

Community Connect September 2026 - Application Form

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About Community Connect

Overview

The Community Investment Program contributes to Randwick City Council's vision of creating 'a sense of community' through the provision of funding and in-kind support to successful applicants.

The Community Connect stream is open to:

- Not-for-profit organisations
- Volunteer-based community groups and associations
- Social enterprises
- Individuals and sole traders: **only** when auspiced by an eligible not-for-profit applicant.

The objectives of activities funded through Community Connect are to:

- Increase capacity through the delivery of community-driven projects
- Increase social cohesion, connection, and a sense of belonging
- Increase volunteering and participation opportunities
- Encourage healthy and active lifestyles.

Applicants should familiarise themselves with the [Community Connect Guidelines](#) prior to completing this form.

Type of funding

* indicates a required field

Which type of funding are you seeking from Randwick City Council? *

- ☐ Cash contribution only
- ☐ Cash contribution + fee support (waiver for use of a Council venue, facility or service)

A note about Fee Support (waivers)

'Fee Support' refers to the waiving of fees for Council venues, facilities and services.

If you are seeking Fee Support **only**, please discontinue this form and apply instead through Council's Fee Support pathway. The form for 2026-27 applications is available on the Council website: randwick.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-awards/community-investment-program

If you intend to request Fee Support **plus** a cash contribution towards the same project, please continue with this form.

Fee Support: Hire of a venue, facility or service

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Applicants who are seeking Fee Support (a fee waiver) for hire of a Council venue, facility or service need to contact the relevant Council department to make a tentative booking and receive a quote for the in-kind amount requested prior to completing this form.

Do you have a booking and quote for your event? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Please upload the booking and quote here: *

Attach a file:

Booking Required

You are unable to complete an application until you have booked and received a quote from the relevant Council department.

NB: Allow up to 14 days to receive a quote for sports fields, open spaces and street banners. All other venues can be booked [online](#) and an instant quote provided.

For information and booking of Council venues, facilities and services:

- Sports fields: **sportsfieldbookings@randwick.nsw.gov.au**
- Parks, beaches or reserves (open spaces): **9093 6642**
- Randwick Community Centre: **9093 6200**
- Randwick Literary Institute: **9093 6140**
- Library venues (meeting rooms & exhibition spaces): **9093 6400**
- Street banners: **9093 6820**
- Nursery (plant donations): **9093 6250**

For all other facilities and services, please contact **Customer Service** on **1300 722 542** or email **council@randwick.nsw.gov.au**

Previous funding from Council

Have you previously applied for funding through Council's Community Investment program? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Was your application for funding successful? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Acquitted funding

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Applicants with overdue or unsatisfactory acquittals are not eligible to apply for further funding. If you are unsure about the status of a previous acquittal, please contact Council's **Grants Officer** to discuss.

Have you acquitted your previous funding? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Applicant details

* indicates a required field

Applicant *

- ☐ Individual
- ☐ Organisation

Organisation Name

Title First Name Last Name

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Applicant type *

- ☐ Not-for-profit organisation (e.g., registered charity)
- ☐ Incorporated association or volunteer group
- ☐ Social enterprise (for more information on what constitutes a genuine social enterprise, see: <https://www.secna.org.au/what-is-a-social-enterprise>)
- ☐ Individual or sole trader: MUST be auspiced by a not-for-profit organisation. You will be asked to enter your auspice details later in this form.

If you do not fit into any of these categories, you are unlikely to be eligible for Community Connect. Contact Council to discuss your options on 9093 6677.

Street Address or PO Box *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, and Postcode are required.

Project Contact: Name *

Phone Number *

Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Applicant ABN

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The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main Business Location	

If your application is successful and you do not have an ABN, you will need to provide Council with a Statement by a Supplier Form.

Applicant website

Must be a URL.

Applicant social media page e.g. Facebook, Instagram

Auspice details: If applying as an individual/sole trader, you must be auspiced by a not-for-profit organisation.

Auspicing organisation *

Organisation Name

Contact person *

Auspice ABN

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Tax Concessions

Main Business Location

Must be an ABN.

Auspice address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, and Postcode are required.

Auspice phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Auspice email *

Must be an email address.

Auspice website and/or social media page

Must be a URL.

Project Details

* indicates a required field

Project title *

Must be no more than 75 characters.

Please provide a brief description of the project: *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Start Date *

Must be a date and between 1/12/2026 and 31/5/2027.

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Projects for this round of Community Connect must be delivered between 1 December 2026 and 31 May 2027.

End Date *

Must be a date and between 1/12/2026 and 31/5/2027.

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Is the project predominantly targeted to a specific interest group?

