

Attachment 1: Submissions and responses - Operational Plan and Budget and Fees and Charges 2018-19

Number	Submission (verbatim)	Council response
1	<p>Fred Williams Reserve, Phillip Bay</p> <p>1. Could you please plant as many native trees as possible in Fred Williams Reserve, Phillip Bay as well as in all other parks and green space not used for sport or picnics. Small native trees could also be planted in all nature strips even underneath power lines. The Council's Nursery should be able to supply all the native trees that our suited to Phillip Bay and all the other suburbs in Randwick. This would provide plenty of food and habitat for the native birds as well as increasing our urban jungle mentioned in the last council survey.</p> <p>2. If funding allows could you please replace the roundabout ride(which makes children feel sick if they spin too fast) in Fred Williams Reserve with netted climbing equipment(a spider web like the one at Coogee), a flying fox, a netball and basketball ring and soccer goal posts with permanent nets for the teenagers to exercise with. Also, could you please remove the second baby swing and put back a swing for older children. This will encourage more teenagers to exercise in the park and reduce time spent sitting down using technology.</p> <p>Yarra Bay Bicentennial Park</p> <p>3. The green space at Yarra Bay Bicentennial Park near the cemetery is hardly ever used. Could you please build a pond there for the native birds and plant as many native trees as possible similar to Centennial Park. This will create a beautiful park where families can bring their children to see the native birds in the pond.</p>	<p>1. An additional five trees will be planted in Fred Williams Reserve together with approximately thirty trees planted in public open space between Woomera Road, Little Bay Road and Mirrabooka Road adjoining Anzac Parade. A programme for planting street trees throughout the Randwick City Council is developed each year comprising new tree planting and replacement tree plantings as required. All tree and shrubs that are planted in parks and streetscape gardens are supplied from Council's nursery.</p> <p>2. Council currently does not have any plans to upgrade Fred Williams Reserve however when we receive a suggested project from our community we list it on a future works list and each year at budget time we refer to the list to see what projects have been asked for by a number of people and what the likely cost and need for that project.</p> <p>If the project is assessed as worthwhile it then goes through senior management to decide what projects will actually be listed in the capital works budget for further consideration by our Councillors.</p> <p>If the project is successful in receiving funding we would go through our standard scoping of the project and community consultation and it would be this process that would result what is included in the park/playground upgrade.</p> <p>3. Building a pond in open space is a complex and expensive project, which requires extensive environmental impact assessments, development approval, community consultation and risk assessments. Significant funds would need to be identified for such a project. Currently Council has a number of other high priority projects in our parks to complete, and does not support this submission.</p>

2	<p>Would be nice if the council shows effort to reduce cost and improve efficiency in doing their jobs instead of behaving like civil servants raising taxes and rates which is a no brainer</p>	<p>Randwick City Council has a continuous improvement program where it strives to implement improvements and find efficiencies in all of its functions and processes. Incorporated into the Long Term Financial Plan are productivity ratios which reflect the value of the initiatives that Council implements in relation to productivity improvements and cost containments strategies. An Appendix has been added into the Long Term Financial Plan which lists the initiatives that have been implemented in the past and the major initiatives that are planned for the future.</p>
3	<p>No need for the 5.52%, if you budget properly and don't waste on...left wing social...</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
4	<p>Why has the council forgotten the top half of Brook st Clovelly rd end. Living in such a beautiful area and feeling very sad that the council has forgotten our pathways. Looking at an old pathway making the area look old and run down and dangerous for pedestrians and parents pushing prams. Let's hope this email won't be put to the side and overlooked. As a rate payer I feel I have a say.</p>	<p>The reconstruction of older footpaths at the north end of Brook Street has been identified as a project in Council's future works programs. At this stage Council Engineers will recommend it for inclusion in the 2019/20 Works Program. However, inclusion will be based on available budget and how urgently the footpaths in the area need to be upgraded compared to other projects across the Randwick City's entire footpath network.</p>
5	<p>1. Budget for Malabar Beach includes the upgrade of the Jet Rescue Boat Storage facility: I believe strongly that monies should be forthcoming from Surf Life Saving Australia and not from rate payers of Malabar. The rescue boat services not only Malabar Beach but all beaches in the City of Randwick. Malabar needs the surrounding area of the beach cleaned, that being bushes cut back off pathways, trees that are outside the height of the Malabar Plan of Management lowered. In comparison with Maroubra and Coogee Malabar is kept like to use an expression "a tip". For years it was a dumping ground of excess concrete, bricks, clay tiles which have worked their way into the bay and now end up on the waters edge of the beach making it</p>	<p>1. We have noted your comments about the Malabar Boat Rescue Facility, and advise that Surf Lifesaving NSW will be contributing grant funding to support the upgrade of the project.</p> <p>Your concerns regarding the Malabar coastal area have been forwarded to Council's Open Space and Waste departments for their review and attention.</p> <p>2. Along with representatives from Randwick Council's Aquatic Services department, the wheelchair matting supplier has attended and assessed numerous beaches in Randwick City Council deeming Malabar Beach the most suitable location for the matting to be installed. The matting has been used and</p>

	<p>painful to enter the beach to swim especially at low tide. I hate to think of the accident to happen when a child runs and dives face first into rocks that align the waters edge.</p> <p>2. Budget for Wheelchair Matting Malabar Beach: I am concerned what happens to the matting when the beach has shore breaks in excess of 2 meters and waves wash to meet posts stationed on the high part of the beach. Please advise me on this as I have seen many a huge wave come thru the Bay in the last 69 years. My other concern on the above is how does a disabled person enter the water after using the matting to the waters edge, being greeted by rocks, not the rocks of the reef area, but the hundred of rocks, bricks, concrete bits that lay at waters edge of Malabar Beach.</p>	<p>tested at numerous beaches around Australia, having been designed and tested to withstand the worst beach and wave conditions. The matting is firmly secured to tolerate and withstand all weather conditions. Malabar Beach has also been chosen due to its topography making it the most suitable beach for leaving the matts down permanently.</p> <p>Malabar Beach hosts swimming events each year like the Malabar Magic Ocean Swim. This event includes a disability category, requiring event organisers and disabled groups to assess Malabar Beach for its suitability for disabled access. As a result they are comfortable with the location to run the event on an annual basis. To further help with disabled access to the water, the matts will be positioned in the best possible place to minimise any potential issues.</p> <p>Ultimately Malabar Beach has been deemed a suitable location for the wheelchair matting to be installed. Randwick City Council is confident the matting will be effective and reliable, however Council will consider other locations in the future should issues arise with the matting at Malabar Beach.</p>
6	<p>Malabar needs the surrounding area of the beach cleaned, that being bushes cut back off pathways, trees that are outside the height of the Malabar Plan of Management lowered. In comparison with Maroubra and Coogee Malabar is kept like to use an expression "a tip". For years it was a dumping ground of excess concrete, bricks, clay tiles which have worked their way into the bay and now end up on the waters edge of the beach making it painful to enter the beach to swim especially at low tide. I hate to think of the accident to happen when a child runs and dives face first into rocks that align the waters edge.</p>	<p>Council will continue to maintain both Malabar Beach and the surrounding areas of Cromwell Park on a fortnightly maintenance schedule. Council referred the matter of the rocks to the NSW Department of Primary Industries for appropriate action.</p> <p>Council received a notification from the Department of Primary Industries in early January 2018, advising that the removal of rocks from the beach foreshore would have significant impact on the natural rocky rubble area and may even have long term implications to the stability of the beach.</p> <p>As a result of this information Council will not be taking any further action.</p>

7	<p>Could you please advise me by email of where I can find information that is stated on your say (above link) about "Creation of new public plaza at Waratah Ave", Randwick</p>	<p>A draft concept plan is currently being compiled for a small public plaza at the junction of Waratah Avenue and Belmore Rd. The design will go through a community consultation process and public exhibition.</p> <p>However the timing of this process is still yet to be defined. Council is waiting for the light rail works to conclude on High St, for traffic flow in the immediate area (including Botany St) to return to normal, and for funds to be available.</p> <p>Council will be looking to close off a small part of the street from cars by creating kerbs along Belmore Rd and adjacent to Arthur Lane. This will be the pedestrianised public space. Access to Arthur Lane will still be available from the western side of Waratah Avenue or Silver St. The actual space we are creating is quite small.</p> <p>The rationale behind the creation of this public space is to provide open space amenity to visitors to Belmore Rd, which is currently lacking. The High St light rail terminus, will also bring more visitors to Randwick Junction.</p>
8	<p>Each week I read your column in the Southern Courier hoping to find a mention of an upgrade to the footpath and environs of Coogee Bay Rd. Now you have published the latest budget for the 2018/2019 years and still no mention of this work. I have written many times about this work and have been told very sincerely that it is in the pipe line. Why if this is the truth is there absolutely no mention in any documents? Am I just being cynical or is there another agenda here? Please reply truthfully to this request. Sincerely Very fed up ratepayer</p>	<p>The funds for the project to upgrade Coogee Bay Road were allocated in a previous year's budget and the work was delayed due to other work undertaken in the area at the time. This was to minimise the impact on local residents a businesses.</p> <p>As the funding was allocated but the work was deferred, the funds are still available in the budget and Council is committed to conducting the work to upgrade Coogee Bay Road as previously advised.</p> <p>Final reports are being completed so we Council can seek tender pricing from contractors. I am pleased to advise that the project start date is planned to commence in July 2018.</p>

