

COUNCIL AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

31 March 2021



You are hereby notified that an **Ordinary Council Meeting** of Liverpool City Council will be held at the **FRANCIS GREENWAY CENTRE, 170 GEORGE STREET, LIVERPOOL** on **Wednesday, 31 March 2021** commencing at 6.00pm.

Due to the public health order social distancing requirements, there is a limit on the number of people who can attend. Please contact the Council and Executive Services team on 8711 7584 if you wish to register your interest to attend.

Liverpool City Council Meetings are livestreamed onto Council's website and remain on Council's website for a period of 12 months.

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Dr Eddie Jackson

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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The following items are listed for consideration by Council in Closed Session with the public excluded, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 as listed below:

CONF 01 Acquisition of Pt Lot 141 DP 852633 being Part of 305 Denham Court Road, Denham Court for drainage purposes

Reason: Item CONF 01 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(c) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CONF 02 Dedication to Council of Lot 39 in DP 1160527, Lot 39 Swoffer Avenue, Middleton Grange for drainage purposes

Reason: Item CONF 02 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(c) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

CONF 03 Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals

Reason: Item CONF 03 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(g) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

CONF 04 Environment Advisory Committee - Appointment of Committee Membership

Reason: Item CONF 04 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(a) of the Local Government Act because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

CONF 05 Tourism and CBD Committee - New Community Representative

Reason: Item CONF 05 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(a) of the Local Government Act because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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CONF 06 School Infrastructure NSW proposed partnership

Reason: Item CONF 06 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(d i) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Close



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2021

PRESENT:

Mayor Wendy Waller
 Councillor Ayyad
 Councillor Balloot (arrived at 6.14pm)
 Councillor Hadchiti
 Councillor Hadid
 Councillor Hagarty
 Councillor Harle
 Councillor Kaliyanda
 Councillor Karnib
 Councillor Rhodes
 Councillor Shelton
 Dr Eddie Jackson, Chief Executive Officer
 Mr George Hampouris, Acting Director City Corporate
 Ms Tina Bono, Acting Director City Community and Culture
 Mr David Smith, Acting Director City Economy and Growth
 Mr Peter Diplas, Acting Director City Presentation
 Mr Raj Autar, Director City Infrastructure and Environment
 Mr John Morgan, Director, Property and Commercial Development
 Ms Ellen Whittingstall, Internal Ombudsman
 Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
 Mr Thomas Wheeler, Heritage Officer
 Ms Nada Mardini, Manager Community Standards
 Mr Tim Pasley, Manager Waste and Cleansing
 Mr Darrell Bartlett, Acting Manager City Works
 Mr George Georgakis, Manager Council and Executive Services
 Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services (minutes)

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor reminded everyone that in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice (other than the Public Forum Section), the meeting is being livestreamed.

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Manoj Chacko from Liverpool South Anglican Church.

APOLOGIES

Nil.

CONDOLENCES

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion:

Moved: Clr Shelton

Seconded: Clr Hadid

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3 February 2021 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting, subject to the following correction of facts:

Information contained in point 4 of the resolution to item CONF 01 Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals (as shown on page 31 of the 24 February 2021 Council Agenda) stated:

“Council note that Council carries out annual inspections of properties”.

This is inaccurate. As outlined in a memo sent to Councillors on 12 February 2021, the true position is as follows:

“Council’s involvement in this process is limited to ensuring that annual fire safety statements are submitted annually, on time and certifies all services in the building”.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Shelton declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 - Companion Animals Advisory Committee Membership 2021-2023

Reason: Ctr Shelton has had business dealings in the past with at least one of the individuals referred to therein.

Clr Shelton remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

During discussion on item CORP 05 – Mayoral Direction pursuant to Section 226(d) of the Local Government Act 1993, Clrs Shelton, Hagarty and Kaliyanda declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest as follows:

Reason: Clr Shelton is an ordinary member of the Liverpool and District Historical Society.

Reason: Clr Hagarty is an ordinary member of the Liverpool and District Historical Society.

Reason: Clr Kaliyanda is an ordinary member of the Liverpool and District Historical Society.

Clrs Shelton, Hagarty and Kaliyanda remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

Nil.

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Mr Lachlan Hyde** from the Moorebank Squadron of the Australian Air League addressed Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 02 Australian Air League Moorebank 60th Anniversary Commendation

MAYORAL MINUTE

SUBJECT: Bicentenary Commemoration of Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park
FILE REF: 056583.2021
ITEM: MAYOR 01

This year marks the 200th anniversary of Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park.

The Memorial Park is the resting place of more than 13,000 people, with the first recorded burial taking place on 16 April 1821.

Laid to rest are the early pioneers of Liverpool – a community of colonial officials and military personnel, free settlers, convicts, and members of their families including many infants and young children who sadly died early.

The Memorial Park also contains the remains of children from local institutions including the Male Orphan School, Thomas Moore College and hundreds of pauper inmates from the Liverpool Asylum. Service personnel from World War I were also buried there as well as German and Austrian internees who died at the Holsworthy internment camp during the same period.

From 1827 the cemetery was divided into denominational sectors, the closest to Campbell Street being allocated to Anglicans, then a one-acre lot north of that for Roman Catholics in 1846 which was expanded in 1868.

A small sector along Macquarie Street, near Lachlan Lane was set aside for Wesleyans in 1863. In 1884, a small area in the north-east corner of the site, adjacent to the Hume Highway was dedicated for Presbyterians and an extension west of that (adjacent to Northumberland Street) for Catholic paupers' burials. Non-denominational pauper and asylum inmate burials occurred between those areas and Lachlan lane, in unmarked graves.

Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park closed for burials in 1958 and in October 1970 the Old Liverpool Cemetery Act authorised Liverpool City Council to convert the cemetery into a rest park. I had the honour of re-opening the park in 2010.

As the Council is aware, the ashes of former Mayors have also been interred at the Memorial Park.

Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park is an important part of Liverpool's history and its Bicentenary should be commemorated.

Clr Balloot arrived at the meeting at 6.14pm.

CITY ECONOMY AND GROWTH REPORT

ITEM NO: EGROW 01

FILE NO: 008291.2021

SUBJECT: Proposed Natural Disaster Clause in Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Ayyad

Seconded: Clr Rhodes

That Council:

1. Opt-in to the initiative from the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment (DPIE) for a new natural disaster clause to be included in the Liverpool Local Environmental Plan, State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) and State Environmental Planning Policy (State Significant Precincts) to also include outbuildings on the site of the dwelling or secondary dwelling;
2. Request DPIE consider applying this clause in suitable zones subject to SEPP (Western Sydney Aerotropolis);
3. Endorse the zones as outlined in this report to be subject to the opt-in clause; and
4. Write to Department of Planning, Industry and Environment advising of Council's decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Hadid** **Seconded: Clr Ayyad**

- On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 24 February 2021 and confirmed on Wednesday, 31 March 2021

Chairperson

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes **Seconded:** Clr Ayyad

1. Notes the Gateway determination for Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 (Amendment 89) and the results of public exhibition and community consultation, and
2. Proceeds with Amendment 89 and delegates authority to the CEO (or his delegate) to liaise with the NSW Parliamentary Counsel's Office and the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to finalise the amendment.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

CITY CORPORATE REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01

FILE NO: 009811.2021

SUBJECT: Biannual Progress Report - December 2020

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Hadid

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

That Council notes and receives the Biannual Progress Report which outlines the progress of Principal Activities detailed in the Delivery Program 2017-2022 and Operational Plan 2020-2021.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 026576.2021
SUBJECT: Investment Report January 2021

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Shelton** **Seconded: Clr Rhodes**

That Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 04
FILE NO: 032917.2021
SUBJECT: 2021 National General Assembly of Local Government

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Rhodes** **Seconded: Cllr Kaliyanda**

That Council:

1. Endorse the five motions to be submitted to the National General Assembly as shown below:

- **Acquisition Scheme**

That:

1. The National General Assembly request that the Federal Government investigate forward funding acquisition scheme that will enable local governments to provide infrastructure supporting the development of national assets; and
2. The investigation of a forward funding acquisition scheme also consider funding opportunities through a value capture process or increased funds generated in the existing tax regime due to higher land values and transaction volumes associated with areas of major infrastructure delivery.

- **Community spaces/work hubs**

That the National General Assembly calls on the Australian Local Government Association Board to advocate to Federal, State and Territory Governments, and other relevant authorities to develop a framework and establish a fund to support and incentivise cooperation across state and local governments, the private sector and community organisations to deliver better, integrated co-working or shared work hub options for the community.

- **City Deals**

That the National General Assembly calls on the Federal Government to recommit to genuine partnership between three levels of Government in the City Deal model, and commit resources to progress stalled negotiations; reconcile real progress against planned outcomes such as in the Western Sydney City Deal; and leverage the learnings from the current City Deals to inform improved and replicable models for future Deals.

- **Pandemic safe Housing and Development**

That a national consultation process be held to enable Governments at all levels, the opportunity to re-assess and implement new planning controls that will ensure the delivery of future Pandemic safe Housing and development.

- **Extension of JOB KEEPER for the Visitation Sector of Hospitality**

That JOBKEEPER be reinstated for the Visitation Sector of Hospitality until Airports and State Borders are permanently open

2. Endorse the attendance of Mayor Waller, Councillor Shelton, Councillor Hagarty, Councillor Kaliyanda and Councillor Rhodes at the Conference.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Hadchiti** **Seconded: Cllr Rhodes**

1. Council note and endorse the Mayoral Direction dated 9 February 2021 attached to the report;
2. Council enter into good faith negotiations with the owner of the subject site for the acquisition of the site and report back to Council with the outcomes;
3. Should negotiations be successful, direct the CEO to prepare an options paper for the future use of the site including the possibility of providing a home for organisations such as, but not limited to, The City of Liverpool District Historical Society and the Australian Air League Moorebank; and
4. Council apply the above to the property at Atkinson Street, Liverpool that Council recently placed an interim heritage on.

Chairperson

Motion: **Moved: Clr Rhodes** **Seconded: Clr Hadid**

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee Meeting held on 3 December 2020.
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

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Chairperson

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Rhodes** **Seconded: Cllr Hadid**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 04
FILE NO: 011067.2021
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee meeting held on 26 November 2020

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Rhodes** **Seconded: Clr Hadid**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2020.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 06
FILE NO: 013746.2021
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 December 2020

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Rhodes** **Seconded: Clr Hadid**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 December 2020.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 019732.2021

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Fast Transit Corridor

Council has invested a lot of time and money working on plans for a fast transit corridor from the CBD through to Fifteenth Avenue.

Please address the following:

- 1. What has the cost been to the ratepayer, including staff cost, promotional material, study tours (converting points if used to real dollars) etc?**
- 2. What stage is this project at?**

Response

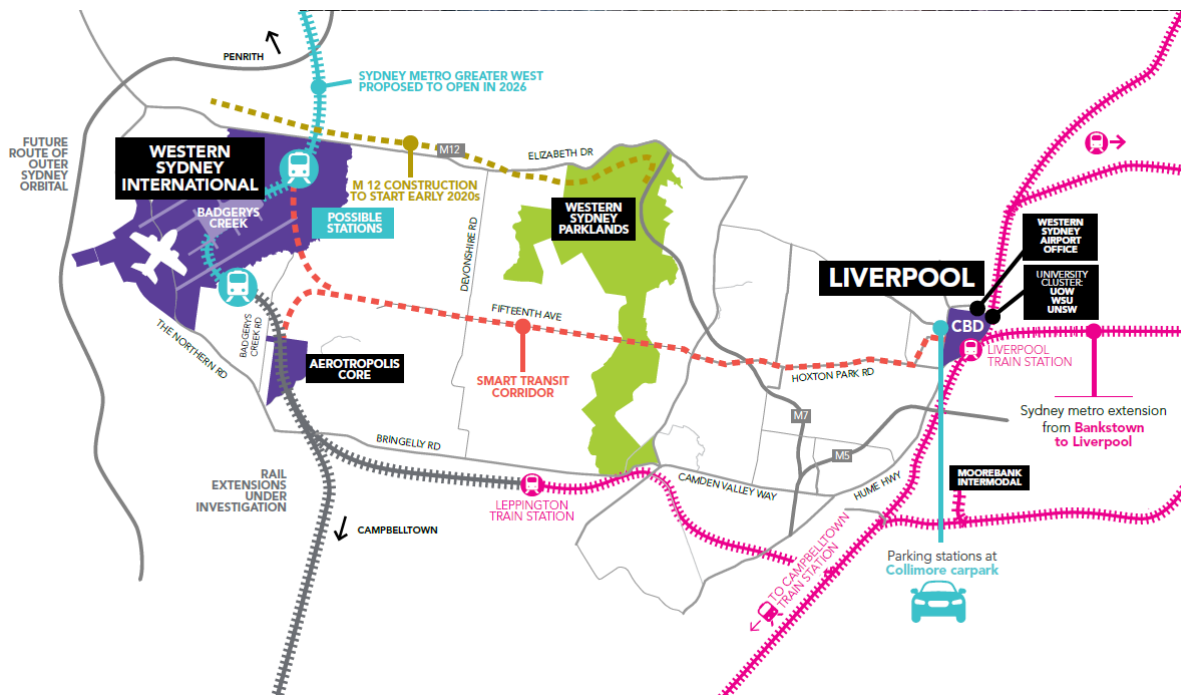
Background

Council's vision is for the Fast Transit Corridor to be a high-quality public transport link between Liverpool CBD and the Airport/Aerotropolis.

The corridor consists of the following road links:

- Liverpool Station along Moore Street to Hoxton Park Road.
- Hoxton Park Road along the existing Liverpool to Parramatta transit way to Banks Road.
- Hoxton Park Road, from Banks Road to Cowpasture Road.
- Fifteenth Avenue, from Cowpasture Road to the Western Sydney Airport and Aerotropolis.

The corridor in its local context is shown below.



Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) identifies the FAST corridor as a project of strategic significance to Council, and other strategic planning documents including the Liverpool City Centre Public Domain Plan identify the corridor.

The NSW Government, through the Western Sydney Growth Centres State Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) levy, has allocated funding for road upgrades along the following road sections:

- Hoxton Park Road between the end of the existing Liverpool to Parramatta transit way (at Banks Road) to Cowpasture Road.
- Fifteenth Avenue between Cowpasture Road and Devonshire Road.

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) administers SIC funding.

1. What has the cost been to the ratepayer, including staff cost, promotional material, study tours (converting points if used to real dollars) etc?

This project is largely a SIC funded project. Council secured \$4,845,500.00 in grant funding from DPIE towards the concept and detailed designs for the upgrade of the section of Fifteenth Avenue between Cowpasture Road and Devonshire Road.

There has been general funds expenditure of \$56,214.58 to date which is not claimable expenditure under the SIC funding agreement. In addition, Council utilised accumulated air points for travel which amounted to \$21,037.03 (if converted into dollars).

Expenditure Summary

Total project expenditure to date = \$2,025,380.34

Grant funding received to date = \$2,742,500.00

2. What stage is the project at?

TfNSW and Council have both received funding under the SIC and design investigations for the upgrade of the above-mentioned road sections is underway.

The status of the two projects are as follows:

TfNSW upgrade of Hoxton Park Road

TfNSW has completed a strategic concept design which involves road widening to provide two dedicated bus lanes along both sides of the existing four-lane road. The design was placed on public exhibition early last year. TfNSW provided a briefing to Councillors on the project.

The main project feature which attracted community submissions was the arrangement to restrict right turn movements into and out of Dorrigo Avenue. Council also raised a concern that the provision of two dedicated bus lanes as a continuation of the existing Liverpool to Parramatta transit lane would be a better arrangement should an upgrade to a mass transit system such as light rail or trackless tram be required in the future.

Council's Fifteenth Avenue Road Upgrade

Council engaged consultants with the funding provided by DPIE to prepare an optioneering report on the corridor between Liverpool City Centre and the Airport as well as a strategic concept design for the road section between Cowpasture Road and Devonshire Road.

The optioneering report has been completed and is used as an advocacy document for the project. The report has enabled Council to advise DPIE and TfNSW on the need for a coordinated design and implementation strategy for the project's delivery.

In response, the three agencies have funded the preparation of an Integrated Transport Corridor Plan to ensure a uniform design approach and implementation strategy can be adopted. The plan is expected to be completed in the middle of 2021.

In addition, to fulfill the commitment in the Western Sydney City Deal, TfNSW has engaged consultants to prepare delivery programs for the provision of rapid bus networks from Penrith, Liverpool and Campbelltown to Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport before it opens in 2026, and to the Western Sydney Aerotropolis. The report on this is expected to be completed in the middle of 2021.

Project Advocacy

The advocacy to date has included representations to the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment, Transport for NSW, the Minister for Transport and Roads and meetings with senior DPIE and Transport for NSW representatives. This has enabled Council to highlight the importance of the project to DPIE and TfNSW management and both agencies have agreed to partner with Council to prepare an Integrated Transport Corridor Plan.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 019746.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Drainage Channels Rural/Growth Areas

Please address the following:

1. How often are the drainage channels relating to the rural/growth areas mowed/cleaned out?

Response

Drainage channel maintenance in rural and growth areas is monitored and serviced as part of the Council's Tailout Reactive Program. On average, depending on the area, the drains are serviced on 6 month and 12 month programs. In addition, known problem areas are monitored on a more regular basis and headwalls in all areas are cleared daily.

Following unprecedented rain fall events in late January 2020, maintenance work was carried out on drainage channels along Bringelly Road, Fifteenth Avenue, Fourth Avenue, Fourteenth Avenue, Edmondson Avenue and Kelly Street.

As the LGA continues to expand, the need for regular drainage channel works will increase. City Presentation is continuously reviewing its service delivery standards to meet community expectations.

At the Council meeting of 3 February 2021, Cllr Rhodes asked a follow-up question regarding design of open drainage channels without separate low-flow provisions.

Low-flow drainage systems within drainage channels allow stormwater from normal rain events to be discharged via pipes leaving the channel dry for most of the time and available for other uses e.g. passive recreation. However, due to its long-term detrimental impact on water quality, ecology and flooding, State Government Agencies over time have discouraged the use of low-flow and hard-engineered drainage systems. Over the last ten years, State Agencies have been encouraging the naturalisation of drainage channels designed to achieve a large number of benefits including:

- water quality improvement through progressive removal of litter and nutrients;
- ecological restoration e.g. fish friendly waterways;
- flood mitigation through better management of water velocity and timing resulting in reduced flood severity;
- potential urban cooling and associated environmental improvements;
- creating high quality and accessible public open space; and
- improving the visual amenity as the appearance of the creek becomes more natural.

