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WRAP UP



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Lift off - Unanderra Station Upgrade Underway

Many people had their doubts. Others said it would never happen. Some still can't believe it.



I promised that I would deliver the Unanderra Station lifts when I was first elected at the Wollongong by-election in November 2016.

Unanderra Station's upgrade and the building of its three main lifts is now underway.

Construction has started and is scheduled to be completed later this year.

THE UPGRADE WILL HAVE:

- ✔ three new lifts and three connecting stairways
- ✔ canopies over the footbridge and stairs for year-round shelter
- ✔ upgraded accessible car spaces
- ✔ new kiss and ride zones
- ✔ accessible paths at the station entrances

- ✔ a new pedestrian crossing to Berkeley Road west
- ✔ new closed circuit television cameras and lighting.

Once the new lifts and footbridge are operational, the old footbridge will be removed.

I will give regular updates on the Unanderra Station upgrade to keep residents, especially commuters living in the Unanderra, Farnborough Heights and Berkeley areas informed of how improvements to their local station are progressing.

You can check out what Transport for NSW expects the upgraded Unanderra Station will look like on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/CxJC0gg6ghQ>

Work on Towradgi lifts

IS UNDERWAY TOO



Construction activities continue to improve access to Towradgi Station too.

ALSO EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED LATER THIS YEAR, THE UPGRADE TO TOWRADGI STATION WILL SEE:

- ✔ two new lifts with weather-protected lift landings
- ✔ a new footbridge linking the two platforms
- ✔ new footpaths to connect the station, footbridge, Towradgi Road and Weber Crescent
- ✔ two accessible parking spaces
- ✔ a new family-accessible toilet to replace the existing toilet
- ✔ replacement of the platform shelters
- ✔ lighting and CCTV upgrades

You can check out what Transport for NSW expects the upgraded Towradgi Station will look like on YouTube at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=89J1djfZ-G8

Lake Illawarra jetties get a facelift

Three of Lake Illawarra's most popular jetties have been reopened to the community after some tender loving care.

The King Street jetty and boat skid ramp at Warrawong, Old Merinda Wharf at Lake Heights and Tuggerah Bay Jetty at Berkeley have been repaired and are safe again for public use.

The King Street, Old Merinda and Tuggerah Bay jetties have been upgraded with new timbers, meshing, and new ladders.

The King Street jetty's carpark has had some upgrades and the installation of security cameras.

The Lake Illawarra jetties are extremely popular with residents, fishers, boating enthusiasts, tourists and walkers.

I'm pleased that my lobbying to repair and reopen the closed off jetties has been successful.

There is more to do with further work to take place at Koonawarra Bay Jetty, Purry Burry Jetty, Dix's Wharf, and Kanahooka Jetty and boat ramp.



New Warrawong Community Health facility needs plan now

A key priority for 2022 must be the finalisation of plans and new location of the new Warrawong Community Health facility.



AN ARTIST'S IMPRESSION OF THE WARRAWONG COMMUNITY HEALTH FACILITY.

This important project was announced as part of the decision to build a new Shellharbour Hospital on the M1 Motorway at Dunmore.

The Warrawong community deserves a new 21st century health facility to meet local health needs, replacing the ailing Port Kembla Hospital built nearly 60 years ago.

The new purpose-built community health facility will be built in Warrawong as part of a plan to transition existing services from Port Kembla Hospital.

The new community health facility will help in the transformation of Warrawong, which will also see the construction of a

new Library and Community Centre by Wollongong City Council on land at the corner of King and Greene Streets.

A site for the new Warrawong Community Health facility has yet to be selected but the process is underway.

Following the site selection, a design for the new purpose-built facility will be completed before planning approvals are sought.

New Illawarra hydrogen industry needs government funding support



I have been advocating for the development of a local hydrogen industry for some time.

This has helped to secure the Illawarra's inclusion as one of the areas that the NSW Government has promised \$70 million in funding for the development of a hydrogen industry.

Sadly, despite almost a year passing since its announcement not a cent has been allocated to local projects.

Since then, the NSW Government launched its NSW Hydrogen Strategy.

Part of the NSW Hydrogen Strategy is using hydrogen as a transport fuel.

A good starting point would be using the free Gong Shuttle fleet for a hydrogen bus trial.

There's a petition on my website at www.paulscullymp.com.au that calls on the Government to conduct the trial in Wollongong which has demonstrated strong support for the development of a green hydrogen industry in the region.

The NSW Government can switch on a hydrogen bus trial almost immediately in Wollongong by using the free Gong Shuttle.

In the meantime, Bluescope Steel and Shell have announced a partnership to explore and develop renewable hydrogen projects in the region.

This is an important initiative to build a pilot-scale 10MW renewable energy hydrogen electrolyser to test the use of green-produced hydrogen in the blast furnace at Port Kembla.

This partnership has the potential to keep the Illawarra doing what it has always done best: making the steel which can build Australia's renewable energy infrastructure, from windmills to pipelines, to electricity transmission towers.

This adds to the hydrogen refuelling station at Port Kembla that was partially funded through a Port Kembla Community Infrastructure Fund grant.

THE NSW GOVERNMENT MUST NOW PLAY A BIGGER ROLE AND DELIVER COMMITMENTS I HAVE ALREADY HELPED TO SECURE, INCLUDING:

- ✓ a local steel mandate for renewable energy infrastructure
- ✓ renewable energy investments in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Renewable Energy Zone, including considering offshore wind generation
- ✓ investing in TAFE to help train a skilled workforce to support renewable energy production and generation as well as new industries that will benefit from lower cost energy
- ✓ investing in research and development in universities and TAFE.

