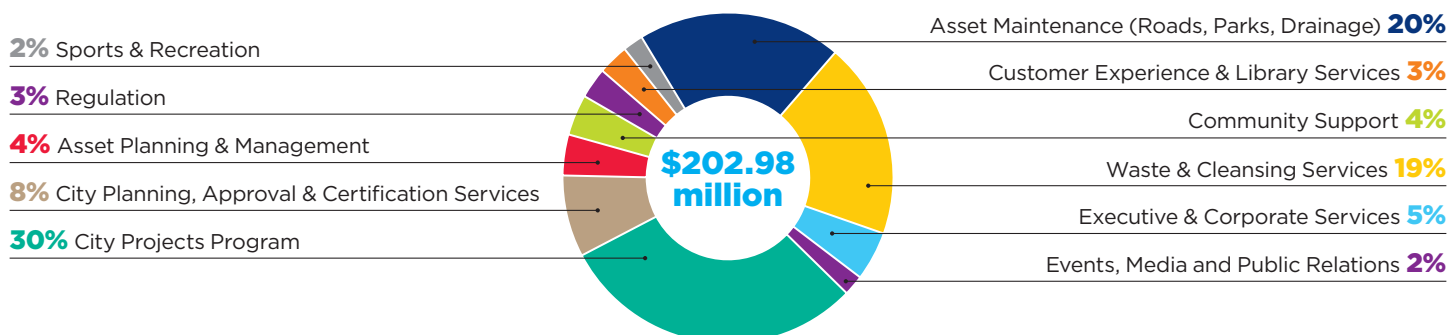
Budget Summary

The budget for 2019-2020 has been developed through a rigorous process of consultation and review with Bayside Council and staff.

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM



WHERE THE MONEY GOES



Have Your Say Online

The community had the opportunity to comment on Council's Draft Operational Plan* before the budget was adopted.

- ▶ 362 residents viewed the report
- ▶ 205 residents downloaded the report

Residents can provide input and feedback on a range of projects and activities via Council's Have Your Say online portal at haveyoursay.bayside.nsw.gov.au

*Documents were also on public exhibition at Council's Customer Service Centres.

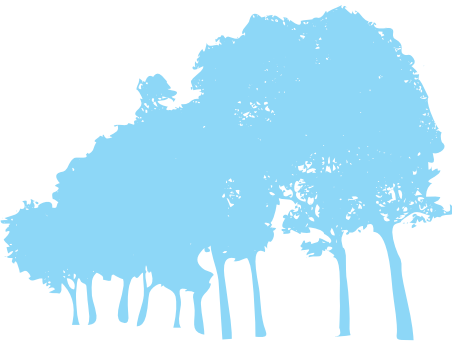
Minimum rate increase for 2019-2020

Through careful financial management rate increases across the LGA have been kept to the 2.7 percent determined under the State Government's Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART).

In accordance with the amalgamation legislation the rate structure for both former Councils remains the same as it was prior to becoming Bayside and will do so until the 1 July 2021.

For a full explanation about how rates and charges are determined and what levies apply to each of the former councils visit Council's website or pick up a Rates Explained booklet from one of our Customer Service Centres.

Open Spaces



- \$2,250,000**
Beaches & Waterways
- \$8,522,500**
Active Parks
- \$376,077**
Cycleways
- \$260,000**
Natural Environment
- \$3,895,000**
Passive Parks
- \$1,750,000**
Playgrounds



Roads and Pavements



- \$850,000**
Bridges and Structures
- \$160,000**
Kerb & Gutter
- \$100,000**
Pedestrian Access
- \$8,031,838**
Pavements
- \$410,000**
Street Lighting
- \$5,497,500**
Traffic & Road Safety
- \$200,000**
Car Parks



Stormwater Drainage



- \$2,642,000**
Drainage Infrastructure
- \$650,000**
Water Quality



Town Centres



- \$1,921,500**
Town Centres
- \$410,000**
Street Furniture



Buildings



- \$3,450,000**
New & Improvements
- \$8,258,000**
Renewals & Rehabilitation



Payment Methods

Details on how you can pay your rates are shown on the back of the rate notice. Please note a 0.5% service fee is charged for all credit card payments.

How to pay

ONLINE

Online at **www.auspost.com.au/postbillpay** using your debit or credit card (Visa and Mastercard). Post billpay code is **0530**. Your reference number is stated on your rates notice.

DIRECT DEBIT

Payment can be made via direct debit from your nominated savings or cheque account (credit accounts are not applicable). Download and complete all sections of the direct debit authority form at **www.bayside.nsw.gov.au**

Send completed form to Council via:

Email: council@bayside.nsw.gov.au

Post: PO Box 21, Rockdale NSW 2216

BPAY

Contact your bank or financial institution to make payment from your account. The BPAY biller code is **10272**.

Your reference number is stated on your rates notice.

PHONE

Call **13 18 16** using your debit or credit card (Visa and Mastercard) and follow the prompts. Payments from credit cards and savings accounts accepted.

MAIL

Make your cheque or money order payable to Bayside Council and cross 'Not Negotiable'.

Post with the payment advice from the bottom section of your rate notice to:

Locked Bag W122, Sydney NSW 1292

Please do not send your full statement or cash.

BY PERSON

Visit one of our Customer Service Centres:

Monday to Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm; Saturday 9am – 1pm.

Payment by debit and credit card (Visa and Mastercard) is preferable. However, we do still accept cash and cheques.

POST OFFICE

Payment can be made at any Australian Post Office by cash, cheque, debit card and credit cards (Visa and Mastercard).



For more information



Read the full budget report in the 'Bayside 2018-2030'.

The documents contain the 'Delivery Program 2018-2021' and the 'Operational Plan 2019-2020' and it is available on Council's website.



For more information on our rates, read the 'Rates Explained' guide.

A copy is available at our Customer Service Centres or download it from Council's website.

Bayside Customer Service Centres

Rockdale Library, 444-446 Princes Highway, Rockdale

Westfield Eastgardens, 152 Bunnerong Road, Eastgardens

Phone 1300 581 299 | 02 9562 1666 **Email** council@bayside.nsw.gov.au **Web** www.bayside.nsw.gov.au

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