

WESTERN SYDNEY

CITY DEAL SECURES REGION'S FUTURE

Penrith has secured significant investment in the region after a landmark agreement was reached between the Federal, State and eight Local Councils under the Western Sydney City Deal.

The Western Sydney City Deal is all about planning first and building second to deliver a bold new approach for how our region is designed and delivered in the coming years. The deal unifies Federal, State and Local governments to focus on the most important projects to residents of the Western City.

The City Deal offers many benefits to Penrith residents and confirms commitments from the three levels of government to deliver:

CONNECTIVITY

North South Rail -Stage One, will connect our region to become a 30-minute city providing residents with better access to jobs, housing and educational opportunities.

JOBS FOR THE FUTURE

200,000 new jobs will be part of a new Aerotropolis precinct set to deliver more jobs closer to home for residents.

SKILLS AND EDUCATION

Education is key for skilling locals for the jobs of the future, the deal focuses on the need for educational opportunities at all levels – high school, tafe and university so that locals have the greatest opportunities for jobs in the years to come.

PLANNING AND HOUSING

Planning reform to improve housing supply and affordability.

LIVEABILITY AND ENVIRONMENT

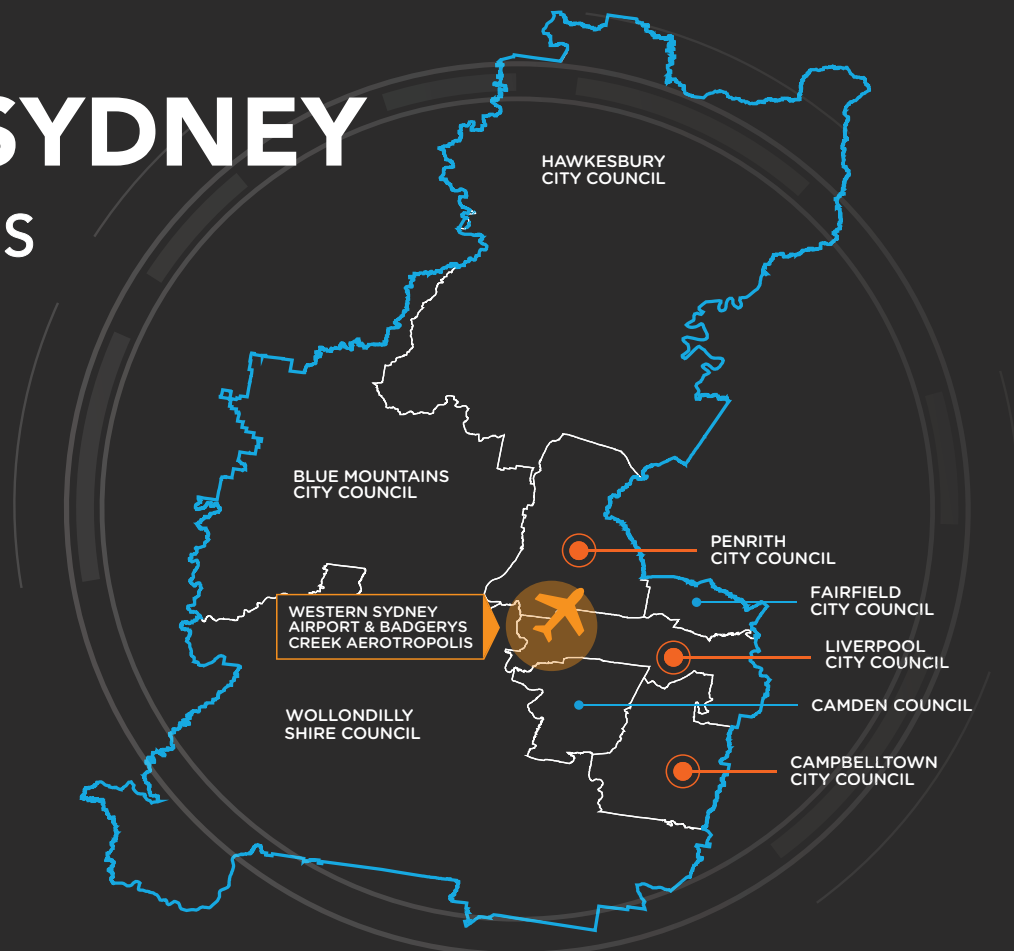
A \$150 million liveability fund to be shared equally across eight Councils that will be used to deliver local projects to enhance our natural assets so that Penrith continues to be a great place to live and enjoy.

GOVERNANCE

An enduring governance model underpins the deal to ensure delivery across the next 20 years. This model includes all three levels of government working together across joint projects.

Included in the City Deal is a commitment to deliver Stage One of the North South Rail Link from St Marys to the new Aerotropolis via Western Sydney Airport. Rail changes everything and will connect our city to regions like never before, it will stimulate growth and local employment hubs, invigorating housing development, slashing commuting times and creating thriving, connected communities.