9	<p>Just wondering if Arden Street footpath will also be upgraded at the same time as the Coogee Bay Road footpath. It is not mentioned in the email below, but I do know both were planned at the same time.</p>	<p>The reference to footpath upgrades on Coogee Bay Rd in the 2018/19 draft operational plan is for asphalt works between Brook St and Mount St.</p> <p>However, Council has been working through a comprehensive design for the refurbishment of the eastern end of Coogee Bay Rd from Brook St and will also include parts of Arden St, which has now been finalised following approvals with State authorities.</p> <p>The design documentation will be going out to tender in early June to engage a construction contractor.</p>
10	<p>Outdoor gym outside gated playground Cromwell park Malabar beach: The above needs to go into the Malabar budget for works financial year 2018/2019. Michael Daley and Matt Thistlethwaite wrote to council requesting this issue to happen. Matt made representation to then mayor Noel D'Souza. So many families use the park area particularly mums who do not have spare time for gym.</p>	<p>The request for an outdoor gym is on our list of works for consideration in future capital works programs. Unfortunately, the project was not included in the draft 2018-19 due to competing priorities.</p>
11 & 12	<p>Could the 'Mayor's Message' include in the final version a mention of 'active transport' and 'safe cycling'?</p>	<p>Active transport and creating safer streets for walking and cycling are important priorities for Council and are addressed in the Draft Operational Plan and Budget.</p>
13 & 14	<p>Page 55 could there be more details included on the planned dates to implement the 'bike route priority list' of 11 projects that was agreed by Council in 2015? At this stage only 2 of the 11 projects of the 'Randwick Bicycle Plan' are in the 'planning stage'!</p>	<p>The eleven priority bike route projects have all been discussed by Council's Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee. It has been recognised that forward planning of these projects is not possible until a better understanding of the requirements along each route is known. The Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee is exploring the required options for these routes.</p>
15	<p>That venue hire charges for Non-Commercial be reduced to encourage more local volunteer community groups.</p>	<p>The submission regarding the draft rate for Non-Commercial Hirers is noted and will be considered. With respect to the proposed budget for use of the hall, please be aware Randwick Council offers a number of facilities within the Local Government Area at variable rates based on the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venue.</p>

16	<p>We are told we are getting footpaths. We live in a culdesac and I wish someone from council would come and watch the pedestrians in our street. Guarantee no one will walk on them! Waste of tax payers \$.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Doesn't seem fair.</p>	Noted.
17	<p>There is no budget to deal with (1) the currently fenced off asbestos contaminated area in Jack Vanny Reserve, nor (2) the sharp broken glass throughout the reserve recently evidenced by the numerous sample holes dug and poorly refilled. These should be dealt with asap for public health (and Council liability) reasons.</p>	<p>We are pleased to advise that Council has made funding available to remediate this area and we will do this as a priority (funded under the 2017-18 financial year budget). Council is working on a solution with the EPA and will report back to the community with a works proposal in the coming weeks. Currently as the site is fenced off, so there is no risk to the public.</p> <p>We will also be hosting a community BBQ close to the reserve to thank the community for your patience while we address the issues at the site.</p>
18	<p>Very little in the budget in terms of traffic calming and emphasis on pedestrian safety in North Ward.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Some of the extra expenditure is essential, while some is more nice to have but not essential.</p>	<p>Randwick Council allocates funding annually to undertake the outcomes from the Traffic Committee process. Any required improvements to pedestrian facilities should be referred to the Council so the matters may be considered by the Traffic Committee for future installation.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Noted.</p>
19	<p>Thank you for consulting the community.</p> <p>The overview of the draft Operational Plan highlights a range of spending initiatives. Have any cost reduction initiatives been considered to fund the spending initiatives or is the sole funding strategy to increase revenue to cover the cost through rate increases?</p> <p>Can the Operation Plan also set out any cost saving initiatives and the level of saving is being targeted.</p>	<p>In addition to strong financial and project planning to ensure Randwick City Council remains financially sustainable and efficient, we also have a continuous service improvement program and set an annual productivity improvement factor within our Long Term Financial Plan. We are always seeking and implementing opportunities to provide an efficient and cost effective service to our community. For a detailed list of recent productivity improvements and cost containment initiatives please refer to pages 37 to 41 of our application to IPART to vary our rates increase.</p>

	<p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Given the costs to deliver the spending initiatives represent a multiple year program, to be transparent it would be useful to identify the cumulative impact of the proposed rate increases over the next four years.</p>	<p>https://www.ipart.nsw.gov.au/files/2ab5f659-7dad-42e7-ba5a-a2d53ce49c09/Application-Part-B.pdf</p> <p>Draft Fees and Charges submission: For the next 3 years rates will increase by 5.52% each year, instead of the usual government regulated amount which is around 2.5%. Randwick Council will also introduce a new rate category which will only apply to Port Botany businesses. The total of the increases over three years plus the new Port Botany rate represents an overall increase to Randwick Council's total rates income over the next three years of 19.85%.</p> <p>For the average residential ratepayer, the increase each year for the next three years will be a moderate 5.52% or about \$68 a year – around \$35 more per year than the usual increase. The Council consulted with the community between Dec 2017 and Feb 2018 on the funding options. This included advising the estimate cumulative impact of the increase over 3 years for the average residential rate payer is \$203. For more information please refer to https://www.yoursayrandwick.com.au/OurCommunityOurFuture</p>
20	<p>I would like to see all off leash parks in the Randwick LGA fenced and an additional fenced off leash area allocated in the Munda St Reserve for dogs to be able to be socialised safely and therefore growing into well balanced dogs</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: I believe that some of the increase rates could be allocated as there are more and more dogs living in the area.</p>	<p>Council currently has 14 off-leash dog exercise parks, which exceeds the requirement for providing dog off-leash opportunities, under the Companion Animals Act Section 13 (6). Compared with neighbouring Council areas, the number of off-leash dog parks within Randwick City is more than generally available in other Council areas.</p>
21	<p>I will say it again and again, though no one at Council seems to listen. Maroubra needs a family bathroom and baby change facilities. Really in this day and age having to use my pram to shield my dignity while I use the bathroom is not acceptable. There is plenty of room in the</p>	<p>Family bathrooms and baby change rooms are facilities that are being introduced as we undertake upgrades to amenity facilities. The demand for a family bathroom will be considered when we undertake major upgrades to the Maroubra Beach toilets and change rooms.</p>

	<p>ladies (not sure about the men's this is it my domain) to create a toilet with enough space to park a pram and close the door. This is needed at the beach not just at the new bathroom facility at Mahon Pool though I do hope it's in the pans for there too.</p>	
	<p>There's lots of really great stuff in the capital works program, and I supported the rate rise so that council could fund more benefits for the community. However, the lack of any serious commitment to constructing separate bike paths on our narrow, windy, busy roads continues to be really disappointing. Once the new light rail starts all the commuters who don't live within walking distance of the Randwick and Kingsford terminus' are going to have a terrible commute. We need safe, separated bike paths to the beaches and other areas to connect with the light rail - so that women and others can take up cycle commuting as a serious option. Some of the money dedicated to roads and footpath upgrades should instead be spent on separated bike paths on busy roads where there is no safe cycling option.</p>	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the State Government's strategic bicycle network. Randwick Council will continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p>
22	<p>On the news, it was stated that Randwick rate increase was 19.90% not the 5.52% that council is saying: Which is it? Randwick Council should say within its means, & only spend what they have. This change by the Greens & labor looks like it's a big spending Council, and the debt (they think) is not a problem. I will not be voting for them next time.</p>	<p>For the next 3 years rates will increase by 5.52% each year, instead of the usual government regulated amount which is around 2.5%. Randwick Council will also introduce a new rate category which will only apply to Port Botany businesses. The total of the increases over three years plus the new Port Botany rate represents an overall increase to Randwick Council's total rates income over the next three years of 19.85%.</p> <p>For the average residential ratepayer, the increase each year for the next three years will be a moderate 5.52% or about \$68 a year – around \$35 more per year than the usual increase.</p>
23	<p>I do not agree with the proposed 5.52% increase. Rates increase should be kept to the CPI/Inflation rate. Proposed programs need to be reduced to meet this e.g. the following programs should be delayed or cancelled: 1. Cultural Centre</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

	2. Public WI FI	
24	I'm supportive of increasing tree canopy and undergrounding power, but most of all provision of support for women: much less so of anti-terrorism measures. I applaud all Randwick Council initiatives to support the natural environment	Noted.
25	1. Can we please have a bathroom installed on the grassy space next to the playground at the corner of Frenchmans Rd and Carrington Rd? 2. Also, we need a roundabout at the intersection of Rae Street and Dutruc Street. It is a very dangerous blind corner for the cars/people traveling east/west. Thank you	1. The location requested for a public toilet has been assessed and determined that it is not suitable. Toilet facilities would be more appropriate in Beiler Park near the playground. This request will be added to our list of projects for consideration in future capital works programs. 2. The cross-fall of this intersection is such that it would be unsafe to install a roundabout. We are currently examining improved channelization through the intersection with the possible introduction of traffic islands and a pedestrian refuge.
26	It looks fine except there is nothing to renew the painted line markings on the local roads. As there are many centre line markings that are all but erased, which raises safety issues, it would be highly desirable to spend some of the budget on re-painting those lines.	The Council continues to undertake linemarking maintenance as needed. This work is funded within the budget. Residents who notice locations that need maintenance are welcome to contact Council and advise us of these locations
27	I am surprised that there is no immediate scope to upgrade the amenities at Maroubra Beach. They are in poor condition and heavily utilized. Can this improvement be examined and potentially implemented within the near future? *Draft Fees and Charges submission: Rate payers are burdened with significantly higher levies for these changes when the onus should be shifted to user fees for services. The council needs to look beyond ratepayers for income streams for funding projects and improvements.	All of our buildings and facilities are managed with the support of asset management plans. We regularly inspect and assess the condition and adequacy of our facilities against our community needs. The request is noted and will be considered when we next undertake our assessment of these amenities. *Draft Fees and Charges submission: Noted.
28	*Draft Fees and Charges submission: should not be any additional rate fees as the government has so much excess money in there budget eg pulling down stadiums which never fill building silly statues etc	Noted.

