# KEEP CANTERBURY & BRNKSTOWN CONNECTED



#### Mayoral message



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### QUÝ VỊ CƯ DÂN THÂN MẾN

Ấn bản này nêu ra cách thức mà chúng tôi đang tái tạo hình ảnh Thành phố của chúng ta và các dịch vụ.

Gần đây, tôi đã loan báo viễn kiến của chúng tôi cho vùng Canterbury-Bankstown để trở thành trung tâm hàng đầu về văn hóa, y tế, giáo dục và lối sống của vùng Greater Sydney. Các dự thảo kế hoạch chủ đạo được đề xuất của chúng tôi sẽ giúp tân trang các trung tâm thành phố Bankstown và Campsie, giúp cho các nơi này trở thành các khu vực sinh động và là nơi chốn của cơ hôi.

Trong ấn bản này, quý vị cũng sẽ biết thêm về công viên nước mới sẽ có tại Greenacre, cách thức chúng tôi làm xanh thành phố của chúng ta, các tin tức phấn khởi về các trung tâm thể dục địa phương, và chúng tôi khám phá một địa điểm tiệc tùng vui thích cho trẻ em.

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### 您好

#### 尊敬的居民

这期通讯重点介绍我们如何让我们的城市及其服务展现新 面貌。

最近,我公布了Canterbury-Bankstown成为大悉尼重要的文化、卫生、教育和生活方式枢纽的愿景。我们提出的总体规划草案,将使Canterbury-Bankstown市镇中心重新焕发活力,成为生气勃勃的区域和充满机会的地方。

在本期通讯中,您还可以了解到Greenacre即将建设的新嬉水公园、我们城市的绿化措施、本地健身中心令人兴奋的消息以及我们开发的有趣的儿童聚会场所。

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I am thrilled to share another edition of our newsletter, Keep Connected. This edition highlights how we are reimagining our City and its services.

From a multi-level university and new billion-dollar hospital, to a new rail metro and upgrades to town centres. There are so many exciting changes happening in our City.

Recently I announced our vision for Canterbury-Bankstown to become Greater Sydney's premier cultural, health, education and lifestyle hub. Our proposed draft master plans will rejuvenate the Bankstown City Centre and Campsie Town Centre, turning them into vibrant precincts and places of opportunity.

Both centres are expected to create more than 25,000 jobs, 12,500 new dwellings and more than \$1.8 billion in investment opportunities, with a strong focus on environmental sustainability and smart technology, including compulsory rooftop solar panels and the banning of gas appliances. These plans are now on exhibition, so I encourage you to have your say, by visiting **cb.city/haveyoursay** 

We also released our draft Economic
Development Strategy and draft Night Time
Economy Action Plan, showcasing how we will
create a City that is renowned for its vibrancy,
culture and safety. To learn more about these
plans and to see our 3D animation for the City,
visit cb.city/ThePlaceofOpportunity

In this edition, you will also learn about the new splash park coming to Greenacre, how we are greening our City, exciting news on our local fitness centres and we uncover a fun kids party venue.

As Mayor of this great City, I am proud to share our future vision, and what we are doing right now. Let's continue to keep connected in 2021. And remember to connect with me on Facebook at facebook.com/khal.asfour

Sincerely

Clr Khal Asfour

**MAYOR** 

City of Canterbury Bankstown

Khal Asfour



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Αυτή η έκδοση δίνει έμφαση στο πώς επαναπροσδιορίζουμε τον Δήμο μας και τις υπηρεσίες του.

Πρόσφατα, ανακοίνωσα το όραμά μας για να γίνει το Canterbury-Bankstown ο κορυφαίος κόμβος πολιτισμού, υγείας, εκπαίδευσης και τρόπου ζωής στην ευρύτερη περιοχή του Σύδνεϋ. Τα προτεινόμενα προσχέδια των γενικών μας σχεδίων θα αναζωογονήσουν τα προαστιακά κέντρα στο Bankstown και το Campsie, μετατρέποντάς τα σε δυναμικούς χώρους με πολλές ευκαιρίες.

Σε αυτήν την έκδοση, θα μάθετε επίσης για το νέο υδροπάρκο με παιχνίδια στο νερό που έρχεται στο Greenacre, για το πώς πρασινίζουμε την πόλη μας, συναρπαστικά νέα για τα τοπικά γυμναστήρια ενώ επίσης αποκαλύπτουμε και ένα χώρο διασκέδασης για παιδικά πάρτι.