It is acknowledged, however, that there are constructed drainage channels across the LGA where not all the above benefits have been realised, with some channels requiring a more intensive maintenance regime to ensure satisfactory performance and amenity. To address the underlying design issues, Council has commissioned a study to review performance of existing drainage channels and develop best-practice guidelines that achieves a satisfactory balance amongst the above listed attributes and outcomes.

At this stage, the draft Guidelines are anticipated to be completed in April 2021 and will be presented to the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) and Council for input.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 019751.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Water Detention Basins Growth Areas

Water Detention Basins Growth Areas

Please address the following:

1. What compliance measures are being undertaken to ensure that the above are maintained?

Response

Council's Development Engineering Team are responsible for managing compliance in relation to temporary water detention basins. Compliance action is only carried out in response to any complaints received by members of the community, or at times when development engineers observe maintenance issues upon regular physical inspections nearby.

The owner of the land (developer) is responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the onsite detention basins (OSD) at their own expense via Section 88(F) of the Conveyancing Act 1919, as restrictions are placed on the land title for the ongoing maintenance of the basins. In the event the registered owner fails to comply with the terms of any written notice issued by Council to comply with their maintenance obligations, Council or its authorised agents may enter the land and undertake maintenance works and Council may recover associated costs from the registered proprietor.

At the Council meeting of 3 February 2021, Cllr Rhodes asked a follow-up question relating to the maintenance of the water detention basins, and the production of a calendar of the maintenance for all Council parks which would include Council detention basins. Cllr Rhodes asked for an update on that calendar and when it's planned to be available on the Council website.

The maintenance of the water detention basins is on a regular 12 week service program, completed by Team Cecil Hills. The parks maintenance programs were developed over 18 months ago and our Parks Team is about to undertake a review of all maintenance programs for our Parks and Open Spaces. Once the programs are finalised and commissioned they will be made available on the Council website.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 019787.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Developer Road Construction Growth Areas

Developer Road Construction Growth Areas

Please address the following:

1. What is the process of ensuring that the above are built to the correct standards?

Response

The process for ensuring that road infrastructure is constructed to the correct standards is based on the following two main objectives:

1. Design Compliance

At this stage Council checks civil engineering drawings for compliance with relevant Australian Civil Engineering Standards. This applies to:

- stormwater drainage
- pavement design
- carriageway width
- services provision
- earthworks
- traffic management facilities
- any other civil infrastructure required by the DA.

2. Construction compliance

Council carries out critical stage compliance inspections of the works as they are being undertaken. Council also requires independent testing of works by consultant specialists (supplied by the Developer) to double check road pavements and drainage structures, for compliance with design standards.

Materials testing certificates from an accredited NATA laboratory are also requested, to ensure materials used in road and drainage construction comply with construction standards.

Materials compliance certificates and other test results are submitted to the satisfaction of council, prior to a subdivision certificate being released.

Council collects a 12-month maintenance bond to ensure the works are constructed as designed. If at the end of the maintenance period, no major faults are evident within the road and drainage system, the bond is refunded.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 019790.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Kerb Gutter and Roads Fronting Council Owned Land Growth Areas

Kerb Gutter and Roads Fronting Council Owned Land Growth Areas

Please address the following:

1. What program is in place to ensure that Council constructs the above once a development and half roads are built opposite Council owned land?

Response

When considering subdivision of land opposite Council owned land, Council's Land Development Engineers will typically request that the developer constructs the road, pavement, kerb and gutter along the frontage of Council owned land. This arrangement benefits both the developer and council, in that the developer will use the services of the contractor who is already onsite carrying out the half road along the developer's property. In return, the developer receives a credit for developer contributions via a Works-In-Kind Agreement executed between Council and the Developer.

There are times where Council's Land Development Engineers do not negotiate the construction of the half road fronting Council land due to existing projects or a master planning exercise (commissioned by council) seeking to redevelop council's land e.g. significant sporting reserve/precinct. These redevelopments can sometimes change the design of the frontage of the property due to upgrades required or the provision of indented parking bays.

Council will undertake a review to identify any council owned land where the surrounding sites have been developed and the frontage road needs to be upgraded. These sites can be included on council's works program and completed using developer contributions funding.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 032584.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Shelton - Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park

Please address the following:

1. Given the Liverpool Pioneers' Memorial Park has its bi-centenary and turns two hundred this year please advise whether any commemoration plans or other form of recognition for this milestone are proposed.

A response to this Question with Notice was to be provided in the 31 March 2021 Council Agenda, however it was dealt with earlier at this meeting during the Mayoral Minute item.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 041210.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Boardwalk at the Paper Mill

Please address the following:

1. Has the board walk which formed part of the developers VPA at the Paper Mill been approved for construction?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 041217.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Service Level Agreements

Please address the following:

1. Council was to introduce Service Level Agreements between departments. Has this been implemented?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 041220.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Heritage Review

Please address the following:

1. Council is undertaking a city-wide heritage review. My understanding is staff have identified sites that will form part of this review. If these sites are privately owned have the owners been notified that their property will be reviewed or will the first they know of it be when the report is presented to Council?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 041221.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Machinery Purchase

Please address the following:

1. Council allocated approximately \$3m to the City Presentation team for the purchase of new equipment. What machinery was purchased and how was this determined?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 11
FILE NO: 041234.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Wait Time for Household Clean Up Service

Please address the following:

1. What is the wait time as at 15 February, 2021 for a household clean up service (waste pick up)?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 12
FILE NO: 041259.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - One Lane Bridge on Sixth Avenue, Austral

Please address the following:

1. Who is responsible for the dangerous one lane bridge on Sixth Avenue, Austral close to the intersection of Thirtieth Avenue?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 13
FILE NO: 041262.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Twenty Sixth Avenue, Austral
Resurfacing

Please address the following:

1. Twenty Sixth Ave Austral is in desperate need of resurfacing. Is it on the program of works?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 14
FILE NO: 041269.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Edmondson Avenue, Austral - Part Road Resurfaced

Please address the following:

1. Parts of Edmondson Avenue, Austral have been resurfaced. Are there any plans to finish off the Bringelly Road end?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 15
FILE NO: 041273.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Extra Road Lanes on Greenway Drive,
West Hoxton

Please address the following:

1. Is there anything that stops Council from considering adding extra road lanes on Greenway Drive West Hoxton (East bound) between Cowpasture Road and Wyattville Drive?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 16
FILE NO: 041280.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Drive Through to Inspect the Quality of Roads in the Rural Area

Please address the following:

1. When was the last time a drive through was done to inspect the quality of roads in the rural area?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

ITEM NO: QWN 17
FILE NO: 041322.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti Annual Fire Safety Statement (AFSS)

Please address the following:

1. Do all Council owned/managed properties have an up to date Annual Fire Safety Statement (AFSS)?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 31 March, 2021 Council Meeting Business paper.

RECESS:

Mayor Waller called a 5 minute recess at 7.38pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Waller resumed the meeting at 7.43pm with the following Councillors present:

Mayor Waller, Cllr Ayyad, Cllr Hagarty, Cllr Harle, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Rhodes and Cllr Shelton.

Cllr Balloot, Cllr Hadchiti, Cllr Hadid and Cllr Kaliyanda returned to meeting at 7.44pm.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Hagarty made the following presentations:

1. A book titled Reconnected, A Community Builder's Handbook written by Andrew Leigh and Nick Terrell has been published, it's about new initiatives and organisations around building stronger communities. The book mentions Ferrington Collective and Liverpool Council. Cllr Hagarty recommends all staff in City Community and Culture read it, as every page has a different project which he thought gave amazing examples of things we could be doing. An autograph copy has been given to Council.
2. In November an event at State Parliament House was hosted by Melanie Gibbons, Member for Holsworthy and it was the first public event since COVID. It was to celebrate Guru Nanak's 551st birthday and it was held by Turbans 4 Australia. Council received an ornament at this event.
3. Congratulate Craig in Casula Parklands who started up a park run at Casula Parklands. The park run had been started earlier this month. Bellbird Café is opening 30 minutes earlier to accommodate those doing the 5km run. Staff in Recreation are also to be congratulated for helping to get this up and running and are encouraged to participate in doing the run.

The path run is on every Saturday at 8.00am.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01

FILE NO: 045602.2021

SUBJECT: The Global Greening Project - Tourism Ireland

BACKGROUND

For the last 11 years, over the St Patricks Day Period (17 March), Tourism Ireland has worked with friends of Ireland all over the globe to turn the world green. In a gesture of support for the 70+ million people around the world who claim links to the island of Ireland and to mark St Patrick's Day, hundreds of iconic landmarks and sites in over 50 countries will again go green in March. This is helping to bring some positivity and hope at a challenging time for all.

In 2020, a number of Australian sites joined the 'Global Greening Project' – including the State Library of New South Wales and Town Hall in Sydney and Flinders Street Railway Station in Melbourne.

The inclusion of a Liverpool icon would be an opportunity to raise the city's profile with Irish and international audiences and encourage new connections with Ireland. Liverpool is home to over 7,500 residents who identify with Irish heritage or ancestry.

Furthermore, Liverpool City Council is building its relationship with the Consulate General of Ireland in Sydney, by hosting an annual event at Casula Powerhouse to celebrate St Brigid's Day in February. This event celebrates Irish heritage through spoken word and music.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Hadid)

That Council:

1. Investigate the possibility of including a landmark – Macquarie Mall – in the Global Greening Project for 2021; and
2. Change the colour of the lights in Macquarie Mall to green on St Patricks Day, 17 March and use the Macquarie Mall Urban Screen to highlight the Global Greening Project during the St Patrick's Day Period.

COUNCIL DECISION**Motion:****Moved: Cllr Hadid****Seconded: Cllr Ayyad**

That Council:

1. Investigate the possibility of including a landmark – Macquarie Mall – in the Global Greening Project for 2021; and
2. Change the colour of the lights in Macquarie Mall to green on St Patricks Day, 17 March and use the Macquarie Mall Urban Screen to highlight the Global Greening Project during the St Patrick's Day Period.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 040352.2021
SUBJECT: Australian Air League Moorebank 60th Anniversary Commendation

BACKGROUND

The Australian Air League is a youth organisation for boys and girls aged from 8 years which encourages an interest in aviation as a career or as a hobby for the youth of Australia.

The organisation is entirely self-funding and is staffed by volunteers who give their time generously to achieve its goals. The Australian Air League has no political, racial or religious connections.

The aims and objectives of the Australian Air League include:

- To promote and encourage the development of Aviation in the Youth of Australia
- To promote good citizenship
- To promote ingenuity and resourcefulness of its members
- To develop the physical and mental abilities of its members

The Australian Air League first established the City of Liverpool Squadron in February 1961 and would meet at the Memorial School of Arts, and later at the Liverpool Public School every Tuesday Night with a weekly fee of 1 shilling.

A provisional charter for the Moorebank Squadron was issued on the 29th April 1998.

The Moorebank Squadron has represented at various Civic events, both inside and outside the Liverpool LGA where they have assisted in the promotion of Liverpool by their outstanding performances

In 2019 the Moorebank squadron participated in the League's Annual NSW Group Ceremonial Parade when cadets honour the fallen at the Martin Place Cenotaph before marching through the Sydney CBD and finishing the afternoon with a ceremony at Pyrmont Bay Park.

The squadron at that event took out the Most Outstanding Squadron of the Year title for the third year running.

Other achievements at that event included the squadron placing in several categories, including second in Best Flag Party on the March and second in Best Drum Major.

A Moorebank Squadron leading cadet was also awarded a flying scholarship from the Royal Australian Air Force Association to continue his flying training at the league's flight centre at Camden Airport.

I urge all Councillors to endorse this motion.

That Council:

1. Congratulate the Australian Air League Moorebank Squadron on their 60th Year Anniversary of active service to the Liverpool and the South West Sydney Area;
2. Support the celebration of their 60th Year Anniversary in any means possible, including delegating to the CEO the ability to provide support (staffing etc);
3. Provide \$20,000 for the Commemoration event that they plan for Sunday 18th July 2021 so that Liverpool City and its residents can participate in celebrating and acknowledging their achievements with them; and
4. Investigate the opportunity for the Australian Air League Moorebank Squadron to be granted the Keys to the City as part of the Commemoration event.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Rhodes** **Seconded: Cllr Hadchiti**

That Council:

1. Congratulate the Australian Air League Moorebank Squadron on their 60th Year Anniversary of active service to the Liverpool and the South West Sydney Area;
2. Support the celebration of their 60th Year Anniversary in any means possible, including delegating to the CEO the ability to provide support (staffing etc);

3. Provide the funds of \$20,000 from funds which were previously budgeted for the New Zealand business event and redirect the \$20,000 to the Commemoration event that they plan for Sunday 18th July 2021, so that Liverpool City and its residents can participate in celebrating and acknowledging their achievements with them; and
4. Investigate the opportunity for the Australian Air League Moorebank Squadron to be granted the Keys to the City as part of the Commemoration event.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 040999.2021
SUBJECT: Climate Action Plan

BACKGROUND

The *Climate Council of Australia* states as follows:

2020 was the second hottest year on record, cementing the last decade as the hottest on record globally, as climate change continues to accelerate.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has confirmed global average temperature for 2020 was +0.98C above the 20th century average, and only 0.02C shy of the previous record set in 2016.

It's remarkable that despite La Nina conditions, 2020 was the second hottest year on record', said Climate Council expert Professor Will Steffen.

'What it's telling us is that climate change is driving very rapid warming trends and worsening the impacts of natural variability events. This sets off yet another alarm bell to the climate change siren', he said

Fast Facts:

- *2020 was the second hottest year globally on record – despite a cooling La Nina, whereas 2016, the hottest on record, began with a strong warming El Nino event.*
- *The past decade (2011-2020) was the hottest on record (+0.82C above the 20th century average). This surpassed the previous decade record (2001-2010) of +0.62C.*
- *The global annual temperature has increased at an average rate of 0.08C per decade since 1880 and over twice that rate (0.18C) since 1981.*
- *The past seven years in the 1880-2020 record have been the hottest seven on record.*
- *The 10 hottest years on record have occurred since 2005.*
- *2020 marks the 44th consecutive year (since 1977) with global land and ocean temperatures above the 20th century average.*
- *The 2020 Northern Hemisphere land and ocean surface temperature was the highest in the 141-year record at +1.28C above average.*
- *2020 was the hottest year on record for Europe and Asia.*

Campaigns for actions in relation to climate change have focussed on the younger generations, who have the most at stake, and local government because it is easier to find

local governments who promote themselves as innovators and early and nimble movers than other levels of government and of course local government is the tier of government closest to and most likely to reflect, on a ground up basis, the wishes of the communities they represent.

The *City of Darebin* in Melbourne's north was the first local government globally to declare a climate emergency (on 5 December 2016). This was followed by Hoboken in New Jersey and Berkley in California. Notable further other local government units in Australia to initially take action in this context include the *City of Yarra*, *City of Sydney*, *City of Banyule* and *Bass Coast Shire*. *Mosman Council* has been preparing a *Climate Strategy and Action Plan*, and since 2012 the *City of Yarra* has been the first council in Victoria to be accredited as carbon neutral. By July 2020 over 1,755 local government jurisdictions, across thirty countries, had declared a climate emergency, 96 of which were in Australia, representing eight million Australians.

This motion does not however call for the declaration of a climate emergency for the *Liverpool Local Government Area* notwithstanding this region has hardly been exempt from the accelerating effects of climate change, particularly within recent memory, and many would easily consider as much to be entirely justifiable. The reality is, and despite the overwhelming evidence previously referred to, such a motion is unlikely to be politically supported.

Instead, the motion seeks to gather together what other councils have undertaken in this space together with various policy goals of this Council to form a cohesive *Climate Action Plan* for *Liverpool City Council* which in due course will become an overarching policy document which informs a number of piecemeal statements already in existence.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Shelton)

That Council:

1. That this Council moves towards the creation of an evolving, overarching centralised policy document styled in terms of a *Climate Action Plan*:
 - which draws together existing programs of this or other councils relating to: the promotion of WSUD principles; minimum tree canopy in urban developments to prevent heat sinking effects; the promotion of solar and other forms of renewal energy for private development and government buildings; the reduction of emissions from the Council fleet and equipment, and any public transport services council provides or sponsors, ensuring energy efficient building standards, ensuring energy efficient public lighting, improving infrastructure for walking and cycling; the promotion of recycling; the protection of vulnerable flora and fauna; and the general embedding of climate resilience into council strategies, and such other matters as may from time to time in the future be relevant for inclusion.

2. This Council sets ambitious but realistic explicit goals in terms of measuring and attaining carbon neutral status for its own operations, with the intention such goals will in due course be expressed in the aforesaid *Climate Action Plan*.
3. A new stream be added to Council's grants program for *Community Led Climate Action Projects*.
4. This Council wherever possible advocates in terms of the contents of this motion and supports other councils and/or local government units who have taken positive action on climate change, and further supports and joins various coalitions, networks and conferences created (or supported) by local governments addressing the issue of climate change.
5. Advocate for state and federal governments to adopt climate targets and actions including net zero emission targets that are, at least, consistent with international standards.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Shelton

Seconded: Cllr Kaliyanda

1. That this Council moves towards the creation of an evolving, overarching centralised policy document styled in terms of a *Climate Action Plan*:
 - which draws together existing programs of this or other councils relating to: the promotion of WSUD principles; minimum tree canopy in urban developments to prevent heat sinking effects; the promotion of solar and other forms of renewal energy for private development and government buildings; the reduction of emissions from the Council fleet and equipment, and any public transport services council provides or sponsors, ensuring energy efficient building standards, ensuring energy efficient public lighting, improving infrastructure for walking and cycling; the promotion of recycling; the protection of vulnerable flora and fauna; and the general embedding of climate resilience into council strategies, and such other matters as may from time to time in the future be relevant for inclusion.
2. This Council sets ambitious but realistic explicit goals in terms of measuring and attaining carbon neutral status for its own operations, with the intention such goals will in due course be expressed in the aforesaid *Climate Action Plan*.
3. A new stream be added to Council's grants program for *Community Led Climate Action Projects* and funded from Government grants.