	<p>get the money from them .i wont be voting for this coucilers again .have a look whats happening out there at the moment increases everywhere should help out you local community</p>	
29	<p>Good points raised in the plan but also I would like to emphasize that drinking water in Randwick appears to be contaminated. I have contacted the Council about it and you suggested me to contact Sydney Water, and I wrote back suggesting that an independent test would be needed since Sydney Water think that everything is normal, but you did not reply back. I think this issue needs to be addressed as soon as possible, as my family is spending money on bottled water from natural springs now, which is expensive and also increases our waste output.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Draft fees and charges are okay</p>	<p>Randwick Council is not the appropriate authority when it comes to quality of drinking water and Council does not conduct independent testing. NSW EPA is the appropriate regulatory authority for any matters relating to Sydney Water.</p>
30	<p>Council has stated that cable undergrounding would be undertaken in the next Budget but I can see no program for this. The priority for these works should be the beach areas, which receive high visitor numbers.</p>	<p>The funding for the undergrounding of power is only sufficient to be undertaken in town centres. For 2018-19, it is planned to underground the power at 'The Spot' town centre in Randwick.</p>
31	<p>Thank you for allocating some money to the design of a street upgrade for Clovelly Road in the next budget. We would like to see on Clovelly Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - significant greenery, nature strips and street trees - street furniture - slower traffic speeds - more safe crossings for pedestrians - separated bicycle infrastructure all the way (so an 8-year-old kid could ride a bike safely from Centennial Park to Clovelly Beach) <p>Can Council also please properly involve the local community in the design (from the early stages). I was advised by your senior engineer late last year, we will get</p>	<p>Funds have been included in the draft 2018-19 capital works budget to develop concept plans for Clovelly Road. The concepts will be developed with consideration to the Better Blocks events, associated submissions and stakeholder feedback. The concept plans will be placed on public exhibition as part of the community consultation process to inform the development of the concepts.</p> <p>A Clovelly Road bike route is identified within the top 11 bike projects. The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p>

to provide "feedback" once you have done the design. But by then, it'll be just tinkering at the edges and the usual ticking of the boxes on 'community consultation'.

The community is Council's eyes on the street. They're right here, know the problems well and often have good solutions. Council should really listen and learn from them. They do have good ideas. (OK, there are some nutty ideas too, but you have to have the radar up for the good and be diplomatic with the bad.)

We would like to see this done per leading best practice of working with community i.e. using placemaking. More via the Project for Public Spaces and <https://www.pps.org/article/what-is-placemaking>

As part of best practice, we'd also like Randwick Council to learn from what the City of Sydney have done with their streets e.g. which small street plants have worked well, what trees have stayed beneath power lines, how to implement bike lanes, what worked with community consultation etc.

Overall, this is a request to do make Clovelly Road a liveable street and do it well.

Thanks,

ps. In the next budget and onwards, can you please allocate serious money to cycling infrastructure. Your cycle plan has been on the books for a long time. (I think 12 years.) It also features prominently in your 20-year plan. But as a cyclist, I haven't seen any progress in terms of safe cycling infrastructure in 12 years. If anything, it's getting more dangerous on the road. I could not see anything in the 2019 Budget either.

32	<p>For years we have been promised flood studies in the Kingsford area to address the flash flooding on Bunnerong Road. Now that these studies have been finalised there is no proposed fix.</p> <p>Unfortunately we do not see anything in this budget. If it's not too late we would love to see some works to fix this. If too late then please allow in next years budget</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: All other expenses seem fair</p>	<p>Council has recently drafted the Birds Gully and Bunnerong Road Flood Study, which was on public exhibition from 30 April to 7 May 2018. The flood study covers the entire catchment and its aim is to identify flood behaviour. On completion, Council will use the Flood Study to prepare a Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan. It is in the preparation of the Risk Management Study and Plan that options to manage flooding are identified, assessed and prioritised.</p> <p>You can view the Flood Study here: www.yoursayrandwick.com.au/BirdsFloodStudy</p>
33	<p>1. I'd like to see outdoor gyms installed at more local parks (for us, that'd be Snape Nagle and Heffron Parks). This would be more for the whole community, not just competitive and elite sports. Randwick LGA has underinvested in outdoor gyms for everybody to use, with only a few parks having them. Our nearest is in Bayside LGA, some distance away.</p> <p>I agree with need for Maroubra beach playground upgrade, but Snape's and Nagle's need an upgrade too.</p> <p>2. Des Renford's toddler pool is pretty sad and needs an upgrade to become a water playground.</p> <p>3. I support the Bicycle Plan, though water fountains en route would be great. The Doncaster Rd bike track is absolutely hazardous. And we need a separate bike track to Maroubra Beach.</p>	<p>1. Council has installed four outdoor gyms over recent years which is a substantial number for a local government area. Council will include the suggestion of more outdoor gyms on the "Future Works List" for consideration in future capital works budgets.</p> <p>2. Council have been looking at upgrading this area and hope to in future budgets once firm plans and pricing are confirmed.</p> <p>3. The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p> <p>The Council adopted its priorities for bike routes following community consultation in 2015. A Randwick to Maroubra Junction route has previously been identified by the Council / community - however, it was not given a priority ranking by the community within the 2015 review. It is likely that we would undertake a review of our bike route priorities in, say, 2020 and that this route could again be considered by the community, amongst the existing higher priority routes.</p>
34	<p>1. I am questioning the things council plan to work on with the proposed increase of levy. I've lived in Kingsford</p>	<p>The artwork referenced in the submission was commissioned and funded by Transport for NSW. This was part of an initiative</p>

	<p>for 7 years now and only observed unnecessary spent of levy money in recent 2 years. There have been painting and sculptures done in front of Niji Sushi bar, which does not add value to current community life and the painting was awfully ugly. Houston rd, barker st was paved several times, repeatedly in just few months for unknown reason/bad planed work. bicycle path on Houston road has made traffic worse during peak hours as the road is made narrower to make way for bicycles which you don't see many anyhow each day. Lots of weird changes to the community road path and area shows bad planning for the community. I am not sure whether council's duty is to make lives easier for residents or just decorate flowers where they are not needed. pedestrian path could have been fixed while money was spent on painting on the ground. This community needs to function well before thinking about any other things. light rail is make residents life tougher for years and the council is doing nothing helping it.</p>	<p>to activate the Kingsford town centre to assist residents and businesses during the construction of the light rail. Randwick Council has been assisting residents, local businesses and working with the local precinct committee to help minimise the impacts of the light rail project. Council also introduced angle parking to increase the parking in local streets to offset the loss of parking along Anzac Parade as part of the project. These initiatives have been undertaken for the benefit of the community of Kingsford.</p> <p>In relation to the road works, works may be undertaken by Council to its assets and sometimes undertaken by Utilities. Due to the nature of each party's works programs, from time to time, it can appear that the works were done at the same location in a relatively short period of time. Please note that the cost to restore Utility works are funded by the Utility and not Council.</p> <p>The Houston Road bike lanes have been in place since around 2005. The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways and one of these is proposed to utilise Houston Road. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network.</p> <p>Many people from the community have provided the Council with very positive feedback about improved landscaping and flowers. These improvements are seen as positive contributions to the aesthetics of local neighbourhoods.</p>
35	<p>1. Where is the plan for green space and tree planting and renewal for Kensington? The suburbs canopy has been greatly impacted by the Light Rail construction.</p> <p>2. There is garbage and dumped household items left constantly on the footpaths along Anzac Parade, particularly outside Boronia Gardens apartment building on the corner of Boronia St and Anzac Parade. How about</p>	<p>1. The Kensington and Kingsford Draft Planning Strategy contains key directions for the creation and improvement of green spaces in the town centres, including the setting back of new buildings to increase the amount of footpath space. The light rail project will plant new trees along Anzac Parade and also in side streets as part of the vegetation offset strategy required by the development consent for the project.</p>

	increasing fees and charges for residents in this particular building as a deterrent to illegal dumping?	2. This matter has been referred to Council's education Officer to set strategies and education program to deal with illegal dumping at this location.
36	<p>Three suggestions for your budget.</p> <p>Urgent attention to the storm water that flows in Little Bay polluting the water and making it dangerous for swimmers.</p> <p>Correcting the sand pollution at the base of the steps at Little Bay beach as a result of the recent alterations to the shower/toilet area and installing waste water pipes that are hidden under 'beautification rocks' but allowing the overflow water being directed and emptied onto the beach 😊.</p> <p>Placing car barriers at either end of the Prince Henry Nurses walkway which is already being disrespectfully used by people using the memorial walkway as car access between Pine Ave and Ewing Ave. This problem will no doubt be exacerbated with the opening of the new child centre in Pine Ave as the entrance to the centre is through the walkway.</p>	<p>The stormwater that discharges at Little Bay Beach passes a series of ponds that reduce the level of pollutants to improve the water quality sufficiently for discharge to the beach. This is supported by the Beachwatch annual reports that rate the beach water quality as good.</p> <p>In relation to the discharge of the shower and basin, we will investigate options to improve how the water is discharged and plan funding to implement any works.</p> <p>The issue of vehicles travelling and parking on the memorial walk has been previously investigated and we were able to discourage the offending motorists from this practice. The information that motorists are again travelling along the memorial walk is noted. We will investigate the best way to prevent vehicles from travelling along this memorial walk and undertake any works required as part of the 2018-19 capital works program.</p>
37	<p>I would like to suggest that Council investigates the feasibility of extending the recycling at Perry St Matraville by trialling a mobile recycling facility. A quick survey of the materials put out twice a year for the Clean-up Day indicates that this could be designed to break even with costs and reduce Council's landfill charges substantially at the same time.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: They seem reasonable.</p>	Currently, Council is not looking to provide a mobile recycling facility. If residents are unable to take their recyclables to the recycling centre, they can use the two scheduled and two on-call clean ups that are offered by Council to residents throughout the year.
38	There seems to be a never ending increase of the fees. There will always be more and more things that council wants to do but the population of the area is increasing	Noted.