The City Deal provides a framework to transform our region into a liveable, productive, and innovative region. Penrith Council has and will continue to work hard on delivering; new local jobs, better connectivity to job centres, and greater housing and lifestyle options to residents. The City Deal offers exceptional opportunities for Penrith, it is the start of something big for our region.



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SOUTH WARD



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Mark Davies
0416 085 597



By-election
12 May 2018



Karen McKeown
0401 995 945



Kath Presdee
0417 396 841

EAST WARD



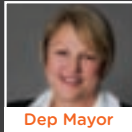
Bernard Bratusa
0420 581 225



Todd Carney
0417 762 219



Greg Davies
0419 177 259



Dep Mayor
Tricia Hitchen
0417 365 313



By-election
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NORTH WARD



Marcus Cornish
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Kevin Cramer OAM
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Aaron Duke
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Ross Fowler OAM
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Mayor
John Thain
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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2018. The first quarter of this year has already delivered great news for our City as it heralds a new era of governments working together.

I refer to the Western City Deal that I and seven fellow Western Sydney Mayors signed with the Federal and State Governments, explained in detail on the cover of this newsletter. Importantly, it gives us a 'seat at the table' to deliver smart and responsible growth for Western Sydney.

Council's advocacy for the community was recognised with the announcement of a commitment to deliver Stage One of the North South rail line that will connect the Western Sydney Airport to St Marys from day one of airport operation. The State and Federal Governments have committed to jointly funding Stage One of the link. The exact rail corridor has not yet been announced, but we expect the State Government to announce a proposed route in the coming weeks. When released, there will be a rigorous community engagement process where residents and Council can provide input on the proposed routes.

Penrith really is the home of world-class events with another exciting line-up of events being held in our city over coming months. Major events provide a significant boost for our local economy and continue to highlight Penrith as an



attractive place to invest in and visit.

Our run of world-class events in 2017, including the Matildas vs Brazil match, Defqon.1 music festival, Tennis International and NSW Golf Open boosted the local economy by nearly \$10 million. This benefitted local businesses including motels, restaurants and tourist attractions.

I would like to acknowledge all our local volunteers who give their time freely to help others. Council's Australia Day Awards recognised numerous individuals and for the first time we celebrated community groups who work together for the benefit of their local neighbourhoods and charitable causes. Our community appreciates the work of volunteers and it's important to recognise their contributions.



Cr John Thain
Penrith City Mayor

SOUTH AND EAST WARD BY-ELECTION



A dual by-election will be held to elect one Councillor each for the South and East wards of Penrith Local Government Area on Saturday 12 May.

The by-election is required under the Local Government Act 1993 following the resignation of two Penrith Councillors in February. South Ward Councillor Joshua Hoole and East Ward Councillor Ben Price recently resigned from Penrith Council citing personal circumstances.

The polls will be open from 8am to 6pm on Saturday 12 May and voting is compulsory for all South and East ward residents on the electoral role.

North Ward residents do not need to vote.

Local elections do not allow absentee voting. If you will be outside your ward on election day, you can request a postal vote or make a pre-poll vote up to two weeks before the election.

SOUTH WARD SUBURBS

Glenmore Park, the majority of Orchard Hills, Mulgoa, South Penrith, Jamisontown, Leonay, Regentville, Luddenham, Badgerys Creek, Wallacia and parts of Emu Plains, Penrith City, Kemps Creek and Kingswood.

EAST WARD SUBURBS

The majority of Kingswood, Caddens, Claremont Meadows, St Marys, Colyton, St Clair, Erskine Park, Oxley Park, Kemps Creek, Mount Vernon and parts of Orchard Hills.

Residents can check their ward and enrolment details at roll.elections.nsw.gov.au/NSWLookUp/

Information about becoming a candidate, working at the election, pre-poll, postal voting and polling places will be made available on Council's website at penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/Council-Election.

WESTERN SYDNEY AIRPORT UPDATE



The first edition of the Western Sydney Airport Community Newsletter for 2018 is now available.

The newsletter covers the latest news from the Federal Government on the airport site, WSA Co and the Forum on Western Sydney Airport – visit westernsydneyairport.gov.au for more information.

Council is committed to maximising the benefits and minimising the impacts of the airport for Penrith, find out more at penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/airport.

YOUTH WEEK 2018



NSW Youth Week 2018 is the largest celebration for everyone between 12 to 24 years of age in NSW. This year Youth Week will be held from 13 to 22 April, with hundreds of activities and events to get involved in across the State – visit youthweek.nsw.gov.au for details.

This year's Youth Week theme **Unity Through Diversity** was set by young people who said that diversity is an important theme for them in NSW.

