



Cronulla Update

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NSW budget delivering for Cronulla

The 2022-23 NSW Budget delivers record funding for infrastructure and frontline services, including funding for local projects such as:

- ✓ New operating theatres, endoscopy suites and MRI at Sutherland Hospital (opening in 2023 and 2024)
- ✓ New building at Cronulla High School (construction commencing 2023)
- ✓ *More Trains More Services* T4 Illawarra train line upgrades increasing peak hour capacity by 30% (progressively to mid 2020s)
- ✓ Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link stage 2 shared cycle/pedestrian path (construction commencing 2023)
- ✓ New visitor centre at Kamay Botany Bay National Park Kurnell (scheduled opening 2023)
- ✓ New ferry wharves at Kurnell and La Perouse (construction commencing 2023)
- ✓ M6 stage 1 south to Kogarah (opening 2025)

*Concept design for new
Cronulla High School facilities*



NSW BUDGET 2022

SUPPORTING YOU NOW.

BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE.



Helping you with the cost of living

Taking the pressure off your household budget with \$7.2 billion of financial assistance, including up to \$750 a year in toll relief, \$600 a year to help with power bills and \$150 back to school vouchers to support families.

This builds on our existing support, like the active kids vouchers and support for seniors, so there's more money in your pocket at the end of the week.



Investing in the services you rely on

We're building on our record of health investments with better pay for frontline workers, 10,000 extra health workers, 30 new ambulance stations and building or upgrading 45 hospitals.

And we're investing in our children's future with new universal pre-kindergarten, support for early childhood educators, more affordable pre-school and 23 new or upgraded schools.



Empowering women

Across Australia and the world, we see barriers and challenges for women, in the workplace, the community or at home. We must do better and that's why we're removing barriers to success and making our communities safer for women and girls.

This includes \$100 million for women's safety, providing affordable and accessible childcare so women have a genuine choice to return to work, and investing \$120 million in women's health.



Building better infrastructure to make your life easier

Better infrastructure means better local communities with new and upgraded schools, hospitals and ambulance stations.

And we're upgrading local roads, rail and highways including building the Western Harbour Tunnel, extending the M6, upgrading the Great Western Highway and building a Metro network for Sydney, so you can spend less time travelling and more time doing the things that matter most.

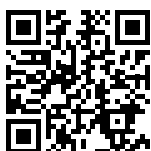


Responsible action to reduce emissions

NSW must play its part to reduce emissions. That's why we're taking meaningful decisions to achieve net zero emissions by 2050 in a responsible way for our environment and for NSW families and businesses.

We are supporting private sector investment in renewable energy, fast-tracking our Electricity Infrastructure Roadmap and improving our national parks and local environments.

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Shire school upgrades

Sutherland Shire schools are benefiting from new and improved facilities, lighting and school zone safety.



Renewal projects

The NSW Government is investing more than \$8 million in Shire schools under the Renewal Programs for schools to deliver their highest priority infrastructure.

Around \$4 million of that is going into improvements to schools in the Cronulla electorate:

- Burraneer Bay Public – playground upgrade (complete)
- Caringbah High – new covered outdoor learning area
- Caringbah North Public – new car park
- Caringbah Public – new covered walkways
- Cronulla High – hall upgrade
- Cronulla Public – updated communications system
- Cronulla South Public – new electronic sign, new stage
- Kirrawee High – staff toilet refurbishment
- Kurnell Public – sports oval upgrade (complete)
- Laguna Street Public – new covered walkways
- Woolooware Public – internal roads upgrade
- Yowie Bay Public – staff/administration facilities upgrade.

The program is also providing a boost to local businesses with schools using local contractors and suppliers wherever possible.

LED lighting upgrades

The NSW Government's \$157.8 million LED Lighting Upgrade Program was launched in 2020 to replace fluorescent lights in NSW schools with LED lights. Research shows that improved lighting has a positive impact on students' education. 13 Cronulla electorate schools have been added to the program:

- Primary schools – Burraneer Bay, Cronulla South (complete), Grays Point, Gymea Bay, Kurnell (complete), Laguna Street, Lilli Pilli (complete), Woolooware, Yowie Bay
- High schools – Caringbah (complete), Cronulla, Kirrawee, Woolooware (complete).