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#### حضرة المقيم،

يسلط هذا العدد الضوء على تصورنا الجديد لمدينتنا ولخدماتها. لقد أعلنتُ مؤخراً عن رؤيانا وتطلعاتنا في أن تصبح كنتربري-بانكستاون المركز الثقافي والصحي والتربوي والحياتي الأول في منطقة سدني الكبرى، ومن هذا المنطلق سوف تسهم مسودة خططنا الرئيسية في إحياء مركز مدينة بانكستاون ومركز كامبسي وتحيلهما إلى منطقتين نابضتين بالحياة ومقصدين لفرص للعمل والتسوق.

في هذا العدد سوف تطّلع أيضاً على معلومات عن حديقة "سبلاش" المائية الجديدة التي ستفتح أبوابها في غرين إيكر، وعما نقوم به لإضفاء حلّة خضراء على مدينتنا، وعن الأخبار المثيرة بخصوص مراكزنا المحلية للياقة البدنية، كما نعلن عن مرفق جديد لحفلات ترفيه الأطفال.

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# Anew vision for Campsie

We have exciting news! With the vision to redevelop Campsie to better meet our needs and fit our lifestyle, a new planning blueprint is set to make this suburb the new place to be.

The new draft Campsie Town Centre Master Plan will freshen up the look with modern building structures and an urban boulevard, creating pleasant walking and shopping experiences.

The Cooks River will become an active parkland, connected through the new Metro Corridor to the Belmore Sports and Recreational Precinct, making it the perfect place for locals to explore while keeping active.

This new master plan will also capitalise on Campsie's existing landmarks. With the proposed upgrade to Canterbury Hospital, opportunities will be created for an expanded medical precinct. While the plan is to add a modern touch to this much loved suburb, transforming Beamish Street into a thriving day and night destination, we will be sure to preserve its historic character.

Bill Keighran, Campsie resident of 81 years, says the streets of Campsie have changed a lot in his time.

"Campsie was known as the best floral town in the early days, we had flowers in the streets and people would pick them. I'd like to see the flowers on the main street again and see what else is yet to come," he says.

Already a cultural melting pot, retail and employment hub for residents in the east of the City, we can see that Campsie has come a long way, and we're excited to see what's next for this ever evolving town.

The draft Campsie Town Centre Master Plan is now open for feedback. Visit **cb.city/haveyoursay** 



Artist impression of the future of Beamish Street, Campsie; cars on Beamish Street in 1988; Bill

Keighran, Campsie resident of 81 years; Orion

Theatre on Beamish Street, Campsie.

## Our plan for the future

Each year, Council prepares an Operational Plan and Budget, with an overview of every project, program and plan Council intends to work on over the coming year. This includes details of the infrastructure and services Council aims to deliver in order to meet the needs of an ever-growing community.

Learn more and have your say on our proposed plan from end of April 2021, visit cb.city/haveyoursay



## Then and now

In 1936 the Orion Theatre, named after one of the brightest clusters of stars in the sky, opened on Beamish Street and quickly became a popular spot with the locals.

Lifelong Campsie resident, Bill Keighran, fondly remembers as a kid saving up to visit the theatre with his friends.

"We used to love going to the movies, it was great! Though, we couldn't go all the time. It cost three pennies, which was a lot in the forties."

Still remembered by locals as the "Theatre of the Stars", the Orion Theatre featured a long wide foyer, elegant sparkling mirrors and fashioned colourful red, blue and silver stage curtains to tie in the ambiance of a theatrical experience. Seating almost a thousand people, it was indeed an impressive structure.

In 1964, the then Canterbury Council purchased the theatre, restoring the building's Art Deco features to its former glory. Today the large hall is hired for conferences, concerts, weddings and other events while the mezzanine and fover areas cater to smaller functions.

Learn more about local and family history at cb.city/familyhistory



# A splashing new park underway

Diving straight into 2021's list of community projects, we're excited to report that work is progressing on Greater Sydney's newest local splash park!

On Friday 26 February, we held a beautiful smoking ceremony conducted by local Indigenous elder, Matthew Doyle, to celebrate the start of construction.

Taking up residence in Roberts Park, right in the heart of Greenacre, this new free splash and play facility will feature a state-of-the-art playground and a network of dynamic water spray and play elements.

