

Shirebiz Bulletin 2nd February 2021

The Premier Gladys Berejiklian to address a luncheon on Friday Feb 12th

Shirebiz Supporters are cordially invited to a luncheon set for **Friday February 12th 2021** at Doltone House, Sylvania Waters. The NSW Premier, **The Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP** will be the guest speaker. The Premier will address our luncheon on ***Southern Sydney- Post Pandemic. What is planned for the Shire at Government level & what can we do to assist.*** **Cost \$90pp** which includes a 2 course meal & drinks. Tables of 6 are available for \$500. The Premier will speak at **12:30 pm** so please be seated by **12:15 pm**. Reserve your seat [HERE](#).

Transport NSW: Join us for Facebook information session on the widening of the Heathcote Rd bridge

We'd like you to join us for a [Facebook information session](#) on the Heathcote Road bridge widening project. Transport for NSW has carried out an environmental assessment for the Heathcote Road bridge widening project. We welcome your questions and comments on the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) including our proposal and management plans to minimise any impacts on the environment, biodiversity, heritage, soil and water.

Byblock

Byblock is the first construction grade building material made entirely from recycled (and often un-recyclable) plastic waste. Dimensions: 16" x 8" x 8" / 40cm x 20cm x 20cm, Weight: 22lbs / 10kg, Can be customized to specific densities, Doesn't crack or crumble like concrete blocks, Requires no glue or adhesives and 41% fewer greenhouse gas emissions than concrete blocks. See [video](#) on its production.

Transport NSW: Review of Ports & Maritime Regulations

Three weeks remain to provide [feedback](#) on the review of the Ports and Maritime Administration Regulation 2012 and proposed amendments to the Port Botany Landside Improvement Strategy (PBLIS) Mandatory Standards. Submission are due by **19 February 2021**.

Taking a Toll

Kogarah MP Chris Minns said the M5 and M8 toll road designed to reduce surface traffic off local roads has instead increased local traffic as trucks and cars avoid the exorbitant toll. Shadow Transport Minister Chris Minns says a massive spike in vehicle numbers on southern Sydney roads is due to drivers trying to avoid expensive tolls on the M8. Government data obtained through Labor's Freedom of Information (FOI) request shows the \$4.3 Billion M8 toll road designed to reduce surface traffic off local roads has instead [increased local traffic](#) as trucks and cars avoid the exorbitant toll.

Restrictions ease around mask wearing

The [rules](#) around wearing masks have changed in Greater Sydney (including the Central Coast, Blue Mountains and Wollongong). From Friday 29 January it is recommended, but no longer compulsory, to wear a mask in shopping centres (including supermarkets). It is still mandatory to wear a mask on public transport.

<https://www.shirebiz.net.au/nrsite/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Restrictions-ease-around-mask-wearing.pdf>