

OUR SHIRE

Sutherland Shire Council acknowledges the Dharawal people as the Traditional Custodians of the land within Sutherland Shire. We value and celebrate Dharawal culture and language, and acknowledge Dharawal people's continuing connection to the land, the sea and community. We pay respect to the Elders and their families, past, present and emerging, and through them, to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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Please stay up-to-date via sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/public-health and health.nsw.gov.au

YOUR COUNCIL

ARE WE ON THE RIGHT TRACK?

Have your say on our Draft Delivery Program for 2022-2026 including the Draft Annual Operational Plan, Resourcing Strategies, Budget and Capital Works Program for 2022/23. These Draft Plans spell out Council's priorities, actions and commitments to you and are informed by the things you've told us you value and need to maintain your quality of life in Sutherland Shire. Visit Join the Conversation to view the plan and give feedback **from 2 to 30 May 2022**:

Visit jointheconversation.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/dpop2022

[See more consultations on page 2](#)

HAVE
YOUR
SAY

BEACH OPERATIONS: SUMMER SEASON WRAP AND WINTER OPERATING HOURS

The 2021/22 beach season officially concluded on Sunday 24 April. We'd like to thank beachgoers for working with us and adhering to evolving Public Health Orders to help keep our community safe.

Sutherland Shire Council Lifeguards patrol Cronulla beach during winter months from 7am to 4pm daily and Council will introduce winter patrols at North Cronulla beach as required.

The Ocean Safety and Lifeguard team also provides an observation service and roving support and response provision including a Coastal Safety CCTV observation network along the Bate Bay beaches.

Learn more at sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/beachlifeguards



INSPECTOR INSIGHTS: LIGHT VEHICLE LOADS

Did you know Council's Public Safety Inspectors carry out light vehicle load inspections? These inspections are undertaken to keep our streets safe and in tip top shape.

The National Transport Commission contains a handy guide with tips and diagrams displaying how to restrain your vehicle load effectively: 'Load Restraint Guide for Light Vehicles'.

Visit ntc.gov.au/codes-and-guidelines/load-restraint-guide



CONSULTATIONS

For all consultations and surveys, see Join the Conversation: sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/jtc



See also [Delivery Program/Operational Plan consultation on page 1](#)

YOUTH SURVEY - WIN AN APPLE WATCH!

Council is calling for young people aged 12-25 years old to share their experience of living, studying, working and hanging out in the Sutherland Shire.

Entrants can go in the draw to win an Apple Watch.

Feedback will help shape planning for local youth programs and services in the year ahead.

Take the 3 minute survey before it closes on **30 May**.



DRAFT CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE AND PUBLIC FORUM POLICY

Council has drafted a revised Code of Meeting Practice and Public Forum Policy to ensure greater access and transparency for the community in Council meetings.

The purpose of the Draft Public Forum Policy is to provide members of the community with the relevant process and procedures for addressing Council on items to be considered at Ordinary Council meetings, as outlined in Council's Draft Code of Meeting Practice.



Have your say on the Draft Code of Meeting Practice and Public Forum Policy until **Monday 16 May**.

PLANNING FOR GUNNAMATTA PAVILION, CRONULLA

Council is looking at ways to improve how Gunnamatta Pavilion is used now and for the future, while maintaining the heritage features of the cherished building.

The wider area of Gunnamatta Park, which includes the amphitheatre and swimming baths, is also being considered for improvements.

We are seeking your feedback as we plan the draft designs. You can provide feedback until **Wednesday 18 May**.



DRAFT PROPERTY STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2022-2032

We have drafted our Property Strategy and Implementation Plan 2022-2032, which applies to all Council property assets (land and buildings) that are either Council owned or managed (including Crown land).

Implementation of the Strategy will enable us to optimise the value and benefits of our property assets to assist with carrying out the service delivery objectives identified in our Community



Strategic Plan. Have your say on the Property Strategy **from Monday 2 May until Monday 30 May**.

CHILDREN AND COMMUNITIES

FREE WEBINAR! A PARENT'S GUIDE TO CHILDCARE IN SUTHERLAND SHIRE

Back by popular demand, our free webinar for parents thinking about childcare.

Hear from our early childhood experts and find out all you need to know about childcare, including:

- your childcare options
- local demand and when to apply
- how to find a quality service – what to look for and questions to ask
- preparing for childcare.