4. This Council wherever possible advocates in terms of the contents of this motion and supports other councils and/or local government units who have taken positive action on climate change, and further supports and joins various coalitions, networks and conferences created (or supported) by local governments addressing the issue of climate change.
5. Advocate for state and federal governments to adopt climate targets and actions including net zero emission targets that are, at least, consistent with international standards.
6. That Council notes that a Workshop with Councillors will be held in May 2021 and that Council look at setting timeframes at that workshop.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Hadchiti asked that his name be recorded as having voted against the motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 041077.2021
SUBJECT: Liverpool Business Resilience Campaign

BACKGROUND

Earlier this month, the State Government announced a funding package for hardship grants of up to \$5000 for businesses on the Northern Beaches following the recent Avalon COVID-19 outbreak. Funds will also be set aside to promote the Northern Beaches and encourage tourism back to the area.

During the height of the Northern Beaches outbreak, the Premier, Ministers and the media regularly made comparisons between the Northern Beaches outbreak and the outbreak in the Liverpool LGA from July last year. Despite this, there has been no comparable offer of support for Liverpool's businesses, even as many of them still struggle to recover.

The Prime Minister has said "We are all in this together" when it comes to the COVID-19 pandemic. If this is the case, then Liverpool's businesses should be offered the same opportunities as those on the Northern Beaches.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Hagarty)

That Council:

1. establish a public awareness campaign and petition calling on the State Government to provide the same business resilience support to Liverpool and Liverpool's businesses that has been provided to the Northern Beaches.
2. write to all local businesses in Liverpool:
 - informing them about the campaign and petition; and
 - requesting their support and signing of the petition.
3. promote the campaign and petition including through Council's social media channels.
4. write to local State and Federal MPs requesting their support of the campaign and signing of the petition.
5. write to the State Government:
 - informing them about the campaign and petition; and
 - requesting Liverpool and Liverpool's businesses be offered the same support as those in the Northern Beaches, including business grants and funding to encourage our tourism economy.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 041096.2021
SUBJECT: Moratorium on Cemeteries

BACKGROUND

The residents of the Mulgoa Valley and Wallacia have been fighting a series of development applications against cemeteries and crematoriums in their community. They do not oppose cemeteries and crematoria, they do however, oppose the amount and scale of some of those being proposed.

In August 2017, Penrith City Council submitted a planning proposal seeking to amend their LEP to prohibit cemeteries and crematoriums within the Mulgoa Valley and Wallacia. With parts of this region falling within the Liverpool City and the Wollondilly Shire Councils, a moratorium will only be effective with all three Councils on board. Evidence of this can be seen in a recent development application, DA-1059/2020. This application seeks to turn prime agricultural and heavily flood prone land on the banks of the Nepean River into a cemetery for 775,000 burials.

Penrith's planning proposal states:

The Mulgoa Valley and Wallacia contains significant rural landscape, including agricultural qualities, cultural heritage values, scenic values and is the setting for the villages of Mulgoa and Wallacia. The establishment of cemeteries and crematoriums in this area has the potential to irreparably damage these qualities.

Let's preserve these important qualities while we still have the chance.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Hagarty)

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to bring to the April Council Meeting a planning proposal similar to that of Penrith City Council seeking to amend our LEP prohibiting cemeteries and crematoriums within Wallacia;
2. Write to Wollondilly Council informing them of Penrith's planning proposal and Liverpool's proposed amendment and requesting the same; and
3. Notes its opposition to DA-1059/2020, a proposal for the construction of a cemetery at 1290 Greendale Road, Wallacia, housing 775,000 burials.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Hagarty

Seconded: Clr Hadchiti

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to bring to the April Council Meeting a planning proposal similar to that of Penrith City Council seeking to amend our LEP prohibiting cemeteries and crematoriums within Wallacia;
2. Write to Wollondilly Council informing them of Penrith's planning proposal and Liverpool's proposed amendment and requesting the same; and
3. Notes its opposition to DA-1059/2020, a proposal for the construction of a cemetery at 1290 Greendale Road, Wallacia, housing 775,000 burials.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 041141.2021
SUBJECT: Food and Organic Waste

BACKGROUND

In 2019/2020, Liverpool Council identified that up to 48% of the red-lidded waste bins were filled with food material, or 24,860.75 tonnes. This is in addition to 16,736.69 tonnes of organic garden waste collected through the Council's kerbside garden waste bin.

Recently, a report commissioned by Sustainability Victoria on strategies to reduce food waste identified that a lot of this food waste is unnecessary. Furthermore, the NSW EPA also identifies that wasting food also costs the community a lot of money – billions of dollars per year – as well as energy, water and other resources needed to produce food. However, one in five Australians does not have adequate access to food.

Although the Australian Government has introduced a target to halve our food waste by 2030, the NSW Government has not.

Governments, especially local governments, can play a role in reducing food waste by:

- Supporting and educating businesses and households to reduce food waste
- Using policy and regulatory levers to support reducing food waste
- Monitor and report on food waste
- Connect supply chains and sectors by fostering an environment of innovation and collaboration to reduce food waste.

Local government also has a key role to play in connecting businesses, community organisations and households.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Kaliydanda)

That Council:

1. Provide a report on the nature of food and organic waste in Liverpool, by the June meeting of Council. The report should include:
 - The impact of the volume of Liverpool's food and organic waste in terms of energy and water wastage.
 - The economic cost of food and organic waste in Liverpool.
 - The cost and feasibility of introducing measures such as: a community education program, specific bins for food waste.

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Kaliyanda **Seconded:** Clr Hadchiti

1. Provide a report on the nature of food and organic waste in Liverpool, by the June meeting of Council. The report should include:
 - The impact of the volume of Liverpool's food and organic waste in terms of energy and water wastage.
 - The economic cost of food and organic waste in Liverpool.
 - The cost and feasibility of introducing measures such as: a community education program, specific bins for food waste.
 - Explore the feasibility of other strategies to reduce the level of food and organic waste generated in Liverpool.
2. Identify funding opportunities and other resources to support measures to reduce Liverpool's food waste.
3. Write to the NSW Government to undertake a similar review to identify where and how food waste can be reduced across NSW, with a view to introducing a target or goal to halve our food and organic waste by 2030.
4. Request a presentation from staff on food and organic waste processing in Liverpool.

Mayor Waller advised that Council would now move into Closed Session to deal with:

- Items **CONF 01 - Companion Animals Advisory Committee Membership 2021-2023** and item **CONF 02 – Tourism and CBD Committee – New Community Representative** are confidential under section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because they contain personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

- Item **CONF 03 – Question with Notice – Cllr Hadchiti – Section 7/11 Contributions** is confidential under section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

RECESS OF COUNCIL

Mayor Waller called a recess of Council at 8.47pm to allow members of the gallery to leave the Chambers. The meeting resumed at 8.56pm in Closed Session with all Councillors present except Cllr Balloot.

COUNCIL IN CLOSED SESSION

Cllr Hadchiti left the Chambers at 8:57pm.

Cllrs Hadchiti and Balloot returned to the Chambers at 8:58pm.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 317279.2020

SUBJECT: Companion Animals Advisory Committee Membership 2021-2023

During discussion of this item Cllr Shelton moved the following motion:

Procedural Motion: **Moved: Cllr Shelton** **Seconded: Cllr Hadchiti**

That the motion be put.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Kaliyanda** **Seconded: Cllr Hagarty**

That Council:

1. Endorses the community representatives detailed in this report as members of the Companion Animals Advisory Committee for 2020-2023 term; and
2. Write to those not successful thanking them for their interest in joining the committee.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

TEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 038809.2021
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Section 7/11 Contributions

Please address the following:

1. Can a reconciliation be provided individually on Section 7/11 Contributions that include the suburbs of Middleton Grange and Edmondson Park providing:
 - Money collected to date;
 - Money spent to date;
 - Anticipated money yet to be collected;
 - Properties remaining to be acquired;
 - Estimated cost of those properties;
 - Strategy to acquire those properties.

Councillors noted the response provided to the question in Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

Council moved back into Open Session at 9.40pm, Mayor Waller then read out the resolutions for CONF 01 and CONF 02 which were passed in Closed Session and noted that Councillors were provided with a response in relation to CONF 03 during discussion in Closed Session.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.41pm.

<Signature>

Name: Wendy Waller

Title: Mayor

Date: 31 March 2021

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 February 2021. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

CEO 01

Payment of Fees for Members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	064694.2021
Report By	Chris Van Zyl - Acting Head of Audit, Risk and Improvement
Approved By	Dr Eddie Jackson - Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The current Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter provides that the Committee has three independent members (as well the Deputy Mayor and a Councillor). An independent member must be the chairperson.

Given the continued growth of the Liverpool LGA, the complexity and nature of current and future development within the LGA, budget issues facing Council now and into the future, and the added responsibilities of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee in terms of governance, it's considered that an appropriate level of fees should be paid by Council to independent members of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Approves the scale of payment of fees to the chairperson and independent members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee, as set out in this report; and
2. Refers the budget for payment of fees for the chairperson and independent members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to Council's next quarterly budget review.

REPORT

The current Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter provides that the Committee has three independent members (as well the Deputy Mayor and a Councillor). An independent member must be the chairperson.

Under the proposed new Risk Management and Internal Audit Framework for local councils in NSW, fees paid to Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee members and the Chair are to

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be the same as those currently paid under the NSW Government's prequalification scheme, as set out in the table below, subject to any changes to the scheme.

The rates include all reasonable costs incurred by members and the Chair engaged under the scheme excluding subsistence and travel costs if travelling into the Sydney metropolitan area from interstate.

Subsistence and travel expenses outside the Sydney metropolitan area and/or where the panel member is from interstate are to be charged at the actual cost, or at the rates specified under the Crown Employees (Public Service Conditions of Employment) Reviewed Award 2009, whichever is the lesser.

Council size	Indicator	Chair fee (excluding GST)	Member fee (excluding GST)
Large	Expenditure greater than \$400 million	\$20,920 per annum	\$2,092 per meeting day including preparation time
Medium	Expenditure between \$50 million and \$400 million	\$16,213 per annum	\$1,621 per meeting day including preparation time
Small	Expenditure less than \$50 million	\$12,552 per annum	\$1,255 per meeting day including preparation time

In April 2017, Council resolved to approve the scale of payment of fees to the chairperson and independent members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee. The fees approved of \$1,500 per meeting for the chairperson of the Committee and \$1,200 per meeting for independent members.

Liverpool City Council's ARIC has already incorporated many of the proposed changes in the new framework, with the independent members taking on additional responsibilities.

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunal, annual report and determination under Section 239 of the Local Government Act 1993, categories Liverpool City Council as a Metropolitan Large Council.

It is recommended that Council approve a fee of \$2,092 per meeting for independent members to align with the proposed fees under the new framework. The fee includes preparation time for the meeting.

Under the new framework it is proposed that the Chair be paid an annual fee of \$20,920 and travel cost. The Chair currently attends 5-6 meetings per year and is responsible for his own travel cost. The proposed new fee for the Chair, based on 6 meetings per year would equate to \$3,487 per meeting excluding interstate travel cost.

It is recommended that Council approve a fee of \$2,500 per meeting for the Chair with a further review once the new framework comes fully into effect.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are financial considerations to be considered as part of the Quarterly Budget Review.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	Operate a well-developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	<p>The risk is deemed to be Low.</p> <p>Failure to remunerate members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee at industry rates may lead to vacancies, Council failing to remain competitive, lost knowledge and experiencing in dealing with Council's governance frameworks. The risk is considered within Council's risk appetite.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

EGROW 01**Amendments to Austral/Leppington North
Planning Framework**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	035016.2021
Report By	Ian Stendara - Executive Planner Shaun Beckley - Manager, Infrastructure Planning
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 Amendment 75 (Attachment 1), adopt changes to the Liverpool Growth Centres Precinct DCP (Attachments 2 and 3) and endorse Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and Leppington North Precincts (Attachments 4 and, 5).

At its meeting held on 29 March 2019, Council resolved to exhibit amendments to the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006 – Austral / Leppington North Precinct*, *Liverpool Growth Centre Precinct Development Control Plan*; and *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2014 (Austral and Leppington North Precincts)* "the Austral/Leppington North Planning Framework".

A planning proposal (Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 Draft Amendment 75 – the LEP) was prepared and submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) for a Gateway determination in accordance with Council's resolution. DPIE issued a Gateway determination on 10 August 2019 (Attachment 6) which required Council to place the proposal on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days. Gateway alterations were issued on 5 December 2019 (requesting additional sites be considered), and extensions granted on the 5 August 2020, and 12 February 2021.

Prior to public exhibition, LEP Amendment 75 was subject to public agency consultation. Most public agencies did not object and provided general comments or additional considerations. Where these comments were in keeping with the scope of the planning proposal (e.g. rezoning sites owned by utility authorities to SP2 Infrastructure) those changes have been facilitated.

An objection was received by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Environment, Energy and Science (EES) group regarding Council not providing a Biodiversity Consistency Report in their preferred template. This report has since been provided to EES.

The draft plans were placed on public exhibition from 18 March 2020 to 14 April 2020 in accordance with the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*, and *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 2000* and the Gateway determination. Submissions were received from 13 individuals/entities during the public exhibition period relating to the three exhibited plans.

Many of the submissions were supportive of the proposed amendments, whilst others sought further changes. Where those further changes demonstrated merit and were in keeping with the intent of changes to the planning controls, those amendments have been made in the post exhibition version of the planning proposal, the revised Development Control Plan (DCP) and the revised Contributions Plan (CP).

Council received several submissions on the proposed approach to water quality in the draft DCP and CP amendment, which reflected the revised precinct stormwater strategy. Key issues raised included the preference for the retention of the existing basin strategy, lack of support for raingardens and the apportionment of cost for the delivery of the raingardens.

Through collaboration with representatives of the development community and additional technical investigations carried out by Council's consultant, the revised DCP and CP provide an equitable approach to the delivery of raingardens that meet the necessary water quality targets. These in-street raingardens will be delivered by Council using contributions funds paid for by developers.

Other issues raised by residents and the development community are discussed in detail in this report. Some of these aspects were within the scope of this amendment and were considered, whilst other matters raised during the exhibition are outside the scope of the proposed amendments.

This report details the post-Gateway actions that have been undertaken, including consultation, and recommends Council finalises the planning proposal and forwards the LEP Amendment to DPIE for finalisation and gazettal, endorses the contributions plan for consideration and assessment by the Independent Regulatory and Pricing Tribunal (IPART), and approves the amendments to the Development Control Plan on publication of the required notice and to come into effect once Liverpool LEP 2008 Amendment 75 is gazetted.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the Gateway determination for Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 (Amendment 75) and the results of public exhibition and community consultation on the Austral/Leppington North Planning Framework.

2. Proceeds with Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 Amendment 75 (Attachment 1) and forwards the amendment to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for finalisation and gazettal.
3. Approves amendments to Liverpool Growth Centres Precinct DCP in accordance with Attachments 2 and 3, on publication of the required notice and to come into effect once Liverpool LEP 2008 Amendment 75 is gazetted.
4. Endorses Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and North Leppington Precincts (Attachments 4 and 5) and forwards the contributions plan to the Independent Regulatory and Pricing Tribunal (IPART) for assessment followed by consideration of IPART's assessment by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces (or nominee).
5. Receives a further report following IPART's assessment and the Minister's advice for adoption of Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and North Leppington Precincts as an 'IPART Reviewed Contributions Plan'.
6. Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer authority to make any typographical amendments and consequential changes to maps and works schedules in the DCP and CP if required.
7. Directs the CEO to further investigate issues relating to odour impacts and dwelling density/variety controls in the Austral/Leppington North Precinct, with a further report back to Council.

REPORT

Background

At its meeting on 29 March 2019, Council endorsed draft amendments to the State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006 (the SEPP), the Liverpool Growth Centres Precinct Development Control Plan (the DCP), and the Liverpool Contributions Plan 2014 - Austral and Leppington North Precincts 2014 (the CP).

Changes to the planning controls largely resulted from the preparation of a detailed water cycle management strategy, as well as a desktop analysis of inefficiencies in the Indicative Layout Plan (ILP) which forms part of the DCP.

The draft plans sought to address the following matters:

- Optimise the ILP network, by providing more regular block sizes, reducing instances where residue lots are required and adding cross-streets where required for greater permeability, where practical.
- Amend the SEPP zoning and DCP to reflect the new water cycle management strategy. This includes rezoning of surplus drainage land, moving away from stand-

alone bioretention basins, and adopting a new approach of streetscape water quality improvement devices.

- Remove unnecessary road bridge crossings, which present a large cost to the contributions plan, increase the chances of creek blockages, and are not key roads.
- Improve the DCP's approach to traffic safety, amend some street cross-sections to respond to Water Sensitive Urban Design characteristics, and provide dedicated parking bays for most local streets as a response to community concerns regarding narrow streets.
- Update the CP to reflect changes to road bridges and water cycle management.

As required by Council's resolution, the planning proposal was forwarded to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) for a gateway determination. A gateway determination was issued by DPIE on 5 December 2019. The SEPP, DCP, and CP amendments were forwarded to nominated public agencies for comment and placed on public exhibition from 18 March 2020 to 14 April 2020.

Bridge Crossings

The objectives of removing some bridge crossing were based on ensuring that:

- The road network remains sufficient for distributing traffic in the precincts;
- Pedestrian permeability is not impacted by the removal of road bridge crossings;
- Any bridge crossings are capable of being designed to a standard which does not impede stormwater flows, nor presents a safety issue for residents in the event of storm conditions;
- Any existing and future residents will retain road access, and that alternative routes will be provided should any proposed bridges be removed;
- Minimise costs of development, by reducing contributions expenditure in relation to proposed bridges and culverts.

Several road bridges or culverts are proposed in the Precinct. The construction of new bridges across creeks are funded via developer contributions. The plan is comprised of the construction and land acquisition costs of all infrastructure and facilities that needs to be constructed in Austral and Leppington North for new developments.

