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Ku-ring-gai Update

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FROM THE MAYOR

Like many places in Sydney, Ku-ring-gai continues to face some pretty significant challenges.

Declining infrastructure, increased demands to deliver more housing, and cost-shifting from the State Government has forced councils to deliver more with less.

This is not just a challenge for Ku-ring-gai Council but for all councils across the state. The local government sector continues to advocate for greater financial sustainability, including increased funding from state and federal government, reform of the rating system and less cost-shifting.

Despite these challenges, our Council remains focused on the issues that matter most to you.

Your rates are hard at work, making Ku-ring-gai one of the best places to live. We continue to invest in critical community services including libraries, childcare, youth and seniors programs, art and cultural programs, environmental and sustainability programs, waste management, business support and community events.

In 2025-26, you can expect to see upgrades to local roads, traffic improvements, streetscaping and revitalisation of local centres. There will be upgrades to parks, footpaths

toilets and amenities, along with major drainage and stormwater upgrades.

We will continue to invest in upgrades of sporting facilities, parks and playgrounds across Ku-ring-gai.

Work will commence on the Cultural and Environmental Education Centre at St Ives Showground and we will also begin master planning for recreational use of the former bowling club sites in Gordon and Roseville.

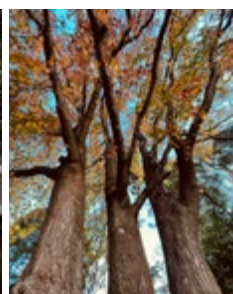
The success of our work will rely on your active involvement, so please continue to have your say on projects on public exhibition.

Your local knowledge, experience and insights continue to inform the decisions we make and the projects and services we deliver.

Finally, I want to say a huge thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers in our community who continue to make Ku-ring-gai a great place to live.

To keep up to date with what's happening in your local area, visit our website krg.nsw.gov.au, subscribe to our fortnightly e-news, and follow us on social media.

Cr Christine Kay Mayor of Ku-ring-gai



New Community Strategic Plan for Ku-ring-gai

Council has adopted a new 10 year Community Strategic Plan (CSP) and supporting plans, following consultation with residents, business, ratepayers, community groups and government agencies.

The CSP is a long-term, high-level plan that outlines the community's vision and aspirations for the future of the area, including protecting the natural environment, managing balanced growth, enhancing infrastructure, fostering social cohesion, and ensuring transparent governance.

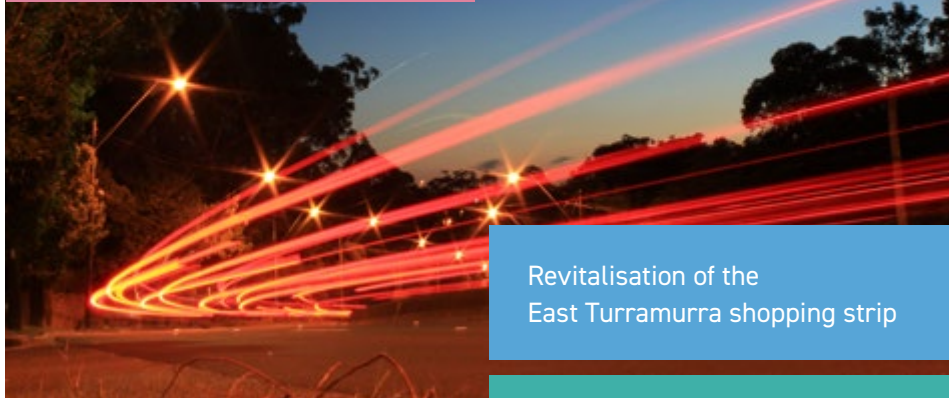
The plan provides Council with a clear strategic direction to align its services, policies and programs with community needs and priorities, as well as state and regional planning priorities. It also acts as a guide for government agencies, investors, businesses, community groups and residents in their planning and delivery of services for the area and opportunities for collaboration and partnerships with Council.

THIS YEAR'S DELIVERY PROGRAM

Every year, Council puts together a plan to deliver services and facilities to residents, called a delivery program. Highlights of the 2025-2026 delivery program:

\$11.8 million

for renewing local roads and
\$1 million for traffic improvements



Construction of the Cultural and
Environmental Education Centre
at St Ives Showground

\$12.6 million

for the upgrade of sporting
facilities



Revitalisation of the
East Turramurra shopping strip

\$2.2 million

for new and upgraded footpaths



\$3.3 million

for playgrounds and nature play



\$3 million

for public toilets and amenities

Master planning recreational use
of former bowling club sites in
Gordon and Roseville

\$7.7 million

for upgrades to parks



\$9.9 million

for local centre improvements

\$2.7 million

for drainage and stormwater
upgrades





Net Zero Champions

Ku-ring-gai Council is supporting residents to create healthy, efficient, low-cost homes and lifestyles through the Net Zero Ku-ring-gai program, including solar energy and electrification talks, clothing swaps, a composting network, local recycling centre map and more. Our volunteer residents, also known as Net Zero Champions, are leading the way towards a more sustainable Ku-ring-gai with a focus on reducing their own emissions. Rebates are also available to residents for home solar panels and batteries, hot water systems, windows, insulation, pool pumps and upgrades to apartment blocks.