PENRITH EVENTS: COLOUR RUN

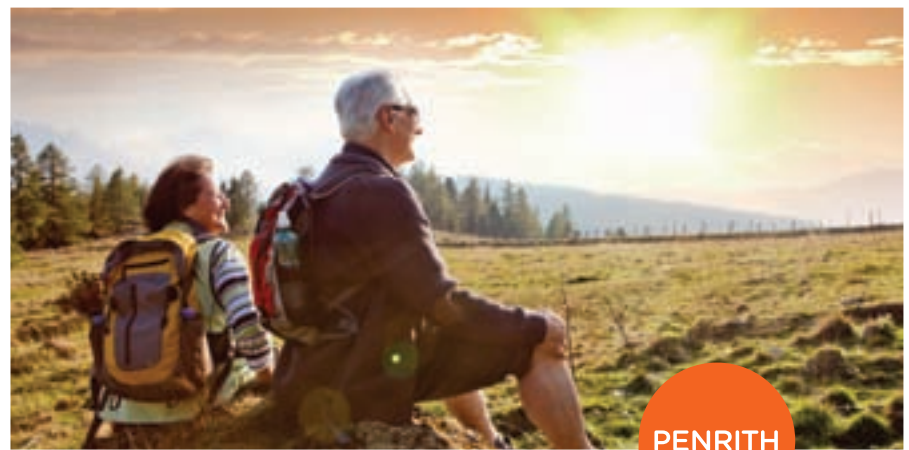
Where: Sherringham Oval Cranebrook
When: Tuesday 17 April, 12.00pm-4.00pm
What: Nepean Community and Neighbourhood Services is holding the Cranebrook Colour Run for people aged 12-24. It will consist of multiple colour stations as well as obstacle activities. The colours represent the inclusiveness of different cultures, beliefs and sexual identity. The activity will also include cultural performances by young people, music and dancing, and free food will also be provided.

SKATE CLAIR

Where: St Clair Skate Park
When: Wednesday 18 April, 11.00am-3.00pm
What: Young people will have the opportunity to participate in a skateboard, scooter, bike and street skating competition, judged by young people. The Skate Comp will include live music performances by local young people, free stalls held by Youth Service providers, and interactive activities. This event is hosted by Community Junction, with young people leading the planning, organising and running of the activities.

YOUTH WEEK @ THE MONDO

Where: Mondo space, between Westfield Penrith and the Joan
When: Thursday 19 April, 5.00pm-8.30pm
What: Community Junction is organising this opportunity for young people to perform in a talent quest, with the winner to be voted on by young people. The event will also offer free amusement rides, local services and interactive information stalls, and food.



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REIMAGINE AGEING 2018 FESTIVAL

'OLD' IS JUST A STATE OF MIND!

FREE EVENT

Reawaken your spirit of fun and adventure at the Reimagine Ageing Festival kick-off, no matter how 'old' you are or feel.

FESTIVAL KICK-OFF

Wednesday 4 April | 9.30am-1.30pm
 At the Mondo (between Westfield and the Joan)

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14 APRIL 2018

JORDAN SPRINGS COMMUNITY HUB

To make a booking enquiry or find out how to get involved call 4732 8021.

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GET YOUR YOUTH SERVICES CARD



Support is on hand for local young people

Young people living in Penrith and their parents or carers can now access information about local services that offer support for relationships, accommodation, counselling and legal advice. The Penrith Youth Services Card has been compiled to support our youth and offers a comprehensive list of 95 local services that can provide specific age appropriate assistance.

It is available from the Penrith Civic Centre, all Council Libraries and Council Childcare Centres, or online at penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/youthservicescard

It is also available at all local high schools in the Penrith area and other local youth services such as Don

Bosco Youth & Recreation Centre in St Marys, Community Junction (St Clair) and Nepean Community and Neighbourhood Services.

"With over 34,000 residents in Penrith aged between 12-24 the Penrith Youth Services Card provides a useful information resource about services available to young people in the Penrith Local Government Area," Penrith Mayor Cr John Thain said.

For more information about the Penrith Youth Services Card or youth programs in the Penrith area please contact Community Programs Coordinator Katerina Tahija on 4732 7832 or email katerina.tahija@penrith.city



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EXPERIENCE JAPAN

BECOME AN AMBASSADOR FOR PENRITH AND HAVE THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE!

Travel to Penrith's sister city Fujieda and live with a Japanese family for 3 weeks. Experience Japanese culture, learn about the Japanese way of life and share your Australia with a Japanese student in return.

In conjunction with Penrith City Council, the Penrith International Friendship Committee has been successfully running this annual exchange program for 30 years and has facilitated the exchange of over 240 students from Australia and Japan.

Past students report that the exchange was a life changing experience and

they have made strong friendships that continue long after the exchange. When in Japan, students will attend school with their host, travel to shrines and temples and go on an excursion to Hiroshima.

Students are not required to speak Japanese, however some basic Japanese is beneficial.

APPLICATIONS

Applications close 4pm Friday 20 April 2018. Forms can be downloaded from www.penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/Student-Exchange.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Age: you must be between 15 and 19 years of age.

Address: you must attend school and/or live in Penrith.