	<p>which means more income for you. Our rates are already huge and I would prefer not to increase the rate or the budget spend. We are already a very well off area.</p>	
39	<p>I see we have footpath and road upgrades but no mention of cycleway facility improvements. Hoping that means we can share the use of the footpaths because the road users are getting angrier and seemingly more entitled</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: not feeling directly affected as a rental tenant</p>	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding. Riding along footpaths is not legally permitted by an adult unless they are accompanying a child under thirteen years old.</p>
40	<p>As a regular hall user this submission does not benefit me at all or my students it will do the opposite.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: The proposed fee rise should not be allowed as all it will ensure is closure of my service to the local community. I can't increase my fees because the council is cash grabbing just like the state government did for the schools halls., and drove out many service providers out. I can't expect parents, carers or students who are already struggling financially to pay more. I teach because I am passionate and believe about giving everyone a chance to learn something new and have self-achievement, getting the kids of today off their bums and into a physical sport is hard but rewarding. Malabar memorial hall is an old hall and expecting us user for an increase is uncalled for. We had a fee increase last year and I saw nothing change at that hall. The council really needs to consider what is more important keeping activates alive and affordable in the area or cash grab and have people sitting at home doing nothing</p>	<p>The submission regarding the commercial/private hirers rate is noted and will be considered.</p> <p>With respect to the proposed budget for use of the halls, please be aware Randwick Council offers a number of facilities within the Local Government Area at variable rates based on the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venue.</p> <p>A link to the variety of centres and halls available is http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/buildings/Centres-and-halls</p>
41	<p>Generally the plan looks good, but I am wondering when the CPI is running at 2.3% why council's expenses are rising at a much greater rate.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission:</p>	<p>The cost to deliver the Council's usual program of works and services aligns with increases in CPI and other relevant cost indexes. However we are also proposing new projects within this plan and to provide these new projects we need to raise additional funds.</p>

	<p>I understand the need for greater community projects, but I live on an estate where we pay strata fees to fix our road, clean a creek-bed that runs through the property from the mess that comes from the council area and we maintain the sewage and electricity and just about everything else. Our rates go to garbage and other council services which is good but on the local street level little is done for us. I am also wondering how the council completed other projects in the past and must have had a budget for projects and yet wants to continue to raise the fees. It does not make much sense.</p>	
42	<p>Regarding the plaza at Waratah Ave. am assuming the plaza will be from Belmore Rd to Arthur's Lane? I am a resident owner at...and will be directly impacted by this plaza. We already experience an abundant indiscretion from smokers who sit on our low brick fence with smoke drifting into my and other residents apartment in this block of 6. I'm forever calling out from my window or walking out to address people directly to move on when smoking ...this will definitely increase with a plaza!</p> <p>Additionally, we already experience hoons "partying" as they walk down Waratah Ave from Belmore Rd ...screaming, shouting profanities, smoking, numerous time arguing, even singing in loud voices often drunk ...all of which wakes me up and my co-neighbours! Disgusting bogan disrespectful behaviours carried out by idiots!! also regularly and very often we have men urinating from top of our steps into the private pathway between our blocks, defecating, doing drugs & shooting up ...I've caught many out and seen many of these ugly offenses.</p> <p>Creating a plaza will promote loitering from these vagrants in their distasteful behaviours. the plaza will create a meeting place for these loiterers to chain smoke,</p>	<p>A draft concept plan is currently being compiled for a small public plaza at the junction of Waratah Avenue and Belmore Rd. Council will be looking to close off a small part of the street from cars by creating kerbs along Belmore Rd and adjacent to Arthur Lane. This will be the pedestrianised public space. Access to Arthur Lane will still be available from the western side of Waratah Avenue or Silver St. The actual space that is proposed to become public open space is quite small.</p> <p>The rationale behind the creation of this public space is to provide open space amenity, which is currently lacking in Randwick Junction and for visitors to Belmore Rd. Once the light rail is operational, the High St terminus, will also bring more visitors to the Randwick Junction area.</p> <p>A component of the design will be to incorporate Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles including CCTV, and ensure there are clear sightlines for passive surveillance through the space.</p> <p>The design will go through a community consultation process and public exhibition, where the public will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the concept design and understand more detail on the rationale of the design and the background of the proposal.</p>

	<p>drink themselves silly, urinate, defecate moreso and drug deal/shoot up.</p> <p>We need a safer Randwick not one to promote hoons and bogans ...and a peaceful night's sleep! Waratah Ave is all RESIDENTIAL not a play ground or commercial hub for people to 'hang out'.</p> <p>I do NOT support this plaza idea as it will increase hooliganism in the area rendering our place dangerous and unsafe!!</p> <p>We need CCTV along Belmore Rd and down through the 3 tributary streets i.e. Waratah Ave, Arthur St and Silver St. we need safety not invited hooliganism!!</p> <p>We already have the distasteful and disgusting behaviours by wanderers, walkers etc providing a place for them to hang out is stupid and dangerous ...you will see an increase in crime, increase in drug dealings, increase in people disturbing the peace at all times of the night and day. Drifting smoke will become a bigger problem ...so do we sue the council for (lung) cancer ingested through forced exposure to 2nd hand smoking?</p>	
43	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Involve the community in the Housing strategy development. 2. Included in the upgrade of park and recreation spaces - more needs to be done concerning accessibility specifically park areas for children with disability. 3. Roll out of compost bins alike the Kiama trial 4. Put pressure on government to increase community sponsorship program. Allow intake of more refugee's, don't take away spots from government supported placements, decrease exorbitant visa application and bond payment 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public consultation and engagement will form a key part of the preparation of the Housing Strategy. 2. Council agrees that more can be done for accessibility in the upgrade of parks and recreation spaces. NSW Planning and Environment have recently announced funding for improved accessibility in parks and recreation facilities and RCC will be applying for grants to improve this important equity issue. 3. Currently, Council is in partnership with Compost Revolution to provide residents with the opportunity to participate in the composting programs. <p>Residents interested in getting a compost bin can visit the compost revolution website for more information. https://compostrevolution.com.au/maroondah/</p>

		4. A Council resolution would be required for Council to act and put pressure on the Federal Government (by writing) to request changes be made to Australia's immigration policy and procedures, including calling for an expansion of the Community Sponsorship Program.
44	<p>Firstly the Kingsford spend seems low and out of proportion with other parts of the city - why?</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: I think the fees are too high. The danger is that council will use this to develop their own infrastructure - i.e. levels of bureaucracy and not use it as frugally as it should for the enhancement of the area. The whole area has been badly affected by the light rail which on the face of it for most citizens seems to have been a disaster project.</p> <p>I would like to see the area around Souths Juniors beautified (particularly the mess in Wallace Street) and see trees planted and replaced and more flower and greenery along Anzac Parade. This could be pots or small areas of beautification that could help the onslaught of the wires for the light rail. How is the roundabout connection going to be beautified, how can that whole 'roundabout or corner' be managed so it doesn't look like a industry electricity facility.</p>	The locations nominated are on land that is being managed by RMS and the light rail contractor as part of the light rail project. Council has been involved in assessing the design and advocated for landscaping to be included in the design as part of the light rail project. The planting will be undertaken as the project sections reach completion. Following the handover of the land back to Council, we will assess whether additional landscaping will be required and plan accordingly.
45	1. Can council please consider footpath upgrade on Botany St (between Rainbow St and Meeks St, next to Paine Reserve). At this section of Botany St, there is no footpath available to someone with a pram or wheelchair). On both sides of Botany St, there is only a flight of long, steep stairs. It is impossible for someone with a pram/wheelchair to walk here - and many people take this route to attend the hospitals on Barker/High St.	<p>1. Council is currently looking at options to include a footpath along this part of Botany Street. We are planning for the work to be recommended for inclusion in the 2019/20 Capital Works Program.</p> <p>2. This project has been identified and is on the request for works list. We are planning for the work to be recommended for inclusion in the 2019/20 Capital Works Program.</p>

	<p>2. I would like to request for a footpath to be built along a small section of McNair Ave, Kingsford (between 2 McNair Ave and Botany St).</p> <p>On a daily basis, I am required to push a pram along this section of McNair Ave which does not have a proper footpath.</p> <p>I am forced to push my baby in a pram along this section of McNair Ave walking on the road where, at any time cars appear suddenly from either direction (Botany St or McNair Ave). This is dangerous because sometimes the driver is not expecting to see a pram or pedestrian on the road way. They have needed to brake suddenly and this makes me afraid an accident will happen.</p> <p>It is a very dangerous section to be walking on the road, especially since drivers of cars coming around a corner from Botany St are coming in blind - they cannot see the pedestrian as they turn into McNair Ave.</p>	
46	<p>Many families would like Coogee Beach Water Quality "upgrade" in Budget first. the local and broader community's families' health is at risk and much more important than grandstand upgrade.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: We object to increase in rates for items in Budget</p>	<p>Randwick Council established a working group with key stakeholders to develop a plan to improve the water quality at Coogee Beach. The working group reviewed information on existing quality and noted that the water quality of the stormwater is comparable to stormwater quality in urban environments. Further, whilst stormwater has a level of pollution that is undesirable, the latest annual report from Beachwatch rated the water quality at Coogee beach (between the swimming flags) as good. The Working group developed recommendations to implement various options to further improve the water quality at the beach. To implement these recommendations, we have included funding in the 2018-19 Capital Works budget for a public education campaign, to undertake works to improve the effectiveness of the gross pollution traps and to conduct a feasibility study to divert the stormwater outlet away from the beach. Implementation of</p>

		these recommendations will continue in subsequent capital works programs.
47	<p>I do not support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The undergrounding of powerlines on Anzac pde. Due to the very high cost of doing this. If the objective is to increase tree cover in the area, then Aerial Bundled Cabling would be much more cost effective - The La Perouse museum upgrade, due to the high cost - The Heffron park sports centre, due to the high cost <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: The objection to the above expenditure is simply due to the large proposed increase in council rates to pay for them. At a time of mortgage stress, increasing cost of living and low wage growth, this places an unnecessary burden on households. Those expenditure items are not essential, and can be deferred for when council can afford them without such large increases. Your claim that this increase was supported by a very small response rate to a questionnaire is simply not sufficiently representative of the community.</p>	Noted.
48	<p>Praise for long awaited road works for Gregory Street is finally on the plan. Gregory St between Nymboida & Macleay St have deep cracks everywhere and weeds growing from cracks for years. Glad to see some money from our pocket is finally benefitting us directly. The recent cheap 'patch up' using asphalt and sand made the road worst with residual sand left on the curbs and ugly scars, yet cracks are still everywhere. I think Gregory & Macleay St should both be properly resurfaced. The current roads conditions are of 3rd world. This is essential to our everyday life. Museum in La Perouse for instance is low priority, which benefits tourists rather than residents around.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission:</p>	<p>The section of Gregory Street north of Macleay Street has a concrete road pavement compared to the asphalt road pavement for the southern section. These two pavement types have very different characteristics and are managed under different budgets. Concrete pavements have a very long life with lower maintenance requirements. Maintenance is generally limited to joint sealing and slab replacement. The condition of the intersection of Gregory Street and Macleay will be assessed and any required maintenance will be placed on a works program for scheduling.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Noted.</p>