Find out more and get involved at netzero.krg.nsw.gov.au

Get Ready Ku-ring-gai

Council has joined with the Rural Fire Service, with funding from Sydney North Health Network, to host a series of Street Meets for residents in bushfire prone areas. Our Street Meets have already brought together over 300 residents to learn about reducing the risk of bushfires to their family, home and community. Street Meets will continue in the coming months, find your local event at krg.nsw.gov.au/streetmeet or request a Street Meet in your neighbourhood by emailing cwc@krg.nsw.gov.au

Don't forget our Bushfire Expo is on 20 September, where you can learn how to protect your family and home this bushfire season.



More EV chargers on the way

Council has given in-principle support to a third party infrastructure provider EVIE Networks to install four new EV charging stations.

The proposed locations are on Council land in Wahroonga, Turramurra, East Killara and Roseville.

The new chargers will join a growing list of charging infrastructure available in Ku-ring-gai, including Council supported chargers at Lindfield Village Green, Ku-ring-gai Fitness and Aquatic Centre, Turramurra Library and North Turramurra Recreation Area.

netzero.krg.nsw.gov.au/electrictransport

KU-RING-GAI EVENTS IN 2025-2026

2025

14 JUNE - 24 JULY

Arts & Cultural Festival

A showcase of our diverse and thriving arts and cultural community.

1-30 SEPTEMBER

Eco Festival

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

6 SEPTEMBER - 6 OCTOBER

Ku-ring-gai Sculpture Trail

A celebration of sustainable art in the Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden.

18 OCTOBER

Spring Twilight Concert in the Park

Bring a picnic and get ready for some dancing in Wahroonga Park.



11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day

Services and commemorations to honour the fallen.

2026

26 JANUARY

Australia Day

Australian Citizenship and Local Citizen of the Year awards ceremony.

Enjoy a pool party in the afternoon at the Ku-ring-gai Fitness and Aquatic Centre West Pymble



17 FEBRUARY - 3 MARCH

Lunar New Year

Celebrate the Year of the Horse 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 events and activities exploring Ku-ring-gai's heritage.

26 MAY - 19 JULY

Gai-mariagal Festival

A Celebration of the oldest living culture on the planet.



Tear this page off and pop it on your fridge so you don't miss out on our events!

For more information about the events and festivals and everything happening in Ku-ring-gai visit krg.nsw.gov.au/whatson



Hassall Park upgrade

Stage 1 of St Ives' Hassall Park Landscape Masterplan is complete with new play spaces, paths and fencing, seating, a picnic shelter, BBQ facilities, fitness station, extra car spaces and tree plantings. The playground includes new climbing equipment, a bouldering pillar, caterpillar climber, slide and accessible carousel.

Lorraine Taylor Reserve playground

The local playground at St Ives has just reopened, with multi-functional play equipment, accessible carousel, swings, trampoline, nature play, new softfall, landscaping, seating, a water fountain and new plants.

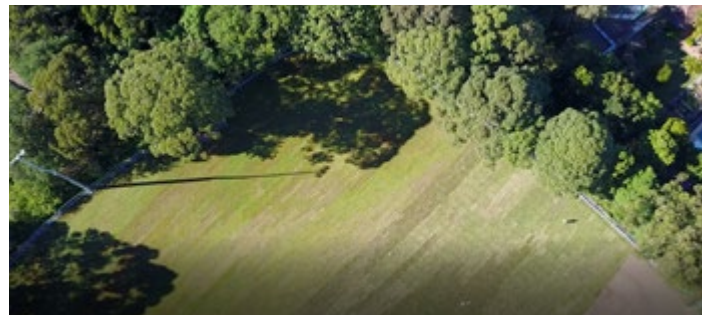


New Eldinhope Green playground

A fun new playground is now open in Wahroonga, with a new multi-functional slide, swing with baby seat, springer, a spinning climbing net and balance beam, bubbler and seating.

Northern Sydney war memorial restored

Measuring 2.1m tall, the honour roll at Turramurra Memorial Park lists the names of 67 local soldiers who served in the First World War.



Princes Park pitch improvements

The upgrade of Princes Park at Lindfield is now complete, ready for winter and summer sports. With drainage improvements and laser leveling, Princes Park is now able to withstand wet weather.