Some of the highlights kids can expect to see in the park include:

- A unique mega four-dump splash bucket (the only one in Australia);
- A bespoke play tree tower, to explore our park from new heights; and
- A giant group swing, for loads of fun with friends.

This new park will also provide a barbecue area with family-sized picnic shelters, giving our locals easy access to weekend fun, close to home. Also conveniently located, the new arrival can be easily accessed by public transport and will be close to the Greenacre Local Centre, making it easy to grab some snacks and make a day of it.

This new splash park was designed to bring the community closer together, while having fun and keeping active.

This exciting new contemporary project is estimated to open late 2021, and is set to break new grounds.



Keep up to date, visit **cb.city/projects** for news on the project



# Did you know?

## 84,500 tonnes

of garbage is collected by our waste trucks each year!

# 14,520 bags

of compost and mulch are made from green bin waste each year.

# 14,724 mattresses

are collected each year, through booked Clean-Up.

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Get your free Wheelie Good compost at **cb.city/WheelieGood** 

## **Greenhouse gas busters**

With an aim to proactively create a greener and cleaner tomorrow, we're excited to announce that we have five new Clean-Up trucks, keeping harmful greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere.

These specially-designed trucks store bulky waste such as fridges or air conditioning units in a separate compartment, so they don't get crushed while being transported. This keeps the greenhouse gases in the appliance until they can be safely de-gassed, and the appliance disposed of.



Our new fleet of garbage trucks are smarter than ever before.

Each new truck is fitted with GPS tracking and smart cameras, helping to keep drivers and our community safe, by capturing real time information including spilled, broken or missed bins.

Also the new mobile app will help drivers receive and respond to live updates and report issues on the spot.

It's just another step toward a smarter waste service.

To stay up to date, follow us on Facebook @ourcbcity



# Meet our garbos

# We all know what day is bin day, and remember to put the bin out for collection (most of the time!)

But have you ever wondered about the people involved, helping to keep our City clean?

Driving a garbage truck for 40 odd years, it's fair to say that Ron Tanner really knows his way around Canterbury-Bankstown.

"I know every street in the area – all the boys reckon I know the colour of every letterbox, on every street."

We might be right in saying Ron's a human GPS!

Newest recruit, Ryan Cheshire, says even a friendly wave or hello from locals can really make his day, as he makes his runs through the streets.

"It makes a huge difference when people give you a wave," he says.

"I enjoy my job because I start early and finish early, and I get to spend more time with my partner and two daughters."

Did you know, our CBCity waste team empties out a total of 25,200 bins a day, and our fleet of garbage trucks travel the distance of 858,000km each year – that's even further than traveling to the moon and back!

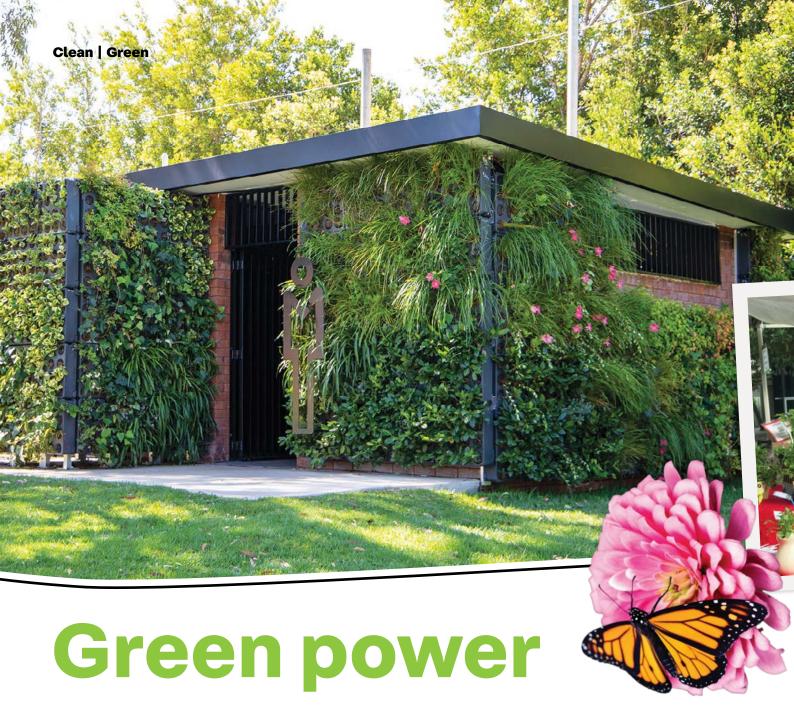
Thanks for the great work, team!

