Our year in review

Our community highlights



Our environment highlights

45



PEOPLE saw our No Space for Weeds campaign spreading our environmental message



5100

waste collected

OF RECYCLING

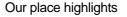
and 2398 tonnes of green

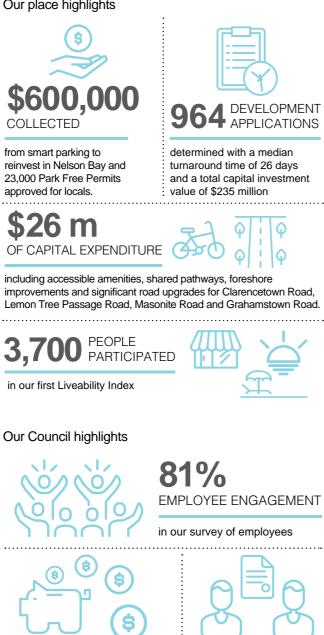
71 OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOLS

of water and \$69,880 saved thanks to water-saving improvements

7508 TREES PLANTED

> with the help of volunteers





GRANT FUNDING

received from state and federal governments (excluding Newcastle Airport grants)

WEBSITE PAGE VIEWS

showing our community turn to us for clear and accurate information, especially in an emergency



80

NEW CITIZENS

from 45 countries

welcomed during

citizenship ceremonies

SUMMER 2022



- It's on! Events and attractions
- We have a new website
- Our 2021 highlights



Message from the General Manager



Welcome to 2022 — after a year that strangely mirrored the year before it, it feels wonderful to turn a new leaf and enter into a new year. It was another challenging year for many, with extreme weather events and various restrictions and lockdowns, but once again, the Port Stephens community came together to overcome these challenges and be there for one another.

Across Port Stephens we have seen an diverse range of new and existing projects take place. This ongoing investment is transforming our communities and creating new opportunities for growth.

Grant funding afforded us the opportunity to revitalise the Raymond Terrace Town Centre, Shoal Bay foreshore was extensively upgraded, and Medowie participated in a very successful 7 Day Makeover, which unified the community and completely reinvigorated the town centre. Council also considered its approach to engaging with the residents of our LGA, and initiated a series of Place Planning Workshops, involving the community in helping shape vibrant and unique places they're proud to live and work in.

2021 also saw Council shift its focus towards the environment. We proudly made a commitment to Carbon Neutrality by 2025, a pursuit which will undoubtedly improve climate health in our region for years to come. A new Waste Management Strategy was also adopted, which showcased Council's commitment to reducing landfill and our overall environmental footprint. Alongside this, our precious Mambo Wetlands was completely rehabilitated, with over 1200 new trees planted by our hardworking volunteers. Lastly, our Koala Sanctuary at One Mile celebrated its first birthday in October.

Overall, with your help, we have achieved a lot, and it's something each and every resident of Port Stephens should be incredibly proud of. As we look forward to another prosperous year, we are excited to hit the ground running with a bumper schedule of events, projects, and community workshops that touch every pocket of our beautiful Port Stephens and continue to improve the beautiful region we call home.

- Wayne Wallis, General Manager of Port Stephens Council

Our website got a makeover!

We've redeveloped our website to provide an improved digital experience for our customers. Our new site provides a responsive, relevant, searchable and customer-first experience for everyone with a wider range of online services like online payments and forms. Check it out at portstephens.nsw.gov.au

Major projects

Read more about our completed and upcoming major works across Port Stephens at **portstephens**. nsw.qov.au/projects

- Little Beach Boat Ramp \checkmark Nelson Bay, East Ward Boat ramp and pathway
- Stuart Park Amenities Hinton, West Ward Upgrade of amenities block
- Tanilba Road Mallabula, Central Ward Widening, kerb and gutter construction



COMPLETE

IT'S ON!

It's on! brings life and vibrancy to Port Stephens. Our most recent activation program, It's on this Season! includes unique experiences for the community across Nelson Bay, Raymond Terrace and Lemon Tree Passage. Port Stephens Council look forward to continuing to build on the local identity of our towns and villages, improving the liveability and wellbeing of business, residents and visitors to Port Stephens. To see the latest schedule of activities and to find out what's on in your place visit portstephens.org.au/its-on-in-nelson-bay



Did you know that the Port Stephens Koala Sanctuary offers annual passes? By purchasing a pass for you and your family, you will be directly contributing to the preservation of local koalas in Port Stephens and have the unique opportunity to see koalas in their natural habitat. Buy your annual pass today at portstephenskoalasanctuary.com.au



Celebrating Australia Day

This year is going to be bigger and more exciting than ever as one of our first events after COVID-19. Join us for celebrations across Port Stephens this Wednesday 26 January, with vibrant and family-friendly events in Raymond Terrace and Nelson Bay. Learn more at portstephens.nsw.gov.au or follow us on Facebook.







SCHEDULED



Waste calendar 2022 **RECYCLING, DROP OFF DAYS AND GREEN WASTE**



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Sat 12 Feb at Lemon Tree Passage Mattresses, tyres, scrap metal and E-waste Sat 12 Mar at Raymond Terrace Mattresses and tyres

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To find your fortnightly recycling collection week and day, learn more about the terms and conditions of drop off days or book your kerbside collection go to PORTSTEPHENS.NSW.GOV.AU