



Welcome to your community report,  
reflecting on Council's achievements over  
the last 12 months and meeting some of  
the people that made it happen.

# your community report

2013/2014

# my environment

## Achievements

- **Going Solar workshop:** 50 residents attended 'Going Solar' workshops about solar panel installation and saving money on electricity bills.
- **Water efficiency in businesses:** Council's project to improve water efficiency helped 45 businesses save more than 121 kilolitres per day with estimated savings of \$81,489.
- **Solar panels:** Council will shortly install solar panels at Willow Park Community Complex and Hornsby and Epping Libraries.
- **Energy efficient LED lighting upgrade:** Energy efficient LED lights have been installed at the Brickpit Stadium, the Council Works Depot and Epping, Pennant Hills, Berowra and Galston libraries. This saves about 275,000 kWh and \$67,000 per year.
- **Hawkesbury River foreshore clean-up:** 110 volunteers removed 4.7 tonnes of rubbish and 200 tyres from the shoreline mud, with the support of Council and Macmasters Beach Surf Life Saving Club.
- **Seagrass protection:** 12 seagrass/shallow water yellow buoys were refurbished to protect seagrass beds off Dangar Island, Brooklyn Harbour and Kangaroo Point.
- **Estuarine vegetation:** An assessment was undertaken of bushland quality in 14 reserves near the Lower Hawkesbury riverbank to plan for future restoration works.
- **Daily swimming conditions:** Daily swimming advice on water quality is available on Council's website and app.
- **Estuary health:** Daily monitoring of estuary health is displayed on Council's website.
- **River shoreline erosion:** An assessment was completed for riverbanks between Wisemans Ferry and Spencer, which indicated that the riverbank is in good condition and identified areas needing remediation.
- **Stormwater quality improvement works:** Five new devices have been constructed, including large end-of-pipe biofilters at Mount Colah and Cherrybrook and a large gross pollutant trap in Castle Hill.
- **Removing waterway pollutants:** More than 934 tonnes of waste were captured by 431 stormwater quality improvement devices before it reached our waterways.
- **Reduced water consumption:** Council's water consumption decreased by 16,835kL compared to the preceding 10 year average. Council has committed to a water reduction goal of 10% by 2022.
- **Stormwater harvesting:** A preventative maintenance program was introduced to ensure Council's water re-use facilities are reliable to continue water saving and reuse on five sportsgrounds.
- **Water quality:** Council monitors water quality and the health of our creeks at more than 50 sites across the Shire. It also monitors the quality of water that has been harvested, treated and used for irrigation on council ovals and the community nursery as well as the treated water from stormwater quality improvement works.
- **Catchment Education Primary Schools program:** 2,655 students from 17 schools participated in Keep Australia Beautiful NSW's EnviroMentors Catchment Action module raising awareness of the impact of stormwater pollutants entering our local waterways.
- **Research partnership recognition** was received for Council's strategic commitment to the 'Cities as Water Supply Catchment' research program from the Cooperative Research Centre for Water Sensitive Cities.
- **Bushfire management:** The 2013-2014 Manual Hazard Reduction and Fire Trail Maintenance Program was completed, including works on asset protection areas incorporating 71 individual sites.
- **A new bushfire education trailer** was displayed at community events including the Healthy Living Festival.
- **Bushland restoration** of more than 110ha of Bushland in more than 60 reserves in Hornsby Shire through 22 grants and Council contributions.
- **Restoration of roadside vegetation:** Weed removal and revegetation occurred at 19 roadside sites in Arcadia, Galston, Laughtondale, Wisemans Ferry, Dural, Thornleigh, Normanhurst, Epping, Cherrybrook and Pennant Hills.
- **Awards for excellence:** Council's Community Nursery won the Best Government Nursery in NSW and ACT Award from the Nursery and Garden Industry Australia. It was also one of four finalists for the nation-wide award.
- **Council received a Highly Commended Award** in the 2013 Local Government Excellence in the Environment Awards for its 'Restoration of Roadside Corridors and Vegetation Linkages in Hornsby Shire'.
- **Hornsby Mountain Bike Trail:** Stage 2 trail was completed in June 2014 adding 2.4 km to the trail making an overall 5.9 km. Over 50,000 laps have been ridden to date.