When: you will host a Japanese student for 3 weeks in July/ August 2018 and you will travel to Japan for 3 weeks in September/October 2018. The program requires a 12 month commitment which includes preparation and follow up meetings.

Highlights: you will live with a Japanese family and experience the Japanese lifestyle. You will attend school with your host brother/sister and visit some amazing historical and tourist attractions.

Approximate cost: \$2,500

If you have any further questions please contact Council's International Partnerships Officer on 02 4732 8258, stephanie.wood@penrith.city

POWERING TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE PENRITH

With the cost of living increasing all the time, there's never been a better time to look at how you can reduce your power bills and save energy. To help our local residents identify opportunities to reduce their bills, Council's website now offers information about programs and assistance packages that are available for people in all types of housing situations (renting / owning) and types.

Visit penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/sustainability for information about comparing retail energy deals, understanding your bill, reducing your energy use and buying efficient appliances. There's also information about energy efficient programs including rebates and financial assistance, support provided by the Ombudsman, and what you need to know about solar panels and battery storage.

Stay up to date with sustainability news, events and opportunities by signing up to our e-newsletter - email andrew.hewson@penrith.city

How Council is saving energy

Saving energy is a key area of Council's sustainability work. It allows us to serve our communities more efficiently, while reducing our impact on the environment and climate.

Some of the ways Council saves energy include:



Council has installed 34 solar panel systems on our facilities, including the Joan.

Geothermal heating and cooling at Penrith Regional Gallery, Emu Plains.

Keeping temperature and humidity conditions stable is critical for protecting and preserving the impressive collection of art and artefacts displayed at the Gallery.

To ensure this occurs in the most efficient way possible, Council in conjunction with the Community Development Grants Program from the federal Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development has installed a geothermal system. The

system relies on a series of boreholes that when refrigerant is pumped through provide a stable temperature. The system uses the ground temperature to act as either a heating or cooling system, depending on what is required. This is based on the understanding that the temperature of the earth in summer is cooler than the hot summer air, and in winter the earth is warmer than the cold winter air. Being close to the river means the water table will also help the system operate efficiently. The new system not only uses less energy, it is

EARTH HOUR 2018



This year Earth Hour is being held on Saturday 24 March, from 8.30 to 9.30pm. Earth Hour started in Sydney as a way for regular people to show their support for action on climate change.

Since then it has grown into a global movement that flourishes to this day. Council will be participating in Earth Hour by turning off all lighting at our facilities, except essential security lighting. To learn more about Earth Hour visit www.earthhour.org.au

also much quieter which will be great for neighbouring residents.

Solar panels on Council facilities

Council is continuing to roll solar panels out across our facilities. To date 34 solar panel systems have been installed, giving us a total of 306kW in energy output. For comparison a typical home system is about 3-5kW. The largest installations include the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre (47.85kW), Glenmore Park Child and Family Precinct (40.04kW) and Council's Works Depot (29.58kW).

SYDNEY WRITERS' FESTIVAL RETURNS

When Alexandra Joel spoke at last year's Sydney Writers' Festival event at Penrith Library she began by saying "I was so thrilled when I found out I'd be appearing at Penrith Library because you've got a reputation for being one of the best venues around for author talks!"

So Penrith Library has gained a reputation as a great venue, attracting good crowds, with up to 200 people attending each of the Sydney Writers' Festival author talks in May since 2007. We've featured Peter Fitzsimons (twice), Jana Wendt, Dr Karl, Sylvia Nasar (*A Beautiful Mind*), Thomas Keneally, Tim Ferguson, Ross Coulthart and William McInnes. In 2015 the still little-known Liane Moriarty started her talk by excitedly telling the audience that she'd only just come from meeting with Nicole Kidman to develop *Big Little Lies* for television.

On **April 16** the Library will host an event featuring three Australian women writers: Fiona McArthur, Janette Paul and Sandie Docker. **Love Between the Pages** will see the three authors talk about writing romance novels and addressing topics such as "What's the point of a love story?"; "Why we need to make room for women's stories written by women and for women"; "The importance of strong female role models in stories"; "How love stories teach us about ourselves and life", and "The do's and don'ts of writing romance". These talks will be of special interest to lovers of romance fiction as well as aspiring romance writers.



Fiona McArthur (pictured above) writes about love, midwifery, women's friendships and present-day issues, and often sets her novels in the Australian outback. Her 30 romances have sold over two million copies in 12 languages.



Janette Paul (pictured) is the author of two romantic comedies, the bestselling *Just Breathe* and *Amber and Alice*. When not writing rom com, she is penning thrillers as Jaye Ford, internationally published and award-winning author of five crime novels. Her latest book, *Amber and Alice* could be described as "Bridget Jones meets Thelma and Louise". It's a very funny romantic comedy, as one woman finds the answers she needs (plus a little love) on a trip into the stunning Australian desert.