When: 6.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 1 June



Book your place and we'll send you a zoom link to join the meeting: bit.ly/ParentsGuideToChildcare

CENTENARIANS' MORNING TEA

There were smiles aplenty at our Seniors Festival Morning Tea on Tuesday 5 April, where Sutherland Shire centenarians were celebrated as the Mayor, Cr Carmelo Pesce's guests of honour at the beautiful Hazelhurst Arts Centre.

Fourteen incredible centenarians were able to attend and commemorate lifetimes of achievements. Special mention to Ken, turning 104 in May, who cut the birthday cake on behalf of our venerable centenarians!



NO FOOLS AT THE APRIL 1 INTERGENERATIONAL FASHION PARADE

While it may have been the end of Seniors Festival and the start of Youth Week, it felt like Paris Fashion Week at our Intergenerational Fashion Parade event at Southgate Sylvania.

Students from Sylvania High School teamed up with some fashion-forward locals from our Seniors Reference Group, Hazelhurst and Libraries to showcase a selection of fashionable winter looks. A crowd of more than fifty watched on and were treated to an hour of fashion, fun, prizes and connection as our young and older models paraded the catwalk together.

Congratulations to all who won lucky door prizes and thanks to our models for getting involved. A special thanks to our enthusiastic audience who helped us to celebrate Seniors Week and Youth Week in style.

NAMING PROPOSAL: NORM DIXON RESERVE, WORONORA

Council is proposing to name a parcel of land in The Crescent, Woronora "Norm Dixon Reserve" in honour of the late Norm Dixon. Norm was a long-time advocate for improved community and environmental conditions in Woronora.

Have your say on the naming proposal until **Friday 27 May**.



COMMUNITY VENUES STRATEGY

To ensure we have the community spaces that respond to local needs and interests, Council is preparing a Community Venues Strategy. The strategy will guide how we plan for, manage and deliver community halls and venues for the next 10 years. We are seeking community feedback to inform the draft strategy.

You can have your say online until **Friday 27 May**.



LIBRARIES

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/libraries
Book online for all events

SATURDAY 14 AND SUNDAY 15 MAY | LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Bag a bargain from a wide range of fiction and non-fiction books, DVDs and other items for both kids and adults at our Annual Book Sale at Sutherland Library.



WHAT'S ON

TUESDAY 3 MAY | BOB KEARNEY PRESENTS *FISHING IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS: WAS IT REALLY BETTER?*

Bob looks back on his years as both a fisherman and world authority on marine ecosystem management, and considers the question: "Was fishing for fun really better in the 1960s?"

MAY HSC LECTURES

Want to ace your HSC exams? Join our experts as they share their tips and insights on how to maximise your marks. Our May HSC Lecture Series includes: English (Texts and Human Experience), Advanced English (*The Tempest* and *Hag-Seed*), Business Studies, and Modern History.

SATURDAY 7 MAY | MOTHER'S DAY STORYTIME

Celebrate Mother's Day with a very special Storytime! Bring along your little ones for a fun session of stories, songs and a craft activity for kids to make for mum. Dads and carers are very welcome too.

SATURDAY 7 MAY | PLANT SWAP

Come along to our first plant swap at Menai Library! Bring up to 10 healthy cuttings or plants from your garden to swap. Don't forget to bring a box to carry your new plants home.



SUBSCRIBE TO THE LIBRARY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive the latest news and events from Libraries at bit.ly/yourlibraryevents

THURSDAY 12 MAY | TAMING TECHNOLOGY | PODCASTS

Have you wondered what all the hype is about podcasts? And what are they anyway? At this session you'll learn where to find podcasts, how to listen to them, and what to know before creating your own.

THURSDAY 12 MAY | TROY BRAMSTON PRESENTS: *BOB HAWKE: DEMONS AND DESTINY*

Award-winning writer Troy Bramston tells the remarkable story of Bob Hawke. This definitive biography will shock and surprise those who think they know the story of this former Australian Prime Minister.

SATURDAY 14 MAY | FERMENTING FOR GOOD HEALTH

At this workshop you'll learn how to safely ferment fruit and vegetables to improve your gut health. This session will include a hands-on demonstration where you'll make your own jar of seasonal kraut to take home and enjoy.