It makes a huge difference when people give you a wave.



To learn more about our waste services or to book your Bulky Waste Clean-Up, visit **cb.city/wasteless** 





## **Planting better ideas**

Green spaces are growing on us, literally.

As we move towards becoming a more clean and green City, urban landscapes are being transformed, thanks to sustainable thinking.

The recent upgrades to Northcote Park in Greenacre saw our amenities block turn into a vertical green living work of art, with the walls covered in more than 1,800 plants. Some of this green lush foliage includes the Lomandra longifolia 'Tanika', Dichondra and Cissus Antarctica, all native to Australia.

A range of other installations such as new play equipment with rubber softfall surfaces, a new basketball court and new vibrant landscaping with easy access to footpaths has also improved how we play and get active across local parks.

## **Grow your nature strip**

Under a new policy encouraging a cleaner and greener City, nature strips across CBCity could soon become suburban garden oases.

The Nature Strip policy sets out guidelines to help empower residents to create and maintain their own nature strip garden, adding a little more vibrancy and kerb appeal to the streets of Canterbury-Bankstown.

Host of Gardening Australia, Costa Georgiadis praised how the new policy will not only promote urban cooling but will also increase the biodiversity in CBCity.

Apply for your own nature strip garden at **cb.city/NatureStrips** 

Don't throw it, Grow it!
Join ShareWaste to connect with
neighbours who can help you recycle
your food scraps, cb.city/sharewaste

Foilage, plants and tree canopy help cool the city. It's like having an air conditioner outside.



# Check out these helpful tips:

- Try to use native or water-wise plants. Visit cb.city/nativeplants to view our native plant guide.
- Consider watering by hand with collected rainwater or recycled water, and use mulch to retain soil moisture.
- 3. If you'd like some extra visitors, white, pink, purple, red, yellow and orange flowers attract butterflies.

## **Power up**

Croydon Park resident, Ping Ho, is hoping to be a trendsetter in her suburb.

After considering going solar for many years, the retiree has finally become the proud owner of six solar panels. What a power move! (pun intended)

"I was keen on installing solar panels for many years," she says. "I've always been green, I grow my own veggies and I try to look at the carbon footprint of what I buy."

After a Council Zoom session run by the Australian Energy Foundation (AEF), she decided to contact a supplier to set up her panels, and she's even going one step greener.

"My hot water system is next – I'm waiting for my current hot water system to die to get a heat pump which converts heat from the air to warm the water. That'll be my next move. This is all part of my green movement."

Council has partnered with the AEF to provide obligation-free phone consultations on solar panels and energy efficiency. For more information, call **1300 23 68 55**.

## **New Tesla Community Battery**

As part of a community trial, Ausgrid has proposed to install a state-of-the-art community battery on Stansfield Avenue, Bankstown, for the use of a selected group of solar panel customers, to store excess solar energy for later use.

So instead of losing the solar energy that has not been used, now customers connected to the same local distribution network can enjoy dipping into their saved solar energy, thanks to the community battery owned and maintained by Ausgrid.

A battery like this can set you back more than \$10,000, so it's a win for the lucky few in Bankstown selected by Ausgrid. For more information,





# So much more than your local library

Bonding over shared interests creates communities, and that's just what the new activities and services offered at our Library and Knowledge Centres are doing across the region.

As well as offering a wide range of books and resources, our libraries are connecting with kids, teens and adults of all ages, in different ways.

Torrodin, 18, who enjoys playing Dungeons and Dragons, is one of many people who has developed a new perception of Bankstown library. He said: "library activities give you the freedom to be social and just have fun."

Thanks to the Bus to Library service and our Library to Home service, 80 year old Janet Hanley, has easy access to books. Of course, she opts for the second option, considering her limited mobility.

"The girls at Earlwood deliver books to me and I think they're just absolutely wonderful people. I certainly would recommend this service to others," she says.

The library also conducts youth group outings for the teens and there's Storytime Online, with our lovely library staff sharing Australian books, songs and rhymes with your little ones.

For more information, visit **cb.city/libraries** 

## Free party venue, on us

If you're a parent or guardian planning your child's next birthday party, here's a wheely unique venue suggestion, that sets the (handle) bars high.

The Walshaw Park Bike Track, located in the heart of Bass Hill, is available to the community for free party hire.