Sandie Docker (pictured above) began her love affair with women's fiction when she read Jane Austen for the HSC, but it took her a little while to realise she might have a knack for writing - an idea that sat quietly in the back of her mind while she lived overseas and travelled the world. Now back in Sydney she writes every day. *The Kookaburra Creek Cafe* is her debut

novel, a heart-warming multi-generational story of three women in the small Australian town of Kookaburra Creek.

On **May 2** we feature **Luke Slattery**, one of Australia's foremost journalists, who talks about his first novel *Mrs. M*. This Sydney-based author, journalist and literary critic has been published throughout Australia and internationally and served as higher education editor at *The Australian*, *The Age* and *The Australian Financial Review*. He is the author of five non-fiction books: *Dating Aphrodite: Modern Adventures in the Ancient World*, *Reclaiming Epicurus: Could an Ancient Philosophy of Happiness Save the World?*, *Crisis in the Clever Country: Why Our Universities are Failing* (with Geoffrey Maslen), and *The First Dismissal* - a non-fictional account of the dramatic Australian colonial history that lies at the heart of *Mrs. M*.

Mrs. M is described as a rich and intense novel of an imagined history of desire, ambition and dashed dreams, and a portrait of one passionate, unforgettable woman - Elizabeth Macquarie.

Later in the year, we'll feature another well-known romance author. We can't tell you their name yet because it's embargoed but it will certainly be a crowd-puller.

GET CREATIVE THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

SHOWS

Why not plan some special treats for the kids with tickets to The Playground, The Joan's Kids & Families program. A family pass saves you money and will give your kids (or grandkids) something great to look forward to. There's *Billionaire Boy*, on Friday 6 April at 5:30pm, where - for one show only - David Walliams' best-selling novel comes to life on stage for 6 - 12-year olds. Or how about a hilarious home-grown tale? A story about dreams, believing in yourself... and a dancing kangaroo, *Josephine Wants to Dance* is a brand new Australian musical based on the hugely popular picture book by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley. Grab a ticket and finish the school holidays with this uplifting show from the award-winning Monkey Baa Theatre Company on Friday 27 April at 10am & 12 noon. Suitable for ages 4 - 9. All Kids & Families show tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for kids or \$76 for a family pass (four tickets, including at least one adult).

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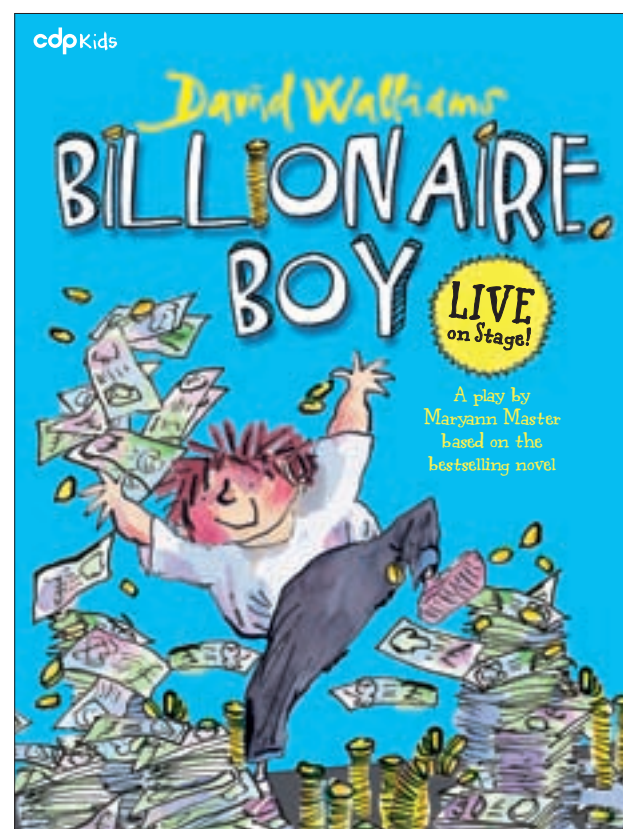
If movement's more your thing, the Sydney Dance Company is heading west once again to run the hugely popular school holiday dance workshops, covering hip hop, lyrical, jazz and contemporary dance. The workshops are for 8 - 16 year old girls and boys and offer a fun and focused environment for passionate young dancers with some previous experience to improve their dance technique under the direction of professional teachers and choreographers.

For theatrical types, The Joan will again run a range of holiday theatre workshops, offering young performers and theatre-makers the opportunity to work on their craft; from storytelling and stage combat to voice and costume design. These workshops will run between 23 and 27 April. Visual art-lovers can try an April school holiday workshop at Penrith Regional Gallery.

THEATRE WORKSHOPS

Workshops are inspired by the works from the autumn exhibition tactile, which invites visitors to enter a sensory world - where the gallery rules have been suspended and the artworks can be touched. Kids can let their imaginations run wild in the workshops, which offer everything from sculpting fantasy landscapes to creating compelling animations.

