



# Six Monthly Report

Snapshot – July to December 2023



**28 It's On!**  
event activations  
across Port Stephens



**For Our Elders**  
Celebrating  
NAIDOC Week



**68,000+**  
aquatic centre  
visits



**147,000+**  
library items  
borrowed

## Our Community

- Stories in the Street volunteers read to 398 children
- Commencement of the Aboriginal Protocol Project
- Council endorsement of draft Community Wellbeing Strategy for public exhibition
- Heritage events calendar finalised



**17,000+**  
potholes fixed



**Port Stephens  
Housing Forum**  
60+ participants



**Foreshore  
Projects**  
Substantially  
completed

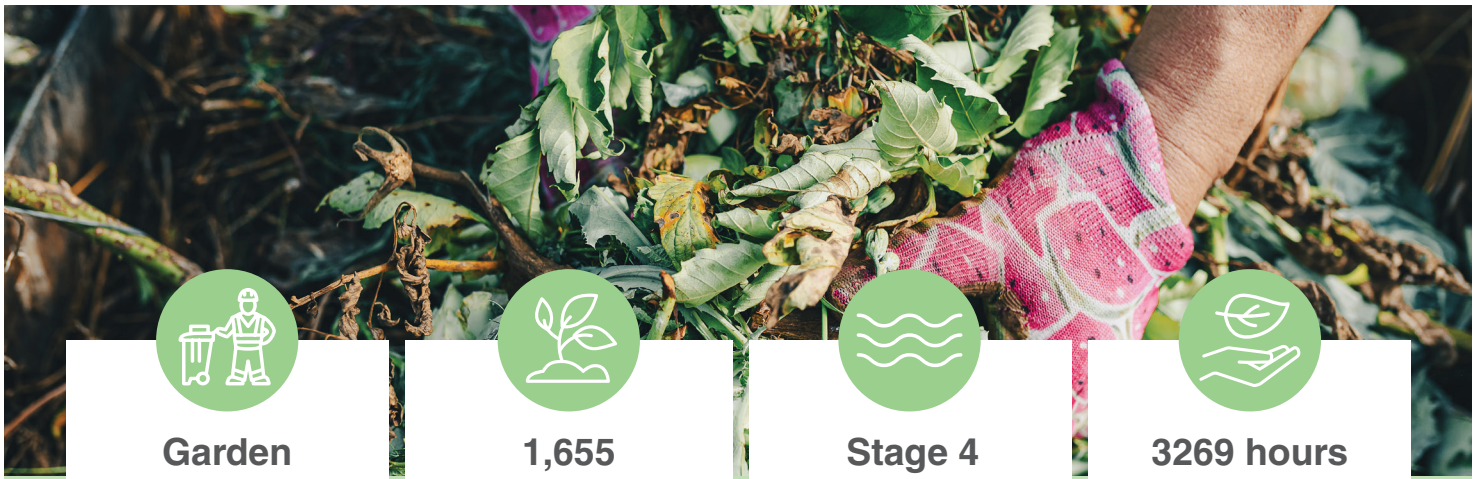


**Shop Local  
Campaigns**  
Implemented across  
Port Stephens

## Our Place

- Delivery of 4 Major Events
- Business Leaders Luncheon held, with over 120 guests
- Delivery of the Port Stephens Pre Event Recovery Plan
- Local Housing Strategy review commenced





**Garden Organics**  
green bin service launched



**1,655**  
trees planted



**Stage 4 Underway**  
Coastal Management Program



**3269 hours**  
bush regeneration completed

## Our Environment

- Contamination experienced in Go Bin service less than 1%
- 2023-2024 Bio-security and Rehabilitation commenced
- Koala Habitat Mapping underway
- Completion of draft Carbon Neutral Action Plan



**2023 Community Satisfaction**  
Completed



**Koala Sanctuary Gold Award**  
Tourist attractions NSW Tourism Awards



**84%**  
Employee Engagement Score






**2**  
Citizenship Ceremonies held

## Our Council

- Six community catch-ups across Port Stephens held for Councillors and the Executive to connect with the community
- Significant communication and engagement campaigns completed
- Increased visitation experienced by the Visitor Information Centre over the period
- Implementation of Special Rate Variation



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