- **Hornsby Mountain Bike Trailcare volunteers:** Council staff and Trailcare volunteers, along with Sydney North Off Road Cycling Club, undertook regular trail audits and maintenance days.
- **Bushland Management Advisory Committee** supported Council by providing community input to projects including the former tip revegetation and topsoil translocation, One Tree Reach wetland boardwalk and cemetery restoration.
- **Bushcare celebrated 25 years** with more than 800 volunteers restoring 77 hectares of bushland. Three new sites commenced this year and volunteer numbers increased by about 8%.
- **Kids bushwalk program:** 'Echidna Kids' bushwalks commenced as a free school holiday activity.
- **Free guided bushwalks:** 350 people attended 32 free guided bushwalks during 2014.
- **Community Nursery volunteers** propagated more than 40,000 native plants for use in our reserves and community programs.
- **Eastern Pygmy Possum nest boxes:** 11 sites were monitored to investigate the presence of the Eastern Pygmy Possum, an endangered species.
- **One Tree Reach Wetland:** A grant funded boardwalk and viewing platform were installed to provide public access to the One Tree Reach wetland. The wetland was restored and water quality improved through a small weir to improve habitat for aquatic fauna and waterbirds.
- **Asset protection zone for the new Hornsby Aquatic Centre:** As this large infrastructure project approaches completion, the restoration and management of the bushland Asset Protection Zone is in place.
- **Assessment of developments and biobanking:** Major projects assessed by Council for their impacts on biodiversity included the North West Rail Link, Epping to Thornleigh Third Track rail works, M2 widening and NorthConnex investigations. The railway projects have led to a Biobanking agreement where Council receives a substantial commitment to restore bushland that offsets the impacts of the projects on native vegetation.
- **Green offsets code** aims to allow for development whilst achieving no net loss of native vegetation. Over \$60,000 in offset funds were received to restore bushland under this program.
- **Waste reduction workshops:** 890 residents attended approximately 40 events.
- **Ready Set Grow schools program:** 28 primary schools were involved with creating sustainable veggie gardens over 84 school visits.
- **Recycling:** 51% of all waste materials collected (equating to 36,658 tonnes) were recycled.
- **Illegal dumping:** 340 lots of dumped rubbish have been recovered, including 31 tonnes of wood mulch, 2.4 tonnes of hazardous waste and 40 tonnes of other rubbish.
- **Recycling bin checks:** Bin audits commenced to identify areas where Council could work to improve the quality of recycling generated from the Shire. More than 18,000 households have received an audit.
- **Compost Revolution:** 195 residents have joined the Compost Revolution to reduce household food waste.
- **Food Lovers Republic:** 183 residents have joined this program aimed at avoiding the generation of food waste.
- **E-waste recycling** recommenced November 2013 resulting in approximately 70 tonnes of E-waste collected and recycled.

## Community Nursery and Bushwalk Coordinator Natural Resources Branch

The staff at Council's Community Nursery do their part in helping to create and maintain a healthy natural environment by growing around 45,000 native plants each year that are then planted at locations around Hornsby Shire including Bushcare sites, local schools and are offered at free plant giveaway days for residents. Council also offers opportunities for the public to get involved in Bushcare volunteering, free guided bushwalks and growing native seedlings for use at the Eco Garden and in Council projects.

"Our goal is to help to leave the environment in Hornsby Shire in a better state for future generations."



# my community

## Achievements

- **Wollarobba Arts and Cultural Centre:** 19 exhibitions have been held throughout the year as well as a range of art classes.
- **Arts and cultural development:** Membership in the Hornsby Shire Arts Network increased, while Council's arts programs were communicated through the quarterly e-newsletter ARTicle and the Get Creative booklet.
- **Festival of the Arts:** 28 of the Shire's creative community organisations produced 56 events and exhibitions.
- **Hornsby Creative Community programme:** More than \$12,000 in sponsorship was generated to support the Hornsby Art Prize and Hornsby Shire Festival of the Arts.
- **Architecture on show:** The work of local architects was explored in three lectures held during Architecture Week 2013. These were delivered in partnership with the Australian Institute of Architects.
- **Hornsby Art Prize:** Council partnered with the Hornsby Art Society for this annual competition and exhibition, with a record 528 entries received. 148 works were exhibited at Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre.
- **Hornsby Emerging Artist Exhibition - Introducing Ian McGilvray:** A week long exhibition from the winner of the 2012 Hornsby Emerging Artist Award, held in Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre.
- **Spark. Cinder. Seed.** was delivered as part of the national 2014 Head On Photography Festival. The two week exhibition was aimed at developing the skills and experience of emerging photographers.
- **Public artwork:** Two public artworks were created to finalise the James Park renovation, and a major Aboriginal artwork was created at Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre.
- **Chinese calligraphy and painting workshops:** 46 workshops delivered at Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre concluding with an exhibition of the artworks created held in Hornsby Library.
- **Healthy Living Festival:** Council partnered with 45 community groups to present 240 events promoting education, fitness, health, and social activities.
- **Shorefest 2014:** Delivered in partnership with surrounding Councils, Shorefest is a key Youth Week Music Festival and attracted 2,500 young people.
- **Live in the Mall:** Held in Hornsby Mall on Thursday summer evenings, Live in the Mall featured young local entertainers and regularly attracted 200-300 people.
- **Mental health youth forum:** A youth forum on mental health and resilience was organised in partnership with the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Youth Network and Matt Kean MP. 500 students from 23 high schools attended, along with 60 teachers.
- **Community forum on synthetic drugs:** Council partnered with the Hornsby Community Drug Action Team to hold a forum about this issue, 240 people attended.
- **Forum on alcohol fuelled violence:** 140 people attended a forum that highlighted the dangers of binge drinking.
- **Drug Action Week June 2013:** In partnership with the Community Drug Action Team, Council organised information stalls and activities in Hornsby Mall coinciding with national Drug Action Week.
- **RSA for schools:** In partnership with the Community Drug Action Team, Council organised this project to educate local youth about alcohol through the provision of Responsible Service of Alcohol courses, facilitated by TAFE NSW. 177 students completed courses in the past year.
- **Youth Zone:** As part of Youth Week 2014, Council celebrated young people with creative activities. More than 500 people attended.
- **National Reconciliation Week:** Celebrated in Hornsby Mall with the Children's Voices for Reconciliation concert. This event was part of the Guringai Festival, and more than 500 people attended.
- **Our Place films:** In partnership with Macquarie University, Council produced three short films about Aboriginal people's connection to places in Hornsby Shire. They were launched at an event with 80 attendees, and are hosted on Council's website.
- **The Access and Social Justice Consultative Group** advocates for people with a disability, grandparents, carers and people from a culturally and linguistically diverse background. The group is consulted on a range of projects including the Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre and the new George Street overpass.
- **International Day of People with a Disability** was celebrated with an event in Hornsby Mall with four local disability services along with clients and their families.