PLEASE SIGN MY PETITION BY SCANNING ON THE QR CODE



Facelift for Fred Finch Park netball courts

For many years the NSW Government left Wollongong out of all funding for sporting facility upgrades.

It was unfair and wrong and I fought to have it changed.

The NSW Liberals and Nationals Government backed down and Wollongong Council was able to secure \$1 million to help fund the upgrade of the netball courts at Fred Finch Park in Berkeley.

Works are currently underway that will deliver 16 new netball courts.

THE UPGRADE WORKS INCLUDE:

- ✓ replacement of the existing court surface
- ✓ a new lighting and public address system
- ✓ new courtside shade shelters and seating

The netball facility at Fred Finch Park is a regionally significant one hosting thousands of players each year.



PAUL SCULLY INSPECTS THE UPGRADE OF FRED FINCH PARK WITH WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL WARD 3 COUNCILLORS, LINDA CAMPBELL (ON RIGHT) AND ANN MARTIN (ON LEFT).

NEW AREAS ADDED TO

Wollongong electorate

Residents living in Kanahooka, Brownsville and East Corrimal will join the Wollongong electorate at the March 2023 elections.

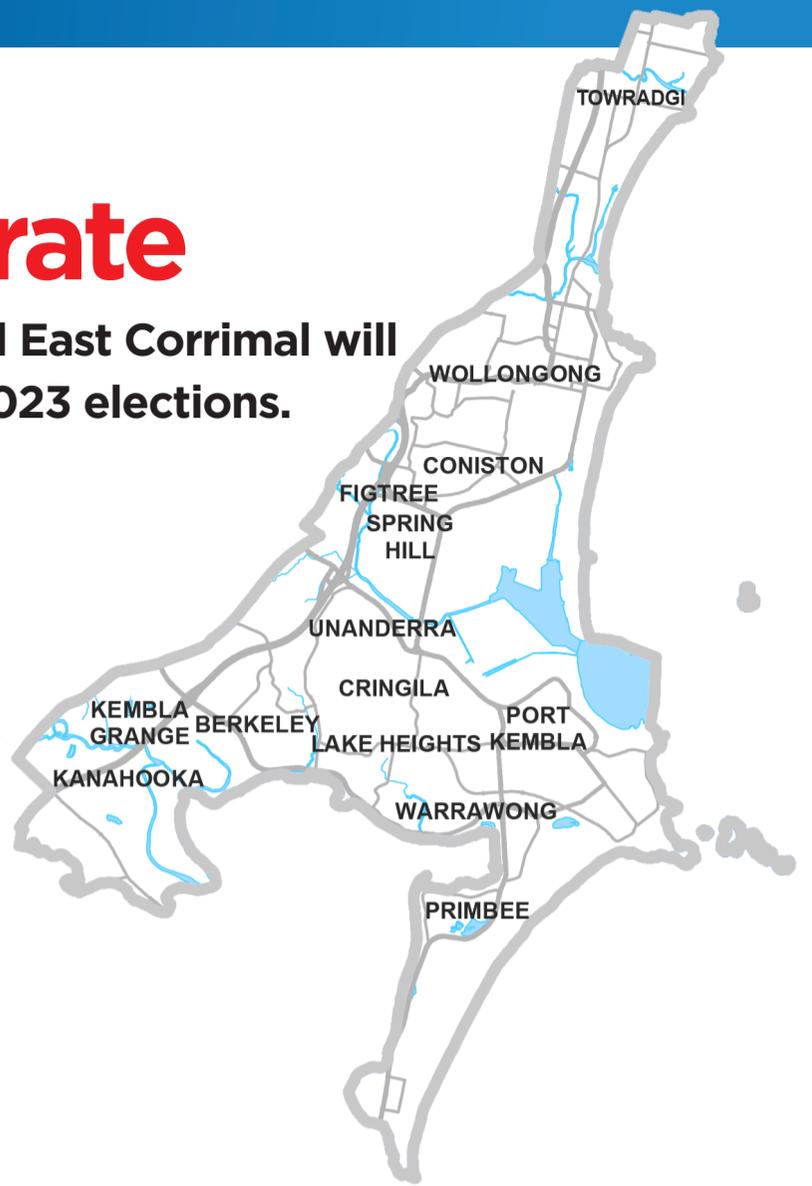
Following a review of all state electorate boundaries by the independent NSW Electoral Commission, Unanderra, Farmborough Heights, Cordeaux Heights and Mt Kembla will join the State electorate of Keira.

The changes are required by law and aim to keep each of the state's 93 electorates with roughly the same population numbers.

I am saddened to lose the great communities of Unanderra, Farmborough Heights, Cordeaux Heights and Mt Kembla after working with residents, especially on upgrading Unanderra Station.

I look forward to advocating for the residents of Kanahooka, Brownsville and East Corrimal who are joining the new Wollongong electorate.

I will be in direct contact with all residents in these communities very soon.



UCI world championships in Wollongong

Ever watched a cycling race on television and wondered at the spectacular sights of the countryside in France, Italy or Switzerland?

Wollongong gets its chance to show itself off to the world over 8 days starting on 18 September 2022.

There will be 11 road races and time trial events.

More than 1,000 of the top international cyclists from 70 nations will compete for a gold medal and the coveted rainbow jersey.

It is one of the top five sporting events in the world and is watched by more than 300 million viewers around the globe.

The course details have been announced recently for all time trial and road race events.

This is a great opportunity to showcase Wollongong's cultural diversity, lifestyle, community and stunning Mountains to the Sea vista.

For more information on the UCI world Championships please visit www.wollongong2022.com.au



HERE TO HELP

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