

# Manly Greens Feb / March Update

### **Updates for Feb & March**

With recent developments on nature laws at the Federal level, I am really energised by the growing discussions on Nature Positive laws, cities and regions. What would you like to see to make the Northern Beaches nature positive?

Making NSW planning and environment laws nature positive: challenges for local government and opportunities for reform

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week I attended the Environment Institute's Nature Positive Cities Symposium. I came away with so many great ideas and connections - so watch this space!

I also gave a short presentation on Local Government's role in making nature positive cities and law reform.

View my presentation

## **March Council updates**



## Council endorses new waste and circular economy strategy

The Strategy passed unanimously, which is testament to the OVER 900 people who helped contribute by answering a survey, writing a submission, or contributing at the Environment SRG meeting.

Some of the key directions and targets include:

- ★ help the community to reduce household waste by 10% by 2030 and
   by 20% by 2040

- provide local drop-offs or kerbside collections for the most common household plastics where there are reliable markets for the recycled products

### Updated Gambling Harm Strategy + Council to progress a ban on gambling advertising and gambling harm roundtable

At the Tuesday Council meeting, Council adopted it's updated Gambling Harm Minimisation Policy. After some hard fought amendments, I've managed to (narrowly) secure two other key



#### amendments:

★ Council to host a community roundtable with key gambling harm stakeholders

When negotiating new or renewed leases or licences on Council land, Council staff must try to negotiate terms to minimise or eliminate gambling advertising. Not another debacle like when Brookvale Oval was renamed Lottoland Stadium!

Read more

### **Feb Council Updates**

I'll have to beg your indulgence that I didn't have time for a February update! Some of the updates from that meeting include:

- Council endorsed its submission opposing the State Government's proposed low and medium rise density SEPP. While there is a need to meet the housing crisis, a blanket approach to essentially rezone all land within proximity to a town centre is an incredibly unworkable method as Council pointed out, it means not even the bread and butter issues like development contributions or natural hazards are taken into account in deciding whether a town centre can accomodate more growth. Greens Councillor Miranda Korzy negotiated some key amendments to strengthen the submission.
- Council endorsed a request to the State Government to fund additional affordable housing in the new Frenches Forest Town Centre, which has been rezoned for apartments.
- Unfortunately the other Councillors, aside from fellow Green
   Miranda Korzy, voted against my urgent motion to take action in

response to the unfolding pollution incident which is threatening the Climbing Galaxia population at Manly Dam - the water is still too murky to know whether this amazing population of ancient walking fish has managed to survive. Read more about the issue at <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2024/feb/11/sydney-c...">https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2024/feb/11/sydney-c...</a>

### What else I've been up to



Attending Senator Mehreen Faruqi's International Women's Day Breakfast!



Joined some of my fellow Greens councillors and MPs at the Save Your Suburb rally



Clean Up Australia
Day at Curl Curl
Lagoon. Thanks to
the Scouts and
Friends of Curl Curl
Lagoon!



Women and Children First hosted 'Safer Together', on how we can stop domestic violence and violence against women at its root - by ending the culture of sexism which gives permission to those who escalate.

The Safer Together program is running free workshops for schools, clubs and workplaces about DV prevention. If interested to host, contact Kylie Lynch kylie.l@wacf.org.au

### Pictured with WACF CEO Dr Gabrielle Morrissey



Attended the annual Pride Picnic hosted by Fusion Pride



Helped out with the Council + Scouts doing bush regen at Curl Curl dune



Attended the Aboriginal Heritage Office history and nature tour

### **Local Community events**

#### Workshop: Queer Still Life - Drawing our Stories

Sunday, 14 April 2024 2-4PM For young people 15 - 19 yrs.

Coinciding with Youth Week, queer artist <u>Kim Leutwyler</u> will present a still life workshop with a difference.



Find out more



# Attend or become a stallholder at Council's Net Zero Expo!

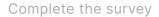
Council are hosting a Net Zero Expo: Solar, Energy, EV and Circular Economy, offering a free festival for residents and local businesses.

Venue: Narrabeen Tramshed Community Centre and Berry Reserve Sunday 2 June 2024, 10am -4pm

Find out more

### Reminder: Help shape our activities on Council!

There are just 6 months left until the next election! Remember to complete our survey on your priorities for the remainder of this term (and beyond!)







#### **Kind regards**

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