The program supports local jobs, with the LED lights being manufactured here in NSW and small to medium sized contractors targeted to install the lights.

Cronulla High School zone safety

The NSW Government has funded a new raised crossing in Elouera Road outside Cronulla High School to help students, other pedestrians, cyclists and motorists share the road safely.

Active transport link progresses

Construction of the Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link (SCATL) between Jackson Ave Miranda and Gannons Road Caringbah will begin early next year.

The recent state budget, plus funding from other government programs, provides \$65 million for this construction, as well as the western section of stage 2 from Jackson Ave to Oak Road Kirrawee.

I have been advocating for safer alternative routes to be considered for this western section and I'm pleased that Transport for NSW is now investigating different options.

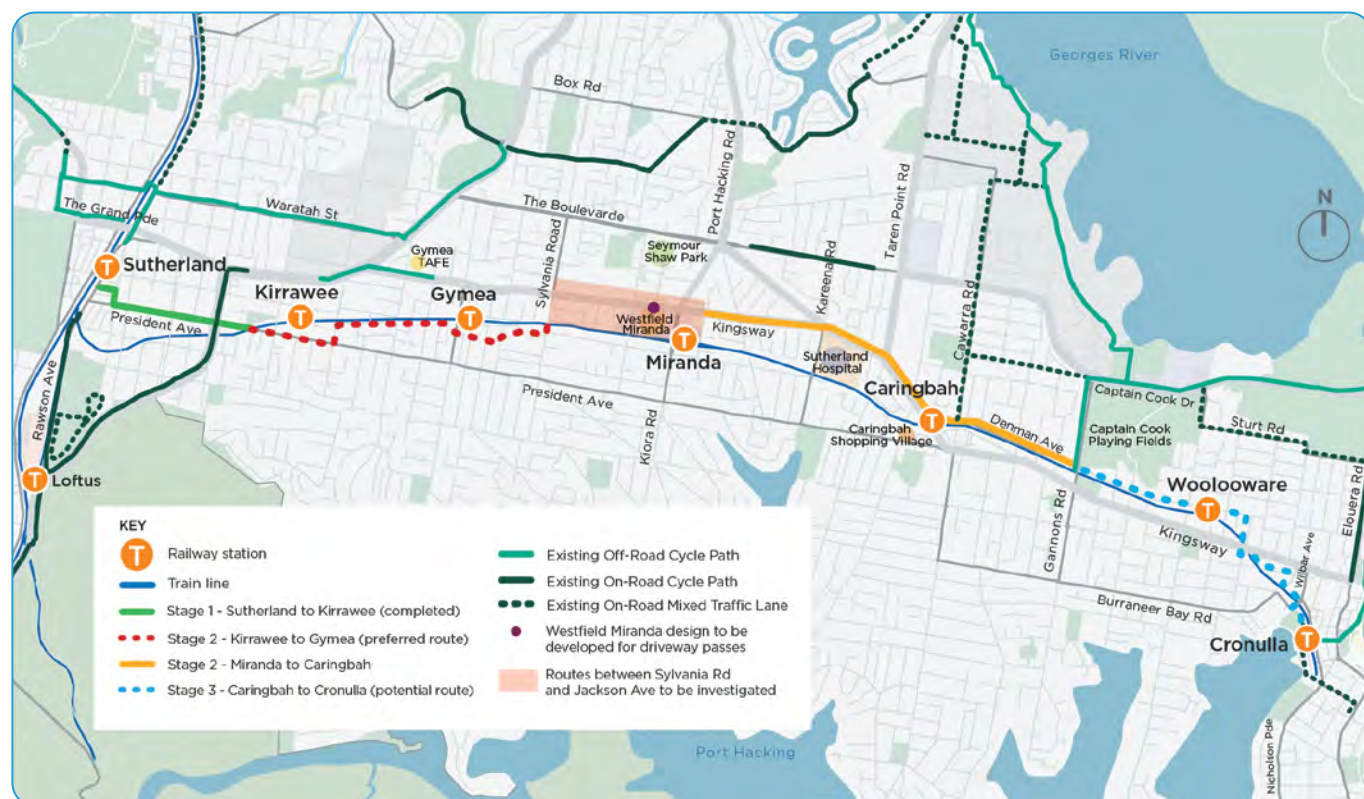
Transport for NSW will undertake a full assessment of the western section of stage 2, consult with the community and seek planning approval towards the end of this year.

