



# Kevin Humphries MP

## Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

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#### **LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY ON FUTURE OF AUSTRALIA'S MOST ICONIC PRECINCT**

A \$10 million upgrade to refurbish one of Sydney's most recognisable buildings, the Bondi Pavilion, will be undertaken as part of the Bondi Park, Beach and Pavilion 10 year Plan of Management, Minister for Natural Resources Lands and Water Kevin Humphries said today.

Mr Humphries announced today residents will have one final chance to provide feedback on the draft Plan of Management, which will be open for community comment from today.

"The feedback Waverley Council has already received from thousands of local residents is reflected in the draft Plan, ensuring there would be more open space, improved aesthetics and increased amenities for the park, beach and pavilion in the coming decade," Mr Humphries said.

"The improvements that will be made to the area as part of the Plan of Management will further enhance Bondi's reputation as one of Australia's, and the world's, most iconic landmarks."

Waverley Mayor Sally Betts announced about \$20 million has been allocated in Council's Long Term Financial Plan for the Bondi Park, Beach and Pavilion 10 year Plan of Management.

Cr Betts said there was about \$10 million set aside in the plan to refurbish the Bondi Pavilion.

"I am pleased that we have been able to allocate \$10 million to refurbish the Bondi Pavilion because it is one of Sydney's most iconic buildings," she said.

"The pavilion has a legacy our community is truly proud of so we want to make sure its longevity stretches well into the future and continues to live up to its remarkable history."

Member for Vaucluse Gabrielle Upton said that also included in the range of projects planned as part of the Plan of Management were a children's playground, a beginners' skate park and extra toilets. This will add to the amenity created by the proposed upgrade to the gym supported by the NSW Government, Waverley Council and Bondi Junction Rotary.

"Every year 1.8 million people flock to Bondi to enjoy its wide open spaces, iconic beach, pavilion and unique community atmosphere," Ms Upton said.

"The changes that will occur under the Plan of Management are designed to enhance what people already love about Bondi and will ultimately result in more people visiting the area every year."

The community is being invited to comment on the plans, which go on exhibition on August 11 until September 14. To view the plans and comment, visit: [waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipom](http://waverley.nsw.gov.au/bondipom).

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