- **Hornsby Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consultative Committee** advocated for the Aboriginal Community and includes local Elders and community members. The group have been consulted on a range of issues including the Kangaroo Point development, James Park Aboriginal art project and the Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre.
- **Kitchen Masters Tucka Class – Cooking with a Disability:** An annual Aboriginal cooking class for people living with a disability.
- **NAIDOC Week** was celebrated by more than 200 people in Hornsby Library.
- **Home Modification and Maintenance Service:** Delivered to more than 1100 clients, providing services for those who are frail aged, people with a disability and their carers.
- **Home and Community Care Support** programs were assisted by Council hosting quarterly forums to help services to network, find out the latest industry information and manage changes to the sector.
- **Settlement Services program (funded by NSW Government)** assisted new migrants to settle and adjust to their life in Australia. The program delivers culturally and linguistically sensitive orientation and life skills workshops.
- **AFL Family Fun Day:** 250 people participated in an event delivered in partnership with the Australian Football League Multicultural Program.
- **Information seminars and activities:** Council partnered with the Healthy Kids Association, Department of Education and Communities, Hornsby Kuring Gai Local Area Command, NSW Health and Medicare Local to provide a range of educational activities.
- **Berowra Community Day:** 450 people attended this event, which gave Berowra residents the chance to learn about local services. It was organised with the Hornsby Kuring Gai Local Area Command and Neighbourhood Watch.
- **Information evenings for parents and carers:** Six workshops were delivered in partnership with local services on living with teens, covering topics such as relationships, resilience, safe partying and bullying.
- **Connect with your community and local services:** Organised in partnership with the Epping Hub to provide an opportunity for people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds to learn about volunteer opportunities with emergency services.
- **Meet your local emergency services:** Council partnered with Hornsby Kuring Gai Local Area Command to organise a family day and free BBQ where residents living in Hornsby suburbs could meet emergency services.
- **Go4Fun family fun day:** 62 children and 55 parents participated in the Go4Fun Family Day, which was organised by Council with NSW Health.
- **Support for single parent families:** Two play therapy workshops for single parent families were organised by Council, in collaboration with Medicare Local, the Hornsby Kuring Gai Local Area Command and Relationships Australia.
- **Health and Wellbeing Community Expo:** 4,500 residents attended the Expo, which highlighted local health services. It was sponsored by Medicare Local, and Council partnered with other community organisations.

## Arts/Cultural Development Officer Community Services Branch

The arts community within Hornsby Shire has continued to flourish with support from Council's cultural programs. There were 19 exhibitions held in the Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre throughout last year, including *Spark*, *Cinder*, *Seed*, and *Introducing Ian McGilvray*. The annual Hornsby Art Prize received a record 528 entries, while Festival of the Arts featured 56 events and exhibitions.

"Council doesn't make culture, the community does, we just support it."



Joanna

# my community

- **Learn to Skateboard clinics:** Five clinics were held in partnership with Skateboarding Australia at Berowra, Galston and Thornleigh skate parks with 150 participants.
- **Healthy lifestyle information sessions:** Council partnered with specialist organisations to deliver seminars on topics including: cancer prevention, hearing, diabetes, healthy eating and first aid.
- **Supporting the frail and aged:** A new Community Transport bus was launched with the assistance of Council, servicing people from Berowra to Brooklyn.
- **Seniors Week** was celebrated with a Bush Tucker cooking class and a 'love food, hate waste' workshop.
- **Aboriginal Community Facilitator Program:** Funded by the NSW Government to support young Aboriginal families through service provision and events. Events include the 'Our Kids, Our Mob' project, Christmas in the Bush and National Close the Gap Day.
- **The Aboriginal HACC Development Officer funded by the NSW and Australian Governments** supports Aboriginal people with a disability, older Aboriginal people and their carers throughout Northern Sydney. The project assists mainstream services in engaging the Aboriginal Community and developing cultural awareness.
- **Carers Week art exhibition, launch and morning tea:** In partnership with Northern Sydney Area Health, celebrating the valuable work of carers in the community.
- **Hornsby Shire Council's library service** welcomed nearly 1 million visitors and has around 80,000 members.
- **Local Studies World War 1 project:** As part of the centenary commemorations, Hornsby Library extended the research on local war dead. The web pages now include photographs of soldiers, battlefields and cemeteries where the men are buried.
- **Annual Library Knit In** was hosted with over 500 people and 735 wraps knitted plus 1,000 squares donated to 'Wrap with Love'.
- **'Hare and the Tortoise' Christmas pantomime** was written and performed by library staff to over 380 children.
- **Cultural activities** in the library included an author talk program featuring Richard Glover, Peter Fitzsimons and Susan Duncan with over 1,200 attendees.
- **The Library** had strong involvement in the Healthy Living Festival, hosting workshops about backyard biodiversity, native bees, cryptic crosswords and work life balance.
- **Participation in Hornsby Council's Festival of the Arts:** The library branches hosted photography talks, art exhibitions and creative writing workshops.
- **New technology** was introduced in the library to improve efficiency and customer services when borrowing and returning items.
- **Web submit function** launched allowing customers to print from their laptops to the library network.
- **Sydney Writers Festival** events with authors Alex Miller and Janette Turner Hospital sold out.
- **The Summer Reading Program 'Investigate and Discover'** encouraged children to read during the school holidays with over 500 participants.
- **Digital library** usage increased with more ebook, eaudio and magazine titles.
- **Library JPs, Family History, Tax Help and Home Library volunteers** served over 15,000 community members.
- **Yarning Our Country:** A 3D walk through knitting exhibition with local contributors amazed visitors in May and June.
- **Galston Library** underwent essential roof restoration activities during May.

