

Concise Guide to the Archives of the former Marrickville Council

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INTRODUCTION

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- *St Peters Council*
- *Petersham Council*
- *Marrickville Council*
- *City of Sydney Council*

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Within the guide, records are classified firstly by agency of creation, then by subject:

- *Airport*
- *Building construction and land sub division*
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MARRICKVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The Municipality of Marrickville was incorporated on 5 November 1861 under the Municipalities Act 1858. Three wards were established in 1868: Cook's River, Middle and Stanmore. These were replaced by four wards in 1889: North, South, East and West.

The Council was dissolved on 1 January 1949 under the Local Government (Areas) Act 1948, and grouped with the Municipal Districts of St Peters and Petersham to form present day Marrickville Council. Ten wards were subsequently formed in 1948 (numbered one to ten), with ward numbers reduced to seven in 1950: Dulwich Hill, East, Henson, Petersham, Riverside, St Peters and Stanmore. Marrickville Council's Local Government Area (LGA) was further expanded in 1968 to encompass additional former areas of the City of Sydney Council (comprising parts of Camperdown, Newtown and Enmore).

On 12 May 2016 Marrickville Council was dissolved and merged with the former Ashfield and Leichhardt Councils to form the Inner West Council. The Inner West Council was proclaimed by the NSW Minister for Local Government on 12 May 2016.

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PETERSHAM MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The Municipality of Petersham was defined according to the Government Gazette as the Borough of Petersham on 14 December 1871. This title was altered to that of the Municipality of Petersham in 1907. It consisted initially of three wards, Annandale, South Kingston and Sydenham. A fourth ward, Lewisham, was established in 1885. The Council was dissolved on 1 January 1949 under the Local Government (Areas) Act 1948, and grouped with the Municipal Districts of St Peters and Marrickville to form Marrickville Council.

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ST PETERS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

The Municipality of St Peters was proclaimed on 13 January 1871, under the Municipalities Act 1867. It consisted of two wards, St Peters to the north and Cook's River to the South. On May 1878 a third ward – Brompton – was proclaimed. On 18 December 1903 a fourth ward was proclaimed, with the wards subsequently renamed as North, Brompton, Bellevue and Tempe. The Council was dissolved on 1 January 1949 under the Local Government (Areas) Act 1948, and grouped with the Municipal Districts of Petersham and Marrickville to form Marrickville Council.

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