In total 3 bridges are proposed to be removed from the ILP and CP (out of a total of 18 to be delivered in the precincts). These include:

- Item BR9, located on 14th Avenue, west of 4th Avenue. This item was costed at \$496,577 and provided for pavement upgrade only. Upon review, the existing twin-pipe culvert will be unable to cater for urban stormwater flows, and blockages would present a flood safety hazard for all upstream residents.

The creek runs at a 15-25° angle to the road, and as such a box culvert would not be suitable (due to the steep entry/exit angles of water). Instead, this would require reconstruction with a bridge deck of up to 130m in length at a cost which could exceed \$3,794,121 (2014 costs). The bridge would serve only a handful of RU6 and E4 zoned lots.

Instead, the ILP has been modified to provide a new local street through a lot zoned E4, connecting the western extent of 14th Avenue to other local streets, where residents would be able to access Fourth Avenue from an intersection at 13th Avenue (see Figure 1 and Figure 2 below). The 13th Avenue and 4th Avenue intersection will be upgraded to include a roundabout, which will cater for safer turn movements compared to 14th Avenue, which will retain give-way signs.

The 14th Ave alignment over the creek would be retained until such a time as a trafficable route connects this western portion to 13th Avenue as per *Figure 2*.

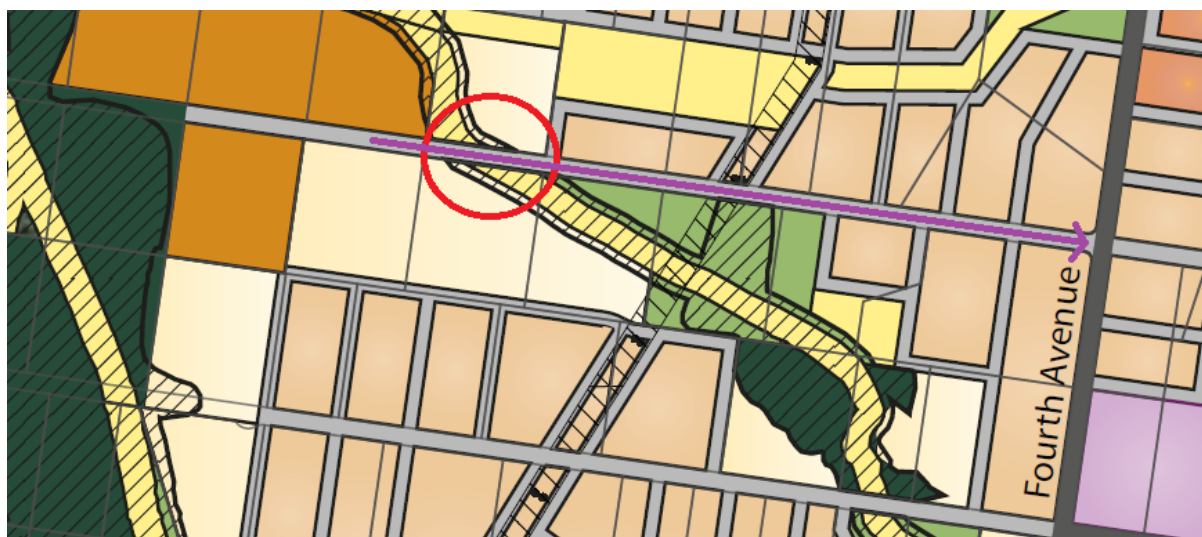


Figure 1: Existing ILP layout at 14th Avenue and traffic route for residents.

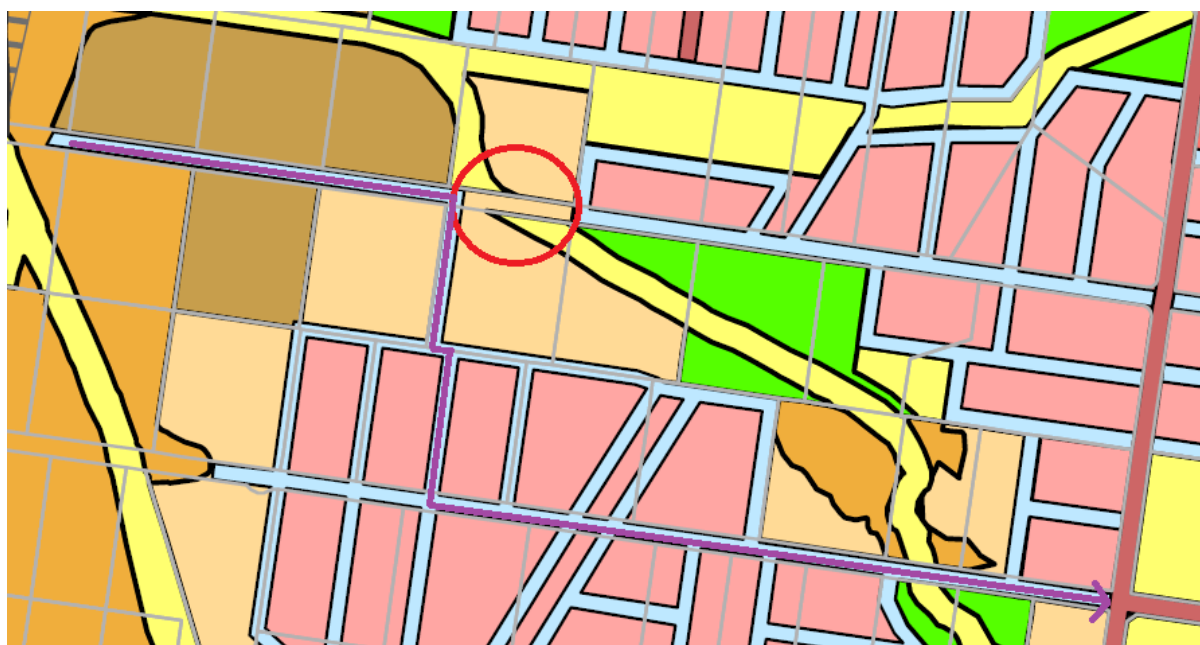


Figure 2: Proposed ILP layout at 14th Avenue and traffic route for residents.

- Item BR3, located on 9th Avenue, west of 4th Avenue. The 2014 CP provides \$430,366 for the resurfacing of this road/bridge, however the road was not to be retained as per the existing or proposed ILP, as shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2 below. A pedestrian bridge has been reflected in the new ILP.

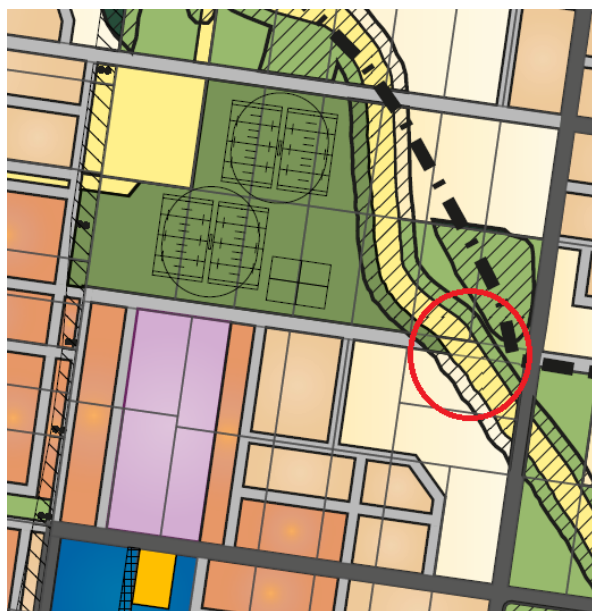


Figure 1: Existing ILP layout at 9th Avenue



Figure 2: Proposed ILP layout at 9th Avenue

- LR71: Sixth Avenue, \$628,997 was provided in the CP for road upgrade works, but not for construction of a bridge. A bridge would be required here as the road is unformed. The Department's post-exhibition planning report noted that this bridge would only be needed should the Western Sydney Parklands develop a recreation facility and seek access to Edmondson

Avenue. The report recommended that developers upgrade parts of the road facing developable land, but that the developers (and CP) should not be providing for the bridge.

Such works should not be attributed to the Contributions Plan, as the Western Sydney Parklands does not pay contributions (there is no nexus between the demand for the infrastructure and the development which pays into the plan). Figure 5 and Figure 6 shows changes to the ILP relating to item LR71.

The single lane 6th Ave bridge across the Upper Canal is also outside of the precinct boundary, and widening has not been provided for in either the precinct plan, or the CP. As such, any development in the Western Sydney Parklands would need to consider a wholistic access strategy. Additionally, the ILP should avoid funnelling traffic associated with a regional recreation facility through residential areas, and access would be more appropriate from Bringelly Road.



Figure 5: Existing ILP layout at 6th Avenue

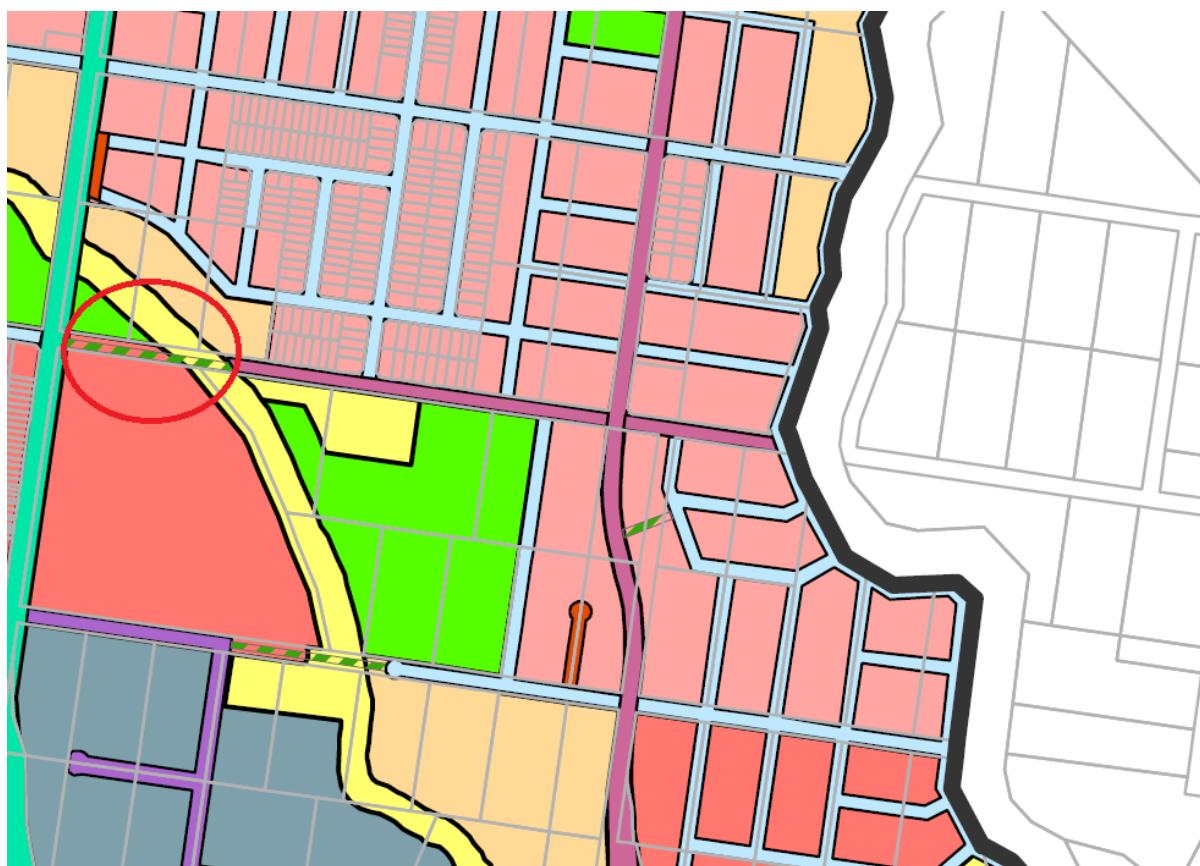


Figure 6: Proposed ILP layout at 6th Avenue

A pedestrian bridge will be provided to maintain pedestrian permeability. The road corridor will be retained by Council, should the Western Sydney Parklands require construction of a road.

Public Agency Responses

Engagement with public agencies was undertaken in accordance with the gateway determination from 11 January 2020 to 31 January 2020. In addition to the agencies identified in the gateway determination, Council also sought comment from additional public agencies given changes were also being made to the DCP.

An overview of the engagement, with agency and council comment, is provided below:

Agency (*required by gateway)	Comments	Council response
Rural Fire Service*	The NSW Rural Fire Services did not object, provided that future developments complied with <i>Planning for Bushfire Protection 2006</i> (or subsequent versions).	No changes were deemed necessary as the existing planning framework requires development on bushfire prone land to consider the policy.

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Agency (*required by gateway)	Comments	Council response
Sydney Water*	Recognises changes to water cycle management controls and wishes to further collaborate. Requested a water pumping site be rezoned to SP2 Infrastructure.	Council staff will continue to collaborate with Sydney Water, especially on the South Creek catchment. Rezoning of pump site is supported including adjustments to ILP road network as required.
Office of Environment and Heritage (now Environment, Energy and Science Group)*	Objected on the grounds that the planning proposal did not address concurrence with the biodiversity certification order. Also objected pending further investigation as to flood evacuation for flood prone lands.	Council staff are of the opinion that the planning proposal complies with the biodiversity certification order and a consistency report has been sent to EES. Residential development on flood prone land will be carried out as per the DCP and technical guidelines relating to development on flood-prone land.
Transgrid*	That residential development is carried out in accordance with their development guidelines.	The ILP and DCP provide for development which is consistent with the guideline.
Endeavour Energy*	Recommended rezoning of a site to SP2 which they have acquired for a substation. Recommended roads separate residential development from easements.	SP2 zone supported. Roads or other public spaces generally separate transmission lines from residential development, where feasible.
APA Group (Gas)	No objection, but recommended DAs in the vicinity of pipelines be referred for their comment.	DAs which impact on APA assets are referred consistent with SEPP (Infrastructure). No changes to planning controls required.
Jemena (Gas)	No response received.	Nil
Camden Council	No objections or concerns.	Nil
Landcom	No response received.	Nil
Office of Strategic Lands	No response received.	Nil
Western Sydney Parklands Trust	No response received.	Nil
NSW Department of Primary Industries (Water)*	No response received.	Nil

Public Exhibition

The draft Plans were placed on public exhibition from 18 March 2020 to 14 April 2020 in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Act, Regulation, and gateway determination.

Letters were sent to all landowners who were directly impacted by a proposal to rezone part/all of their land or where there were proposed changes to an ILP road on their property. Council also sent letters to a handful of developers who regularly develop land in the Liverpool growth centre precincts.

Each notification letter included a fact sheet (Attachment 7), which was plain English material designed to outline what changes were proposed, how to make a submission, and who to contact for further information.

In addition to the direct notification letters, public notices were also placed on Council's website (for the whole exhibition period) and the Liverpool Leader newspaper (for the 18 & 25 March, and 1 & 8 April 2020 editions). No subsequent additions were printed due to the suspension of printing caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council received 13 submissions from unique parties (note that some parties provided multiple submissions). A summary of submissions organised by theme with a response from Council is provided in Attachment 8 Detailed responses, which address each individual submission is provided in Confidential Attachment 9.

Note: Attachment 9 contains details of each submitter's response, including details of changes they proposed which may be commercial in nature, as well as aspects that may reveal the submitter's identity; as such, it is provided in the Confidential Attachment booklet.

Some of the submissions provided very brief, specific comments, whilst others addressed a broad range of planning changes. Given the range of comments from multiple parties, some key themes emerged for the consideration of further changes to planning controls that were in scope of this amendment. Some of these changes were outside the scope of the current amendments to planning controls and will require further technical investigation.

Other issues raised that were outside of the scope of this amendment included:

- unclear dwelling density controls in the DCP; and
- an updated study being needed in relation to odour impacts.

Council acknowledge that these controls need to be reviewed, but this will require additional time not afforded by the gateway determination timeframe to adequately understand and address concerns. Additionally, any changes resulting from this work should be subject to public exhibition. This report recommends that Council investigates these issues further and prepares a future report to Council that addresses these issues.