	<p>I agree for higher fees but money needs to spend to benefit residents on most essential goods and services such as roads, parks, coastal walk, library & clean ups, lawn mowing, etc. No fancy expanses such as museum at La Perouse. Don't think we should spend on women's refuge which should be funded by state or federal government, not by our council. There is a lot of illegal dumping around the public housing area, eg. Gregory St facing Macleay St is a disgrace with weekly pile of garbage. Surveillance camera should be installed to deter tossers.</p>	
49	<p>Do you ever reduce budget lines and force economies to be made like the rate payers need to in their personal finances?</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: With rate increases of around 5.8% year on year when CPI is around 2-3% means you are beggaring anyone on a pension or a normal salary. I think that is unreasonable.</p>	<p>The Council always seeks to keep rates low while still providing great services and projects. The Council has set an annual productivity improvement target within our Long Term Financial Plan and a continuous service improvement program is in place to ensure we provide an efficient and cost effective service to our community.</p>
50	<p>I hire Burnie Park community Hall and Clovelly Seniors Hall weekly ongoing...</p> <p>I am very happy that the hourly rate has stayed the same as the building is rather old and outdated and i think it is completely fair as it is in line with other facilities for hire in the area of the same standard and size.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: Please keep how they are in new budget! Fees and hourly rates are fair and comparable to other halls / facilities.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
51	<p>We currently rent both Kensington Halls 1 &2 as regular non-commercial users. This rental is a weekly one for 3 hours in a non-peak period (middle of the day on a Thursday) to provide people with severe mental illness lifestyle activites. We love the space and due to the popularity of the group (which participants do not pay for)</p>	<p>Your suggestion to provide a discount rate for grouping of Hall 1 and Hall 2 at the Kensington Park Community Centre is noted and will be considered. Please note that the capacity for Kensington Hall 1 is 130 and Hall 2 is 100.</p>

	<p>we have needed to rent the the 2nd hall. Under the proposed fee changes our weekly cost will go from \$114 to (by my calculations) \$175.50. This is a very significant increase. I am unsure whether our budget will be able to cater for this meaning we may need to scale back to the hire of just Hall 1, which in term would mean reducing our number of participants. I also believe that Hall 2 is likely to remain idle for the vast majority of time we would have booked it. I propose that you offer a category of hire for both Halls 1 & 2 together at Kensington at a reduced price. I believe that would reduce our costs without impacting on your revenue stream for others.</p>	<p>With respect to the proposed budget for use of the hall, please be aware Randwick Council offers a number of facilities within the Local Government Area at variable rates based on the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venue.</p> <p>A link to the variety of centres and halls available is http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/buildings/Centres-and-halls</p>
52	<p>1. Kensington Park Community Centre is a success story for RCC and the community which is appreciated. Consideration within 2018/19 Budget of a Program Coordinator to focus at least 1 day a week on developing programs, say for a 3 month period, would further enhance its success. The programs could be run by other organisations as they are for Bowen and Randwick libraries. There are many isolated multicultural people within Kensington/Kingsford as well as in the general community. Council staff liaised with a community organisation at Eastlakes last year to set up a playgroup and that commenced recently on Wednesdays. Something similar could occur for other programs. Many suitable programs are being delivered already in other locations within RCC and would not require program development. The need and types of programs for the area have already been identified and I have that information.</p> <p>2. Fitzpatrick Park: This is a fantastic little park but has been lacking attention in recent years. I have brought up the item several times in the last few years for budget consideration without success. Basically for the past few years and now, it is a trip hazard. I am not sure how the surface can be fixed as there are very large tree roots which have caused the surface to split and create mounds</p>	<p>1. The Community Development staff will continue to identify and encourage funded organisations to deliver community activities and targeted programs from the Kensington Community Centre, as the opportunity arises. To date, council staff have successfully identified 2 organisations now using the venue on a weekly basis to run programs (Holdsworth Community Centre and SENC Playgroup). A third multi-cultural organisation is in discussions with council staff to hold weekly community activities and events from the centre.</p> <p>2. Council is aware of the issues at Fitzpatrick Park however solving these issues are quite complex due to the likely impact on the significant trees.</p> <p>3. Further discussion will be undertaken with Council's operational staff in an attempt to resolve these ongoing issues.</p> <p>Draft Fees and Charges submission: The submission regarding the Non-Commercial rate for the Kensington Park Community Centre is noted and will be considered.</p> <p>We are happy to advise that the Kensington Park Community Centre is in high demand with close to 500 bookings made since July 2017 and growing interest in the facility as the venue</p>

	<p>over much of the surface. Safety hazard! The gate on the Eastern Ave side has been padlocked for a few years. Please consider including for a restoration/upgrade in 2018/19 Budget.</p> <p>3. Footpaths and nature strips in West Kingsford generally and particularly, the eastern footpath on Anzac Pde between Barker and Middle streets require attention. While much is due to age, many areas are due to Light Rail and Ausgrid works. Those orgs are taking a very long time to restore leaving areas very unsafe. Council consider restoring within Budget then recouping from these orgs.</p> <p>*Draft Fees and Charges submission: The draft fees and charges for Kensington Park Community Centre for non commercial users in 2018/19 are way too high. Some increases are as high as 83% and 84%. The fees for commercial users are unchanged and should stay that way for what is a very new Centre. The Centre has been open less than a year. Its continued success should not be jeopardised by a fee hike way too soon, before it has had a chance to be fully established. A review of draft fees for some other Centres within Randwick City for 2018/19 are unchanged and some even have fees that have been reduced. Note: In 2017 the fees proposed for Kensington Park Community Centre were set too high and after community consultation the non commercial fees were lowered. Now after less than a year and without the Centre having had a chance to be operating at its full potential, Council is proposing huge increases for 2018/19 for non commercial users. For the reasons stated, all fees and charges for Kensington Park Community Centre should remain as for 2017/18 and not be increased for 2018/19.</p>	<p>for kids and adult birthday parties, kitchen teas, baby showers, anniversaries, exercise classes, etc.</p> <p>With respect to the proposed budget for use of the hall, please be aware Randwick Council offers a number of facilities within the Local Government Area at variable rates based on the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venue.</p> <p>A link to the variety of centres and halls available is http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/buildings/Centres-and-halls</p>
53	I am in support of the drainage works investment in Coogee but also suggest a review of the trees that are	The trees referred to in Powell Street, Coogee, are mature Casuarina glauca (She Oaks) which are planted extensively

	<p>causing a lot of the waste in the drains. There are certain mature trees, such as those in Powell St, which constantly have pine needles dropping into the gutters/roadwa</p>	<p>throughout the entire Randwick LGA – primarily in parks, reserves and Open Space areas.</p> <p>Their seeds are an extremely important food source for a variety of native birdlife and fauna – including several species of cockatoos and parrots.</p> <p>All trees drop leaves, fruit and seeds to varying degrees but this is no reason to remove healthy public tree assets.</p> <p>Council only plants this particular species of tree where space allows and these days any such planting is confined to parks and reserves.</p>
54	<p>Hi, thanks for the new mode of transports in the council, specially pedestrian and cycling facilities. Think about developing more shared paths.</p>	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p>
55	<p>Randwick Council should have a separate amount for individually owned garage lots. The reasons for this are as follows: 1. No one resides in a garage and thus no rubbish is generated. 2. There are usually apartment lots in a strata scheme that pay the same rates that comprise of one apartment and one garage while other lots are two bedroom apartments without a garage. The apartments are worth substantially more than a single garage lot yet pay the same rates. 5. The council is effectively 'double dipping' by charging full rates for a separately owned garage lot. 6. The rates equate to approximately 25% of the income generated by the garage which most would agree is excessive & onerous.</p>	<p>Council has a minimum rate structure in place that applies to all rateable properties below a certain valuation threshold.</p> <p>Council allows ratepayers to aggregate their garage / storage lots with their residential lots within strata developments, this effectively joins the lots together so that only one rate account is issued. If rate payers are being billed separately for garage / storage lots, they are encouraged to contact the rates department and request an aggregation with their residential lot.</p> <p>Where garage lots are owned outright without an associated residential unit, then the minimum rate will apply. Council is introducing a garbage availability charge for 2018/19 that will apply to properties where the garbage service is made available but is not utilised. The availability charge is only 50% of the normal garbage charged that would otherwise apply.</p>