The exhibition opens on 8 April and workshops run from 23 - 27 April. Artists include Troy Emery, Emily Parsons-Lord, Pip and Pop, Hiromi Tango and Hannah Toohey.



STARRING LOCAL FOOD BUSINESSES

Thinking about eating out or getting takeaway tonight? We can help you choose where to eat out or shop for food.

Our City is home to an increasingly exciting range of places to eat, and Council plays an active role in ensuring local food businesses maintain high standards so the food they sell is safe to eat and doesn't make people sick.

Our Environmental Health Officers regularly advise and inspect food businesses including restaurants, cafes, child care centres, school canteens, mobile food vans and temporary food stalls. We also respond to customer complaints.

Under Council's Food Regulation Partnership Agreement with the NSW Food Authority, we inspect all 800+ retail food businesses in our area every year, to help ensure they meet their obligations under the Food Act 2003 and the Food Safety Standards.

Scores on Doors is a NSW state-wide program that lets potential customers see at a glance if a retail food business has been given a star rating (3, 4 or 5 star) for health, hygiene and food safety. Council incorporated the Scores on Doors Program into our Food Safety Program from 2016 and all eligible businesses have had the opportunity to gain a rating.



The rating is displayed by the food business, often on a sticker in their front window, and you can also see the star ratings for local businesses at penrithcity.nsw.gov.au/foodsafety.

In the 2016-17 financial year, we had 331 businesses rated 5 star, 201 rated 4 star and 97 rated 3 star. This equates to 78% of local registered food businesses receiving a rating certificate based on their performance at the time we inspected them.

For more information visit Council's website or the NSW Food Authority's website foodauthority.nsw.gov.au

VILLAGE CAFÉ HAS PLENTY OF ZEST!

Council's acclaimed Village Café has won the award for Exceptional Partnership in a Local Government Area at the recent ZEST Awards.

The ZEST Awards, led by Western Sydney Community Forum, showcase the great work of community organisations in promoting a positive image of Greater Western Sydney. They provide an opportunity to acknowledge the individuals organisations, projects and partnership that make a real difference in the lives of people in our community.

Penrith Mayor John Thain said 'the 'Village Café' initiative was a real winner for everyone concerned.

"Residents are offered a unique opportunity via the 'Village Café' to connect socially, share their experiences of staying well, and informally access preventative health and community services at a fortnightly café that pops up in a vacant block at Parklawn Place shops North St Marys," Cllr Thain said.

The Village Café project is a priority under the Penrith Health Action Plan – an agreement between the three levels of government to collaborate on health promotion, prevention and early intervention.

The project partners include Penrith Council, the Nepean Blue Mountains



Penrith Mayor John Thain (centre) with members of Village Café key partners -Ability Links, Penrith Council and Community Junction

Local Health District, the Nepean Blue Mountains Primary Health Network, Community Junction, Ability Links, LikeMind and Uniting with each bringing their unique expertise to empower people over the age of 50 in North St Marys to improve their health and wellbeing.

The Village Café is funded by the NSW Department of Family and Community Services Liveable Communities Program until 29 March. Council is currently trying to secure funding to be able to continue and expand this popular project.

HIGH STREET IS GETTING A FACE LIFT

Council is about to start upgrading and transforming High Street in the Penrith CBD. This is an important, city-shaping project that will renew the city centre and have major benefits for businesses, shoppers and residents.

We're renewing the city centre to make it easier for everyone to access and enjoy High Street, and provide more opportunities for businesses to thrive in a 24-hour economy.

By replacing some of the ageing infrastructure, we can create a city centre that people want to spend time in, and can access with ease at any time of the day or night.

The works will make High Street easier and safer for people to walk around, and provide more options for people to enjoy the space through outdoor dining and seating.

We'll also be replacing the trees with ones more suited to the area, and adding new plants. This will not only make High Street look great, but will also help keep temperatures down in the hotter months.

We're also installing some new stormwater management features to help protect High Street and businesses from flash flooding for years to come.

The works will complement the new Triangle Park and contribute to our longer term vision of a network of quality urban spaces in our city centres.

Designed by a team of consultants and Council's Landscape Architects, the works will use high quality materials.

We understand that disruption is not welcome news, but some short term pain is necessary for long term benefits. Once the works are completed, High Street will be a more liveable and desirable place to be for us all, day and night.

We are doing everything we can to minimise the disruption and keep High Street open for businesses and shoppers during the upgrade works. To do this, we'll be doing the work in stages, and doing night works where possible. We'll also be working closely with our contractor to communicate with local businesses and the community at every stage of the works.



WHAT WE ARE DOING

The upgrades are designed to make High Street more inviting for shoppers and easier to access.

The works will include:

- installing stormwater culverts to reduce flash flooding
- constructing new granite paving on the footpath
- installing new street furniture
- upgrading street lighting
- replacing trees with medium sized street trees that will provide shade, and
- constructing three footpath extensions for additional outdoor dining and seating.

