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Ku-ring-gai Update

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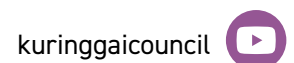
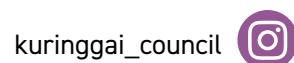
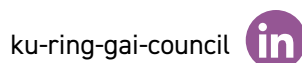


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FROM THE MAYOR

At Ku-ring-gai we provide not just roads, rates and rubbish but also social infrastructure such as sportsfields, libraries, community facilities, services for our elderly and youth and climate resilience initiatives.

We are expected to deliver more with less. In the last 10 years, operating costs have increased 40% while rates revenue (pegged by the NSW Government) have increased 28%.

This year we will be conducting service reviews across Council's operations to identify how we can give you better quality or more volume with limited funds. An early finding is new technology to reduce the cost of maintaining our ageing drainage pipes – with expected savings of \$100m over the life of our infrastructure backlog. We should be proud of our Council staff's achievements.

Despite these savings, we face other cost pressures to deliver infrastructure. To create more homes, the NSW Government has imposed new planning controls that will significantly increase our population and demand for facilities, but without funding for infrastructure to match.

New residents will pay the State a few hundred million in housing contributions, but the State has committed to reinvesting this across Greater Sydney - not in local infrastructure.

We are not opposed to development, but our view is that infrastructure must be properly planned and funded and residents consulted in the decision.

This year's Council elections are on Saturday 14 September. All ratepayers can vote so long as they are on the electoral roll. To find out more visit elections.nsw.gov.au

To see what else is happening in your local area, visit our website krg.nsw.gov.au, subscribe to our fortnightly e-news, and follow us on social media for regular updates.

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Housing update

The NSW Government has released new planning controls for the supply of new housing across Sydney. The government has set a minimum target of 7,600 new homes for Ku-ring-gai to be built within the next five years.

The planning controls mean mid-rise apartment blocks can be built on sites within 400 metres of Gordon, Lindfield, Roseville and Killara railway stations.

The low and mid-rise housing provisions are due to come into effect later this year. They also propose some mid-rise apartments, terraces and manor houses (two storey apartment blocks) on sites within 800 metres of train stations and St Ives Shopping Village.

Dual occupancies would also be allowed in most residential zones across NSW, providing a site is larger than 450 square metres.

For more information visit krg.nsw.gov.au/housing



THIS YEAR'S DELIVERY PROGRAM

Every year the Council puts together a plan to deliver services and facilities to residents, called a delivery program. Here are some of the highlights of the 2024-2025 delivery program.



How your rates are spent

In this 2024-2025 rates notice you'll find an itemised breakdown of what your annual rates are spent on. If you have any questions please contact our rates team on 9424 0000.

NET ZERO KU-RING-GAI

Discover now what you can do to create a low-cost, efficient and healthy home.

Get started

- Install solar or switch to green power
- Electrify your home, transport, school or business
- Compost your food waste
- Reduce, repair, reuse and recycle
- Increase your tree cover

Explore netzero.krg.nsw.gov.au and find advice, rebates and workshops



Volunteer for nature

Are you looking to meet friendly people, help the environment and get some fresh air? Join one of five volunteer programs: restoring bushland, monitoring wildlife and waterways, maintaining mountain bike trails or delivering Net Zero projects.

No experience needed.

krg.nsw.gov.au/volunteerwithcouncil

Protecting Ku-ring-gai's trees

Strengthened regulations are now being enforced by Council to increase protection for Ku-ring-gai's trees.

The tougher measures mean residents who breach planning controls by removing trees illegally will be required to replace them in addition to fines. Council officers will also monitor replanted trees to ensure they are retained.



Ku-ring-gai to get more EV chargers

Council is installing chargers at three new locations to support the growing uptake of electric vehicles (EV) by local residents. The chargers are currently being installed and will be ready to use by second half of the year. The additional EV charging stations will be located at North Turramurra Golf Course, the Ku-ring-gai Aquatic & Fitness Centre at West Pymble and close to Turramurra Library.

netzero.krg.nsw.gov.au/electrictransport

KU-RING-GAI EVENTS IN 2024-2025

2024

1 - 30 SEPTEMBER

Eco Festival

Everything you need to know about living a cost-effective and sustainable life.



1 SEPTEMBER - 7 OCTOBER

Ku-ring-gai Sculpture Trail

at Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden

19 OCTOBER

Spring Twilight Concert in the Park

Killer Queen - A tribute to Queen!
Bring a picnic and get ready for some dancing in Wahroonga Park.



11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day

Services and commemorations to honour the fallen.



29 JANUARY - 11 FEBRUARY

Lunar New Year Festival

Celebrate with culture and cuisine!
Don't miss the special Lunar New Year food market at St Ives Village Green.

18 APRIL - 19 MAY

Heritage Festival

Open homes, walks, talks and other great activities exploring Ku-ring-gai's unique history

26 MAY - 13 JULY

Gai-mariagal Festival

Celebrating indigenous culture and heritage in Ku-ring-gai.

