



Celebrating the grants announcements with local community organisations

\$300,000 IN GRANTS TO HELP

BUILD A BETTER COMMUNITY

Thanks to the thousands of local residents who had their say in the Summer Hill Community Building Partnership Grants process. I was proud to be able to distribute \$300,000 to 14 grassroots community groups across the Summer Hill electorate.

ST JOHN'S PRESCHOOL, ASHFIELD

Outdoor play area renovation: \$19,630

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH, ASHFIELD

Bird proofing on church façade: \$34,000

ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL P&C

Flexible learning space: \$40,000

THE EXODUS FOUNDATION

Loaves and Fishes kitchen upgrade: \$11,060

PRATTEN PARK BOWLING CLUB

Community venue upgrades: \$24,579

CANTERBURY COMMUNITY CHILD CARE CENTRE

Natural play space renovation: \$8,483

DULWICH HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

Raingarden: \$19,600

FERNCOURT PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

Creative play space: \$32,198

DOBROYD POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

New storage container for events: \$7,766

SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

Playground upgrade: \$28,879

DULWICH HIGH SCHOOL OF VISUAL ARTS AND DESIGN P&C

Upgraded music facilities: \$24,538

ADDISON ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Belly AID food pantry: \$18,000

MARRICKVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

Community kitchen: \$25,020

PLUMTREE

Community child care play space and garden: \$6,247

BAIRD GOVERNMENT REPORT CARD

One year since the 2015 State Election, how would you grade the Baird Government on the following?

Please circle grade

COUNCIL AMALGAMATIONS	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
PLANNING AND DENSITY	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
HOUSING AFFORDABILITY	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
PUBLIC TRANSPORT	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
CYCLING POLICY	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
LOCKOUT LAWS	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
DRUGS POLICY	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
WESTCONNEX	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
PROTEST LAWS	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL
PRESCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING	A+	A	B	C	D	FAIL

What issue would you most like me to raise in Parliament?

PLEASE SEND YOUR COMPLETED REPORT BY:

1 Post: 299-301 Marrickville Rd, Marrickville NSW 2204 2 Email: Scan & send to summerhill@parliament.nsw.gov.au

YOUR DETAILS

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
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“ Thank you for completing & returning this Report Card. Please don't hesitate to contact me or my office for help with any State matters.

JO HAYLEN MP

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INNER WEST COMMUNITY UPDATE

AN UPDATE FROM **JO HAYLEN MP** YOUR STATE MEMBER FOR SUMMER HILL **MAY 2016**

TOP 4 Baird Government policies hurting the Inner West

WESTCONNEX

Despite thousands of residents making submissions opposing Westconnex, the Government is pushing ahead with construction underway in Ashfield and Haberfield. The project has blown out to \$16.8 billion and tolls will return to the M4. They've shielded the project from proper scrutiny and routinely undervalued property owners by hundreds of thousands of dollars. I stand shoulder to shoulder with residents opposing Westconnex. Please contact my office if you need any assistance.

FORCED COUNCIL AMALGAMATIONS

Forced mergers will diminish services and are designed to weaken local opposition to developers. The Baird Government is pushing ahead in the face of strong community opposition, with little transparency around the flawed process. I've stood with the community to fight these mergers every step of the way, including joining residents to speak out at the recent Delegate's meeting in Ashfield. For more information, see my speech: johaylen.com/public_inquiry_into_forced_mergers

MASS REZONINGS

Residents have rejected plans for massive rezoning along the Sydenham to Bankstown train line. They've said no to the Baird Government's plans for one-size-fits-all density, with no thought for schools, hospitals, open space or affordable housing. The Save Dully Action Group and Save Marrickville group have fought to protect what we love about the inner west. The Government is due to respond to submissions soon.

FORCED EVICTIONS: NEW STRATA LAWS

The Baird Government has made major changes to strata laws with next-to-no community consultation. Disgracefully, these rules mean people can be forced out of their own homes if the other 75% of owners in a strata building want to sell. I'm 100% against these changes because forcing people - often the vulnerable or elderly - to sell their own homes to developers is grossly unfair and unacceptable.



The Baird Government's policies are upsetting many Inner West residents

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PRESCHOOL FOR EVERY CHILD

I visited Goodstart Early Learning Centre in Marrickville to talk about the importance of guaranteeing 15 hours affordable and accessible preschool education for every four year old in NSW.

The Inner West has some of the highest day care and preschool fees in Australia and affordable care is critical for working parents. I will continue fighting to make sure kids get the best start.

