

Our strategic objectives

To support children and young people to be loved and safe, Council will strive to:

- 1.1 support children and young people to develop interpersonal skills required for healthy relationships within early learning settings and youth service programs
- 1.2 deliver programs that build parental confidence and skills to support children and young people's development and enable supportive family relationships
- 1.3 take a 'life-stages' approach to responding to gender inequity by delivering or supporting developmentally appropriate initiatives/activities that foster gender equity for children, young people and families
- 1.4 build social connectedness (including inter-generational connection) through programs and initiatives that bring individuals, families and communities together
- 1.5 shape the built environment to encourage social connectedness and safety through urban design, public space and transport initiatives, including a focus on pedestrian safety
- 1.6 provide services or community spaces that are welcoming and personally safe for children, young people and their families
- 1.7 provide Council services that are culturally safe for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and families and support the service sector to build capacity in this area
- 1.8 provide inclusive Council services, programs and spaces for children, young people and their families in all their diversity, including cultural and linguistic diversity, diversity of ability, background, socio-economic status and identification as LGBTIQ+
- 1.9 maintain a highly skilled workforce able to maintain professional boundaries and respond effectively to children, young people and their families who have experienced family violence, trauma or have other complex needs

"These things make me and my family feel safe in our local area – knowing our neighbours, engaging in community events, my children being able to get around the suburb safely on their own."

Local parent