2025

26 JANUARY

Australia Day

Enjoy a pool party at the Ku-ring-gai Fitness & Aquatic Centre West Pymble.

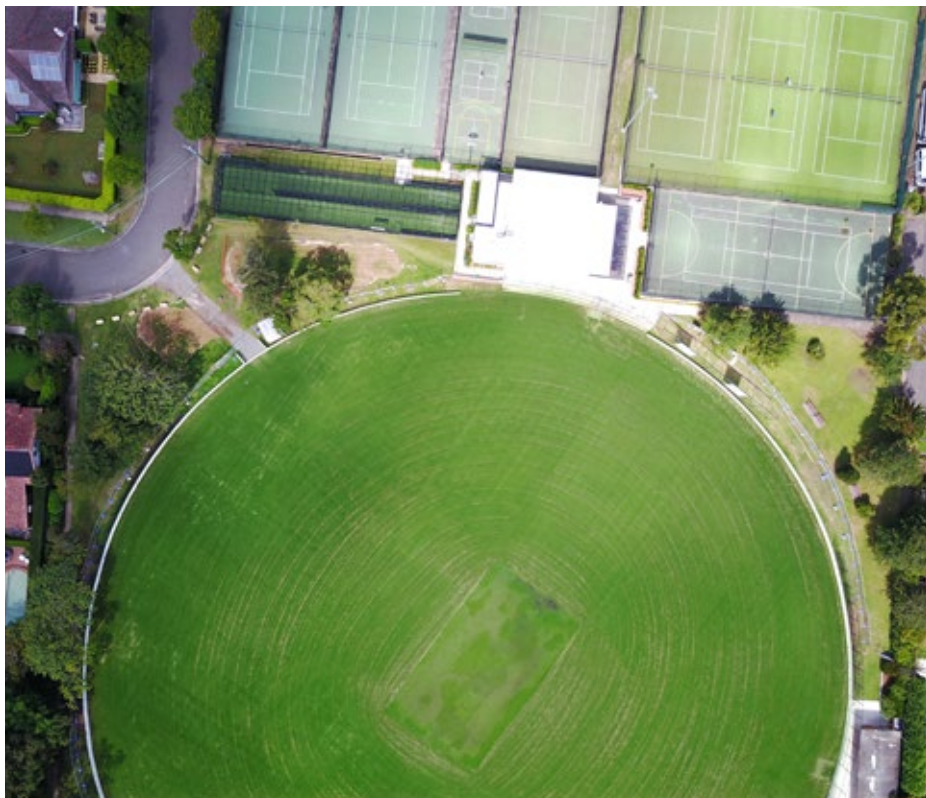


For more info about these events and what else is happening in Ku-ring-gai visit krg.nsw.gov.au/whatson

GAME ON

Here are the sportsgrounds we have been upgrading in the last year. Find out what other projects we are working on at krq.nsw.gov.au

Roseville Park Oval



Hassall Park



Samuel King Oval



Primula Oval

Council elections

NSW council elections will take place on Saturday 14 September 2024.

All Ku-ring-gai ratepayers are eligible to vote, providing they are registered on the electoral roll. If you wish to register as an election candidate, nominations open on 5 August and close on 14 August.

For more information go to elections.nsw.gov.au



Dementia Friendly Communities

Ku-ring-gai has joined the Dementia Friendly Communities program, which means we are increasing support for those residents with dementia or family members who are caring for them. Join us for our free CTE & Dementia Awareness Expo on Wednesday 24 July.

Visit krg.nsw.gov.au/dementia to find out more.



Business news

Find out more at krg.nsw.gov.au/business or contact the Council's Business Engagement Coordinator on 9424 0757 during business hours.

Have your say

We are always keen to hear what our community think.

By subscribing to the Your Say enews you'll hear first about projects in your neighbourhood and how to give feedback on other Council plans that affect you.

Stay in the loop and sign up now! krg.nsw.gov.au/yoursay



Youth

Ku-ring-gai's youth centres at St Ives and Gordon are open weekdays after school for cooking classes, art workshops, pool tournaments and other events. Check them out at krg.nsw.gov.au/youth



Don't bin your batteries

Batteries shouldn't be put in any bin as they can start fires in garbage trucks and waste facilities as well as leak toxic materials. Instead, recycle them so their materials are made into something new. Drop off at supermarkets, Bunnings and community recycling centres.

krg.nsw.gov.au/waste

Volunteer Hub

Our online volunteer hub is the place to go if you'd like to become a volunteer or you're an organisation looking to recruit volunteers. Visit krg.nsw.gov.au/volunteerhub to get started on your volunteering journey!



KU-RING-GAI COUNCILLORS

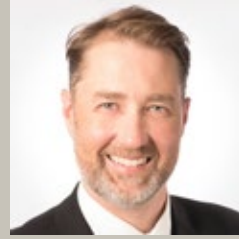


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Simplified Chinese

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Traditional Chinese

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Japanese

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Korean

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