# my lifestyle

## Achievements

- **Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre** is nearing completion and expected to open by August 2014.
- **Active Living Hornsby Strategy** is underway and includes several community engagement activities. It will provide Council with a long term framework for recreation facilities, parks and open space areas.
- **A review of Tree Preservation Provisions in the Hornsby Development Control Plan** has been finalised and Council made no amendments.
- **Galston Aquatic Centre** was granted development consent for a new learn-to-swim pool.
- **Kangaroo Point, Brooklyn**: An upgrade of the waterside park at Kangaroo Point has been completed. It includes improved parking, restored stone walls, a timber deck, new picnic tables, improved landscaping and tree plantings.
- **Skate facility at Greenway Park, Cherrybrook** is being expanded after consultation with local skaters. The design suits all abilities as well as BMX and scooter use.
- **New sportsground floodlights** have been installed at Berowra Oval, Berowra and Campbell Park, West Pennant Hills to provide better facilities for night football activities. Additional sportsground lights have been installed at Hayes Oval.
- **Pennant Hills Park**: The car park has been paved, removing ruts and potholes. It has an all weather sealed surface, improved traffic flows and reduced congestion.
- **McKell Park, Brooklyn** had the interpretive signage replaced and a large picnic shelter installed.
- **Berowra Waters Road, Berowra** had street tree plantings incorporated into the new kerb and gutter work.
- **Headen Park, Thornleigh** has an extension to the amenities building to provide additional storage room for the sporting club.
- **Planning and design works** have been completed or greatly advanced for the expansion of sports facilities at West Epping Park, North Epping Park and Waitara Park.
- **Playground improvements**: New under surfacing was installed at Willow Park and Mildred Avenue Park in Hornsby and Waninga Park, Hornsby Heights.
- **Lyne Road Reserve, Cheltenham**: A new informal off-leash dog park has been provided.
- **Hornsby Footbridge**: the design concept has been completed with detailed design works advanced. It includes provision for a wider pedestrian bridge, retaining one way vehicle access into Florence Street and extension of the pedestrian mall.
- **Hornsby Park** has new landscape works creating a forecourt to the new Aquatic and Leisure Centre for construction in mid-2014.
- **Planning and design for future works**: Extensive planning and design have been carried out on the following projects, which should progress to construction in 2015: the expansion of sports facilities at West Epping Park, North Epping Park and Waitara Park.
- **Footpath improvements** in Cheltenham, Epping, Galston, Mt Colah, Thornleigh and Wahroonga.
- **Drainage improvements completed** on the Hornsby CBD trunk drainage system. This major project will substantially reduce surface flooding.
- **Local road improvements** in Arcadia, Beecroft, Berowra, Brooklyn, Carlingford, Dural, Epping, Glenorie and Mt Colah.
- **New playgrounds**: Several of Council's neighbourhood parks have been equipped with new playgrounds; these include Gumnut Reserve, Cherrybrook, Larool Reserve, Thornleigh and Tahlee Park, Castle Hill. The improvements include new play and fitness equipment, concrete paths, trees and picnic tables.

## Project Manager, Major Buildings Design and Construction Branch

The Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre will open in 2014. Features of the Centre include a heated, eight-lane 50-metre outdoor pool, outdoor seating for 500 spectators, a heated 25-metre indoor pool for learn-to-swim activities and a heated leisure pool. There will also be parking for more than 100 vehicles, a kiosk, gymnasium and multi-purpose rooms.

"In this exciting project, I have been responsible for administering the contract and conducting quality assurance inspections to guarantee that Hornsby Shire residents have the best facilities possible."



# my council

## Achievements

- **Local government reform:** As part of the reform process, Council has commissioned research from PricewaterhouseCoopers, Crosby Textor and KPMG. Council also responded to the final reports of the Independent Local Government Review Panel and the Local Government Acts Taskforce.
- **The Hornsby Shire Swimming Pool Barrier Inspection Program** was adopted in October 2013. It is designed to reduce the number of children drowning in backyard pools by assisting property owners to meet their obligation of maintaining a compliant barrier around their pool. Approximately 500 swimming pool barriers will be inspected each year.
- **Hornsby Local Environmental Plan and Hornsby Development Control Plan** came into effect in October 2013. The documents provide a new planning framework for development in the Shire.
- **Interactive online mapping application** was constructed and launched to simplify the process of identifying what planning controls apply to a property. The application can be accessed on a desktop computer, tablet or mobile phone.
- **Epping Town Centre Urban Activation Precinct:** Amendments to Council's LEP were made in March 2014 providing capacity for around 3,750 new homes in a precinct containing a mix of residential, retail and commercial buildings.
- **Local infrastructure plans** were made in September 2013. The plans make provision for the essential community infrastructure required to support the forecasted increase in population from 2012 to 2021.
- **Hornsby West Side Precinct Planning Proposal was adopted in June 2013:** The proposal aims to rejuvenate the West Side through redevelopment and public domain improvements to encourage people to live, shop and work in the West Side precinct.
- **Submissions were made to the NSW Government** regarding the impact of new planning legislation and proposed rail projects in Hornsby Shire.
- **Improving and upgrading existing local facilities** with over \$3.5 million spent, as well as providing additional footpaths across the Shire.
- **Heritage Review Stage 5 – Planning Proposal** was adopted by Council in November 2013. A total of 78 properties were reviewed, including built and landscape items for deletion, retention or inclusion on Council's heritage list.
- **Council branding was updated** at various facilities including Thornleigh Brickpit Indoor Stadium, Roselea Community Centre, Dangar Island wharf, Hornsby Library and childcare centres.
- **Social media** has proved to be an excellent communication tool, with Council's Facebook page reaching more than 7,000 'likes' and Council's newsletter delivered monthly to more than 6,000 subscribers.
- **STRIVE Awards** for innovative and collaborative projects that represent the organisation's values were announced in December 2013.



