

# West Ward Bytes

*Chatswood West Ward Progress Association Inc.*

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## VALE MAYOR REILLY

It was with deep regret that the Association was advised of the passing of Mayor Pat Reilly. The Mayor was a staunch supporter of local communities and the Progress Association model of representation. Our sympathy flows to the Lady Mayoress (Beth) and the 'Mayorette' (Sophie).

## FULLERS RD

Reports to date on the operation of the new lane marking on Fullers Rd have been positive. RMS is currently undertaking speed analysis on the road. There has been an observable calming of the downhill traffic and people are feeling much safer in the right turn bays. NSW Police has installed camera warning signs. Expect random speed camera usage soon.

## MOWBRAY SCHOOL

Contrary to comments by the Popular Press, the proposed building program at Mowbray School will have a positive impact on student learning. A key outcome the school community was seeking was the retention of valuable open space on the site. This will be achieved with the plan developed by the Department of Education and the school community.

## RECOGNISING PAT

Council will be consulting with residents regarding a permanent tribute to Mayor Pat Reilly who died recently. Pat was on Council for 27 years and Mayor for 17 years. Reportedly he was one of the longest serving Mayors earning the title 'Mayor Emeritus'. Current Suggestions for a fitting tribute include: a statue; a naming or a dedication within The Concourse venue. If you have a suggestion you can send it to Council (email: [email@willoughby.nsw.gov.au](mailto:email@willoughby.nsw.gov.au)).

## DANGEROUS CHATSWOOD STATION

Issues of concern are emerging re the North West Rail link. Of major concern is recent calculations that show that 50% of passengers who terminate at Chatswood will not fit on the next train to city. It could take three trains to clear the backlog. This means concerns for the safety of passengers on the station due to overcrowding.

## MAYORAL ELECTION

The Mayoral By-Election will be held on the 12th April. Already a number of people have indicated that they intend to contest the election. So far there is one West Ward candidate- John Owen, the Council's former General Manager. John lives in Ivy Street, Chatswood. The Association will host a "Meet the Candidates" session on Thursday 20th March at 7:30 PM in the Dougherty Centre.

## NO RATE HIKE (YET)

Due to the work being undertaken by the General Manager and the Senior Management Team in undertaking a service review across the entire council to ascertain what organisational changes could be made to improve service delivery and where appropriate reduce costs to allocate back to asset improvements, council resolved not to make application for an increase to IPART for an increase in council's rate revenue commencing in 2014/15.

## [cwwpa.org](http://cwwpa.org)

The Association's website is updated regularly.

Please recommend the site to your neighbours.

Suggest that they send an email to [seccwwpa@gmail.com](mailto:seccwwpa@gmail.com) to receive a copy of WWBytes

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