

Media Release



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Oxley Street trees will be replaced

Plans are underway to replace two large trees recently removed from Oxley Street in Camden.

During the past six weeks, the mature eucalypts were removed from the street front near Oxley Street Carpark under the direction of Sydney Water due to the extensive damage sustained to the watermain.

“As a Council, we conserve trees wherever possible as part of the landscape of our town centres to support the biodiversity and visual appeal of the area,” said Mayor Peter Sidgreaves.

“We had worked to preserve these trees during the construction of the multi deck carpark in 2017 to maintain the existing streetscape of Oxley Street,” Cr Sidgreaves said.

“While it is unfortunate that they were removed it is important to Council that we replant in place of the removed trees and ensure that no further damage is done to the water services,” he said.

The first tree was removed as an emergency when a watermain burst on 6 September 2018. The second tree was removed by Sydney Water during the weekend of 6 and 7 October 2018 due to a water leak and high levels of woody root material in the immediate area of the watermain.

Trees will be replanted that are appropriate for the safety and amenity of this public space after summer, when planting conditions approved.

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