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ People with disability | ☐ People who have experienced family or domestic violence |
| ☐ People with mental health conditions | ☐ People who have experienced homelessness |
| ☐ Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people | ☐ LGBTQIA+ community |
| ☐ People from specific cultural or linguistic backgrounds | ☐ Teenagers and young people |
| ☐ People of colour | ☐ People experiencing financial and material disadvantage |
| ☐ Children or young families | ☐ No specific group/s - the project is intended for the whole community |
| ☐ Older people | |

How many people do you expect to attend or engage with your project? *

This refers to the community members who will benefit from your project through participation or attendance.

Local connection

Preference is given to locally-based applicants conducting projects within Randwick Local Government Area (LGA). The LGA boundaries can be viewed here: [Explore Randwick City Council - Randwick City Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/explore-randwick-city-council)

Is your organisation based in Randwick LGA? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

In which suburb will you implement the project? *

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ Centennial Park | ☐ La Perouse/Little Bay/Phillip Bay |
| ☐ Chifley | ☐ Malabar |
| ☐ Clovelly | ☐ Maroubra |
| ☐ Coogee/South Coogee | ☐ Matraville |
| ☐ Kensington | ☐ Randwick |
| ☐ Kingsford | ☐ Other - outside Randwick LGA |

More than one location can be selected.

In which specific location will you implement the project? *

E.g. Kensington Park Community Centre, Coogee Beach

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Please provide an explanation of your organisation's connection to Randwick LGA.

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Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

What percentage of people who will benefit from your project do you expect to be Randwick LGA residents? This may include participants (e.g. attendees at a community workshop) or spectators (e.g., audience members at a public performance). Provide your best estimate: *

Must be a number.

Please enter the % of beneficiaries you expect will be local to Randwick.

Assessment Criteria

* indicates a required field

Please provide a brief summary of your project plan and timeline (dot-point form may be used). *

Word count:

Must be no more than 125 words.

How will your project enhance community connection and social cohesion in the Randwick LGA? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 125 words.

Please describe the skills, experience and knowledge your organisation has to deliver the planned project. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 125 words.

How will your project enhance participation for Randwick City's diverse community? Consider minimisation of cost barriers, physical accessibility, targeted promotion or creating an inclusive environment. *

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Word count:

Must be no more than 125 words.

How do you intend to measure community impact and evaluate the outcomes of your project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 125 words.

Entry Fee

Is there an entry fee for your project, event or activity? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If yes, how much is the fee per person? If your project involves attendance at multiple sessions, please enter the amount per session. *

\$

Funding request

*** indicates a required field**

Fee Support - Waiving or discounting of fees for Council venue, facility or service hire

Name of the Council venue, facility or service you intend to use (you must have a tentative booking and quote) *

Organisation Name

Value of Fee Support requested (based on Council quote): *

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

Bonds are to be excluded from Fee Support requests.

Cash contribution

Cash amount requested *

\$

Must be a dollar amount and no more than 10000.

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Total Request

The total must not exceed \$10,000. *

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

The full amount requested in this application, inclusive of cash and Fee Support.

Proposed project budget: Breakdown

Project costs to be funded by Community Connect: Please list the items you intend to pay for using this grant, if successful. E.g.: Venue hire, catering, workshop materials

Cost of the item (\$)	

Other income sources: Breakdown

Other income sources: Please list other any other actual or expected sources of income for this project. E.g.: ticket sales, donations, other grant funding. (You do not need to specify what this income will be spent on)

Amount (\$)	

Proposed project budget: Totals

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Total: Community
Connect funding

This number/amount is
calculated.

Total: Other income

This number/amount is
calculated.

Total: Overall project cost

This number/amount is
calculated.

Partial funding

*** indicates a required field**

Due to the high volume of applications received through the Community Investment Program, successful applicants may not be offered the full amount of funding requested.

Is your project/event likely to proceed without full funding? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Do you acknowledge that funding may be offered on a partial basis and agree to accept partial funding if offered? *

- ☐ Yes, I would accept partial funding
☐ No, I would not accept partial funding

What project costs listed in the budget breakdown are required to be funded for the project to proceed? *

Declaration

*** indicates a required field**

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge, the information recorded in this application is correct at the time of submission.

I confirm that any application being made on behalf of an organisation has the approval of that organisation's management.

Should this application be successful, I agree to:

- Use the funding for the purpose stated in this application;
- Accept Council's terms and conditions and any special conditions specified in my Funding Agreement;
- Appropriately acknowledge Council's support in any promotional material;
- Appropriately acquit granted funds and submit Council's acquittal report within the expected timeframe following project completion;
- Return any unspent funds exceeding \$100 to Council.

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Name of person submitting this application *

Title	First Name	Last Name