The 2022-23 NSW budget also funds planning and construction of stage 3 of the SCATL from Gannons Road to Cronulla.



Stage 1 (Sutherland to Kirrawee) was completed in 2020.

The off-road walking and cycling path will connect key destinations with schools, shops, restaurants, entertainment precincts and transport hubs.



Listening for sharks off Cronulla

The NSW Government rolled out a new listening station last month to help warn the community about tagged sharks off Cronulla.

The offshore station detects the presence of tagged animals, including white, tiger and bull sharks swimming within a 500 metre radius.

The station provides real-time alerts to the public and beach authorities. When a tagged shark comes close to the coast, everyone using the SharkSmart app or the Twitter page will know about it instantly, including Surf Life Saving NSW and council lifeguards.

The data collected also provides important insights into the movements of the sharks in our waters.



The listening stations are part of a package of shark mitigation methods to help protect our community through the world's largest shark management program.

When going to the beach you can be SharkSmart by downloading the SharkSmart app or visiting @NSWSHarkSmart on Twitter.

New police recruits for the Shire

Recently I was pleased to welcome five new police recruits as they began in the Sutherland Shire Police Area Command.

They're part of a 202-strong Class 352 that graduated from the NSW Police Force Academy in Goulburn last month.

They're also part of the 1,500 additional police officers for the force over four years, the biggest increase in three decades.



Cost of living help

The NSW Government has more than 70 rebates and vouchers for eligible NSW residents to help you save on everyday costs and more.

You can use a savings finder to discover savings relevant for you by visiting a Service NSW centre (e.g. Miranda), visiting service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/cost-living or by scanning the QR code below.

You can also meet with a Service NSW savings specialist who will help you apply for the rebates and vouchers available.

These are some of the savings you may be eligible for:

Stay NSW vouchers provide \$50 off the cost of staying at hotels, motels, caravan parks and other accommodation. You can use these vouchers through until 9 October 2022.

Parents NSW vouchers offer parents, carers or guardians of school-enrolled children, who supported home learning in 2021, \$250 worth of vouchers to use for accommodation bookings or entertainment and recreation activities. These vouchers are valid through until 9 October 2022.

First Lap vouchers provide \$100 towards the cost of swimming lessons for children aged three to six years not enrolled in school, or in kindergarten in 2021 or 2022.

Active Kids vouchers are two lots of \$100 to use towards sport and active recreation costs each year.

Creative Kids vouchers offer \$100 for registration, participation and tuition costs for a range of creative activities.



Before and after school care (BASC) vouchers offer families \$500 per child to support the cost of accessing BASC services. The voucher is to be used to cover the cost of the parent gap fee under the Child Care Subsidy.

Opal travel benefits are available when using an Opal card, credit card, debit card or linked device to travel on public transport in the Opal network (including weekly travel caps).

You can apply for vouchers through the Service NSW app on your smartphone, at service.nsw.gov.au, or by phoning 13 77 88



Local sport grants

Nine hard-working local sporting organisations in the Cronulla electorate have received grants totalling \$50,000 under the NSW Government's Local Sport Grant Program.

- ✓ **Caringbah Redbacks Football Club**
– repaint clubhouse
- ✓ **Port Hacking Croquet Club** – park shelter and concrete installation
- ✓ **South Cronulla Bowling and Recreation Club** – replacement scoreboards
- ✓ **Sutherland Shire Junior Cricket Association** – female gala and development day
- ✓ **Cronulla Sharks Boardriders**
– equipment trailer
- ✓ **Cronulla Seagulls Football Club**
– all weather canteen upgrade
- ✓ **Cronulla Sutherland Water Polo Club**
– new balls and goals for training
- ✓ **St George and Sutherland Brewers Sports Club** – replacement playing equipment
- ✓ **Port Hacking Open Sailing Club**
– community security.



