


Public Domain Maintenance



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The Public Domain Maintenance Service provides high levels of maintenance across the City. Once seen as just an unsightly issue, litter has now been recognised as a significant environmental problem. Common litter items include chip and confectionary wrappers, glass pieces, fast-food packaging, soft drink bottles and cigarette butts. Of these, cigarette butts are the most common, making up 50% of litter items in NSW.

We require an additional \$360,000 per year to enhance service levels required for St Marys and Penrith City Centres, City gateways and high activity City locations, precincts and industrial areas and to address the emerging issue of litter throughout the Council area.

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