Environmental Levy
Sustaining our City for the next 20 years

FOOD

Randwick City Council
a sense of community

Communal gardens

Growing our community together

COMMUNAL GARDENS

FUNDING AREA
Food

BUDGET
$2M

TIMEFRAME
2024-29

LOCATION
Various

STATUS
Ongoing

DID YOU KNOW?
Randwick's three existing community gardens are located at Paine Reserve Kingsford, Dolphin Street Coogee and Muraborah Reserve Maroubra.

In our urban environment, not everyone has the space, skills or desire for a garden. The solution? Communal gardens.

WHAT IS IT

Communal gardens are shared gardens in public spaces. They are typically supported by Council with grants, infrastructure and specialist advice. However they are generally run by the community on a membership basis.

This project supports food growing initiatives between neighbours, in appropriate areas of open space, potentially on verges, within schools and even in those smaller spaces that may be available to those living in apartments or units.

BENEFITS

Communal or community gardens are well known for their contribution to local sustainability and community resilience outcomes, physical and mental health well-being and cultivating connections across and within local neighbourhoods and communities.

These gardens often form important connections between neighbours and locals where the growing of plants provides the opportunity to meet people, share recipes or stories or get to know who lives nearby in the local environment.

Information current as at October 2023. Project is proposed for funding as part of Council's Environmental Levy Special Rate Variation, which Council is seeking to continue from 2024 to fund important sustainability programs and infrastructure.