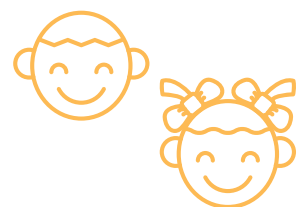


# Our highlights for 2019 to 2020

## Our community



**70,926**  
CHILDCARE PLACES

in Port Stephens and  
Hunter region

**\$670,399**  
IN GRANTS

Mayoral and Ward funds for  
local community groups



## Our place



**\$500,000**  
ALLOCATED

to help restart the Port  
Stephens economy through  
the Port Stephens Tourism  
and Business Support Fund



**775** DEVELOPMENT  
APPLICATIONS

determined with a median  
turnaround time of 33 days  
and a total capital investment  
value of \$263 million

## Our Council



**\$18.8m**  
GRANT FUNDING

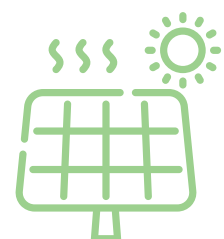
received from state and  
federal governments  
(excluding Newcastle  
Airport grants)



**87**  
NEW CITIZENS

from 25 countries  
welcomed during  
citizenship ceremonies

## Our environment



**1035 t**  
OF CARBON DIOXIDE SAVED

by installing solar panels and reducing our  
energy use — that's the equivalent of  
powering 150 homes for one year!



**1540 m<sup>3</sup>** OF WASTE  
PICKED UP

by our kerbside collection service, saving  
it from being illegally dumped

## Go paperless and win \$1000\*

Register  
by 1 March  
to win!



Save paper, time and postage costs by getting  
your rates directly to your Inbox. Register by  
1 March 2021 to have your rates notices emailed  
and automatically go in the draw to win \$1000\*.

1. Go to [portstephens.nsw.gov.au](http://portstephens.nsw.gov.au)
2. Search "change of address" in the search box and complete the online change of address form
3. Choose "Yes" to "Do you want rate and instalment notices emailed to you?" and provide a valid email address — no logins or passwords are needed

\*Conditions apply. See our website for full terms and conditions.

You can also help lower admin costs by signing up for direct debit — phone 02 4988 0393 to set up direct debit from your savings account (not credit cards). We'll still send you a reminder before each instalment.

# YOUR PORT

## SUMMER 2021



- Medowie gets social this summer
- What's next for Nelson Bay?
- Our 2020 highlights



**PORT STEPHENS**  
COUNCIL



# Message from the Mayor



Welcome to 2021 — a new year and hopefully a better one than 2020! While the COVID-19 pandemic has made an impact on us all, we still managed to finish off the year strongly.

In Nelson Bay, we've made a range of improvements including new amenities, more parking and laneway art to brighten our streets.

Parking in the Bay has always been a hot topic and we're making it easier by introducing smart parking. With sensors, digital signage and the new Park'nPay app, finding and paying for parking has never been easier.

Plus, if you're a resident, ratepayer or you work in the town centre, you may be eligible for free parking — visit [portstephens.nsw.gov.au/smartparking](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au/smartparking)

It's all happening in Medowie with the new Medowie Social opening this summer, while in Raymond Terrace we'll soon be making improvements to the town centre as part of the Public Domain Plan.

With more of us flocking to enjoy the outdoors this summer, we must continue to stay COVID Safe by staying 1.5 metres apart and avoiding peak times.

Our Council has developed a COVID Safe plan to help protect our community and we'll be monitoring beaches and public spaces to ensure crowd sizes are kept within limits.

I know it has been a tough year for many and I'm so proud of the way our community has come together to help each other.

While Australia Day celebrations will be a little different this year, I'm looking forward to seeing that same community spirit on show as we celebrate how lucky we are to call Port Stephens home.

*Ryan*  
Ryan Palmer

## DA lodgement moves online

Submitting a development application (DA) is simpler and faster than ever, with all applications now moved to the NSW Planning Portal. Visit [portstephens.nsw.gov.au/grow/development-applications](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au/grow/development-applications) for more information.

## Major projects

Read more about our completed and upcoming major works across Port Stephens at [portstephens.nsw.gov.au/projects](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au/projects)

- ✓ **Nelson Bay** amenities, Church Street upgrade, changes to one-way traffic and parking improvements.
- ⊖ **Clarencetown Road** realignment at the riverflat.
- ⌚ **Shoal Bay and Longworth Park** amenities set to begin in February.



✓ COMPLETE

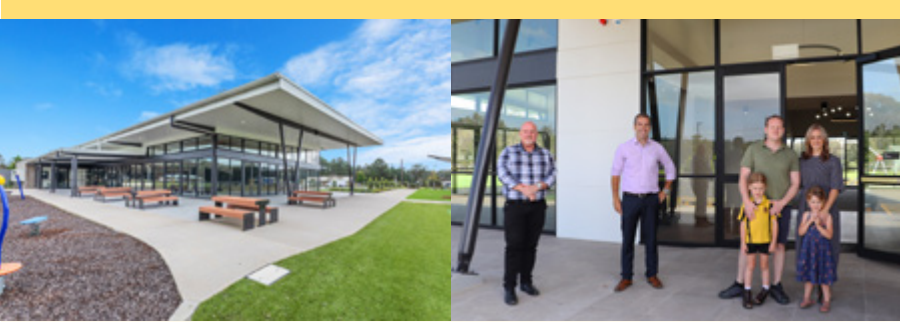


⊖ IN PROGRESS



⌚ SCHEDULED

## Medowie's getting social this summer



Medowie locals Charlie and Ben Way of the highly-successful Little Beach Boathouse are the proud new operators of the Medowie Sport and Community Facility.

The experienced pair will launch Medowie Social, a community and family-focused venue, this summer at 36A Ferodale Road, Medowie. With a menu focused on fresh quality produce, it's going to be a hit for young and old alike.

## Celebrating Australia Day



Let's celebrate Australia Day in the most Aussie way — a pool party! Join us for celebrations across Port Stephens this Tuesday 26 January, with free BBQs, live music and plenty more on offer. To find the nearest celebration to you, head to [portstephens.nsw.gov.au](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au) or follow us on Facebook.

## Green waste drop off

Operational changes may apply due to COVID-19. Please visit [portstephens.nsw.gov.au/waste](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au/waste) for up to date information.

- Karuah
- Raymond Terrace
- Tilligerry Peninsula
- Tomaree Peninsula
- Dual colours
- indicate drop off location is being run at 2 venues

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**Note:** No commercial operators. Drop off will not run on public holidays. **Materials accepted:** Tree prunings, shrub prunings, loose leaves and grass clippings. Please see [portstephens.nsw.gov.au](https://portstephens.nsw.gov.au) for full terms and conditions.