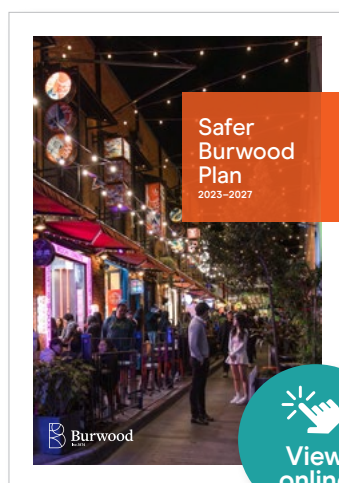# Safer Burwood Plan
2023–2027

This Plan outlines how Burwood Council will work with NSW Police, the community and other stakeholders to improve community safety across the Burwood LGA over the next four years.

It reflects the key issues identified from crime data and safety concerns identified by our community.

Crime statistics show that the Burwood Local Government Area is a relatively safe place to live, with lower incident rates compared to the rest of NSW. However, community safety is not just about recorded crime. It is also about how safe people feel living in, working and visiting Burwood.

The Plan focuses on two key outcomes that will benefit our community – **Safer places** and **Safer people**.

To the right is a summary of the actions outlined in the Safer Burwood Plan.

Safer Burwood Plan
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1. Safe places

Public spaces
- Safely designing and planning town centres and parks
- Place-making and public domain improvements
- Activating public spaces and the night time economy
- Lighting improvements
- Undertaking safety audits

Businesses
- Reducing retail theft
- Improving reporting of crime
- Delivering business support programs

Online
- Mail theft prevention
- Fraud prevention education
- Cyber safety and online bullying

Travel
- Pedestrian safety improvements
- Food delivery rider education
- Theft awareness
- Car park and commuter safety
- Number plate theft prevention
- Travelling safely after dark
- Improving e-bike safety

Homes
- Responding to homelessness in public spaces
- Addressing and preventing homelessness
- Addressing the drivers of homelessness
- Planning and advocating for safe and secure housing
- Promoting home safety awareness and prevention

2. Safe people

Relationships
- Increasing local understanding and responses to domestic violence and elder abuse
- Co-designing targeted prevention approaches
- Promoting respectful relationships
- Supporting women and children escaping violence
- Creating safe spaces for women, girls and gender diverse people

Communities
- Promoting cross-cultural and intercultural connection
- Events to increase community cohesion
- Addressing racism
- Providing safe places for young people
- Improving neighbourhood cohesion

Support services
- Stronger networks
- Increasing service awareness
- Child safeguarding
- Safety education programs
- Community Grants
- Mental health training
- Measuring perceptions of safety and social cohesion

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