FREE LIGHT RAIL TRAVEL FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM JULY

Thank you to everyone in the community who fought for fairness and convinced the Government to allow students to use their Opal cards and travel for free on the light rail from July.

I was proud to work alongside parents, teachers, students and local councillors to help deliver such a positive response.

I'm also working to extend the use of student Opal cards to help kids get to after-school activities and to carers' homes.



Fair Day Sea of Hearts for Marriage Equality with the NSW Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby

MARDI GRAS 2016

The NSW Parliament made a historic apology to the '78ers acknowledging the atrocities against LGBTIQ demonstrators from the first Mardi Gras in 1978. I was honoured to speak in support of the apology motion and our LGBTIQ community, and I said:

"I hope this apology forms... a recognition that the struggle is not over and that we all have a responsibility to protect the human rights of LGBTIQ people in law. With your guidance, '78ers, and with your example, the march for social justice continues on."



NEW CYCLING LAWS

It's time to end the poney war on cyclists, invest in cycling infrastructure and wind back the Government's ridiculous laws targeting cyclists.

The metre-matters trial is good policy that will save lives, but asking cyclists to carry ID and raising fines has no basis in evidence. We'll get the balance right.

Take my cycling survey today and answer 10 quick questions for a better cycling strategy: johaylen.com/cycling

FAREWELL LINDA BURNEY

Linda has been a fantastic representative in the NSW Parliament, including for residents in Ashbury for many years. She was the first indigenous member of the NSW Parliament and served as Minister for Youth, Minister for Community Services and Deputy Leader of the Opposition.

I'll miss Linda's warmth and passion in the NSW Parliament and wish her all the best for the future.



MARRICKVILLE SES

Thanking the Marrickville State Emergency Service for their work



Cleaning up the Cooks River with the Mudcrabs and Penny Sharpe MLC



Local school kids will travel for free on light rail



Proud to march in the 2016 Mardi Gras Parade

LET'S UPGRADE LEWISHAM STATION

For people with a disability, parents with prams and the elderly, Lewisham Station is virtually impossible to access.

I've tabled a petition in Parliament to install lifts and fix the drainage issues so commuters don't need to wear gumboots to work and to make sure our public transport system is for everyone.

I'm calling on the Government to include the upgrade in June's State Budget.



Collecting petitions at Lewisham Station with Jodi McKay MP, Shadow Transport Minister



Standing up for Petersham TAFE with teachers, students and Prue Car MP

LIBERALS MAKE CUTS TO PETERSHAM TAFE

The Baird Government continues to dismantle TAFE, cutting over \$1.7 billion from education and training. 4,600 TAFE teachers and support staff have been sacked. Here in the Inner West, courses continue to be moved out of Petersham TAFE, including electrotechnician and instrumentation classes. There is a better way. Labor introduced a Bill to end the Baird Government's shift towards private operators and which guarantees 70% of vocational and educational training funding is reserved for TAFE.



IT'S TIME TO BAN PLASTIC BAGS

Australians use up to five billion plastic bags each year, with more than 180 million littered each year including over 61 million in New South Wales. According to Clean Up Australia, plastic kills up to one million seabirds each year, as well as 100,000 sea mammals and countless fish.

It is clear that we cannot continue to sacrifice our ecology for a culture of convenience.

I strongly support banning single-use plastic bags and adopting the best-practice cash-for-containers scheme proposed by the Boomerang Alliance.

PROTEST LAWS UNDERMINE OUR RIGHTS

The Baird Government introduced laws that curtail the rights of NSW citizens to peacefully protest.

They significantly diminish citizens' rights to oppose CSG and gas mining and threaten people like the Knitting Nanas with 7 years jail or stiff fines.

These laws are un-democratic, over-reaching and just plain wrong.

We'll repeal these laws because they're an attack on our fundamental rights.

"We must stand with the nanas and farmers - everyday folk - who won't take to being shoved aside when it comes to protecting our land and water any longer.

We must protect the rights of everyday citizens to lawfully and peacefully protest."



Speaking against the Baird Government's Protest Laws

REVERSE GARBAGE 40TH ANNIVERSARY



CELEBRATING LUNAR NEW YEAR



FIGHTING FOR ASHBURY RESIDENTS



Ashfield Carnival of Cultures with community leaders and representatives



Speaking in the Health Policy debate at NSW ALP Conference

WE NEED A SMARTER DRUGS POLICY

I'm calling for a Drug Summit in NSW Parliament so we can look at all the evidence and put policies in place that will save lives. I've called for an end to the use of sniffer dogs and for a trial of pill-testing at music festivals. I'll keep pressing the case for a new approach because our young people are too important for us to ignore the evidence on drug policy.