*With Caringbah Redbacks FC
President Andy Naudegg*



*With players from
Cronulla Seagulls FC*

Recognising our volunteers

I have the privilege each day when NSW Parliament sits to recognise constituents or organisations in the Cronulla electorate for their achievements or contributions to the community.

If there's an individual, group, team or organisation you believe could be recognised for a great achievement, work or service, please contact my office. Here are the people, teams and organisations from the Cronulla electorate who I've paid tribute to in Parliament so far in 2022:

- Cronulla Jazz and Blues Festival
- North Cronulla, Cronulla, Elouera, Wanda Surf Life Saving Clubs (volunteers and winners)
- Warren Malcolm (Concrite)
- Alan Cramond (100th birthday)
- Robert Lovell (North Cronulla SLSC, Kurnell Community Sport and Recreation Club)
- Been There Done That, Let's Chat (men's mental health)
- Cronulla Polar Bears Swimming Club
- Michaela Davies (Water Polo Australia Club Coach of the Year)
- Cronulla RSL sub-branch (Anzac Day 2022)
- Liz Pavett (Cronulla Seagulls FC)
- GyMEA JRLFC (60th anniversary)
- Kurnell Rural Fire Service
- Grays Point Rural Fire Service
- Cory Rinaldi (Cronulla RSL sub-branch)
- Ted Smith (Caringbah RSL sub-branch)
- Greg Storey, Dina Osgood, Steve Willett (Lilli Pilli FC)
- Paul Smith (Sutherland Sharks FC)
- Rebecca Hinshelwood (Cronulla Woman of the Year)
- Wondering Women (women's wellness and wellbeing)
- Cronulla Surfing Academy (fundraising)
- John Stoffels (Cronulla Senior of the Year)



- Michael Douglas, Neil Reynolds, Patricia Cudmore, Betty Jacobs, Brian Thompson OAM, Chris Murray, John Curtis, Norman Piddington, Peter Turbet, Ron Griffiths, Russell Sullivan (Cronulla Senior of the Year finalists)
- Isabelle Purcell (Cronulla-Caringbah JRLFC)
- Grind Espresso Cronulla (Local Hero Award)
- Kurnell Stingrays JRLFC (30th anniversary)
- Big Sister Foundation (financial support for women's services)
- Sutherland District Cricket Club (U21 champions)
- Glenn Simpson (Cronulla Sutherland Water Polo Club)
- Port Hacking Putters
- Grays Point Soccer Club U18A (Bathurst Cup winners)
- John Dobson OAM (Australia Day honours)
- Michael Brannock OAM (Australia Day honours)
- Jeni Wilcock, Bliss Day Spa, BedsAhead, The Healthy Body Company, Nulla Accountants, Nunu Designs, Cincotta Chemist Caringbah, Flamecoal Chicken, Purebred Fitness, Bec Bakes, Our Father (Sutherland Shire Local Business Awards Winners).

Universal pre-kindergarten in NSW

NSW is making a major investment in providing a strong educational foundation for the state's children with the introduction of a universal pre-kindergarten year of education.

The 2022-23 NSW Budget has set aside more than \$5.8 billion over 10 years to introduce this transformational new year of preschool education for all children in NSW by 2030.

Universal pre-kindergarten will give every child in NSW access to a specialised year of play-based learning, smoothing their transition to school and solidifying their path to a brighter future.

Experience from overseas shows that providing the best education starts in the early years, with children and families in countries like Canada seeing the benefits of universal pre-kindergarten.



The NSW Government will consult with families, peak bodies and service providers to create the best model for the additional year of education.

Phasing out single-use plastics

The ban on supply of lightweight plastic bags came into force across NSW on 1 June.

The ban will help to prevent almost 2.7 billion items of plastic litter from entering the environment in NSW over the next 20 years.