Phil

## Animal Control Officer Compliance and Certification Branch

With more than 40,000 companion animals in Hornsby Shire, Council aims to protect the rights and safety of pets, owners and the general public. As well as compliance actions, Council also promotes responsible pet ownership through educational campaigns including a recent YouTube 'Scoop Dogg' video that has received over 5,000 views to date.

"I have worked at Council for more than 25 years, my role is challenging but also very rewarding. Our focus in relation to dogs is on public safety, while also giving people the chance to enjoy our spaces with their animals."



# financial statement

## Where the money came from

	\$m
Rates and charges <sup>1</sup>	91.57
Fees and charges <sup>2</sup>	13.99
Interest <sup>3</sup>	1.44
Grants and contributions <sup>4</sup>	12.60
External loans <sup>5</sup>	3.00
Asset sales <sup>6</sup>	3.04
Restricted assets <sup>7</sup>	3.78
Other <sup>8</sup>	12.15
<b>Total<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>141.57</b>

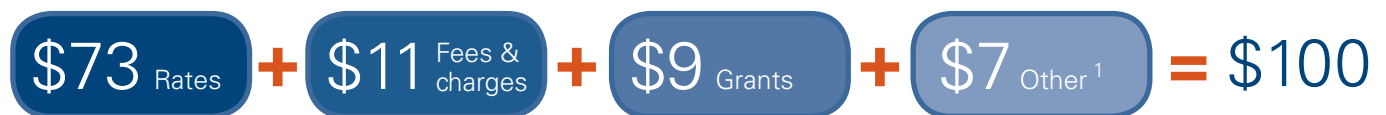
- 1 Rates and Charges includes all ordinary rates, the Catchments Remediation Rate, Hornsby Quarry loan rate and garbage charges.
- 2 Fees and Charges includes fees from Development Applications and revenue earned from aquatic centres, nurseries and preschools, commercial waste services, park and oval hire and property rentals.
- 3 Interest Investment income received from Council's investment portfolio, overdue rates and annual charges interest.
- 4 Grants and Contributions includes development contributions, the Federal Government's Financial Assistance Grant and numerous smaller amounts from governments for services including preschools, bushfire mitigation, children's services, various community services, libraries, roads, various environmental grants and pensioner rate subsidy.
- 5 External Loans are the amount of funds borrowed from a financial institution.
- 6 Asset Sales proceeds from the sale of property, plant or equipment.
- 7 Restricted assets funds set aside in prior years for specific expenditure purposes in future years.
- 8 Other, this includes many revenue sources such as fines, recycling income, private vehicle use fees and income from road closures. Depreciation Contra has been included in this category.
- 9 Estimates provided are based on the March Qtr Budget Review 2013/14.

## Where the money was spent

	\$m
Employee costs <sup>1</sup>	45.68
Capital expenditure <sup>2</sup>	38.69
Debt servicing expenditure <sup>3</sup>	5.15
Materials and contracts <sup>4</sup>	38.38
Other <sup>5</sup>	13.54
<b>Total<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>141.44</b>

- 1 Employee expense includes salaries and wages, leave entitlements, travel expenses, superannuation, workers compensation insurance, fringe benefits tax and training.
- 2 Capital expenditure includes infrastructure work on drainage, roads and the purchase of plant and equipment.
- 3 Debt servicing expenditure principal and interest repayments required from external loan borrowing.
- 4 Materials and contracts includes all costs, other than employee costs, associated with the maintenance of parks, roads, buildings, nurseries and preschools, aquatic centres, drainage and the cost of waste services. Also included are environmental protection and plant operating expenditure.
- 5 Other, these reflect Council's diverse operations and include such items as rentals, interest charges, consultants, contributions to Fire Brigade Services, street lighting, office equipment, legals, insurance, advertising, telephones and cash collection charges.
- 6 Estimates provided are based on the March Qtr Budget Review 2013/14.

## What's in our wallet?



## Yearly shopping list for Hornsby Shire Council

**\$25** Improvements to local facilities

**\$20** Waste management and property cleansing

**\$13** Library, Community Services and Culture

**\$12** Maintaining roads, footpaths and drains

**\$8** Parks and recreation

**\$7** Planning and Development

**\$6** Bushland, trees, waterways, environmental sustainability

**\$6** Governance

**\$3** Contribution to State emergency management agencies

Based on budget estimates per \$100 for the 2013/2014 financial year with funding adjustments

1 Other = inter alia - Parking fines, Rental income, Interest, Asset Sales

# my calendar

## AUGUST

### Annual Knit In

Join us for a fun morning of knitting and sewing, with wraps knitted on the day to be donated to the Wrap With Love organisation for people in need. Light refreshments will be provided.

*Friday 1 August, 9am-1pm. Hornsby Library. Free. For further information, call 9847 6804.*

### World War 1 Exhibition

This exhibition explores the outbreak of war on a fateful day in August 1914 that would change the path of history forever.

*Saturday 2 August to Thursday 21 August, library opening hours. Hornsby Library. Free.*

### Eco gardening basics workshop

Learn how to make your garden more environmentally friendly and productive. Topics covered include no-dig gardening, companion planting, crop rotation and more.