FLOOD PLANNING CONTINUES



Penrith is dominated by waterways and wide floodplains, so the risk of flooding is real for us. Management of our floodplains is complex and raises many challenges that government and communities are facing together.

The NSW Government is currently implementing the regional Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley Flood Risk Management Strategy to reduce the risk to lives and property throughout the floodplain (which stretches from Bents Basin to Brooklyn). The strategy contains a mix of measures including raising Warragamba Dam for flood mitigation; a regional approach to land use, roads and emergency planning; better flood forecasting and mapping; improved flood response and recovery, and increasing community awareness and

readiness for flood. An Environmental Impact Assessment is currently underway for the Warragamba Dam Raising proposal - see water.nsw.gov.au/wdr for details and opportunities to have your say.

Meanwhile at a more local level, Penrith Council is continuing to develop Floodplain Risk Management Plans for areas at risk of flooding across Penrith City, as required under the NSW Government's Flood Prone Land Policy. Each plan is researched and prepared by an independent, expert consultant on Council's behalf. We also have a Floodplain Risk Management Committee that includes Councillors and Council staff, community representatives and representatives from the NSW Office of Environment & Heritage, the State Emergency Services and relevant

neighbouring Councils.

Plans for seven catchments are currently underway or already completed – see Council's website for details. The Plans include the **draft Nepean River Flood Study** which is on **public exhibition from 15 March to 19 April 2018**. You can visit yoursaypenrith.com.au to read the study and find out more, including how you can comment on it.

Also during May this year, we will be consulting with the community to help prepare the **Penrith CBD Catchment Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan**.

Preparing these plans involves a staged process including data collection, a Flood

Study, a Floodplain Risk Management Study and a Floodplain Risk Management Plan. We engage directly with landowners and residents in the relevant area as part of collecting data and also invite public comment on each draft study and plan before it is finalised and put to Council for adoption.

Community input is a vital part of developing comprehensive, effective plans. It's also important that all members of the community who may be affected by flooding are fully aware of the risks and prepared for the worst case scenario. We will continue to update our website, the Your Say Penrith website and local media throughout the process. If you have any questions you are welcome to contact Council on 4732 7777.



Five new bus shelters are among recent improvements at Erskine Business Park

IMPROVEMENTS PAVE THE WAY

Council has invested \$1.96 million in local infrastructure improvements in Erskine Business Park, including \$660,000 in pathways linking the estate to St Clair and Erskine Park.

If you visit or work in the Erskine Business Park you will have noticed:

- 5 new bus shelters
- a free outdoor gym, ping pong table and picnic shelter
- hundreds of street trees, and
- landscaping and seating at the biodiversity conservation area.

All the work was funded by the Erskine Business Park Development Contributions Plan, paid for by developers to deliver new infrastructure needed in the estate.

Council's upgrade was complemented by equally welcome improvements to numerous private properties in prominent locations owned by Goodman Property and Liebherr Cranes, creating an even better place to work, visit and invest in.

In the coming year, bus shelters, landscaping and other works are programmed for Lenore Drive.

Elsewhere across the City, recent roadworks have included reconstruction and resurfacing works on Littlefields Road (from 100m east to 400m west of Queenshill Road) and a 600m section of The Driftway in Londonderry.

LOOK LOCAL FOR HOLIDAY FUN



There is plenty of affordable fun on offer locally these holidays.

Looking for interesting, fun and affordable ways to keep the kids occupied throughout the Easter long weekend and April school holidays?

The Visit Penrith website visitpenrith.com.au is full of great ideas, new places to go and upcoming events for all ages and interests including Easter

and school holiday activities. From Easter egg hunts to the Diesel, Dirt & Turf Expo, from astronomy nights to concerts, magic shows, workshops and markets, there really is something for everyone happening around Penrith.

Head to visitpenrith.com.au to find out more.

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YOUR COUNCIL

Everyone is welcome at Council meetings, which are held at the Civic Centre. Ordinary meetings of Council and Policy Review Committee meetings are held on Monday nights, usually every three weeks. For meeting times and dates visit our website: penrithcity.nsw.gov.au

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PENSIONERS

If you are a pension card holder, you may be eligible for a pensioner concession on your rates. Please call us on 4732 7676 to discuss.

WE CAN HELP WITH:

- Abandoned vehicles
- Advertising signs
- Aged care services
- Air pollution monitoring
- Approvals
- Building applications or inspections
- Bus shelters
- Bushfire control
- Cemeteries
- Certificates (149, 149D, 317A & 603)
- Children's Services
- Citizenship ceremonies
- Civic functions / community events
- Clean-up bookings
- Compost bins
- Council carparks
- Council meetings
- Crossover inspections
- Development control applications
- Disability services
- Dog catcher / registration / dead dogs & cats on roads
- Drainage
- Elections - Local
- Environmental health
- Environmental planning
- Food handling
- Footpaths
- Garbage - new services
- Graffiti control
- Hall bookings
- Home Library services
- Immunisation
- Library services
- Local history
- Neighbourhood Centres
- Noise complaints
- Park bookings
- Parking control
- Planning approvals
- Policy matters
- Public buildings
- Publications
- Rates
- Recycling
- RID Squad
- Road construction & maintenance
- Senior Citizen centres
- Septic tanks
- Signs
- Street cleaning
- New street lighting
- Street numbers
- Sub-division
- Swimming pool fences
- Tourism
- Tree planting or removal
- Youth services
- Zoning

INTERPRETING ASSISTANCE

If you do not understand the information in this document, please come to Council and ask staff to arrange interpreter services.