Summary of changes to controls since Council's initial resolution

In addition to matters addressed by the response to submissions, other changes were flagged by the gateway determination, subsequent amended gateway determinations, liaising with DPIE officers and further refinement of controls by Council staff. This includes:

Document	Change
SEPP	Rezoning Lot 99 Gurner Avenue, Austral to SP2 Infrastructure (Electricity distribution) at the request of Endeavour Energy.
SEPP	Moving an SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) zone near Tokyo Road and Cortina Avenue, Austral to reflect the constructed position of the drainage path and to facilitate residential development on lots subdivided for residential purposes.
SEPP	Moving SP2 Infrastructure (Local Road) zoned land on 1382-1384 and 1402 Camden Valley Way, Leppington. The intersection of Cowpasture Road and Camden Valley Way (near the Four Lanterns Estate) was constructed in a different layout compared to the plan which informed the zoning. This requires construction of the road through the affected properties in a different location, hence the need to move the zone.
SEPP	Rezoning Lot 2 Gurner Avenue (owned by Sydney Water) to SP2 Infrastructure (Sewerage system) at the request of Sydney Water.
SEPP	Additional land zoned SP2 Local drainage is to be zoned R2 Low Density Residential in the vicinity of 255-285 Fifteenth Avenue, Austral. The existing zoning extent would require significant disturbance to an established childcare centre and place of worship with the resultant impact being that Council would have to acquire and demolish these assets. A culvert solution can be achieved on these lands, which would minimise disturbance and allow privately owned social infrastructure to be retained.
SEPP	Amendments to Clauses 4.1AD, 4.1AE, and 4.1AF. Clauses allow lodgement of a 1 lot to 2 or more lot subdivision combined with DA plan for a dwelling but restricts DA plans for one dwelling only. Modification of this clause will allow Council to consider dwelling plans for more than one lot.
DCP	Changes to section 2.3.2 (Water cycle management) and 3.3.1 (Street network layout and design) as a result of changing the onus of rain-garden construction from developers to the CP.
DCP	Reduction in width of the shared path on collector roads from 3.0m to 2.5m. A secondary section has also been provided for collector roads to provide details around Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) devices, bus stops, tree pits, or intersections.
DCP	Updates the local street cross-section, reducing the carriageway from 6.0m to 5.5m and increasing the verge widths from 2.8m to 3.05m each. 5.5m of carriageway still permits two-way traffic, without requiring passenger vehicles to stop. Most passenger vehicles are in the region of 2m in width, with

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Document	Change
	<p>Australian Vehicle Standards requiring vehicles (including trucks) to be no wider than 2.5m without an exemption (e.g. oversized vehicles).</p> <p>Carriageway narrowing was required as the combined width of the carriageway and parking bays was overlapping with standard utility allocations. This would result in stormwater pipes and Sydney Water pipes being in the same horizontal position, which would result in construction and maintenance issues/delays.</p> <p>Additional notes were also provided to describe the passive irrigation tree pit.</p>
DCP	<p>Amending the local street 20m figure. The figure shows a shared path on one side of the street despite some not being identified as bicycle routes in the DCP. A note was added to state that the shared path is only required on cycleway routes.</p>
DCP	<p>A culvert is required under a future local street at 275 Fifteenth Avenue Austral and would be too wide to fit under the carriageway of the new local street cross-section. The former local street cross-section will be used for roads where a 5.5m-9m wide culvert will be positioned under the carriageway.</p>
DCP	<p>Adding a new section in the DCP 3.3.2 Street furniture. Moved controls relating to street trees, signage, lighting to this section, as they were randomly spread throughout the street network layout and design section.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added a control requiring lighting on pedestrian access paths, to address CPTED requirements. Added a control which recommends lighting of paths, especially key walking/cycling routes, when traversing open space (consistent with controls for open space). Added a control which requires the design and placement of street furniture in the public domain to consider physical distancing requirements (e.g. avoid pinch points created by clustering infrastructure such as bus-shelters next to utility boxes, or fenced pedestrian paths / bridges to be at least 3.5m wide).
DCP	<p>Clarified various controls in the Local Area Traffic Management section.</p>
DCP	<p>Amending the pedestrian access path cross-section figure to provide a total width dimension. This was described in the in-text control, but the number in the figure was mistakenly omitted.</p>
DCP	<p>Updated the temporary half road cross-section to provide 2.75m travel lanes, as per the local street (16m) cross section of which it is derived.</p>
DCP	<p>Updated garage door width controls, where relevant, to clarify that the garage internal and external dimensions are to be no more than 40% of the façade width, not just the garage door. This is important in maintaining passive surveillance of the street and responds to recent DAs where double width garages have been provided with a single width door in order to avoid complying with the intent of the control.</p>
LEP 2008	<p>Repealing LEP 2008 maps for land zoned as per the East Leppington precinct. When the East Leppington precinct was rezoned under the SEPP in 2014, the LEP maps applying to the area were not amended / repealed. Whilst the LEP maps have</p>

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Document	Change
	no effect, the mapping of zoning and development standards on the land still creates confusion.
Contributions Plan	Retitled to Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and Leppington north Precincts to reflect the broad update of the plan.
Contributions Plan	Updates to the CP to reflect the removal of several bioretention basins, open drainage channels, and some detention basins. As a result of exhibition, the CP now includes the cost of in-street raingardens at nominated locations.
Contributions Plan	Indexation of costs to the December 2020 quarter
Contributions Plan	Aligns the occupancy rate of open space generation from 3.1 people per dwelling to 3.4 to respond to observed increases within the precinct. This is consistent with the generation rates elsewhere in the CP
Contributions Plan	Update to the planning principles for open space to clarify.
Contributions Plan	Updated CP, works schedule and map to align with the above changes and most recent ILP.
Contributions Plan	Update likely location of regional Sports and Aquatic Centre to Scott Memorial Park as identified in Council's Aquatic Facilities Strategy.

Attachments 2 and 3 detail changes to the DCP, inclusive of the DCP as exhibited and further changes following exhibition. If adopted by Council, these changes will be made to the DCP.

The changes to the CP summarised above and included in the post exhibition version of the CP result in an increase in uncapped contributions from an average of \$56,000 per lot to \$58,000 per lot. This increase includes indexation and the inclusion of items to support the stormwater strategy as requested by key developers within the precinct.

Next Steps

If Council resolves to proceed with Amendment 75, the planning proposal will be forwarded to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for finalisation and gazettal.

If Council approves amendments to Liverpool Growth Centres Precinct DCP, the changes will come into effect once Liverpool LEP 2008 Amendment 75 is gazetted and on publication of the required notice.

If Council endorses Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and North Leppington Precincts, the plan will be forwarded to the Independent Regulatory and Pricing Tribunal (IPART) for assessment followed by consideration of IPART's assessment by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces (or nominee).

Council will then receive a further report following IPART's assessment and the Minister's advice for adoption of Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 – Austral and North Leppington Precincts as an 'IPART Reviewed Contributions Plan', thereby removing the current cap on contributions in this precinct.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	<p>Deliver and maintain a range of transport related infrastructure such as footpaths, bus shelters and bikeways.</p> <p>Deliver a high quality local road system including provision and maintenance of infrastructure and management of traffic issues.</p>
Environment	<p>Manage the environmental health of waterways.</p> <p>Manage air, water, noise and chemical pollution.</p> <p>Protect, enhance and maintain areas of endangered ecological communities and high quality bushland as part of an attractive mix of land uses.</p> <p>Support the delivery of a range of transport options.</p>
Social	Support policies and plans that prevent crime.
Civic Leadership	There are no civic leadership and governance considerations.
Legislative	<p>Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979</p> <p>Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000</p>
Risk	<p>The risk is deemed to be High.</p> <p>Council has an identified strategic risk relating to shortfall of contribution funding, particularly in the Growth Areas. This precinct represents most of the potential shortfall. If the recommendations of this report are adopted, and IPART and the Minister supports the contributions plan, the risk will be reduced.</p> <p>The risks of not adopting the amendments to the CP is considered outside of Council's risk appetite.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

1. Post exhibition Planning Proposal - Liverpool LEP 2008 Amendment 75 (Under separate cover)
2. Post exhibition DCP Main Body (Changes Only) February 2021 (Under separate cover)

3. Post exhibition DCP Schedule 1 (Changes Only) January 2021 (Under separate cover)
4. Post exhibition version of Liverpool Contributions Plan 2021 - Austral and Leppington North Precincts (Under separate cover)
5. Contributions Plan - Schedule of works (Under separate cover)
6. Gateway determination and alterations (Under separate cover)
7. Notification Fact Sheet (Under separate cover)
8. Submissions Summary (Under separate cover)
9. Detailed Submissions Summary (confidential) (Under separate cover) -

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EGROW 02**Issues and Options Report - Temporary Use of
Land in Growth Areas**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	036332.2021
Report By	Ian Stendara - Executive Planner
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council at its meeting on 23 September 2020 resolved to:

“Direct the Acting Chief Executive Officer to present an issues and options paper for potential amendments to State Environmental Planning Policy growth centres to permit, in a time limited manner, land uses that aren’t currently permitted”.

This report investigates the issues facing landowners in areas that have been zoned for urban development, primarily in the Austral/Leppington North release area who do not have access to utility services such as water and sewerage to allow urban development at this time. These landowners may be impacted as they are not able to develop their land for urban purposes yet, however rural land uses are no longer permitted.

This report outlines land uses which were permitted under the formal rural zones and identifies potential conflicts with urban uses. Some lower impact rural uses could be compatible with urban uses, and higher impact uses could be controlled via temporary consents or limiting the scale of operation to minimise impacts. A comparative analysis has been provided at **Attachment 1** which explores compatibility issues and impacts of rural uses in urban zones.

The report outlines future steps, consultation requirements and financial implications (to Council, landowners, and surrounding landowners) should Council wish to pursue opportunities to allow for additional permitted uses of a temporary nature in growth areas.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

REPORT

IssuesBackground – Precinct Rezoning

Prior to the rezoning of land within the Liverpool precincts of the South West Growth Centre (now South West Growth Area), most land in the suburbs of Austral and Leppington were zoned for rural uses, being either RU1 – Primary Production or RU4 – Primary Production Small Lots under the Liverpool LEP 2008. These zones allowed for very low-density residential development as well as rural and agricultural activities.

The Austral and Leppington North precincts were rezoned for urban purposes on 15 March 2013. The East Leppington Precinct was rezoned on 8 August 2014. Whilst any properties that had rural or agricultural operations are subject to savings provisions (existing use rights), the new urban zones largely prohibit Council from granting development consent for new rural or agricultural uses.

Rural land uses that were permitted in the RU1 and RU4 zones, which are not permitted in many urban zones include:

- Agriculture,
- Animal boarding or training establishments,
- Aquaculture,
- Cemeteries,
- Crematoria,
- Entertainment facilities,
- Environmental facilities,
- Farm buildings,
- Farm stay accommodation,
- Landscaping material supplies,
- Plant nurseries,
- Recreation areas,
- Recreation facilities (indoor),
- Recreation facilities (outdoor),
- Roadside stalls,
- Rural industries,
- Rural supplies,
- Rural workers' dwellings,

- Veterinary hospitals, and
- Water recreation structures.

Current Planning Restrictions

Prohibiting new agricultural or rural uses in an urban environment is sensible, given that new rural land uses can impact urban amenity by way of noise, dust or odour. Residential areas, where uses such as chicken farms are prohibited, would find impacts such as odour emissions to be offensive.

Since the areas were rezoned in 2013, lead-in infrastructure (notably sewerage infrastructure) has not been available for several years, particularly in the Austral and Leppington North precincts. This is in part a result of the size of the precinct and the need for Sydney Water to stage delivery given other precincts and priorities. Sydney Water has also indicated that it will be slowing the rate of delivery of sewerage infrastructure.

This has impacts for many landowners as rural land uses are no longer permissible with consent (to avoid reverse amenity impacts for residential development), but some areas are not yet serviced by critical lead in infrastructure (such as a sewerage system) to allow urban development.

Impacts on Landowners

The issues above are further compounded by the fact that land has already been rezoned for urban purposes, and as a result, the value of the land has increased compared to its previous rural zoning given its development potential. Whilst this is a gain for those residents who want to move away and sell their land, it can create financial hardship for those who want to stay on their land. The increase in land value also increases the rates that landowners pay.

Current Utility Servicing

Clause 6.1 of the Growth Centres SEPP restricts Councils ability to issue development consent for new residential or commercial development where Council is not satisfied that adequate utility infrastructure is available or will be available to service the development. Whilst there has been a slow rollout of utilities in areas such as Austral (for many reasons), the three critical services are: drinking water, sewerage, and electricity. Telecommunication and gas infrastructure are not considerations under Clause 6.1 of the Growth Centres SEPP. Many parts of Austral cannot develop for urban uses currently as they fail to satisfy this provision of the SEPP.

Drinking Water and Sewerage

Developers provide the pipes to each new lot and/or building for sewerage services and drinking water. Sydney Water must approve such developments, and be satisfied that adequate trunk infrastructure is available to cater for the development, that is, there exists a sewerage system for the development to connect to, and the drinking water mains are adequately sized to provide capacity for the development, and pressure for firefighting purposes.

Sydney Water publishes its plans for the roll-out of trunk and lead-in mains in its “Growth Servicing Plan”. Its latest Growth Servicing Plan was published in 2019. The maps (*Figure 1*, and *Figure 2*), on the following pages, indicate the timeframe and capacity of lead-in mains for areas in South-west Sydney. Council staff can assess DAs on the basis that drinking water and sewerage services will be available to the development as roughly indicated by these dates (subject to further confirmation).

The maps indicate that there is limited existing capacity for drinking water services across Austral as of September 2019. That is, drinking water services are available, but there is not enough capacity at present if the entire precinct were to be developed at once. Drinking water services have been provided for in East Leppington.

The maps also indicate that some areas of Austral have limited capacity for wastewater services, whilst other areas have no services available. The areas that are currently not serviced are shown by the plan to have lead-in mains in place by December 2021. Whilst this would indicate that all land has servicing by December 2021, it is understood that the system will still have capacity constraints and would not allow for full precinct development without augmentation.

To further complicate matters, it is understood that from late 2020, Sydney Water will no longer be delivering lead-in mains to this timetable.

The current sewerage network directs wastewater to the Liverpool treatment plant at Warwick Farm. It is anticipated that a new treatment facility will be constructed to the north west of Austral (north of Elizabeth Drive in the Penrith LGA) to capture waters from the existing release precincts as well as the aerotropolis precincts.

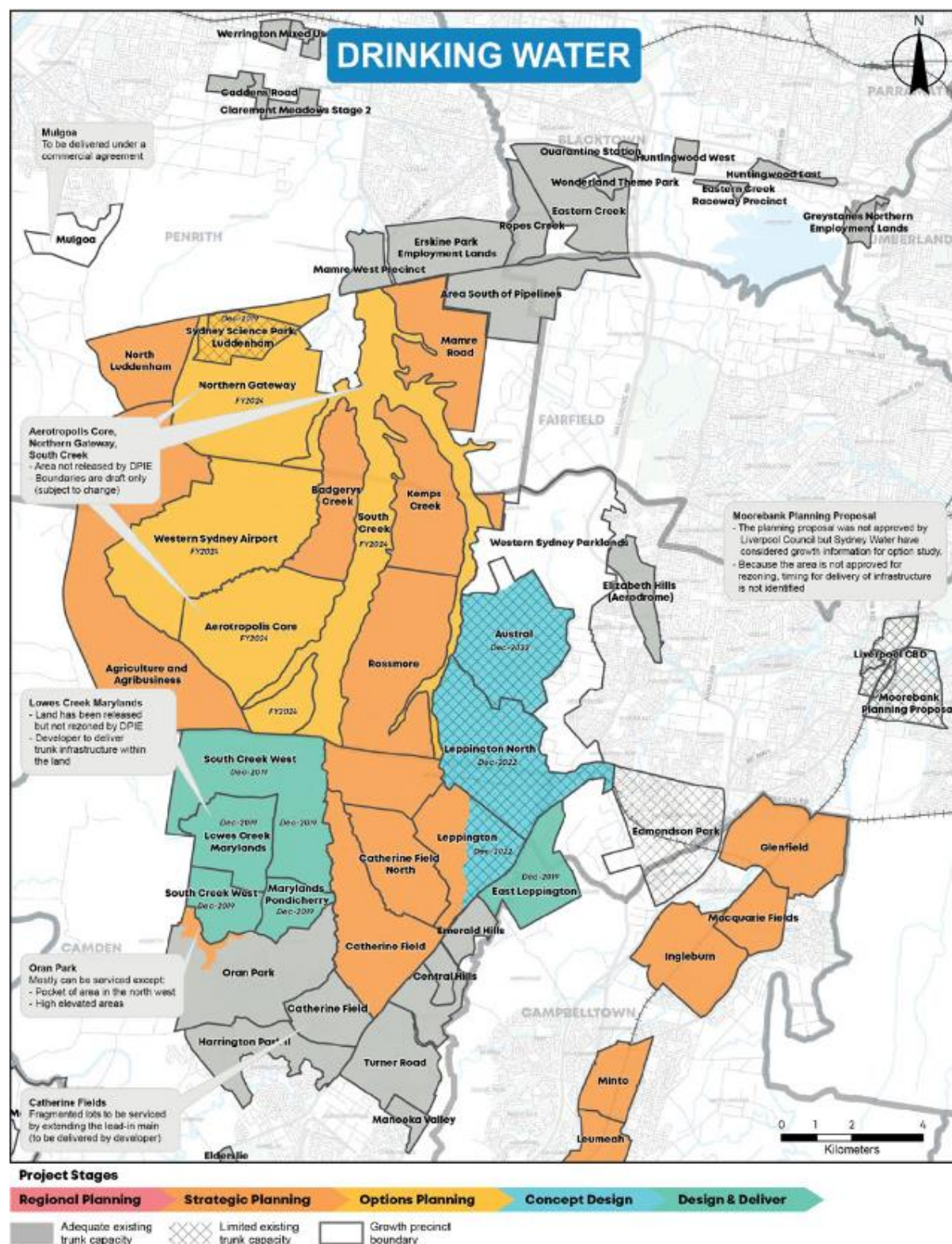


Figure 1: Map of drinking water infrastructure roll-out (Source: Sydney Water, 2019)

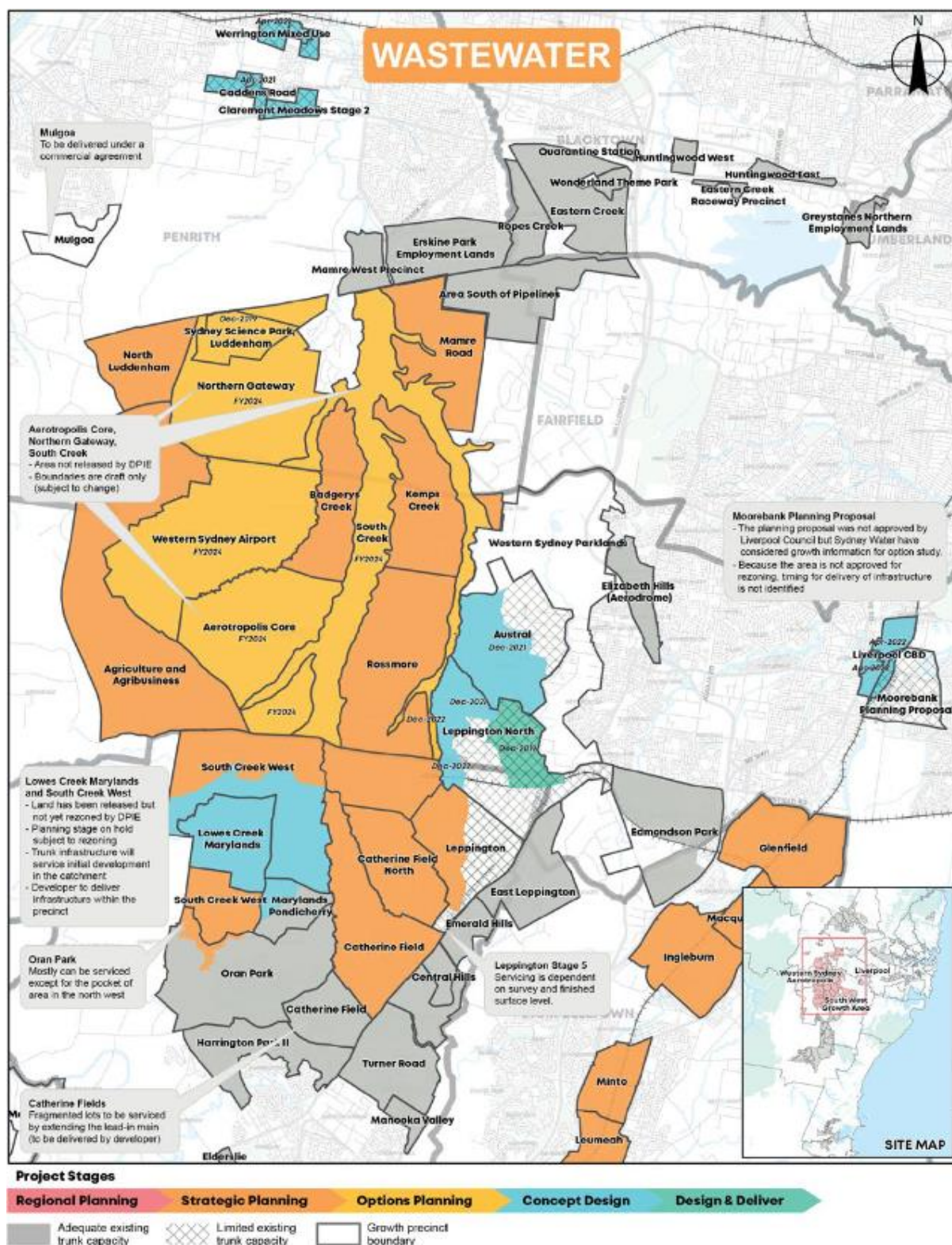


Figure 2: Map of Wastewater infrastructure roll-out (noting Sydney Water is no longer committed to this timeline) (Source: Sydney Water, 2019)

Electricity

The Austral and Leppington North Precincts are serviced by Endeavour Energy's wholesale electricity network. Endeavour Energy have previously advised Council that the existing infrastructure has adequate capacity to cater for growth. A new zone substation was recently completed in Leppington North, on the corner of Bringelly Road and Eastwood Road. A new site in the north of Austral is also in the planning phases and will further improve capacity and reliability.