*Sunday 3 August, 10am-12.30pm. Fagan Park Eco Garden, Arcadia Road, Galston. Free to Hornsby Shire Residents. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### Age pension, your choices

Presented by Centrelink, this seminar helps people get ready for retirement. It covers: the maximum rate of the age pension, the effect of income and assets, the effect of different investment choices, concession cards and income tax offsets.

*Tuesday 5 August, 6.30pm. Epping Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Australia's unknown soldier returns home

Did you know that the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier was empty until 1993? Come and hear the fascinating story of how the local funeral directors T. J. Andrews helped to bring home Australia's 'unknown soldier'.

*Friday 8 August, 10.30am. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

All information contained in the events calendar is correct at time of printing.

For up to the minute event information, visit [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson)

### Kimbriki tour and eco garden talk

See how green waste is transformed into a usable garden product on this tour of the Kimbriki site, which also includes a short talk on eco gardening.

*Tuesday 12 August, 9am-2.45pm. Kimbriki Waste and Recycling Depot. Bus departs from Hornsby Park, Hornsby at 9.15am. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### Apprenticeship and traineeship expo

An opportunity for young people and parents/carers to talk to training organisations and employers about potential careers and pick up application preparation and interview tips.

*Wednesday 13 August, 4pm-7pm. Hornsby War Memorial Hall, High Street, Hornsby. Free. No bookings required for participants. For further information, call 9847 6889 or email [sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au)*

### Meet the author: Steve Sailah

Steve Sailah, foreign correspondent and executive producer of *The World Today*, brings us his latest book *A Fatal Tide*; a war story with plenty of mystery that is set in Gallipoli. Steve will be signing copies of his book.

*Thursday 14 August, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$5.00 with light refreshments. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### How to deal with grief (Mandarin)

A workshop run by a psychologist that covers the issue of migrating to a new country and coping strategies.

*Thursday 14 August, 1.30pm-3.30pm. Hornsby Library. Free. Call 9847 6994.\**

### Chipping for mulch day

Bring along your green waste for chipping and take home free mulch.

*Sunday 17 August, 8am-2.45pm. The Old Dog Pound, Warrigal Drive, Westleigh. Free. Strict conditions apply. For full details call 9847 4856.*



### Understanding retirement income streams seminar

This financial seminar focuses on account based pensions and annuities. The talk discusses income streams, fund choices, investment options, income tax, Social Security assessment and transition to retirement strategies.

*Tuesday 19 August, 6.30pm. Epping Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

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### Meet the author: Jono Lineen

Jono Lineen will be sharing the story of his move to the Himalayas, where he spent eight years among the world's highest mountains. Jono will be signing copies of his book.

*Tuesday 19 August, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$5.00 with light refreshments. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Cryptic crossword workshop

Anyone daunted by cryptic crosswords can learn some tips and tricks from Ralph Penglis over two workshops. These workshops are aimed at novices.

*Wednesday 20 August and Wednesday 27 August, 1.30pm-3.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$10.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Wake Up and Read!

Come and celebrate Book Week at the library with this funny performance incorporating music, drama, mime, puppetry, magic and circus skills all linked by short tales about growing up in Australia. Suitable for children aged 5-12.

*Thursday 21 August, 5.30pm. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library). Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are not refundable.\**

### Fate or destiny?

This exhibition by Nilmini De Silva and Steven Liaros poses the question of whether there is another way of designing cities that would encourage a different lifestyle. It features photographs, sketches and writing.

*Wednesday 27 August to Wednesday 10 September, library opening hours. Hornsby Library. Free. Please call 9847 6813 to check that the exhibition is open for viewing at the time you wish to attend.*

## SEPTEMBER

### Managing your money seminar

This educational seminar will be held during Money Smart Week, and aims to help audiences take control of their finances.

*Tuesday 2 September, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**



### Compost and worm farming workshop

Come to a fun composting and worm farming information session to get the dirt on how to create one for your home.

*Wednesday 3 September, 9.30am-12.30pm. Wallarobba Garden, 25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### Meet the author: Caroline Overington

Best selling author and journalist Caroline Overington will talk about her recently published novel *Can You Keep a Secret*, which explores issues of love and secrecy. Caroline will be signing copies of her book.

*Thursday 4 September, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$5.00 with light refreshments. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Child restraint safety checking day

Parents or carers can have their child restraints, harnesses and booster seats checked for safety and correct fit by an authorised restraint fitter.

*Thursday 4 September. By appointment only. Thornleigh Brickpit Sports Stadium. Free. For bookings call 9847 6856.\**



### Friday feature: Parkinson's disease talk

Toastmaster extraordinaire Judy Recher returns to Hornsby Library to speak about her life with Parkinson's disease.

*Friday 5 September, 10.30am. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Launch of Steve Liaros' book

Steve Liaros' book *Rethinking the City* turns conventional thinking on its head and plots a path to an environmentally and socially sustainable future.

*Saturday 6 September, 2pm. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Parents and carers of learner drivers workshop

A workshop that offers practical advice and information to parents, carers and supervisors on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

*Tuesday 9 September, 6.30pm-8.30pm. Council Chambers. Free. Spaces are limited, for bookings call 9847 6856.\**

\* Bookings essential

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## Meet the author: Michael Robotham

Novelist Michael Robotham, who is also a former journalist and ghost writer, will be talking about his latest book *Life or Death*. The book explores the actions of a man who escapes from prison one day before he is due to be released. Michael will also sign copies of his book.