ENGLISH	If you do not understand this, please contact the Telephone Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to contact Penrith City Council on your behalf on (02) 4732 7777. Or come to the Council offices and ask for an interpreter.
ARABIC	إذا لم يكن بإمكانك قراءة النص أعلاه، الرجاء الاتصال بخدمات الترجمة الفورية الهاتفية (TIS) على الرقم 131 450 والطلب منهم الاتصال بدورهم بمجلس مدينة بنريث نيابة عنك على الرقم (02) 4732 7777. أو يمكنك الحضور إلى المجلس وطلب ترتيب مترجم فوري لك.
CHINESE	如果您无法阅读这些文字，请致电 131 450 联系电话传译服务中心，请他们代您拨打 (02) 4732 7777 联系 Penrith 市议会。您也可以亲自到市议会来并要求获得口译服务。
GREEK	Αν δεν μπορείτε να το διαβάσετε αυτό, τηλεφωνήστε στην Τηλεφωνική Υπηρεσία Διερμηνέων στο 131 450 και ζητήστε τους να επικοινωνήσουν με το Δήμο Penrith (Penrith City Council) για λογαριασμό σας στον αριθμό (02) 4732 7777, ή ελάτε στη Δημαρχία και ζητήστε διερμηνεία.
HINDI	यदि आप इसे नहीं पढ़ पाते हैं, तो कृपया 131 450 पर टेलीफोन दुभाषिया सेवा से संपर्क करें और उनसे कहें कि वे आपकी ओर से पेनरिथ सिटी काउंसिल से (02) 4732 7777 पर संपर्क करें. या आप काउंसिल आरें और एक दुभाषिया की माँग करें.
ITALIAN	Se non riuscite a leggere questo, contattate il servizio telefonico di interpretariato al numero 131 450 e chiedetegli di contattare da parte vostra il comune di Penrith City al numero (02) 4732 7777 oppure venite in comune e richiedete un interprete.
MALTESE	Jekk ma tistax taqra dan, jekk jogħġbok, ikkuntattja lit-Telephone Interpreting Service fuq 131 450 u itlobhom biex jikkuntattjaw Penrith City Council f'ismek fuq (02) 4732 7777. Jew ejja l-Kunsill u itlob għal interpretu.
PERSIAN	اگر نمی توانید این مطلب را بخوانید، لطفاً به خدمات ترجمه تلفنی به شماره 131 450 زنگ بزنید و از آنان بخواهید با شورای شهر بنریث Penrith City Council به شما * (02) 4732 7777 از جانب شما تماس بگیرند. یا اینکه به شهرداری Council آمد و مترجم بخواهید.
SINGHALESE	ඔබට මෙය කියවීමට නොහැකි නම්, කරුණාකර දුරකථන අංක 131 450 ඔබගේ දුරකථන පරිවර්තන සේවාව (Telephone Interpreting Service) අමතා ඔබ වෙතුවන දුරකථන අංක (02) 4732 7777 අමතා ඉන්දින් නවර සභාව (Penrith City Council) හා සම්බන්ධ කර දෙන ලෙස ඉල්ලා සිටින්න. හැබිනම් නවර සභාව වෙත පමණක් නොව පරිවර්තකයකු ලෙස දෙන ලෙස ඉල්ලා සිටින්න.
TAMIL	இதை உங்களால் வாசிக்க இயலவில்லை என்றால், 'தொலைபேசி உரைபெயர்ப்பு சேவையை 131 450 எனும் இலக்கத்தில் அழைத்து 'பென்ரித் நகரவையுடன்' (02) 4732 7777 எனும் இலக்கத்தில் உங்கள் சார்பாக தொடர்பு கொள்ளுமாறு கேளுங்கள். அல்லது நகரவைக்கு விஜயம் செய்து உரைபெயர்ப்பாளர் ஒருவர் வேண்டுமெனக் கேளுங்கள்.
VIETNAMESE	Nếu quý vị không thể đọc được thông tin này, xin liên lạc Dịch Vụ Thông Dịch Qua Điện Thoại ở số 131 450 và yêu cầu họ thay mặt quý vị liên lạc với Hội Đồng Thành Phố Penrith ở số (02) 4732 7777. Hoặc hãy tới Hội Đồng và yêu cầu có thông dịch viên.



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