56 & 57	<p>Funding must be increased for 'Moving Around - Integrated and accessible transport'. There is insufficient funding to meet Council's stated commitment to the 2015 Randwick Bicycle Plan. Only 2 of the 11 priority routes in the Plan are currently in the planning stage. In the 2018/19 Budget total projected revenue of \$156,893,872 only \$100,00 is allocated to cycling facilities. Currently Randwick Town Centre is not linked to Centennial Park, Coogee Beach, Maroubra Junction, or Bondi Junction with marked cycleways. To encourage 'active transport' with 'safe cycling' it is recommended that Bike Logo markings be installed along Coogee Bay Road to Coogee Beach, along Clovelly Road to Clovelly Beach, along Avoca Street from Queens Park to Anzac Parade. Additional road signage to create awareness and the installation of bike rings is also required. Funding should be increased so that these projects can be completed in the 2018/19 budget period. Estimated costings were not available from RCC Integrated Transport prior to this submission and it is recommended that Council make provision by increasing the Cycling facilities funding to \$300,000 to enable 'catch up' over the 2018/19 period.</p>	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p> <p>The eleven priority bike route projects have all been discussed by Council's Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee. It has been recognised that forward planning of these projects is not possible until a better understanding of the requirements along each route is known. The Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee is exploring the required options for these routes.</p>
58	<p>There should be much more emphasis and allocation for active travel - support for walking and cycling. It is disappointing, for an activity that supports all 6 key themes, expressing the aspirations and guiding the vision for our city and community, that the focus seems so small compared to other activities, and appears to be decreasing as the years go on. Theme 1: Responsible management - walking and cycling are sustainable activities that reduce the carbon footprint on the community. Theme 2: A sense of community - walking and cycling support engaging and interacting on a face to face level. Walking and cycling is more accessible than owning a car. Theme 3: Places for people - walking and cycling make the community seem less isolated, increases passive surveillance to add to safety, and adds to creating</p>	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p> <p>The eleven priority bike route projects have all been discussed by Council's Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee. It has been recognised that forward planning of these projects is not possible until a better understanding of the requirements along each route is known. The Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee is exploring the required options for these routes.</p>

	<p>"liveable cities". Theme 4: A prospering City - bicycling is used to attract top talent and young professionals, cycleways are known to support local businesses as people walking and cycling, despite buying less in each visit, will shop more frequently at local stores. Theme 5: Moving around - walking and cycling is a great way to get around and supplement the local transit options. Theme 6: Looking after our environment - walking and cycling will alleviate the load on the health system, especially with inactivity related diseases which is on the increase. The budget allocated does not seem enough to cover 12 months of walking and cycling infrastructure, especially if 57 bike rings (bike parking spots) cost \$21,000 and the widening of a path to make it a shared path cost \$87000 from the bike budget, and \$67,000 from the bike budget for the widening of an existing shared path.</p>	
59	<p>Active transport options in the Coogee and closely are sorely lacking. Separated cycling infrastructure and greening of village streetscapes is crucial. It's ridiculous that so much of Coogee and clovelly are effectively car parks much of the time. It's bizarre that council hasn't prioritised modes of transport like active travel that reduce the emphasis on car transport. Pedestrian movement around Coogee beach is also woeful. The Coogee. Each area needs to be accessible to pedestrians without risking injury by crossing roads with constant traffic.</p>	<p>The Council has, in the recent past, undertaken a pedestrian and Mobility Plan of the Coogee area and is implementing outcomes from that plan.</p> <p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government's strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p> <p>The eleven priority bike route projects have all been discussed by Council's Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee. It has been recognised that forward planning of these projects is not possible until a better understanding of the requirements along each route is known. The Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee is exploring the required options for these routes.</p>
60	<p>On behalf of Bunnerong Gymnastics Association and its 1000+ membership base, I write in support of the draft 2018-19 Operational Plan and Budget and ongoing commitment of Randwick City Council on the construction</p>	<p>Noted.</p>

	<p>of a new purpose-built gymnasts facility within Heffron Park.</p> <p>The current building size and dated facilities restrict the types of programs and total number of users who can experience the benefits of gymnastics. As a sport that continues to see significant growth year on year, this development will provide opportunities for more members of the community to experience the sport and the many benefits it provides.</p> <p>We are excited Council are committed to the delivery of a purpose-built gymnastics facility and that the community has supported, and IPART approved, the proposed rate increase to allow this facility and many other community assets to be delivered faster than what would be possible without this increase.</p> <p>Included is a letter of support from Gymnastics NSW and a previous letter of support from the national body, Gymnastics Australia.</p>	
61	<p>Review of community hall hire fees 2018/19 - Malabar Memorial Hall:</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission on the new draft hall hire fees.</p> <p>We noticed that the weekend Commercial rate has increased from \$44/hr to \$50/hr (including GST). This represents a 12% increase, which is well above the CPI inflation rate. Has the Council considered pegging the hire rate increase to align with CPI inflation?</p> <p>The Commercial rate is also a flat rate per hour no matter how long the hall is hired. Commercial hirers are likely to hire the hall for longer hours per day and on a regular weekly basis. Has the Council considered accommodating long term regular hirers by providing tiered rates, whereby the hourly rate reduces for longer hire periods ? eg 10% reduction for longer than 4 hours hire.</p>	<p>The suggestion to provide a discount rate for tiered rates for long term regular hirers is noted and will be considered.</p> <p>With respect to the proposed budget for use of the hall, please be aware Randwick Council offers a number of facilities within the Local Government Area at variable rates based on the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venue.</p> <p>A link to the variety of centres and halls available is http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/facilities-and-recreation/buildings/Centres-and-halls</p>

62	Please do something about university parking in our residential streets. We did have a great suburb until the university expanded and won't provide student parking. This is IMPORTANT to return our streets to a normal residential suburb. (Kingsford resident)	<p>The Council regularly surveys residents within our resident parking areas, including each of the suburbs surrounding the UNSW, and seeks their opinions on the introduction or expansion of the resident parking scheme into their areas.</p> <p>Proposals for the introduction or expansion of the scheme are based on the results of these surveys.</p> <p>We look forward to the upcoming commencement of light rail operations so as to provide UNSW students and staff with a high quality public transport option.</p>
63	Students have been given preference to parking in Kensington/Kingsford when alternatives have not been considered. (Kensington resident)	<p>The Council regularly surveys residents within our resident parking areas, including each of the suburbs surrounding the UNSW, and seeks their opinions on the introduction or expansion of the resident parking scheme into their areas.</p> <p>Proposals for the introduction or expansion of the scheme are based on the results of these surveys.</p> <p>We look forward to the upcoming commencement of light rail operations so as to provide UNSW students and staff with a high quality public transport option.</p>
64, 65 & 66	Why is council involved in delivering services that are the responsibility of other levels of government? Should be aiming to keep rates low.	<p>The Randwick City Plan is the community's plan and does include the wider and more complex aspirations over which Council may not have sole control of, but still has a responsibility to contribute towards achieving the aspiration. Examples include social justice issues such as supporting refuge for women from domestic violence and obligations to ensure the safety of public places where people gather. Where possible Council will seek financial assistance from the State and Federal government to contribute towards the cost of these projects and continue to advocate for the local community through partnerships in multi-governmental delivery of services.</p>
67	Concern about affordable housing	<p>Council is concerned about housing affordability and has an Affordable Housing Policy to assist in the provision of affordable</p>

		<p>and appropriate housing for residents and employees living in the Randwick Local Government Area.</p> <p>At a Council meeting in November 2017, Council resolved to investigate reducing minimum lot sizes for low density residential development and hold a forum on this matter with a report to be brought to a Council meeting this year. Council has commenced its investigations and held a forum in March.</p>
68	The 20-year plan should include appropriate up-grading for a memorial to Kokoda soldiers.	A memorial commemorating the Kokoda campaign is currently erected at Kokoda Memorial Park. The memorial design and location was developed and determined in consultation with the RSL. We are currently finalising the plans for interpretive signage to be installed near the memorial.
70	<p>1. P7 Undergrounding of power lines – where? I saw on another page (p 47, 6f.1) The Spot was mentioned, but it would be good to do this in many more places. It would save our street trees the annual pain of being cut in the middle and the resultant ugliness of our streetscapes. Not to mention the utter disgusting ugliness of the Light Rail on Alison Rd with their overground power. If the City of Sydney can underground the Light Rail power lines, why couldn't we? It would have saved a great many mature trees.</p> <p>2. P11 There are 15 Community centres in RCC – cheaper rates would be welcome, it means a lot of groups cannot afford them. Many of us use church halls, pubs and seniors centres rather than Council community centres. This seems to me to be a farcical situation in that us ratepayers have paid to have the Community Centres built, yet many of us cannot afford to use them. Many of us are members of not-for-profit groups...We simply do not have the money as we are all volunteers, and our membership fees are very low and just cover insurance and a few other things. Many of us are also pensioners on a very low income. Please consider waiving fees for</p>	<p>1. The funding for the undergrounding of power is only sufficient to be undertaken in town centres. For 2018-19, it is planned to underground the power at 'The Spot' town centre in Randwick.</p> <p>2. Council support around 11 community groups by providing our community halls free of charge.</p> <p>Council's draft Venue Hire Fees and Charges have been prepared based on an independent Valuers assessment undertaken in May 2017. The process considered a number of factors including the age and features of the each facility, the size, capacity, accessibility, amenity and location. Comparisons to surrounding Local Government Areas Community Facilities hourly hire rates was also undertaken. These LGAs included Waverley Municipal Council, Woollahra Municipal Council, Council of the City of Sydney, Bayside Council and City of Canada Bay Council. The review resulted in the draft fees proposing an increase or decrease in hire fees depending on the considered factors.</p> <p>3. Noted.</p>

community groups who meet infrequently and who have limited resources.

3. P 12 **Live streaming of Council meetings** is welcome. Would have been useful if it had started many years ago, like many other Councils have done. Now with DA decisions being made by IHAPS, the Council meetings must be much shorter. However, I realise that strategic planning still has to be considered by Councillors, for example, the adoption of smaller lot subdivision as proposed by the State government, which could completely alter the face of Randwick City.

4. P 34 **2b. 1 "Provide meaningful and relevant opportunities for community participation through face to face engagement activities such as Precinct meetings and other opportunities."**

In my experience over many years, **Precincts** are failing to achieve results....there were a great many issues of local importance to residents – the overhaul of the entire Planning System, the secret Urban Activation Precincts; the malfunctioning stormwater Gross Pollutant Trap in Byrne Crescent; the disgusting state of the stormwater entering the Children's rock pools at South Maroubra beach; etc. We fought very hard to get these issues dealt with at Council. But the sole achievement of that entire year was the erection of a "do not bathe after rain" sign at South Maroubra beach (which someone then uprooted and chucked in the bushes).

At every Precinct meeting, it is very hard to get a quorum unless there is a controversial issue, such as unwelcome development. Now that DAs have been hived off to IHAPS there is not even this purpose to Precinct Meetings.