*Thursday 18 September, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$5.00 with light refreshments. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

## Free native plant giveaway

Come and pick up free native plants for your garden. Available for ratepayers from Arcadia, Berrilee, Canoelands, Dural, Fiddletown, Forest Glen, Galston, Glenorie, Loughtondale, Lower Hawkesbury, Maroota, Middle Dural, Singletons Mill and Wisemans Ferry.

*Saturday 20 September, 1pm-3pm. Galston Recreation Reserve, Galston Road, Galston. Bring along your current rates notice. See [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/nursery](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/nursery) for conditions.*



## Chipping for mulch day

Bring along your green waste for chipping and take home free mulch.

*Sunday 21 September, 8am-2.45pm. Council Depot, Johnson Road, Galston. Free. Strict conditions apply. For full details call 9847 4856.*

## Safer senior drivers presentation

An educational presentation that provides up-to-date information on road rules and driver awareness issues for older drivers.

*Thursday 25 September, 10am-12pm. Council Chambers. Free. Spaces are limited, bookings 9847 6856.\**

## Backyard chickens

Turn your food scraps into fresh free-range eggs. Learn how to look after chickens in your backyard and get to know more about these great pets.

*Saturday 27 September, 10am-12.30pm. Fagan Park Eco Garden, Arcadia Road, Galston. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

All information contained in the events calendar is correct at time of printing.

For up to the minute event information, visit [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson)

## OCTOBER

### Eliza Kinchington: Artworks by the recipient of the 2013 Hornsby Emerging Artist Award

Join Cherrybrook based artist Eliza Kinchington for her first solo exhibition, which will display her artworks in a range of mediums including photography and fine arts.

*Tuesday 7 October to Sunday 19 October, 10am-4pm daily. Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre, 25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby. Free. For further information: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/culture](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/culture)*

### Kimbriki tour and eco garden talk

See how green waste is transformed into a usable garden product on this tour of the Kimbriki site, which also includes a short talk on eco gardening.

*Wednesday 8 October, 9am-2.45pm. Kimbriki Waste and Recycling Depot. Bus departs Hornsby Park, Hornsby at 9.15am. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### The delicate balance – work and life

A seminar facilitated by Sarah Wayland, who is a counsellor, speaker and writer, exploring the elusive work/life balance. It will feature tips on juggling the chaos and some ideas on how to reconnect with yourself.

*Wednesday 8 October, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Non toxic cleaning workshop

Using fewer chemicals around your home is better for your health and the environment. Get easy and inexpensive tips on how to use non-toxic alternatives in your home.

*Saturday 11 October, 10am-1pm. Council's Community Nursery, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### Compost and worm farming workshop

Come to a fun composting and worm farming information session to get the dirt on how to create one for your home.

*Sunday 12 October, 10am-12.30pm. Fagan Park Eco Garden, Arcadia Road, Galston. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**



For full details of all events visit

[hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson)

### Chinese calligraphy and painting exhibition

An opportunity to enjoy Chinese artworks on display in the library.

*Wednesday 15 October to Tuesday 28 October, during library opening hours. Hornsby Library. Free. No bookings required. Please call 9847 6813 to check that the exhibition is open for viewing at the time you wish to attend.*

### Diggers songs with Warren Fahey and Marcus Holden

Diggers Songs commemorates Australia's role in WWI through stories, songs, ditties, letters and humour. Presenter Warren Fahey has written 30 books, and will be accompanied by Marcus Holden on the fiddle and mandolin.

*Thursday 16 October, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$10.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### James Park opening event

Check out Hornsby Shire Council's latest public artworks, Gunii Gunii and the Yarra, in the recently renovated James Park. Enjoy a morning of Aboriginal art and culture.

*Sunday 19 October, 10am-12pm. James Park, corner of Lowe and Palmerston Roads, Hornsby. Free. For further information, visit: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson)*

### Chipping for mulch day

Bring along your green waste for chipping and take home free mulch.

*Sunday 19 October, 8am-2.45pm. Council Depot, Beaumont Road, Mt Kuring-gai. Free. Strict conditions apply. For full details call 9847 4856.*

### Safe fishing workshop

A fun, hands-on opportunity to learn how to fish and keep safe.

*Sunday 19 October, 10am-3pm. Brooklyn Meeting Room, 2-4 Danger Road, Brooklyn. Free. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson). For further information, call Jian on 9847 6994.\**

### Writing a grant application for your community group

The renowned Keith Whelan will be facilitating this talk on writing a grant application for your community group, which is the first in a series of four talks.

*Tuesday 21 October, 5.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$12.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### A journey around the best of contemporary Australian poetry

Join us for an evening of poetry with local poet Martin Langford presenting the best of contemporary Australian poetry. Martin is a renowned editor, reviewer, essayist, mentor, festival director and educator.

*Wednesday 22 October, 6.30pm-8pm. Hornsby Library. \$7.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Meet the authors: Liane Moriarty, Dianne Blacklock and Ber Carroll

These three wonderful authors will entertain the crowd with their stories, with Liane Moriarty's *Big Little Lies*, Dianne Blacklock's *The Best Man* and Ber Carroll's *Worlds Apart*.

*Thursday 23 October, 6.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$5.00 with light refreshments. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Propagation workshop

Come and learn the easy skills of propagation at this workshop, which will help you save money by growing your own vegetable seedlings. Basic skills on how to grow from cuttings will also be covered.