MONDAY 16 MAY | LAUREN CHATER PRESENTS *THE WINTER DRESS*

Join Lauren as she discusses her latest historical novel, a captivating book based on a real-life shipwreck and the story of two women separated by centuries but connected by one beautiful dress.



TUESDAY 17 MAY | NAVIGATING THE SYSTEM | A LAW WEEK PRESENTATION

Dealing with government services like Centrelink can be confusing. A local Legal Aid lawyer will help demystify the process to appeal decisions, support your concerns and navigate the system.

SATURDAY 28 MAY | SPINNERS AND WEAVERS INSTALLATION

Drop in to this day-long demonstration as members of Sutherland Shire Spinners and Weavers prepare and create knits, weaves and other beautiful woollen pieces.

ANIMAL SHELTER

sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/animalshelter

IT'S A CAT-ASTROPHE!

If you're seeking a furry friend to share your life with, Council's Animal Shelter has an abundance of what you are looking for.

The Shelter is currently inundated with adorable cuddly cats and kittens who are all waiting for a family to love them. Cats make beautiful companions and can help keep you warm during the winter months.

Adopting a pet into your family is an incredibly rewarding experience, and with the Animal Shelter at full capacity and at 'cat-astrophe' status, it has never been a better time to adopt a pet. To make an appointment to see the animals call 02 9710 0401.



Visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/animalshelter to find out more about the Animal Shelter and all the animals available for adoption as well as other information on the requirements and tips for supporting your pets.

Follow us on Facebook - [@SutherlandShireAnimalShelter](https://www.facebook.com/SutherlandShireAnimalShelter)

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hazelhurst.com.au

To book your place in our events and programs visit bit.ly/whatsonathazelhurst or call 02 8536 5700.



ZOOMERS | OUTSTANDING HSC ARTWORKS

UNTIL MONDAY 13 JUNE

Curated by Hazelhurst, this exceptional collection of HSC 2021 artworks from students across NSW is the visual voice of Generation Z. Nominated for inclusion by their teachers, *ZOOMERS* features over 50 works and showcases best practice in Visual Art Education and includes ceramics, drawing, graphic design, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and digital art forms and more. This exhibition was co-created in association with the Visual Arts and Design Educators Association of NSW (VADEA).

Image credit: Yuchen Zhu, Epping Boys High School, *Confined* (detail), Graphic Design, 2021

IN THE BROADHURST GALLERY

PORT HACKING POTTERS GROUP: 60 YEARS IN CLAY

Until Tuesday 10 May

This exhibition features ceramic works by members of the Port Hacking Potters Group (PHPG) who are celebrating their 60th year in 2022. Formed by a group of 10 female potters in 1962, PHPG has been providing opportunities for ceramic artists and potters to expend their practices and exhibit their work with members exhibitions, a biennial national art prize, workshops and lectures.

BEC LITVAN: THE BIG DANCE

Friday 13 May – Tuesday 24 May

Bec Litvan combines the chaos of cancer with the ostentatious and bedazzling history of the Soviet Union. Informed by the Soviet Kitsch movement these mixed-media, experimental artworks use algorithmic software to present her mother's breast cancer as a bodily glitch.



Image credit L to R: Janet Selby, *Bush Buddha* (detail), 2021; Bec, Litvan, *Mother of pearl*, 2021; Jennifer Gowen, *In the shallows*, 2019.

CONTINUUM ART SOCIETY: SHOWCASE 2022

Friday 27 May – Tuesday 7 June

The Continuum Art Society fosters professional development and provides a platform for artists to exhibit their work. Celebrating their 40th anniversary, this biennial showcase will feature painting, watercolour, pastel and drawing works.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE HAZELHURST EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive the latest news from Hazelhurst at bit.ly/HazelhurstNews

WHAT'S ON**HAZELHURST AT NIGHT****Friday 13 May, 6-9pm**

Our ever popular At Night event returns to celebrate our current exhibition *ZOOMERS: Outstanding HSC Artworks*. This family friendly event includes live music from local musicians Jordan Kennedy and Ellen Soffe, Young Makers Markets, free artmaking activities, a free photobooth, and twilight fare in the Hazelhurst café.