I feel that the Precinct meeting is a great concept, but the only way that people will be interested once again is to

4. Council's Precinct system helps empower local communities to work cooperatively with Council for the improvement of their neighbourhood. This system has been in place for 20 years in Randwick City and in that time hundreds of improvements have been made as a direct result of positive actions by local Precincts.

Requests received by Precincts are carefully considered by Council Officers. Many requests are processed quickly, however some requests may need more time to consider as part of longer strategies or programs.

We recognise that not everyone has the time or the opportunity to be involved in this type of face to face community engagement which is why Council offers a range of consultation opportunities. These include an extensive online consultation hub, multiple social media channels and project specific consultation activities including workshops, focus groups, forums and pop-up stalls.

5. The creation of IHAPS to certain development applications was mandated by the NSW State Government and was not a decision made by Council. Councillors have on a number of occasions expressed concern about them as they remove some planning power away from elected Councillors.

6. We agree that the timing was not ideal. Unfortunately the timing was determined by IPART to meet their deadlines for the submission of a Special Rate Variation by February 2018.

Despite the less than ideal timing, Council worked hard to ensure people were aware of the proposal and able to have their say. This included a two-month long consultation, local media coverage, two full page advertisements in The Southern Courier, two information sessions, two focus groups, a mailout to every ratepayer, a telephone survey of randomly picked local residents and regular email communication.

have Council listen to issues **and then act upon them**. It is clear that people are fed up with putting in all the effort with no result. This is in no way "meaningful and/or relevant", it is simply a waste of everyone's time.

5. P 36 **3b "The community has increased opportunities to participate in decision-making processes"**.

This is manifestly untrue since DA decisions have been hived off to IHAPS. Could you let me know how **"The community has increased opportunities to participate in decision-making"**?

6. P 38. **"Our Community Our Future"** was held at the wrong time of year. The consultation was NOT extensive, as the participation was minimal, at 5713 returned surveys out of 51,349 sent out. Yet, on this you decided to raise the rates **19.85%** over the next 3 years? This is excessively outrageous by anyone's measure.

7. P 40. (also P 47, **6d.1**) Will there be any community consultation prior to the review and adoption of the new **District Plan** by RCC?
The extensive consultation held before the release of the Standard Instrument LEP 2012 was very good in my opinion. It allowed for widespread discussion of land zoning across the Municipality, and threw up some areas of contention, namely the expansion of the Cemetery into the Heritage Market Gardens at La Perouse, and the massive overdevelopment planned for Maroubra Beach. Both of these proposals were defeated in a Council Meeting held in the Town Hall itself, due to the vast numbers of the public who wanted to attend the meeting, if you remember.

The postal survey was conducted by two separate external and independent research firms and was sent to every ratepayer. The response rate of 5,713 returned surveys is high – one of the highest response rates ever received during a council consultation program. The feedback received through the postal survey was consistent with the telephone survey which gives us confidence the feedback is a general reflection of community sentiment.

In approving the proposal rate increase, IPART took the community consultation program into account and concluded that it was appropriate and that the community has been adequately informed.

The 19.85% figure referred to is the three year cumulative increase to Council's total rate base including higher rates for Port Botany. This is different to the annual increase for residential ratepayers who will pay an extra 5.52% a year. That's about \$68 for the average ratepayer. The 5.52% is made up of a 2.3% rate cap, an additional 1% to maintain quality services and an additional 2% to deliver new projects.

7. The District Plan was prepared by the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC) and involved 2 public exhibition periods. The District Plan was finalised by the GSC in March of this year. Council is not required to adopt the District Plan, it is a State Government plan that local councils are required to then implement through their local environmental plans. Council is required to prepare a new local environmental plan within the next 3 years and this process will involve public consultation and will require the adoption of the plan by Council. Information on the District Plan can be found at the link here: <https://www.greater.sydney/district-plans>

8. Funding has been included in the draft 2018-19 capital works budget to investigate and develop a remediation plan for the

I suggest that a similar pre-adoption public consultation be implemented prior to the adoption of the District Plan. After all, the State government insists that the reforms to the Planning system are “people-centred”.

8. P 43. **5c. Create new open space as opportunities arise.** And **5c. 1 Advocate for public access to the remaining Commonwealth land at Malabar Headland.**

I have had quite a lot of meetings and made presentations to Council with regard to an “opportunity to create new open space”- at Malabar Headland, which does not need the permission of the Commonwealth as the parcel of Weedy Landfill next to the boat ramp at Long Bay near the Sewage Treatment Plant is now Council land.

This is a brilliant opportunity to create more much-needed open space for the community, and I urge you to get going with it.

We conducted a tour of this site with the Mayor on Thursday 12th April 2018, to familiarise her with the area. We showed her the chunks of landfill breaking out of the surface, the terrible state of the land given that it is the area people walk over to access the new National Park on Malabar Headland (complete with trip hazards of bricks, pieces of asbestos cement board, concrete, reo bar, etc) and the weed infestations. Council has a golden opportunity to create a beautiful new park here, as they have done on other old landfill at Pioneer’s Park, and at La Perouse. As it is, this area is sadly neglected and looks TERRIBLE, and urgent action is needed!

9. P 44. **5d. 1 Continue to improve physical facilities of Randwick City Library, specifically enhancing the façade of Lionel Bowen Library.**

site. The plan will outline the scope of work required to remediate the land and will be used to estimate the funding for inclusion in the next stages of the project.

9. The Lionel Bowen Library’s interior has been refurbished and is now an attractive, functional space that has resulted in many more people using the library than previously. The façade of the library does not reflect the modern interior design and for those who are not aware of the library, it does not have an attractive street presence to draw people in. In addition, the signage is a mishmash of different styles and is out of date, since the library was renamed the Lionel Bowen Library and Community Centre in 2016.

The plan is to use State Library of NSW Special Purpose Grant funding, which has been approved by the State government for this project. The funding will be used to improve the library’s street presence and create a unified precinct for the library and the community service providers that rent the offices next to the library. The signage will be updated and the design of the exterior will tie in with the refurbished interior. It will not be an expensive facelift, but will use colour and design to enhance the library building. The library façade hasn’t been painted since the additional level was added to the library in 2004, so it is a good chance to use paint creatively to improve the façade. A similar low cost upgrade was made to the Malabar Community Library façade in 2007, which improved its street presence and attracted more users to the library.

10. The Council has, over many years and on numerous occasions, resolved to support extension of the light rail project to Maroubra Junction. The Council’s strong position is to support the light rail extension.

11. The need for a community centre was identified via community consultation sessions held as part of the Maroubra Beach Town Centre planning process. At present, there is no

What on earth is wrong with the façade of the Bowen Library? I am sure Council can find better things to spend our money on!

10. P 56 9c. 1 Advocate for the extension of the light rail system to Maroubra Junction, improved east-west public transport services and improved bus network.

I **violently object** to extending the Light Rail to Maroubra Junction.

To some it might look like an obvious project, as there is room along Anzac Parade to do so, being the site of the old Tram lines. However, we would lose a great many trees, and Anzac parade will start to look like Parramatta Rd, just as it does in Kingsford and Kensington now, where it is ugly beyond reproach, with the loss of trees, the closed and dirty shop facades, the traffic belching fumes over those people walking on the pavements, the loss of parking, the overhead wires to be installed. **WE DO NOT WANT THIS TO HAPPEN TO OUR PORTION OF ANZAC PARADE!!**

Added to that, the prediction is that the Light Rail will be "at capacity" on the day it opens (if it ever does) and therefore there will be no room for anyone wishing to ride from Kingsford or Kensington if it starts the journey from Maroubra Junction. I suggest you wait until the Light Rail begins to start investigating an extension, due to capacity constraints alone.

I also suggest that a Maroubra Junction parking spot is already very hard to find. Imagine if there was a Light Rail stop there – parking would clog the streets for miles around as it *already is* in Kingsford and Kensington due to the Light Rail construction works. Also, given that there are very few stops on the Light Rail, parking will be

comparable facility or hall for the local residents to hire/use unlike in Coogee Beach – Senior Citizen Centre. We will however go through a very considered design process to ensure that the building is appropriately sited within its context. This will be an important part of the planning stage of the project. A childcare centre in Broadarrow Reserve is a potential project to be considered as part of the seven year Our Community Our Future Program. Community engagement would occur prior to any further development of this project.

12. Maroubra Beach (South)

The stormwater line discharging at the southern end of Maroubra Beach does have a GPT. This GPT is installed in Byrne Crescent. There are no other major drainage lines connecting downstream of this GPT. Therefore, the GPT can be considered to be at the end of the line. The suggested 'Net' is another type of GPT. A secondary GPT is not required along this stormwater line for the reasons outlined above. GPTs capture only non soluble pollutants like plastic bags, plastic bottles etc. This stormwater line has a small wetland that was constructed by the federal Department of Finance at the end of the line to reduce microbial and heavy metal pollutants.

Byrne Crescent GPT

Council has conducted an audit of its GPTs to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of the design of each GPT. The GPT in Byrne Crescent has been listed for redesign or construction of a GPT in an alternative location. Funds have been included in the draft 2018-19 budget to undertake improvement works to GPTs as identified in the audit report.

Malabar Beach Stormwater Diversion

Council together with Sydney Water planned and constructed the stormwater diversion at Malabar Beach to improve the water quality of the beach. Council contributed \$1 million towards the project and considers that the project has

concentrated in those streets around the Light Rail stops all along the route.

And then there are the secret plans by the NSW government to expand high rise all the way along Anzac Parade to La Perouse. The *CANNOT POSSIBLY HOPE TO COPE WITH THIS MASSIVE EXPANSION OF POPULATION*. If we are to have more population, then we need proper underground rail to cope with it, it's quite simple. Until that happens, **the Light Rail MUST NOT be extended to Maroubra Junction. I object to Council spending my money on an investigation into this.**

11. P 83 In the list of proposed **Major Capital Works** to be paid for by the outrageous hike in Council rates, I noticed the following two items, highlighted in Yellow in the screen grab to the right.

