

8.3. Mayoral Minute - 28/03/2022 - Property Maintenance

Report by Mayor – Councillor Maree Statham

Commentary

One of the themes you will hear me speak often about during my term as Mayor is city pride.

This city has the most wonderful assets in its heritage buildings, its parks and gardens, sporting facilities and its landscape beauty. It matters for these things to be well presented at all times.

People, local and visitors, care more about a place that is well maintained – they have pride.

With a very small budget compared to other local government areas but a vast geographic area to manage (almost the size of the A.C.T.) this Council works extremely hard to do the very best that it can.

But I must comment that others are, in my opinion, letting us down. It doesn't convey city pride when rail corridors and GWH median strips are overgrown, including with blackberries and other weeds. Nor does it convey city pride when some of the buildings in Main Street are poorly maintained. To correct this, I have asked the General Manager to take steps to bring these matters to the attention of the responsible government agencies and the landlords.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation

THAT Council's commitment to city pride be re-affirmed and steps be taken to ensure that the government and private landlords are doing their bit to convey a positive impression of Lithgow.