New life for Pymble landmark

One of Ku-ring-gai's local historic landmarks is available for community hire following a major upgrade.

Ku-ring-gai Town Hall – which began life as a Spanish Mission-style Roman Catholic church in 1934 – has been renovated inside and out, including a new kitchen.



New, easy way to pay your rates

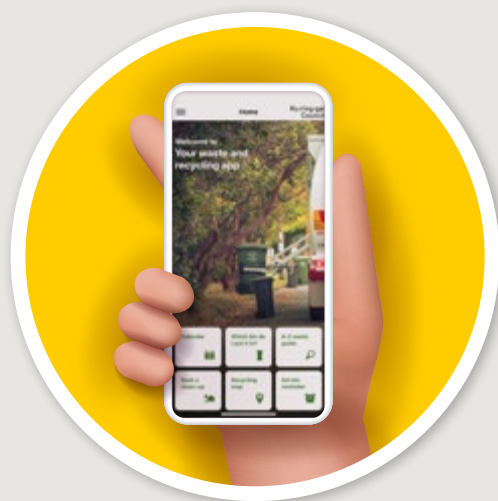
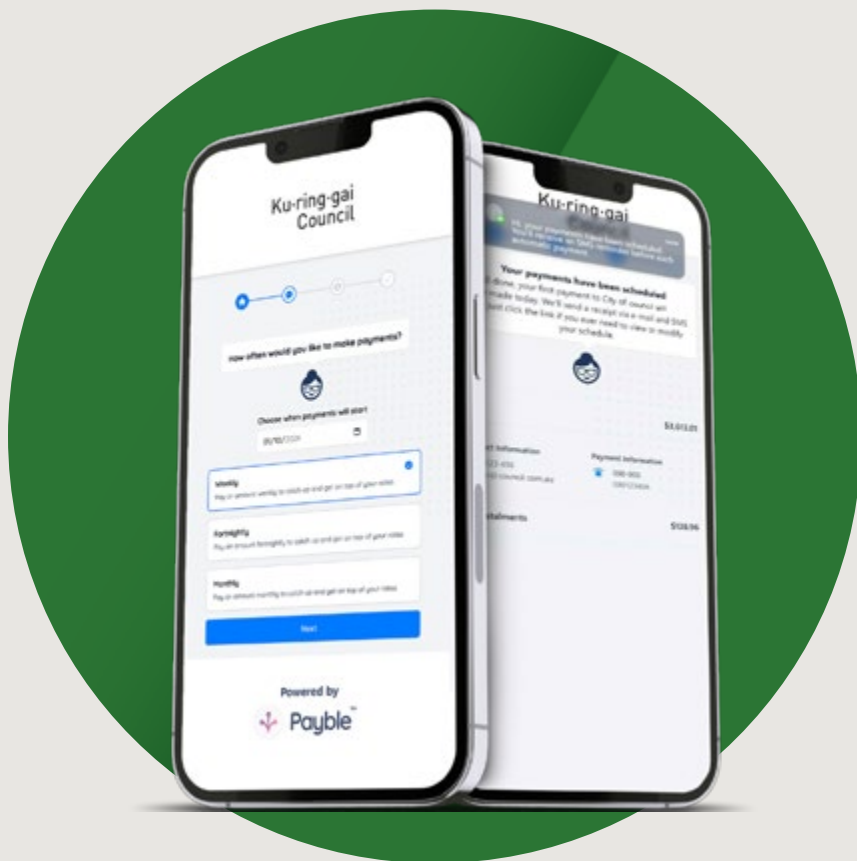
Ku-ring-gai Council has launched a new payment system to make paying rates easier than ever.

Payble is a new online payment system that allows you to pay in weekly, fortnightly or monthly instalments, or make a simple one-off payment.

You can set up recurring payments via credit card, debit card or direct debit from your bank account.

You can also opt to receive SMS reminders before your payment is due.

To sign-up, simply scan the QR code on your rates notice or visit krg.nsw.gov.au/payrates



Your Waste app

Never miss a bin collection again!

Council's new Your Waste app makes managing your waste easier than ever.

You can look up your bin collection schedule, set bin reminders, receive push notifications of any unexpected interruptions to waste services, view the A-Z waste guide and find locations to drop-off and recycle used goods for free.

Your Waste is free to download from the Apple or Google app stores.

For more info visit krg.nsw.gov.au/yourwaste



New and improved maps

Ku-ring-gai Council has improved its property search and mapping tool with a major upgrade.

With improved speed, better search functionality and enhanced usability, you can search for property details and DAs, heritage conservation areas and community facilities.

Visit krg.nsw.gov.au/maps



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