Surely the Maroubra Beach Community Centre and the new Childcare Community Centre are the same thing? Who has been asking for a new Childcare centre at Maroubra Beach? As far as I know this has not come as a request through the Maroubra Beach Precinct, and surely it should be left to the private sector? Does the Council now provide childcare?

Whatever the answer, ***I violently object to the taking of more public park for this purpose:*** Broadarrow Reserve has already been whittled down, and is often used as an overflow car park. Parks are NOT "vacant space" for a developer or indeed a Council to take for development willy-nilly. If there is to be a Community Centre, surely it could be built in the vacant public space at the rear of the Surf Club which no one ever uses? It is paved over and has a very sad look. This is, in my opinion, the obvious place to put it, and perhaps it should be joined to the Surf Club so that those very under-used facilities could be made use of by the public or by

improved the quality of the beach and been of great benefit to the community.

Stormwater Treatment Practices

Council uses multiple strategies to manage the challenge of stormwater pollution. These include pit cleaning, street sweeping, litter collection programs in open spaces, provision of litter bins, GPTs and retention ponds / wetlands. In addition to these measures, Council is also planning a major public education campaign on stormwater quality and, the impact on our beaches and waterways. This campaign follows on from Council's event on plastics and the impact to marine life in our oceans.

Randwick Council has implemented stormwater harvesting at several coastal reserves within the City. Our largest is planned for Arthur Byrne Reserve at Maroubra. The primary reason for the treatment of stormwater in these systems is to reuse the stormwater for irrigation and other grey water uses. A secondary benefit is to divert the stormwater pollution from our waterways. Unfortunately, it is not feasible nor practical to construct stormwater treatment plants for the purposes of stormwater quality only.

As per the project at Malabar Beach, Council established a working group to investigate and recommend options to improve the water quality at Coogee Beach. The group considered numerous and varied options. The group concluded that the options with the better cost benefit ratios involved diverting stormwater from the beach.

Randwick Council's current practices are in line with best practices used by other coastal councils.

community groups? This also makes sense to me, and since the Surf Club receives a great deal of public money (P 97, \$30,000 each year), shouldn't they learn to share their facilities a bit more?

They would have priority of course for their activities, but about 90% of the time it is empty and unused, while community groups are crying out for meeting places!!

Please consider this before you go ahead and spend our money on a separate facility in public park (which incidentally almost no community group will be able to afford to use, see my comments on P 11 about Community Centres.

12. P 101 "In 2008, we introduced a Stormwater Management Service Charge to establish a sustainable funding source for providing improved stormwater management across Randwick City."

For many years now I have been writing to and lobbying Council and Councillors to install a Gross Pollutant Trap on the stormwater outlet at South Maroubra. This has never been done, despite the fact that a levy has been raised on ratepayers since 2008 to improve stormwater management. Stormwater is filthy stuff, and it debouches straight into the sea at South Maroubra, right into the Children's rock pools. Stormwater is a toxic cocktail, containing the following (and more):

- Rainwater and bird poo from roofs.
- Rubbish in the gutters: plastic bottles, disposable lighters, cigarette ends, polystyrene, straws and drink cans, takeaway coffee cups and lids, kids toys, tennis balls, plastic wrappings, etc.
- Rotting leaves and other vegetation (causes oxygen depletion in water)
- Grit, sand and dirt

- Dog poo
- Pesticides and fertilisers from gardens
- Rubber particles off car tyres
- Oils dripping from engines
- Brake fluids and linings
- Rust
- Metals, glass and paint from crashes
- Detergents from washing cars on street
- Many other things that should not be put in the sea.

Recently \$3 million was spent by Council diverting stormwater from Malabar Beach to the old ocean outfall at Boora Point on Malabar Headland, to keep Malabar Beach and Long Bay clean. This was heralded as a great improvement, but no one realizes that it is just putting the pollution elsewhere, in this case further out into the ocean.

This is a *medieval* practice, and should be ended.

How can we hope to stop the terrible problem of plastics entering the sea, entering the food chain, being picked up as food by seabirds for their young? Plastic pollution of the sea is one thing our Council should be VERY conscious of, priding itself on "Environmental Sustainability" as you do. Yet we allow this practice to continue. Stormwater should be collected and treated, as it is at Bondi Beach: Picture below right is of the construction of a Stormwater Harvesting and treatment plant being installed at Bondi Beach in 2012, at great cost.

I know there is a Gross Pollutant Trap on the South Maroubra Stormwater network in Byrne Crescent, where the residents have been wanting it relocated into Byrne Reserve, as it continually "pops its lid" in intense storms due to bad design. When it "pops its lid" the filthy

	<p>stormwater floods into adjacent garages and basements. Council has done nothing about this to date, despite many pleas and threats from the residents, but it should be on the list of stormwater improvements to be done.</p> <p>As should stormwater harvesting at South Maroubra in Byrne Reserve. I have seen it listed as a future project for about the last 3 years, but I cannot find any details of when this is to happen. Funds have not been allocated yet – why not?</p> <p>The very least that Council could do is to install a bag to collect gross pollutants at South Maroubra stormwater outlet.</p> <p>P 102 Maroubra Beach Promenade Investigation \$50,000.</p> <p>What is this and why is it costing so much? Why is the South Maroubra Stormwater project not listed here? I can find no details at all. In conclusion: I cannot understand how Council has the gall to pride itself on Environmental Sustainability!</p>	
71	<p>I refer to the recent Cycleways and Bicycle Facilities Advisory Committee (CABFAC) and the encouragement BIKEast received from the Chair and the Mayor to make this submission.</p> <p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Draft 2018/19 Budget includes \$345,900 to “Upgrade/install improve cycling and walking facilities”. <p>We understand about \$100,000 of these funds are allocated for general cycling facilities, typically matched by RMS making a total cycling budget of \$200,000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These funds are sufficient to cover a range of useful minor and adhoc facilities such as those we discussed at the CABFAC meeting – thank you. - It is further understood the Statement Government is expected to fully fund the design and construction of a 	<p>The Council is currently well advanced with the design of two major separated cycleways. These have been funded by Roads and Maritime Services as they relate to the state government’s strategic bicycle network. We continue to undertake other works in the support of bike riding.</p> <p>The eleven priority bike route projects have all been discussed by Council’s Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee. It has been recognised that forward planning of these projects is not possible until a better understanding of the requirements along each route is known. The Cycleway and Bike Facilities Advisory Committee is exploring the required options for these routes.</p>

number of the high priority routes we discussed at the CABFAC meeting – BIKEast is particularly pleased with the progress on the Doncaster Avenue/Houston Road route.

- The budget does not allocate funds for the completion of other high priority routes and for the remainder of routes, facilities and initiatives identified in the bike plan.
- The Randwick Bike Plan was first adopted by Council in 1998 followed by a minor review endorsed by Council in 2007. This work predates significant development in infrastructure typology and there is a need for a further review of the bike plan.

BIKEast Recommendations for the 2018/19 Budget

- Provide a specific budget and timeframe for the implementation of the currently unfunded priority routes identified in the bike plan, over and above the general facilities budget. A rough estimate for the remaining 20 km of priority routes would be a total of about \$14M over say 10 years.
- Provide a budget for a new review of the bike plan, noting the significant development in infrastructure typology.
- Provide a budget item to update and print the Eastern Suburbs Cycling map in conjunction with the other Eastern Suburbs Councils.
- Provide a budget item to prepare and implement a comprehensive wayfinding strategy in accordance with NSW and Austroads Guidelines.
- Provide a specific budget item to accelerate Council's successful program for bicycle parking.
- Provide a budget item to conduct an audit of bollards and path-side obstacles along existing cycleway, including a program to remove or update hazards that are non-compliant with the NSW and Austroads Guidelines – these present an unnecessary financial risk to council and a physical risk to path users.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide a budget item to provide a training program for safe and confident cycling at schools and elsewhere, similar to that in adjacent Councils. - Update the Draft Budget to set specific Key Performance Measures for cycling uptake, safety, facility provision, network development, etc, along with appropriate budget items to achieve these targets. - Provide a budget item to study how the BIKEast's Safe Street Neighbourhoods research can be successfully applied in Randwick with further budget allocations for implementation in subsequent years. 	
72	I request that resurfacing of Alison Road Coogee between Carrington Road and Mount Street. The road surface is extremely poor condition and I cannot understand why Council has not schedule resurfacing in the proposed program of works for 2018-2019.	This section of Alison Road has recently had some heavy patching and resurfacing works to localised damaged areas. The remainder of the road surface is in satisfactory condition and does not require resurfacing at this stage. This work will be undertaken in accordance with our Asset Management principles when the condition of the wearing course reaches 'end of life' or poor condition.
73-133	<p>Kensington Park Community Centre: 60 submissions were received regarding the hire fees for the centre. The key themes raised in the submissions were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The community group is doing a great job and the numbers are growing 2. Request that Council not increase the fees for non-commercial users – we don't want to dissuade users especially out of peak periods 3. The fees are too high already we need to keep it affordable 4. There should not be a fee for not-for-profit groups that benefit the community. 	<p>The rates for all community centres within the draft 2018/19 Fees & Charges are based on market evidence and valuations. The reason we are proposing different rates for different centres is that there are differences in the age, capacity, condition, accessibility, amenity and location of the venues across the LGA. This presents an opportunity to offer a portfolio of community centres at different price points.</p> <p>The current arrangement of providing free access to the community for a few hours each week is supported by the Council and is recommended to continue.</p> <p>The Kensington Park Community Centre is extremely well utilised. This is because the fees charged represent good value in the market. Private hirers (i.e. children's birthday parties, christenings etc) pay the commercial/private rate which is not proposed to be increased.</p> <p>Reducing the not for profit rate will provide the majority of financial benefit to NSW Government related entities and the UNSW. Council has a number of programs that offer financial</p>

		assistance for community groups and organisations seeking to run programs within the LGA, including providing financial assistance with community centre hire fees.
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