Alternative Options

Postponed Rates

Under Section 585 of the Local Government Act 1993, landowners may apply for rate relief for part of the rates levied on their land if the land only has a single dwelling house (dual-occupancies are not eligible), but the land zoning allows for commercial, industrial or more concentrated residential development. Rate postponement can accrue for a period of up to 5 years before Council will commence 'writing-off' postponed rates. After the fifth year, Council will write-off the postponed rates accrued during the first year; after the sixth year, Council would then write off the postponed rates from the second year, and so forth. Any rates that have been postponed (for a period of up to 5 years) will become due at the time that the dwelling house ceases to be occupied (normally occurring prior to development taking place).

The percentage of rates that has to be paid, versus the amount that can be postponed will depend upon the value of the land as a development site for the higher use, and the value of the site for a single dwelling house. The Valuer General's Policy for allowances has additional details regarding this process, which can be viewed at:

https://www.valuergeneral.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/199999/Concessions_for_single_residential_or_rural_land_zoned_for_higher_use.pdf

Postponing rates removes the immediate financial impact imposed by rezoning for affected landowners, by deferring payment. Developers will typically acknowledge instances where rates have been postponed in negotiating a purchase price. This process is already in place; applications for postponement of rates can be downloaded and emailed via Council's website or completed in person at Council's office.

Categorisation of Rates under the Local Government Act 1993

Clause 514 of the Local Government Act 1993 allows Councils to set rates based upon a land category; land can be categorised as Farmland, Residential, Mining or Business. The farmland category attracts a lower rate base than the residential category and could lower the rate cost to residents where the land is primarily used for agricultural production. Where the land can be described as farmland (as per clause 515 of the Act) a landowner can apply to have their land category changed as per Clause 525 of the Act. An adjustment to rates can then be made if/when a declaration of a change in land category has been made.

Financial Hardship

Land which has been zoned for a public purpose, such as RE1 Public Open Space, will ultimately be acquired by a public authority. Normally land is only acquired by a public authority (such as Council) closer to when that infrastructure is to be delivered. Landowners who are in financial hardship may be able to apply to have their land acquired early if they meet the requirements of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*. Even if the landowner does not meet the definition of financial hardship, Council (or the specified authority) may still agree to purchase land if it is mutually beneficial to both parties. This can provide relief for landowners where part, or all the land, is zoned for a public purpose only.

Allowing Additional Permitted Uses**Key Considerations**

Whilst rates can be postponed, some landowners might want to undertake economic activity on their land to avoid postponing rates, or more generally, to support self-employment, market demand, and other interests. This is even more notable on those areas described previously, which may have been rezoned several years ago, but critical utilities are not available, or there is a lack of demand, and as such, development under the new zone cannot take place.

Views of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

Prior to preparing or receiving a planning proposal in an area subject to a precinct plan or subject to future release in a Growth Centre, Council must liaise with the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE). Given that the precincts are zoned by, and subject to controls of a State Environmental Planning Policy, rather than Council's Local Environmental Plan, Council must work with DPIE on any amendments to the SEPP.

Reverse amenity impacts

Council must consider the reverse amenity impacts that rural and other prohibited uses would have on currently established or approved residences and or residences that are approved in accordance with the precinct plan. Planning instruments use zones to ensure that sensitive receivers are not subject to land uses or activities that would cause harm or be offensive given proximity or other factors that are not able to be mitigated.

Allowing additional permitted uses, which conflict with the land-uses permitted by the underlying zone, can cause potential for future land use conflicts and complaints. Where both conflicting developments are operating in accordance with their DA consent, this would reflect poorly upon Council as the determination authority and facilitator of land use planning. As such, Council must be careful in ensuring that any land uses which are made permissible in an urban zone have minimal impacts and/or time limits for operation.

Potential for temporary activities to undermine underlying zone on adjacent properties

Some rural activities would impact upon properties in their immediate surrounds from being able to develop in accordance with the planning controls applying to surrounding sites. In some cases, this may result in more costly mitigation, or in extreme scenarios may result in the urban development for which the zoning provides for being sterilised.

An example of an extreme scenario could be the operation of a poultry farm. A poultry farm generates significant odour impacts. An adjoining site which is serviced and zoned R2 Low Density Residential would be so severely impacted by odour emissions that residential dwellings would not be permitted under the SEPP controls. In this instance, the temporary use would be inconsistent with the zone's objectives and would undermine the adjoining properties' development potential.

Operational time limited consent

Clause 4.17(1)(d) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act allows Councils to issue a development consent which limits the period during which the development may be carried out in accordance with the consent so granted. Such conditions normally allow for a use to be carried out for a limited period of at least 1 year. This may be modified by a modification application.

Consistency with the zone objectives

Any additional permitted uses, even if they are temporary in nature, should not be inconsistent with the zone's objectives, or substantially undermine the ability for the development to achieve zone objectives. This is to minimise the potential for land use conflicts and ensure that the precinct can still develop in a logical and orderly manner.

One example could be the construction of a rural worker's dwelling on an existing working farm. Such a dwelling could be positioned on an R2 zoned site such that it allows for continued operation of an existing rural use, but its design and general layout allows it to be retained if/when the property develops for residential subdivision.

Such a development could be beneficial to the broader community, as it allows the retention of jobs associated with an existing economic activity, whilst minimising environmental and economic waste by demolishing a new dwelling to facilitate future residential development. On the other hand, constructing a rural worker's dwelling to support an agricultural activity in an area zoned for public open space, or for infrastructure, would likely result in unordered development. The dwelling will increase the improved value of the land, placing an increased land acquisition cost on a public authority for delivery of infrastructure.

As such, a tailored approach would likely be required to match temporary uses to the underlying zone of the land, to ensure that any benefits to the existing landowner do not burden either adjacent landowners and/or the broader community. Uses which have more pronounced impacts, such as noise, traffic or odour impacts, will need to be considered on their merits carefully.

Allowing additional permitted uses - Opportunities

To evaluate the potential for additional uses to be permitted in areas zoned under the Growth Centres SEPP, it is necessary to identify each rural land use, its potential impacts, and its potential compatibility or incompatibility with the urban zones. **Attachment 1** summarises some of the key impacts of certain rural uses and identified whether those uses could be temporarily compatible with future urban uses.

Many rural land uses are likely to interfere with the amenity of urban uses. Those uses which have minimal impacts are far less likely to have any commercial benefits. However, uses such as extensive agriculture (cropping or grazing) can be compatible with urban amenity when impacts such as dust, odour, noise and traffic impacts are managed appropriately. Uses with more notable amenity impacts can be controlled to an extent by the size of the operation or via other DA consent conditions.

The need for additional compliance checks should also be considered where some uses (e.g. farm buildings) are easily converted into non-permissible uses (such as storage or industrial uses). Similarly, complaints may be made against uses such as truck parking if truck depots were to be made permissible. These uses may also generate additional traffic or stormwater run-off for which there will be complications in calculating development contributions (for traffic and drainage infrastructure), particularly where such development may only be considered on a temporary basis.

Next Steps

Should Council seek to consider making some of the rural land uses permissible in urban zones, the next step would be to determine whether the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment would support temporary uses in the growth centres. Should DPIE not support any temporary uses, a short report will be prepared for Council to inform Council of this outcome.

Should DPIE provide in principal support, Council staff would need to further consider the impacts of temporary uses, review any licensing, permits etc. that may be needed to support such uses, and develop new controls which would form the basis of a SEPP and DCP amendment.

Council staff would also need to prepare a planning proposal, ensure consistency with state and regional strategies, Council's LSPS and ministerial directions, as well as evaluating site specific and strategic merit. The advice of the Liverpool Local Planning Panel should also be sought.

A contributions plan amendment may also be required if the changes would reasonably increase the demand for Council infrastructure (such as increased traffic on roads or increased paved area for stormwater run-off). Staff would need to consider how this would work if some uses were only permitted on a temporary basis.

In accordance with Council's Community Participation Plan (CPP), and planning proposal procedures, the draft plans would be subject to an initial community consultation period, and the plans would be reviewed by the Local Planning Panel, prior to being reported back to Council.

Consultation

The advice in this report has been prepared by Planning & Transport Strategy with input from Council's Rates department. Should Council resolve to progress changes to planning controls to permit temporary uses, consultation will be required between internal Departments, DPIE, and any state agencies where there may be implications concerning licensing and/or permits.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Facilitate economic development.
Environment	Retain viable opportunities for local food production while managing land use to meet urban growth.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	Act as an environmental leader in the community. Operate a well-developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.
Legislative	Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006
Risk	There is no risk associated with the recommendation of this report nor would there be any risks in discussing the matter with DPIE should Council be interested in further exploring temporary uses in the Growth Centres, acknowledging no changes can be made in this area without the support of DPIE as the land is zoned under a SEPP.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Table of potential temporary uses and impacts in growth areas

Land Use	Impacts (L=Likely, P=Potentially, U=Unlikely)							Potentially Compatible Zones	Incompatible Zones	Comments/notes
	Odour	Dust	Contamination	Noise	Traffic	Light Pollution	Water Pollution			
Animal boarding or training establishments	L	P	P	L	L	P	L	R2, R3, B1, B2, B5, SP2, RE1, RU6, IN2, E4	E2	Noise impacts would make large new centres unacceptable. Restricted hours, home based type facilities could be acceptable, with a limit on the number of animals to be cared for. Alternatively, larger outdoor type facilities could be acceptable where there was a historic use and the lot size / zoning limits noise and traffic impacts.
Aquaculture	P	U	P	L	L	P	L	All except incompatible	E2	Small scale facilities using existing farm dams could be acceptable, subject to pumps/dams meeting regulatory requirements. Large scale tank-based farms are likely to be inappropriate, except for RU6 zone.
Cemeteries and Crematoria	L	L	P	U	L	P	P	SP2	All except compatible	This is a long-term use and wouldn't be suited to temporary consents.
Entertainment facilities	U	U	U	L	L	L	U	B1, B2, B5, IN2	RU6, R2, R3, SP2, RE1, E2, E4	Already permitted in B2. Could be considered appropriate in other B and IN zones where it involves use of an existing building temporarily. Limits on number of patrons would be needed to control noise and traffic.
Environmental facilities	U	U	U	U	P	U	U	All zones	Nil	Not an income generating use

Land Use	Impacts (L=Likely, P=Potentially, U=Unlikely)							Potentially Compatible Zones	Incompatible Zones	Comments/notes
	Odour	Dust	Contamination	Noise	Traffic	Light Pollution	Water Pollution			
Extensive agriculture	P	L	P	P	P	U	P	All except incompatible	E2	This involves crop production and free-range grazing. Consistent with historic uses and relatively low impact compared to intensive agricultural uses.
Farm buildings	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	RU6	All except compatible	Whilst this could allow continued operations of existing agricultural uses, it would be problematic in industrial and business zones as there would be a need for high compliance surveillance. Several farm buildings in Austral/Rossmore are under investigation for illegal industrial/commercial uses not relating to agriculture on the land.
Farm forestry	U	P	P	U	U	U	P	All except incompatible	E2	Long-term use not likely commercially viable, however, it is a relatively low impact use.
Farm stay accommodation	U	U	U	P	L	P	U	All except incompatible	E2, RE1, SP2	CI 5.4 restricts such premises to 3 bedrooms. Conversion of existing premises would generally result in no/little impacts. Given capital investment, this use should not involve new buildings except R2, R3, RU6 zones.
Intensive livestock agriculture	L	L	L	L	L	P	L	RU6, IN2	All except compatible	Consist of uses such as feedlots and poultry farms. Concentrated odour and noise impacts (truck movements) make this unsuited near residents.

Land Use	Impacts (L=Likely, P=Potentially, U=Unlikely)							Potentially Compatible Zones	Incompatible Zones	Comments/notes
	Odour	Dust	Contamination	Noise	Traffic	Light Pollution	Water Pollution			
Intensive plant agriculture	P	L	P	P	P	U	P	All except incompatible	E2	This includes irrigated crops, horticulture, turf farming and viticulture. Provided that odour and wastewater can be managed and that truck/tractor noise is minimised, this use can be suitable.
Landscaping material supplies	L	L	P	L	L	P	P	RU6, B5, IN2	All except compatible	Already permitted in compatible zones. Investment required / impacts make this unviable for the short term in non-permissible zones.
Plant nurseries	P	P	P	U	L	P	P	All except incompatible	E2	Not defined in SEPP: relates to plants grown on or adjacent to site where plants are sold. Given the small lots in Austral, impacts such as traffic movements will generally be restricted by the amount of plants that can be grown on the site. In zones where acquisition is required it is suggested that no new buildings should be constructed.
Recreation areas	U	U	U	P	P	P	U	All zones	Nil	Not a commercial use.
Recreation facilities (indoor)	U	U	U	P	L	P	U	R2, R3, B1, B2, B5, IN2, RE1	RU6, SP2, E2, E4	Restrictions on number of patrons, hours of operation and length of consent to manage traffic impacts in residential areas. Should not involve new buildings in zone RE1.
Recreation facilities (outdoor)	U	U	U	L	L	P	U	RU6, R2, R3, B1, B2, B5, IN2, RE1, E4	SP2, E2	

Land Use	Impacts (L=Likely, P=Potentially, U=Unlikely)							Potentially Compatible Zones	Incompatible Zones	Comments/notes
	Odour	Dust	Contamination	Noise	Traffic	Light Pollution	Water Pollution			
Roadside stalls	U	P	U	U	L	U	U	All except incompatible	E2	Can generate income to support existing agriculture and provided signage and access/parking is managed, impacts are relatively minor.
Rural industries	L	P	P	L	L	P	P	IN2	All except compatible	Includes uses such as abattoirs, saw mills, composting facilities etc. All uses are likely to impact upon landowners in a wide catchment and are only potentially suited temporarily in areas zoned for industrial development (noting that these uses will not likely comply with the definition of light industry).
Rural supplies	P	P	P	P	L	P	P	B1, B2	All except compatible	Retail use selling rural supplies. Traffic generating development incompatible with most rural and urban uses, can be suited to established centres.
Rural workers' dwellings (new)	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	RU6, R2, R3, E4	All except compatible	Conversion of dwelling could be suitable in all zones, but not likely to be commercially viable.
Truck Depot	P	P	P	L	L	P	P	Nil	All	Truck depot refers to the parking of two or more heavy vehicles on a single property. Issues associated with noise (especially in morning or night hours) and heavy vehicles frequently traversing residential streets makes them inappropriate in all residential areas.

Land Use	Impacts (L=Likely, P=Potentially, U=Unlikely)							Potentially Compatible Zones	Incompatible Zones	Comments/notes
	Odour	Dust	Contamination	Noise	Traffic	Light Pollution	Water Pollution			
Veterinary hospitals	P	U	U	L	L	P	U	R2, R3, B1, B2, B5, IN2, RE1, E4	RU6, SP2, E2	Permitted in B1, B2, IN2. Could be suited with restrictions on number of consulting rooms and hours of operation in other zones to minimise noise and traffic impacts.

EGROW 03**Street Naming Request - Austral**

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Advocate for, and develop, transport networks to create an accessible city
File Ref	064538.2021
Report By	Christopher Jattan - Administration Officer - Planning & Transport Strategy
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's endorsement for the renaming of a future street, currently named Impala Street, to Dagostino Street in Austral. The proposed name has been assessed using Council's Naming Convention Policy and has been granted pre-approval by the Geographical Names Board (GNB) of NSW.

The future street is proposed to be constructed through Lots 487, 424 DP 2475 and Lot C DP 414563 between Wyalkatchem Street and Endure Street, Austral.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Supports the renaming of Impala Street to Dagostino Street, Austral;
2. Forwards the name to the Geographical Names Board (GNB), seeking formal approval;
3. Publicly exhibit the name in accordance with Council's Naming Convention Policy, for a period of 28 days and notify adjacent landowners, following formal approval from the GNB; and
4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to undertake the process of gazettal, if there are no submissions received during public exhibition.

REPORT

Council received a street naming request on 15 February 2021. The proposed name has been assessed using Council's Naming Convention Policy and checked for duplication using the GNB's Online Road Naming System.

The name has been granted pre-approval from the Geographical Names Board (GNB) of NSW.