*Sunday 26 October, 10am-12.30pm. Fagan Park Eco Garden, Arcadia Road, Galston. Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\**

### Fundraising and sponsorship for your community group

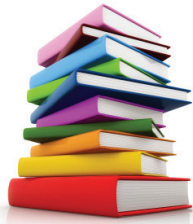
Keith Whelan's second talk will provide audiences with more information on fundraising and sponsorship for community groups.

*Tuesday 28 October, 6.30pm-8.30pm. Hornsby Library. \$8.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library) or at any Hornsby Library branch.\**

### Rags to runway catwalk show

Local designers and students are invited to showcase their innovative fashion designs made from re-used materials on the catwalk.

*Thursday 30 October, 6pm. Hornsby Mall. Free. No booking required for audience members. To participate as a model or designer in the runway show, please call 9847 6741 or email [sdavis@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sdavis@hornsby.nsw.gov.au)*



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## ONGOING REGULAR EVENTS

### Grandparents and Carers Support Group

A group dedicated to supporting grandparents, kinship and foster carers who are caring for children in Hornsby Shire.

*Third Thursday of each month: 21 August, 18 September, 16 October, 10am-12pm. Hornsby Heights Community Centre. Free. For further information, call 9847 6889 or email [sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au)*

### Hornsby Go4Fun

The Go4Fun program helps kids aged between 7 and 13 years old get active, healthy and motivated. It involves parents and children, with a focus on developing healthy eating habits, building self confidence and getting kids more active. Conditions for entry into the program are available on the website: [go4fun.com.au](http://go4fun.com.au)

*Mondays, 4.30pm-6.30pm starting on 14 July for 10 weeks. Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai PCYC Performing Arts Centre. Free. For bookings or further information, call 1800 780 900.*

## GO DIGITAL WITH HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL

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### 2014 Hornsby Shire Festival of the Arts

This festival is an annual celebration of the local visual, performing and literary arts in Hornsby Shire. Community organisations from across the Shire host a variety of exciting events from art exhibitions and musical performances, theatre productions and workshops.

*Friday 17 October to Sunday 30 November.*

*Various locations and prices, for full details visit: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/fota](http://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/fota)*

### Hornsby Shire Festival of the Arts Opening Market

The annual Hornsby Shire Festival of the Arts opens with a market this year. Join local artists and artisans, buskers and food stall holders for a celebration of local arts and culture.

*Friday 17 October, 8am-8pm. Hornsby Mall. Free. No booking required.*

## IMAG\_NE HORNSBY

imag\_ne by Australian artist Emma Anna is an international travelling public artwork on show in Hornsby Mall for the 2014 Hornsby Shire Festival of the Arts. The installation comprises a rack of large scale letters creating the word imagine, however, the second 'i' in the word is missing, encouraging the viewer to fill in the blanks.

*Friday 17 October to Sunday 30 November. Hornsby Mall. Free. No booking required.*

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# SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS GUIDE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT  
HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL'S SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

## Holiday Storytime

Tuesday 23 September, 6.30pm-7.30pm. Pennant Hills Library.  
For further information call 9847 6100.

Thursday 25 September, 10am-11am. Hornsby Library.  
For further information, call 9847 6814.

Friday 26 September, 10.30am-11.30am. Epping Library.  
For further information, call 9847 6120.

Friday 26 September, 10.30am-11.30am. Berowra Library.  
For further information, call 9847 6140.

Join us for stories, songs, craft and refreshments.

\$2.00 entry for children 18 months and over. Payment at the door.  
Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are not refundable. Bookings online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)\*

## Kids Eco Garden activities

Wednesday 24 September, 11am and 1pm.

Wednesday 30 September, 11am and 1pm.

Fagan Park Eco Garden, Galston.

Join us in the Eco Garden for an hour of outdoor activities including a story, garden-oriented treasure hunt and some do-it-yourself fun. Each hour has a theme and is aimed at primary school aged children.

Free. Spaces are limited, book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/whatson) or call 9847 4856.\*

## Young scientist workshop with CSIRO

Monday 29 September, 10.30am-12pm. Hornsby Library.

Monday 29 September, 2.30pm-4pm. Pennant Hills Library.

Tuesday 30 October, 10.30am-12pm. Berowra Library.

Tuesday 30 October, 2.30pm-4pm. Epping Library.

This educational, fun learning workshop is hands on and will be presented by a real scientist. Children will get to make super polymer bouncy balls, watch a liquid nitrogen show and make ice cream using liquid nitrogen.

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are not refundable. Suitable for ages 6-13. Cost \$12.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)\*

## Rags to Runway Design Workshop

Wednesday 1 October, 4.30pm-6pm. Ages 9-14.

Wednesday 15 October, 5.30pm-7pm. All ages.

Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre,  
25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby.

Learn concepts of fashion design while re-using materials. Prepare pieces for the Rags to Runway Catwalk Show.

Cost \$5.00 Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ragstorunway](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ragstorunway). For further information, call 9847 6741 or email [sdavis@hornsby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sdavis@hornsby.nsw.gov.au)\*

## Magic show with Rosanna the Magician

Wednesday 1 October, 1.30pm-2.30pm. Hornsby Library.

Friday 3 October, 10.30am-11.30am. Pennant Hills Library.

Come and experience a delightful show perfect for all ages, featuring highly interactive magic that will have the audience screaming for more. Cost \$10.00. Book online: [hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library)\*

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are not refundable.

## Eco Garden Storytime

Thursday 2 October, 10.30am-11.30am. Hornsby Library.

Come and join us for a Storytime event with a difference. There will be lots of catchy songs and craft.

Free. No bookings required.

Don't forget to check out our many parks,  
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