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Dear Resident

The City of Sydney has chosen Myrtle Street, and surrounding areas in Chippendale, as a trial site for how to create a 'sustainable street'.

The aim of this six month project is to showcase the significant sustainable living features already established in parts of Chippendale and to develop and implement plans for further improvements.

We are looking at:

- Cooling the suburb (for example, by using different construction methods and materials in our roads, footways and buildings materials and also increasing tree canopy coverage);
- Reducing energy costs;
- Introducing more efficient street and footway lighting;
- Harvesting rainwater;
- Establishing additional road and verge gardens;
- Increasing the use of car share arrangements;
- Providing improved access and safety for pedestrians and cyclists;
- Creating streets, parks and buildings which cost less to build and maintain; and
- Growing more local food and increasing biodiversity.

We are working closely with local sustainability expert Michael Mobbs. The project will give people the opportunity to tour Michael's 'Sustainable House' and see first hand how for 14 years he has used rain water, recycled treated sewage, harvested the sun's energy to achieve energy and water bills of less than \$300 a year.

This sustainable project will guide our plans to construct new kerbs, pram ramps and gardens at the Myrtle Street and City Road intersection.

I hope this exciting opportunity can lead to similar projects in other suburbs.

We will keep you informed about how you can be involved in this project.

If you would like additional information you can contact Joel Johnson, Manager Parks, Trees and Aquatic Facilities on 9265-9333 or at jjohnson@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Alternatively, you may like to contact Michael Mobbs on 9310 2930 or at michael@sustainablehouse.com.au

Yours sincerely

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