LITTLE ART MAKERS**Wednesday 4, 11, 18, 25 May - 9.30-10.30am**

Join us for Little Art Makers, our new Wednesday morning program for children ages 3 to 5. This playful workshop engages and excites all senses as children explore, make and share through an immersive gallery experience. \$10 per child, bookings essential.

HSC WRITING WORKSHOPS

Hone your writing skills and learn tips to maximise your marks in the Visual Art written examination. Each session explores a different theme so you can attend just one, or all three. Suitable for students in grades 10 to 12. Free, bookings essential.

- **BUILD YOUR BODY OF WORK WITH DIFFERENT ARTMAKING MATERIALS AND METHODS**
Thursday 5 May, 4-6 pm
- **BUILD YOUR RESEARCH SKILLS FOR WRITING ARTIST PRACTICE CASE STUDIES**
Thursday 12 May, 4-6 pm
- **BUILD YOUR CRITICAL SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE WRITING ABOUT UNSEEN IMAGES**
Thursday 19 May, 4-6 pm

HSC ARTMAKING WORKSHOP | EXPLORING MATERIALS AND METHODS**Saturday 7 May, 10am-3pm**

Join award-winning artist Louisa Chircop to uncover materials and techniques that connect with your artmaking ideas. Experience a variety of drawing and painting media and consider material choices for your artmaking ideas. Suitable for students in grades 10 to 12. \$85 per student, bring your visual diary.



Image credit far right: Louis Priou, *Satyr's family* (detail), circa 1876. From the AGNSW Collection.

FREE AUSLAN TOUR**Saturday 7 May, 11am**

Join Auslan guide Sue Jo Wright for a free guided tour of the *ZOOMERS* exhibition. Auslan tours are for deaf, hard of hearing people and Auslan students only. Bookings essential. Book online or email hazelhurst@ssc.nsw.gov.au.

FREE GUIDED TOURS

Take a COVID safe tour of *ZOOMERS: Outstanding HSC Artworks* with one of our friendly guides. Maximum of six per group, with simultaneous bookings possible for larger parties. Bookings essential. Book online or call 02 8536 5700.

FRIENDS OF HAZELHURST**ARTZTALK | ART PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES****Saturday 21 May, 2.30pm**

Join Stephen Miller, Head of the National Art Archive at the Art Gallery of New South Wales (AGNSW) and hear highlights of some of the interesting and extraordinary art events from the first 150 years of the AGNSW. Bookings essential. Friends of Hazelhurst (FOH) Members \$10, Non-members \$15. To book, call us on 02 8536 5700.

ECO NEWS AND WASTE WISE LIVING

DO YOUR PART AND FIRES WON'T START

You may have seen the new signage on our garbage trucks, encouraging residents to **'Do your part and fires won't start'**.

This message is an important one. It's about keeping our community and our workers safe, as well as protecting our environment.

Not all household waste can be disposed of in kerbside bins and pre-booked Council clean ups. Spray cans, any type of batteries, gas bottles, fuel cans, flares, hot ashes and chemicals and household products that are toxic or flammable are considered hazardous, and can cause fires in our garbage trucks.



Store these items away in a safe place until you can attend one of Council's free chemical waste collection events. (There are four hazardous waste collections each year: two for eWaste and two for chemical waste.) For more information on these collection services and upcoming dates, visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/waste

ONLINE WASTE WISE WORKSHOPS

FREE online workshops for Sutherland Shire residents only. Bookings are essential. Visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/waste for more information.

This project is a NSW Environment Protection Authority, Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, funded from the waste levy.

REUSABLE CLOTH NAPPY ONLINE WORKSHOP

Saturday 14 May - 9-10am

Learn about reusable nappies and how to reduce your plastic/nappy waste - visit bit.ly/nappy14may

CHOOK KEEPING ONLINE WORKSHOP

Saturday 21 May - 9-10am

Learn how chickens can help in composting, reducing waste and controlling pests in your garden - visit bit.ly/chook21may



YOU CAN CONTACT COUNCIL ONLINE 24/7

It's quick, easy and there are no queues!

- Arrange/change or cancel a Council Clean Up.
- Make payments for rates, tax invoices, applications, animal registrations and more.
- Tell us if your bin wasn't collected.
- Report an issue or something that requires maintenance.

You can do all this and more in just a few minutes, anywhere, any time! Visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au

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