From November, supply of the following will also be banned:

- single-use plastic straws, stirrers, cutlery, plates, bowls and cotton buds
- expanded polystyrene foodware and cups
- rinse-off personal care products containing plastic microbeads.

Single-use plastic items and packaging make up 60% of all litter in NSW, so stopping the supply of problematic plastic will help prevent it from entering our environment as litter, or going into landfill.



Plastic Free Cronulla has been at the forefront of ending the use of single-use plastics

Plastic Free Cronulla has been leading the way, helping the local community to be among the first in Sydney to be single-use plastic free.

Cronulla Jazz and Blues Festival

The second Cronulla Jazz and Blues Festival was held in early June. It was again a success, with crowds taking advantage of the sunny skies to enjoy the event.

The event saw locals and people from all across the state enjoy not only the music but also pop-up record fairs, a film festival screening, and an array of stalls and shops.

The festival offered over 100 free live music performances at 13 venues. It was pleasing to see the arts and live music back after some of their most challenging times in recent history.

The NSW Government supported the event with an \$11,000 grant.

Event organisers partnered with Plastic Free Cronulla to help ensure the event was sustainable and maintained a focus on ensuring our beaches, waterways and environment are safe, clean and healthy.

Congratulations to the Cronulla Chamber of Commerce, Brass Monkey, Code One and Shire Events Live for their work to make the event a success.



Therapy hounds fetched back to duty at Sutherland

After a precautionary “paws” due to COVID-19, the loveable Labradors of the NSW Government’s Canine Court Companion Program (CCCP) are back on duty at Sutherland Courthouse.

The affectionate pooches bring comfort to court users who are often experiencing some of the worst days of their lives.

Each dog receives up to two years of intensive training with Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

Companion animals have been proven to ease symptoms associated with trauma, including stress and anxiety.



Community survey

I am keen as your local member to know what issues are of most concern to you and your family. Please take the time to complete my community survey by following the QR code or by visiting <https://bit.ly/3uBI9Uo>



Attorney General news

New sexual consent laws

New affirmative consent reforms that simplify, strengthen and modernise the laws around sexual consent came into effect in New South Wales on 1 June.

Under these new laws, consent can no longer be assumed from silence or inactivity. If you want to engage in sexual activity with someone, then they need to do or say something to show consent, or you need to do or say something to seek consent.

Holding perpetrators to account is only one part of how we tackle sexual assault in our community.

Promoting respectful behaviour is even more important.

This is the goal of “Make No Doubt”, the NSW Government’s successful community education campaign.



With NSW Women's Safety Minister Natalie Ward and survivor advocate Saxon Mullins launching the 'Make No Doubt' campaign

Recently, the third phase of the campaign was launched – a series of videos on social and digital media specifically targeting young people aged 16 to 24 (who are over-represented in sexual assault cases, as both victim-survivors and perpetrators).

Better protection for emergency workers

People who assault frontline health workers, correctional and youth justice officers and emergency services staff and volunteers will face tougher penalties under new offences the NSW Government has committed to introduce this year.

The NSW Government is supporting, in full or in principle, all of the recommendations in the NSW Sentencing Council’s report Assaults on Emergency Services Workers – see the report at bit.ly/3mGA2m5.

The changes will go further than the recommendations from the report by ensuring that firefighters from the NSW Rural Fire Service, Fire and Rescue NSW, NSW Forestry Corp and NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service, as well as frontline workers from the NSW State Emergency Service, pharmacists and community health services providers will be covered by the new offences.



Our frontline health workers, emergency services staff, and correctional and youth justice officers often face risks as they bravely serve our community. Anyone who perpetrates acts of violence on these dedicated individuals should face stringent consequences.

Out and about



Shire Relay for Life



Meeting of Two Cultures at Kurnell



Elouera SLSC presentation



North Cronulla SLSC presentation



Orthodox Easter at St Stylianos Gynea



Rainbow Club Australia Caringbah



Cronulla Polar Bears season launch



Caringbah RSL sub-branch Anzac Day luncheon



Water safety media event with Cronulla SLSC



Citizenship ceremony



Grays Point Rural Fire Service



Woollooware Golf Club Legacy Day

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