Just bring along your own bike, scooter or rollerblades and feel free to use the barbecue on site, while the kids go wild along the tracks.

Julie Plunkett, grandmother and coordinator of Sefton Bears Castle Playgroup, booked the facility for her playgroup and says it is the was the perfect venue for an outing, where the children could just enjoy themselves out in the open, while in a safe environment.

"The venue has parking, covered playground equipment, a barbecue picnic area, bathrooms, and the whole area is fully fenced off."

Ideally the venue is large enough to hold different types of activities, and since it's free for hire, that's also a huge advantage.



To secure the Walshaw Park Bike Track for your next private party, visit **cb.city/biketrackhire** 



We're excited to provide locals with a fitness program tailored just for them.



9771 2148 cb.city/CBfit **CBfit at Max Parker Leisure and Aquatic Centre** offers a range of classes and programs for all ages, no matter your fitness level.

Our dedicated team work with you to inspire and promote a healthy lifestyle. Tap into your own ability, so you achieve the best results.

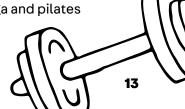
And if you have a busy schedule, CBfit offers affordable options for non-committed casual visits and memberships.

Small COVID-Safe group classes are creatively designed to keep you fit while having fun. Check out what's on offer:

- Active Fitness classes (for seniors)
- High intensity interval training (HIIT)
- Cardio boxing
- Core-based classes

Suspension training

Yoga and pilates





Taste the world...

Canterbury-Bankstown has been my backyard all my life.

If you're craving a trip overseas, try taking your taste buds on a cultural journey without even leaving Canterbury-Bankstown.

With more than 1,000 restaurants across the City, and cuisines ranging from Vietnamese, Lebanese, Indian, Italian, Egyptian, Thai, Mexican, Turkish, Japanese, Chinese and Korean, you'll be spoilt for choice!

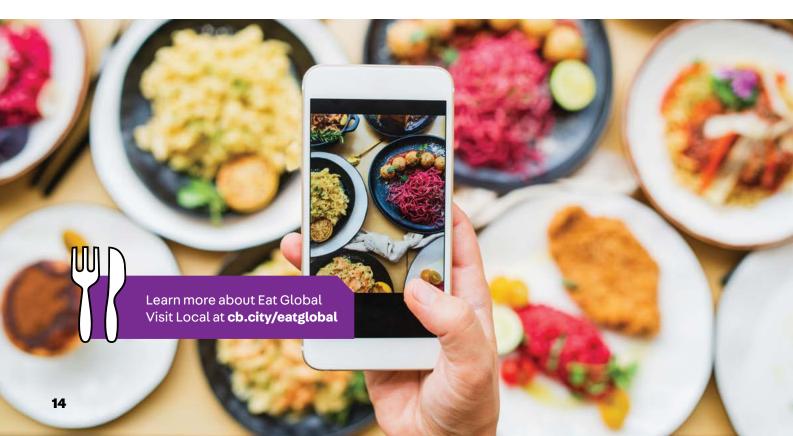
Renowned celebrity pastry chef Anna Polyviou, took a cultural foodie tour of Canterbury-Bankstown, and sampled food from our local businesses. Here's what she had to say: "That was such an unbelievable experience, I didn't realise how much this area had to offer! As soon as I stepped into An Restaurant (Bankstown), the aromas instantly transported me to Vietnam. I had the pho while I was there, and it was absolutely amazing!"

"I was even taken back to my home in Cyprus when I visited *Trianon Cake Shop*, a family run business in Earlwood." John Gebran, restaurant owner of Gebran Lebanese has been running his business for more than 20 years in Mount Lewis.

"Canterbury-Bankstown has been my backyard all my life, so when I decided to share the traditional dishes of North Lebanon with my community, it was an easy decision to open up in Mount Lewis," he says.

"Real food and real flavour, that's what you get when you visit Gebran."

Unlock the flavours of Canterbury-Bankstown, Eat Global, Visit Local and support the community.



# Forever remembering our fallen hero

In honour of local resident Dick Payten, one of the oldest veterans, who sadly passed away on 1 March 2020, we have officially named the reserve on the corner of Miller Road and Hume Highway, Villawood, Dick Payten Reserve.

After returning home from the Middle East and New Guinea after serving his time during World War II, Dick became president of the 7th Australian Division Association, which was a driving force behind the development of a memorial in the park.

Passing away at the age of 99, he's remembered as a true patriot who served his country with distinction.



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