

# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



MAY 2023



## CR KAREN PENSABENE Mayor of Strathfield

The past month has been extremely busy and exciting.

Strathfield Council inducted 76 new Australian citizens. It is always such a privilege to preside over these ceremonies. These new citizens often tell me that it is sheer joy they feel at taking the oath and singing the national anthem. For many, it's been a long road to receiving their citizenship and from everyone at Council, we wish every single recipient a happy and peaceful life here in Strathfield.

You may have noticed there is a lot of work happening at Strathfield Town Hall. The Council is refurbishing and repairing the 100-year-old building for its centenary celebration in October this year. We are looking forward to seeing the building being restored to its original state. Keep an eye for updates as works progress.

Exciting news this month is that the long-awaited public bathroom facility was opened at Henley Road, Homebush West at the end of April. We know this facility will make such a difference to our residents and businesses in the area.

Our inaugural multicultural Strathfield Festival was also a major attraction in April. It was so great to see and talk to many of you and your great ideas for Council to consider. We are so proud of our primary schools, local cultural dance groups, musicians and performers who made our festival so special.

If you couldn't make it to the festival this year, we are hoping you will join us for another wonderful event in early 2024.

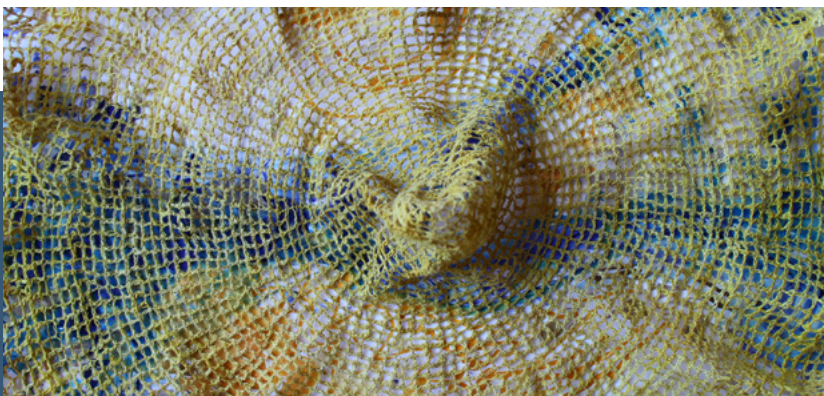
I was delighted to attend the opening of our latest exhibition in our Library Net Calls Net, Weave calls Wave by Marta Romani and Karl Logge. Parallel to the exhibition, the artists will share aspects of their work, story, and practice during two open labs on 19 and 22 June, each

a collective experiment in weaving together inside the gallery space. The exhibition is open until 25 June so make sure you check out their works on paper that entangle a mix of spinning, weaving, stitching, natural dyeing, painting, installation, and live art.

Have a wonderful May, and if you see me around, please come and say hi.

If you need help with any local issue, please feel free to contact me on 0428 410 856 or [cr.kpensabene@strathfield.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cr.kpensabene@strathfield.nsw.gov.au).

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## Net calls Net, Weave calls Wave Marta Romani and Karl Logge Strathfield Library & Innovation Hub 11 May - 25 June 2023

Image: *Luca sull' acqua* 2023 natural dyed linen and hemp & wildflower and botanic colour on paper

The Ironbark Gallery's upcoming exhibition *Net calls Net, Weave calls Wave*: Marta Romani and Karl Logge will be open to members of the public from 11 May – 25 June 2023. Join us for their workshops in June and meet artists Marta and Karl as they provide a unique insight into their collaborative process and practice.



*Spots are limited, scan the QR code to register or for more information.*

### WORKSHOPS

**Monday 19 June 10am - 12pm & Thursday 22 June 2 - 4pm**

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# STRATHFIELD COUNCIL LIBRARY & INNOVATION HUB



## Protecting Your Mail Deliveries

It's important to secure your mail and letters, protect yourself when making online purchases and have a plan B for deliveries if you know you won't be home (local post office, POX Box, free Parcel Locker 24/7).