Dagostino Street, Austral

Council approved Impala Street (in keeping with the Austral street naming theme), and names for all other proposed streets in Austral in 2018 which have subsequently been gazetted by the Geographical Names Board of NSW.

The proposed street is to be constructed between Wyalkatchem Street and Endure Street as shown in Figure 1 below.

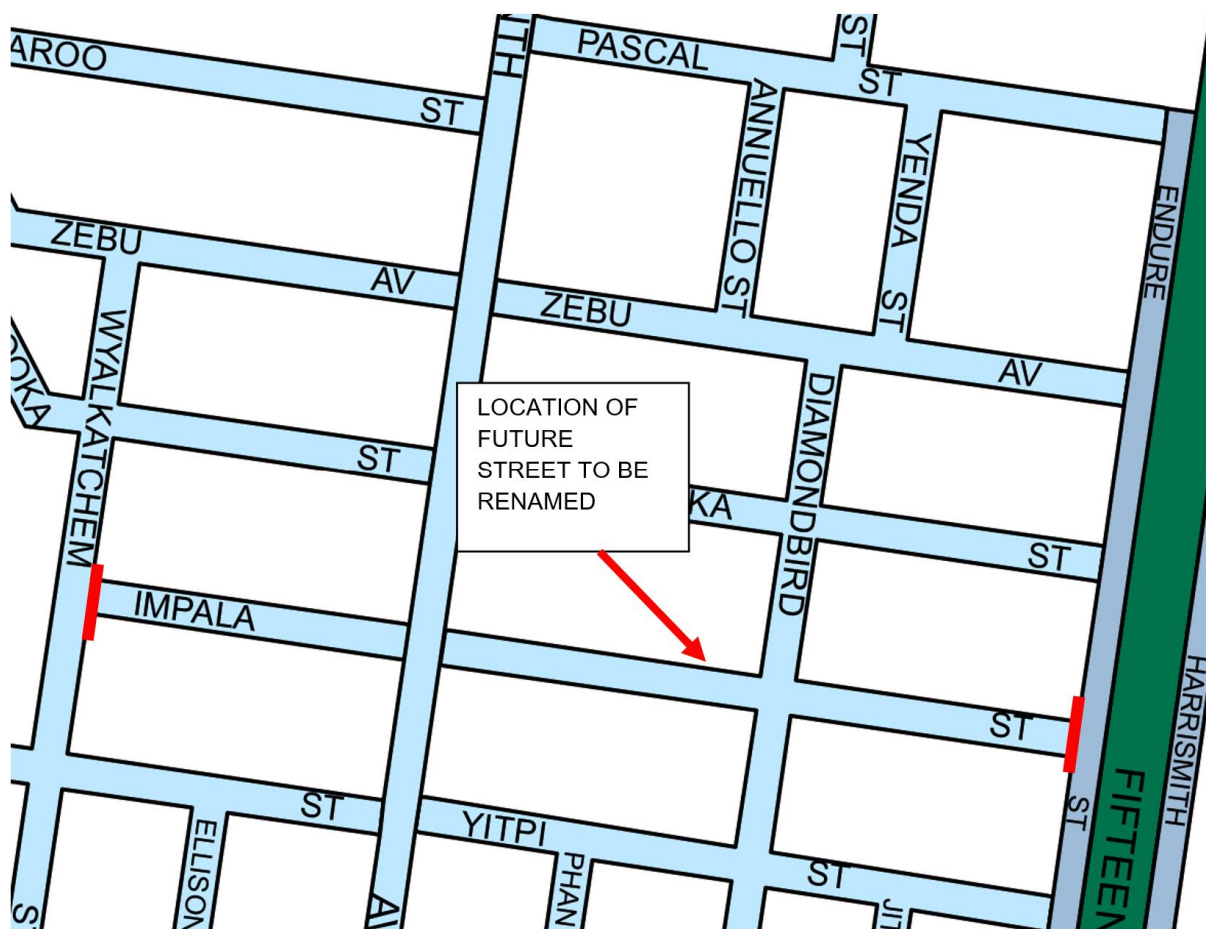


Figure 1 – Location of future street to be renamed to Dagostino Street, Austral

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As this road has not yet been built and will be constructed through properties owned by the Dagostino family, the owner has requested that the street be renamed as Dagostino Street in memory of his grandfather and grandmother.

The applicant has provided information to support the renaming request **(Confidential Attachment 1)**.

Next Steps

If supported, the above name will be forwarded to the GNB for formal approval and if approved, placed on public exhibition for 28 days on Council's website and Council will notify adjacent landowners.

Relevant stakeholders will be consulted including Australia Post, NSW Ambulance, Fire and Rescue NSW, NSW Rural Fire Service, NSW State Emergency Service, NSW Volunteer Rescue Association, Transport for NSW and NSW Police Force.

Council officers will consider all submissions during the public notification period. The three potential scenarios following exhibition are as follows:

- If there are objections from the relevant agencies, Council will not proceed with the naming request. The applicant will be notified of the outcome. A report to Council will be prepared for the next available meeting outlining the reason for rejection.
- If there are no objections, the naming request will proceed to the NSW Parliamentary Counsel's Office (PCO) for gazettal under the delegation of the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate).
- Any submissions from the community during the public notification period will be considered. If there is strong community opposition, or reason to reconsider the proposed names, a report will be prepared for the next available Council meeting recommending withdrawal of the naming proposal.

If Council decides to support the proposal, the naming request will proceed to the PCO for gazettal under the delegation of the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate). If Council decides not to adopt the naming proposal, the applicant will be notified in writing outlining the reason for rejection.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.

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Social	Preserve and maintain heritage, both landscape and cultural as urban development takes place.
Civic Leadership	Foster neighbourhood pride and a sense of responsibility.
Legislative	Roads Act 1993.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Street Naming Application - **Confidential**

EGROW 04

NSW Government Funding for Staged Upgrade of Edmondson Avenue, Austral

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Advocate for, and develop, transport networks to create an accessible city
File Ref	073082.2021
Report By	Charles Wiafe - Acting Manager Planning & Transport Strategy
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following a competitive submission process, Council has secured \$59.1 million in grant funding under the NSW Government South West Growth Centres Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) Program for the following projects:

- Edmondson Avenue Upgrade from Bringelly Road to Seventh Avenue, Austral. This is an upgrade of the current two-lane rural road to a four-lane urban standard road, including footpaths - \$58.0 million; and
- Design investigations for the upgrade of Denham Court Road from Commissioners Road to Campbelltown Road, Denham Court - \$1.1 million.

The two projects are on a list of regional transport infrastructure projects identified by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in consultation with Transport for NSW to facilitate growth in the South West Growth Centre.

The funding allocations require Council to sign funding agreements to deliver the Edmondson Avenue upgrade project by June 2024 and the Denham Court Road design investigations by June 2022. Following execution of the funding agreements, payment will be made to Council in instalments as outlined in this report.

Further representations and funding submissions to the NSW Government will be required for the upgrading of the remaining section of Edmondson Avenue, Austral and for the upgrade of Fifteenth Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the successful application for grant funding totalling \$59.1 million for the staged upgrade of Edmondson Avenue from Bringelly Road to Seventh Avenue, Austral to a four-lane road and for design investigations for the upgrade of Denham Court Road from Commissioners Road to Campbelltown Road, Denham Court to a four-lane road.
2. Writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces expressing Council's appreciation for the funding allocation and to seek a commitment for additional funding to complete the upgrade of the remaining section of Edmondson Avenue from Seventh Avenue to Fifteenth Avenue and for the full upgrade of Fifteenth Avenue.

REPORT

Background

The NSW Government's Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) Program has been established to fund infrastructure, including transport infrastructure to facilitate development in the growth centres.

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) administers the program on behalf of the NSW Government. This includes collection and distribution of contributions made by developers in the growth centres. The South West Growth Centre includes the Austral / Leppington North and East Leppington release areas.

Funding Allocations

Every three to four years, DPIE, through a competitive submission process, invites Councils and State Government delivery agencies to submit funding applications under the SIC program.

Council prepared a funding submission and was successful in securing \$59.10 million for the following two projects:

Project Name	Funding Category	Allocation (\$ million)
Edmondson Avenue Upgrade - Stage 1 Bringelly Road to Seventh Avenue, Austral	Delivery	58.00 million
Denham Court Road Upgrade (Commissioners Drive and Campbelltown Road) - Design Investigation)	Detailed Design and Preparation of Business Case	1.10 million

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In 2018, Council was allocated \$16.12m under the program, primarily for design investigations for the following projects:

Projects	Funding \$ million
Fifteenth Avenue - Stage 2 and 3 Concept Design	\$1.8 million
Edmondson Avenue Upgrade (Stage 1 - Concept/Detailed design and start of land acquisition)	\$5.73 million
Edmondson Avenue Upgrade (Stage 2) Concept/Detailed design and start of land acquisition	\$7.70 million
R10 Denham Court Road - Strategic Concept Design	\$0.65 million
Bus Depot at Austral (Preliminary site Identification and Design Layout)	\$0.24 million
TOTAL	\$16.12 million

Edmondson Avenue Upgrade, between Bringelly Road and Fifteenth Avenue – Staged Delivery

Edmondson Avenue, between Bringelly Road and Fifteenth Avenue will be upgraded from the current two-lane rural road to a four-lane urban standard road. The above funding will allow for the necessary land acquisitions and construction of Stage 1 between Bringelly Road and Seventh Avenue. Additional funding will be required to complete the upgrade of the remaining road section from Seventh Avenue to Fifteenth Avenue. This has been raised with DPIE representatives and additional funding submissions and representations will be required.

Denham Court Road Upgrade (Commissioners Drive and Campbelltown Road – Detailed design Investigation

The funding for the Denham Court Road Upgrade (Commissioners Drive and Campbelltown Road) project will allow detailed design and preparation of a business case. DPIE will then utilise the design to preserve the land required for a future upgrade of the road.

Funding Agreement and Payment Installments

The funding allocation requires Council to sign an agreement with DPIE to allow the following milestone payments.

Edmondson Avenue Upgrade	Amount
Instalment 1 - Execution of the Agreement with DPIE	\$8 million
Instalment 2 and 3 – Agreed land acquisition in two stages	\$16 million
Instalment 4 – Commencement of Stage 1 Construction	\$34 million

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Denham Court Road Upgrade	Amount
Instalment 1 - Execution of the Agreement with DPIE	\$700,000
Installment 2 - Agreed design milestones	\$404,000

The draft agreement requires Council to deliver the Edmondson Avenue upgrade by June 2024 and the Denham Court Road design investigation by June 2022.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Deliver a high-quality local road system including provision and maintenance of infrastructure and management of traffic issues.
Environment	Promote an integrated and user-friendly public transport service. Support the delivery of a range of transport options.
Social	Support access and services for people with a disability. Improve road and pedestrian safety.
Civic Leadership	Actively advocate for federal and state government support, funding and services.
Legislative	Roads Act.
Risk	The risk is considered Low. The risk is considered within Council's risk appetite.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CORP 01**Investment Report February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Seek efficient and innovative methods to manage our resources
File Ref	054490.2021
Report By	John Singh - Accountant - Investments & Treasury Management
Approved By	Vishwa Nadan - Chief Financial Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report details Council's investment portfolio and its performance for the month ended 28th February 2021:

- Council held investments with a market value of \$311 million.
- The economic environment globally, including Australia, suffered significantly from the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in March. The market value of Council's investment in Floating Rate Notes (FRN) has since improved;
- RBA has decided to lower the cash rate to 0.10% with an indication to keep it at this level for next three years. This will have significant impact on Council's interest earnings;
- The portfolio yield was 122 basis points above the AusBond Bank Bill index;

	AusBond Bank Bill Index (BBI)
Benchmark	0.21%
Portfolio yield	1.43%
Performance above benchmarks	1.22%

- Return on investment was \$1.6m lower than the original budget. This does not take into account \$1.4m capital gain on FRN's. Assuming these FRN's hold value to 30 June 2021, the budget shortfall will be sufficiently balanced.
- Council's investment advisor, Amicus Advisory, has completed its review of Emerald Mortgage Backed Securities and recommends Council continue to hold its investments in the "Class A" and both "Class C" securities given current poor market pricing. MBS Securities are now not rated.
- Council's investments and reporting obligations fully complied with the requirements of section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*;

- Council's portfolio also fully complied with limits set out in its current Investment Policy; and
- Council is committed to NSW TCorp's balanced investment framework and held 19.92% of its portfolio in ADI's rated BBB and below.

RECOMMENDATION

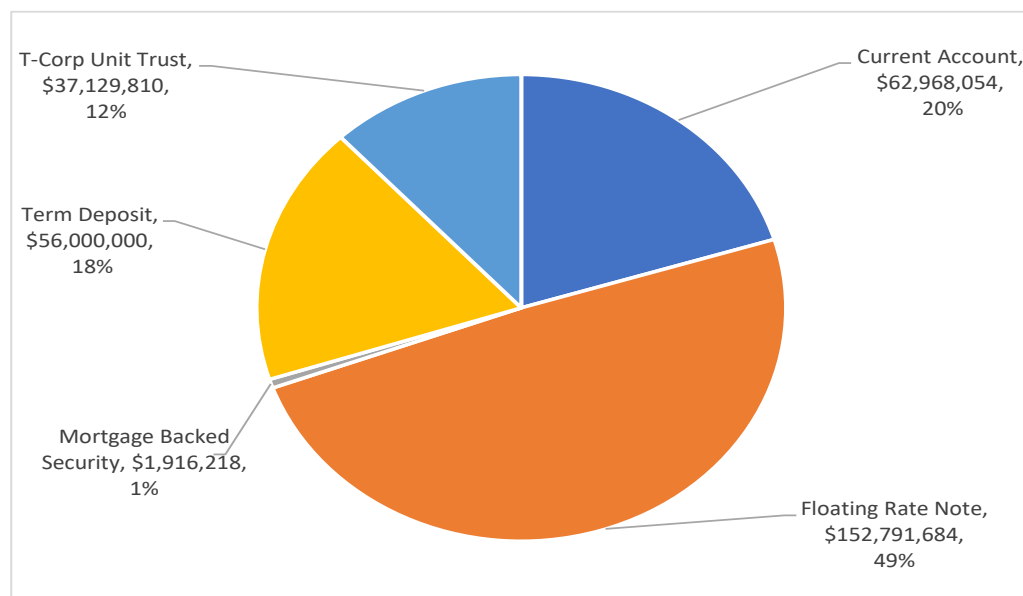
That Council receives and notes this report.

REPORT

Clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* requires that the Responsible Accounting Officer must provide Council with a written report setting out details of all money that Council has invested under section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Council's Portfolio

At 28th February 2021, Council held investments with a market value of \$311 million. Council's investment register detailing all its investments is provided as an attachment to this report. In summary, Council's portfolio consisted of investments in:



The ratio of market value compared to face value of various debt securities is shown in the table below.

Asset Class	Feb -20	Jun-20
Senior Debts (FRN's ,TCD's & FRB)*	101.35%	100.75%
MBS (Reverse Mortgage Backed Securities)	75.65%	62.11%
T-Corp Unit Trusts	103.14%	102.81%

***Definition of terms**

- *Transferrable Certificate of Deposit (TCD) - security issued with the same characteristics as a Term Deposit however it can be sold back (transferred) into the market prior to maturity. A floating TCD pays a coupon linked to a variable benchmark (90 days BBSW).*
- *Fixed Rate Bond (FRB) – returns Fixed Coupon (interest) Rate and is tradeable before maturity.*
- *Floating Rate Note (FRN) - returns an aggregate of a fixed margin and a variable benchmark (usually BBSW).*

The economic environment globally, including Australia, suffered significantly from the start of the COVID-19 pandemic in March. The market value of Council's investment in FRN's has since improved. Council has sufficient funds in its current account and has no plans at this stage to sell off any of its FRN's to meet its short-term cashflow requirements.

Council is fully compliant with the requirements of the Ministerial Investment Order including the grandfathering provisions. The grandfathering provisions state that Council may continue to hold to maturity, redeem or sell investments that comply with previous Ministerial Investment Orders. Any new investments must comply with the most recent Order. Council continues to closely monitor the investments in its portfolio to ensure continued compliance and minimal exposure to risk.

Council is committed to NSW TCorp's balanced investment framework and held 19.92% of its portfolio in ADI's rated BBB and below.

Emerald – Mortgaged Backed Securities

Council's new investment advisor, Amicus Advisory, was asked on appointment to review Council's investments in "grandfathered" mortgage backed securities. Amicus has completed its review and recommends Council continue to hold its investments in the "Class A" and both "Class C" securities given current poor market pricing. Notwithstanding this recommendation, Amicus has assessed that both "Class C" securities are likely to eventually default. However, Council will continue to receive interest up until default which is likely to be many years away. Fitch Rating Agency has decided to withdraw its rating on mortgage backed securities and as a result, Council investments in these securities are now classed non-rated.

Portfolio Maturity Profile

The table below shows the percentage of funds invested at different durations to maturity.