The Auburn Police Area Command (PAC) are urging residents to be vigilant when entering or exiting their complex, and to ensure all doors are secure and closed whilst taking care.

**Report any suspicious or unusual activity to the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.**



## Bilingual Storytime in Korean & English

Come along to our bilingual storytime and participate in songs, stories, and craft activities in English and Korean. This event is suitable for 3 – 5 year olds.

**When:** Every Monday (1 May to 26 June) 10:30am - 11:30am

Scan the QR code to book your spot.



## Discover Your Council

The Discover Your Council booklet is a great way to see what Strathfield Council has to offer. It includes a range of services, programs, and information for the community. So, if you are new to the area

or are just keen to learn more about the many ways you can live, work, participate and play in the Strathfield LGA, check it out. It's offered in English, Chinese, Korean and Nepali.



## Community Choir

Do you enjoy singing and would like to engage in a group activity? Find your voice and join Strathfield's very own Community Choir. No experience needed and everyone is welcome!

**When:** Every Wednesday, 6:30pm – 8pm.

**Registrations are essential. Contact Fina Nainoca on 02 9748 9999 or [council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au) to join.**

STRATHFIELD  
COMMUNITY  
CHOIR

6:30PM-8PM  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS  
HOMEBUSH WEST  
COMMUNITY CENTRE

FOR MORE INFO ON LIBRARY PROGRAMS CALL 8762 0222 OR VISIT THE WEBSITE

## Development Determinations



Development Determinations are posted on Council's website monthly. Keep up to date and view them by scanning this QR code.

**Lodge your DA online:** All planning applications, including Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates for Strathfield Council will need to be electronically lodged online via the NSW Government Planning Portal by visiting [planningportal.nsw.gov.au/onlineDA](https://planningportal.nsw.gov.au/onlineDA)

## AUSTRALIAN LIVABILITY CENSUS

Strathfield Council is proud to be supporting the 2023 Australian Liveability Census.

This nation-wide research project will help us understand liveability from our community's perspective and see how we are faring compared to the rest of the country. The Australian Liveability Census is open from 26th March - 30th June 2023.

All participants will have the chance to win one of 50 x \$100 vouchers!

**HOW GOOD IS YOUR HOOD?**

# 2023 Australian LIVEABILITY CENSUS

Spots are limited! To participate, scan the QR code.

**Have your say TODAY!**

More parks or parking? Bike lanes or better footpaths? Playgrounds or nightlife?  
From 26th March - 30th June, Place Score is running the **2023 Australian Liveability Census** to find out what you value most in your ideal neighbourhood.

## SUSTAINABILITY

### Prepare Your Development for Electric Vehicles

Did you know that by 2030-2031 the NSW Government is anticipating that more than 50% of new car sales will be of Electric Vehicles (EVs)?

The updated National Construction Code 2022, commencing 1 May 2023, will make it easier for people living in apartments to switch to an electric vehicle. This is due to the inclusion of a provision of base infrastructure for future cabling and control-point installation at the time of the contribution.

Make your development more desirable by installing designated EV spots that you can offer to your potential buyers.



Scan the QR code to learn more and to subscribe to the Australian Building Codes Board Newsletter.

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# PROJECTS



## STRATHFIELD COUNCIL TOWN HALL

Works have commenced to upgrade the Strathfield Town Hall last earlier last month. The upgraded roof will be completed later this year just in time for its 100 Year Anniversary. We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with the community later in October this year. Keep an eye out on our social media, eNews and future newsletters for more details!

## PROJECTS SCHEDULED TO START THIS MONTH

1. Lighting Artwork at Lorraine St and Hamilton St Bridge
2. Domain Improvement on Bridge St, Homebush
3. Domain Improvement on Station St, Loftus Cresc (Includes work in front of Homebush Station) and Knight St, Homebush.



# YOUR COUNCILLORS



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