Term to Maturity	Total	% Holdings	Term to Maturity Policy Limit Minimum	Term to Maturity Policy Limit Maximum	Complies to Investment Policy' "Yes/No"
Current Account	62,968,054	20.26%			
Term Deposits < 1 Yr	46,000,000	14.80%			
T-Corp Unit Trust	37,129,810	11.95%			
Tradeable securities	152,791,684	49.16%			
Portfolio % < 1 Yr - (Short term liquidity)	\$298,889,547	96.17%	30%	100%	Yes
Term Deposit > 1 Yr < 3Yrs	10,000,000	3.22%	0%	70%	Yes
Grand Fathered Securities	1,916,218	0.62%	N/A	N/A	Yes
Portfolio % Medium term liquidity)	\$11,916,218	3.83%			Yes
Total Portfolio	\$310,805,765	100.00%			

Market Value by Issuer and Institution Policy limit as per Investment Policy

Issuer	Security Rating	Market Value	% Total Value	Maximum Institutional Policy Limit % holdings	Complies to Investment Policy' "Yes/No"
AMP Bank Ltd	BBB	23,650,628.11	7.61%	15%	Yes
ANZ Banking Group Ltd	AA-	18,322,749.00	5.90%	35%	Yes
Auswide Bank Ltd	BBB	3,000,000.00	0.97%	15%	Yes
Bank Australia Ltd	BBB	3,511,019.00	1.13%	15%	Yes
Bank of China/Sydney	A	2,002,264.00	0.64%	25%	Yes
Bank of Communications Co. Ltd/Sydney	A-	3,018,168.00	0.97%	25%	Yes
Bendigo & Adelaide Bank Ltd	BBB+	506,999.00	0.16%	15%	Yes
Bank of Nova Scotia	A+	5,573,707.00	1.79%	25%	Yes
Bank of Queensland Ltd	BBB+	3,002,829.00	0.97%	15%	Yes
Citibank Australia Ltd	A+	1,014,202.00	0.33%	25%	Yes
Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	AA-	66,696,047.60	21.46%	35%	Yes
Credit Union Australia Ltd	BBB	4,555,854.00	1.47%	15%	Yes
Emerald Reverse Mortgage Trust (Class A)	Unrated	888,141.22	0.29%	5%	Yes
Emerald Reverse Mortgage Trust (Class C)	Unrated	1,028,076.50	0.33%	5%	Yes
Heritage Bank Ltd	BBB+	3,502,705.50	1.13%	15%	Yes
HSBC Sydney Branch	AA-	8,078,894.00	2.60%	35%	Yes
Macquarie Bank	A+	19,142,133.98	6.16%	25%	Yes
Members Banking Group Ltd t/a RACQ Bank	BBB+	1,510,087.50	0.49%	15%	Yes
Members Equity Bank Ltd	BBB	4,602,113.60	1.48%	15%	Yes
National Australia Bank Ltd	AA-	38,434,595.00	12.37%	35%	Yes
New castle Permanent Building Society Ltd	BBB	3,547,654.50	1.14%	15%	Yes
Northern Territory Treasury	AA-	4,000,000.00	1.29%	35%	Yes
NSW Treasury Corporation	AA	37,129,809.72	11.95%	45%	Yes
Police Credit Union	Unrated	2,000,000.00	0.64%	5%	Yes
Qbank	BBB-	4,506,341.00	1.45%	15%	Yes
Rabobank Australia Ltd	A+	4,018,614.00	1.29%	25%	Yes
Suncorp Bank	A+	8,077,943.00	2.60%	25%	Yes
Teachers Mutual Bank Ltd	BBB	2,108,696.10	0.68%	15%	Yes
UBS AG / Sydney	A+	2,540,812.35	0.82%	25%	Yes
Westpac Banking Corporation Ltd	AA-	30,834,680.50	9.92%	35%	Yes
Portfolio Total		\$310,805,765	100.00%		

Overall Portfolio Credit Framework compliance to Investment Policy

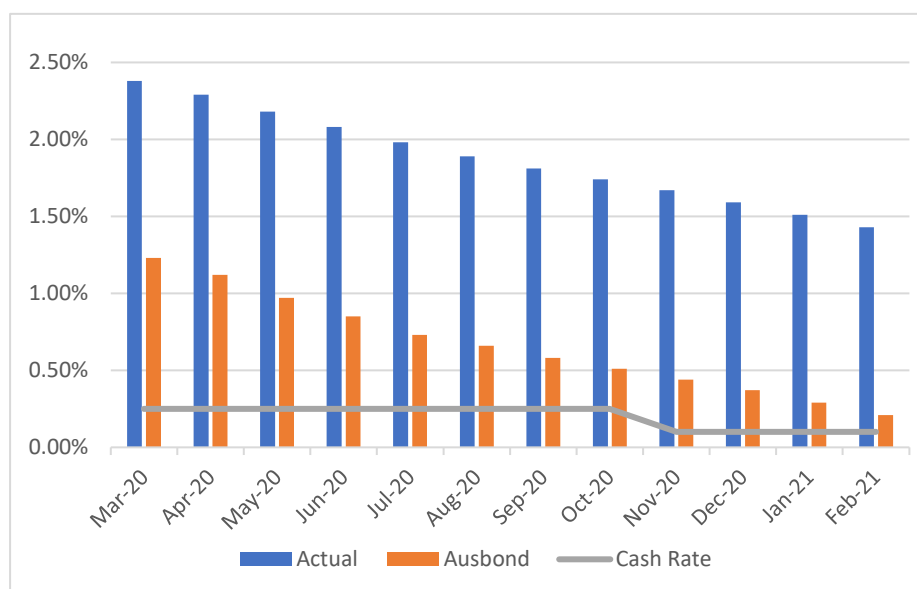
Credit Rating	Market Value	% Portfolio	Maximum Policy Limit	Complies to Investment Policy' "Yes/No"
AA Category	203,496,776	65.47%	100%	Yes
A Category	45,387,844	14.60%	60%	Yes
BBB Category	58,004,927	18.66%	45%	Yes
Unrated	3,916,218	1.26%	10%	Yes
Total Portfolio	\$310,805,765	100.00%		

Portfolio performance against relevant market benchmark.

Council's Investment Policy prescribes the AusBond Bank Bill Index (ABBI) as a benchmark to measure return on cash and fixed interest securities. The ABBI represents the average daily yield of a parcel of bank bills. Historically there has been a positive correlation between changes in the cash rate and the resulting impact on the ABBI benchmark.

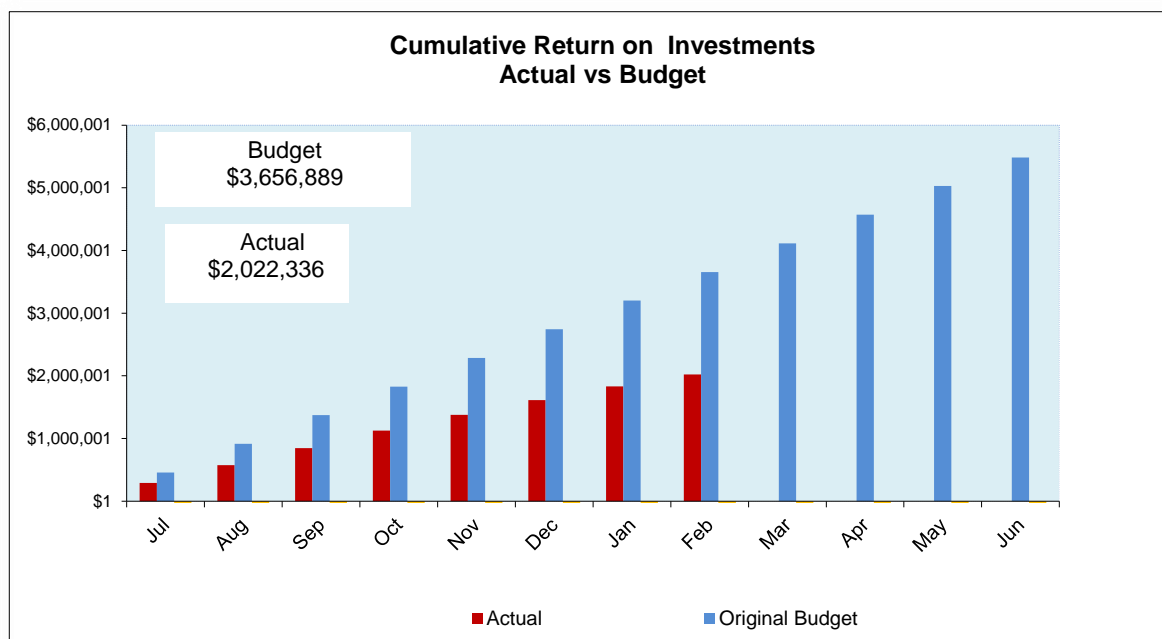
The portfolio yield to 28th February 2021 exceeded the AusBond Bank Bill index by 122 basis points (1.43% against 0.21%)

Council portfolio continues to perform at above benchmark rates despite ongoing margin contraction and significantly lower market term deposit yields. Comparative yields for the previous months are charted below:



Performance of Portfolio Returns against Budget

Council's investment income for February 2021 is lower than the original budget by \$1.6m. This does not take into account \$1.4m capital gain on FRN's. Assuming these FRN's hold value to 30 June 2021, the budget shortfall will be sufficiently balanced.



Investment Portfolio at a Glance

Portfolio Performance	✓	The portfolio yield to 28 th February 2021 exceeded the AusBond Bank Bill index by 122 basis points (1.43% against 0.21%).
Annual Income vs. Budget	✓	Council's investment interest income is lower than the original budget by \$1.6m as at 28 th February 2021 and will be closely monitored.

Investment Policy Compliance

Legislative Requirements	✓	Fully Compliant
Portfolio Credit Rating Limit	✓	Fully Compliant
Institutional Exposure Limits	✓	Fully Compliant
Overall Portfolio Credit Limits	✓	Fully Compliant
Term to Maturity Limits	✓	Fully Compliant

Economic Outlook – Reserve Bank of Australia

The Reserve Bank has left the official cash rate on hold at 0.10 per cent in its meeting on 2nd March 2021. The current 0.10 per cent cash rate is at an historically low level and impacts returns on investment.

Certificate of Responsible Accounting Officer

The Chief Financial Officer, as Responsible Accounting Officer, certifies that the investments listed in the attached report have been made in accordance with section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* and Council's Investment Policy at the time of their placement. The previous investments are covered by the grandfathering clauses of the current investment guidelines issued by the Minister for Local Government.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Council's investment interest income is lower than the original budget by \$1.6m as at 28 th February 2021 and will be closely monitored.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	There are no civic leadership and governance considerations.
Legislative	Council is fully compliant with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> – Investment Order (authorized investments) and with reporting requirements under clause 212 of the <i>Local Government (General) Regulation 2005</i> .
Risk	<p>The capital value and return on investment is subject to market risks. Investment limits prescribed in Council's policy framework is aimed to mitigate these risks.</p> <p>Market interest is expected to stay at its lowest rate for a long period and will continue to put pressure on Council's budget.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

1. Investment Portfolio - February 2021



Portfolio Valuation As At 28 February 2021

Fixed Interest Security	Maturity Date	Security Rating	Face Value Current	Market Value	% Total Value	Running Yield
Current Account						
CBA Business Saver		AA-	31,988,856.57	31,988,856.57	10.29%	0.30%
CBA General Account		AA-	2,303,699.03	2,303,699.03	0.74%	
AMP Notice Account		BBB	14,316,417.24	14,316,417.24	4.61%	0.80%
AMP Business Saver		BBB	4,327,090.87	4,327,090.87	1.39%	0.50%
Macquarie Bank Accelerator Account		A+	10,031,989.98	10,031,989.98	3.23%	0.50%
			62,968,053.69	62,968,053.69	20.26%	
Fixed Rate Bond						
Northern Territory Treasury	15/12/2021	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	1.29%	0.60%
UBS AG	26/02/2026	A+	2,550,000.00	2,540,812.35	0.82%	1.10%
			6,550,000.00	6,540,812.35	2.10%	
Floating Rate Deposit						
Westpac	18/08/2022	AA-	6,000,000.00	6,000,000.00	1.93%	1.06%
			6,000,000.00	6,000,000.00	1.93%	
Floating Rate Note						
AMP Bank	10/09/2021	BBB	5,000,000.00	5,007,120.00	1.61%	1.10%
ANZ Bank	09/05/2023	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,045,099.00	0.98%	0.91%
ANZ Bank	06/12/2023	AA-	7,000,000.00	7,152,292.00	2.30%	1.05%
ANZ Bank	29/08/2024	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,078,105.00	1.63%	0.80%
ANZ Bank	16/01/2025	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,047,253.00	0.98%	0.77%
Bank Australia	30/08/2021	BBB	1,500,000.00	1,506,657.00	0.48%	1.33%
Bank Australia	02/12/2022	BBB	2,000,000.00	2,004,362.00	0.64%	0.92%
Bank of China, Sydney Branch	19/04/2021	A	2,000,000.00	2,002,264.00	0.64%	1.04%
Bendigo and Adelaide	25/01/2023	BBB+	500,000.00	506,999.00	0.16%	1.06%
BOQ	18/05/2021	BBB+	1,000,000.00	1,002,829.00	0.32%	1.49%
Citibank, N.A.	14/11/2024	A+	1,000,000.00	1,014,202.00	0.33%	0.89%
Commonwealth Bank	25/04/2023	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,037,908.00	0.98%	0.81%
Commonwealth Bank	16/08/2023	AA-	7,500,000.00	7,630,155.00	2.45%	0.94%
Commonwealth Bank	11/01/2024	AA-	9,500,000.00	9,735,429.00	3.13%	1.15%
Credit Union Australia	06/09/2021	BBB	2,000,000.00	2,010,924.00	0.65%	1.27%
Credit Union Australia	24/10/2024	BBB	2,500,000.00	2,544,930.00	0.82%	1.13%
Heritage Bank	29/03/2021	BBB+	3,500,000.00	3,502,705.50	1.13%	1.25%
HSBC	27/09/2024	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,031,842.00	0.98%	0.85%
HSBC	27/09/2024	AA-	2,000,000.00	2,021,228.00	0.65%	0.85%
HSBC Bank Australia	07/12/2022	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,025,824.00	0.97%	0.82%
Macquarie Bank	21/06/2022	A+	2,000,000.00	2,014,050.00	0.65%	0.76%
Macquarie Bank	07/08/2024	A+	4,000,000.00	4,052,876.00	1.30%	0.81%
Macquarie Bank	12/02/2025	A+	3,000,000.00	3,043,218.00	0.98%	0.85%
Members Equity Bank	16/04/2021	BBB	1,600,000.00	1,602,113.60	0.52%	1.28%
NAB	16/05/2023	AA-	2,000,000.00	2,030,308.00	0.65%	0.91%
NAB	26/09/2023	AA-	8,000,000.00	8,141,056.00	2.62%	0.95%
NAB	26/09/2023	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,070,528.00	1.31%	0.95%
NAB	26/02/2024	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,114,155.00	1.65%	1.07%
NAB	19/06/2024	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,078,548.00	1.31%	0.93%

Fixed Interest Security	Maturity Date	Security Rating	Face Value		% Total Value	Running Yield
			Current	Market Value		
Newcastle Permanent	24/01/2022	BBB	2,000,000.00	2,024,208.00	0.65%	1.66%
Newcastle Permanent	06/02/2023	BBB	1,500,000.00	1,523,446.50	0.49%	1.41%
QBANK	14/12/2021	BBB-	1,000,000.00	1,003,122.00	0.32%	1.52%
QBANK	25/03/2022	BBB-	1,500,000.00	1,504,275.00	0.48%	1.42%
QBANK	06/12/2022	BBB-	2,000,000.00	1,998,944.00	0.64%	1.17%
Rabobank Australia Branch	03/03/2022	A+	2,000,000.00	2,018,614.00	0.65%	1.10%
RACQ Bank	23/05/2022	BBB+	1,500,000.00	1,510,087.50	0.49%	1.06%
ScotiaBank	08/09/2022	A+	3,000,000.00	3,031,752.00	0.98%	0.94%
ScotiaBank	07/09/2023	A+	2,500,000.00	2,541,955.00	0.82%	1.00%
Suncorp	12/04/2021	A+	2,000,000.00	2,002,872.00	0.64%	1.39%
Suncorp	16/08/2022	A+	1,000,000.00	1,010,876.00	0.33%	0.98%
Suncorp	30/07/2024	A+	3,000,000.00	3,038,517.00	0.98%	0.79%
Suncorp	30/07/2024	A+	2,000,000.00	2,025,678.00	0.65%	0.79%
Teachers Mutual Bank	02/07/2021	BBB	2,100,000.00	2,108,696.10	0.68%	1.38%
Westpac	06/03/2023	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,064,370.00	1.63%	0.85%
Westpac	16/11/2023	AA-	6,000,000.00	6,114,636.00	1.97%	0.96%
Westpac	24/04/2024	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,107,712.00	1.32%	1.15%
Westpac	16/08/2024	AA-	2,500,000.00	2,547,962.50	0.82%	0.89%
			145,200,000.00	147,232,703.70	47.37%	
Floating Rate TCD						
Bank of Communications	28/10/2022	A-	3,000,000.00	3,018,168.00	0.97%	0.90%
			3,000,000.00	3,018,168.00	0.97%	
Mortgage Backed Security						
EmeraldMBS2006-1A	21/08/2051	Unrated	1,033,041.87	888,141.22	0.29%	0.46%
EmeraldMBS2006-1C	21/08/2056	Unrated	1,000,000.00	681,849.00	0.22%	1.21%
EmeraldMBS2007-1C	23/07/2057	Unrated	500,000.00	346,227.50	0.11%	0.96%
			2,533,041.87	1,916,217.72	0.62%	
Term Deposit						
Auswide Bank	06/09/2021	BBB	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.97%	1.80%
BOQ	07/02/2022	BBB+	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.64%	3.75%
Commonwealth Bank	01/10/2021	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.97%	0.75%
Commonwealth Bank	25/02/2022	AA-	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	1.29%	0.73%
Commonwealth Bank	06/10/2021	AA-	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.97%	0.73%
Commonwealth Bank	28/01/2022	AA-	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.64%	0.43%
Members Equity Bank	12/07/2021	BBB	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	0.97%	0.45%
NAB	24/03/2021	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	1.61%	0.72%
NAB	08/09/2021	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	1.61%	0.80%
NAB	26/11/2021	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	1.61%	0.57%
Police Credit Union SA	16/08/2021	Unrated	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.64%	3.20%
Rabobank Australia Branch	29/08/2022	A+	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.64%	3.38%
Westpac	31/08/2022	AA-	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	0.64%	3.32%
Westpac	14/09/2021	AA-	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	1.61%	0.77%
			46,000,000.00	46,000,000.00	14.80%	
Total			272,251,095.56	273,675,955.46	88.05%	
Security Type						
			Face Value Current	Market Value		
NSWTC IM Cash Fund	AA		35,000,000.00	36,025,758.50	11.59%	
NSWTC IM Short Term Income Fund	AA		1,000,000.00	1,104,051.22	0.36%	
			36,000,000.00	37,129,809.72	11.95%	
Total			272,251,095.56	273,675,955.46	88.05%	
Portfolio Total			308,251,095.56	310,805,765.17	100.00%	

CORP 02

**2021 National General Assembly of Local
Government**

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Meet the challenges of Liverpool's growing population
File Ref	061294.2021
Report By	George Georgakis - Manager Council and Executive Services
Approved By	George Hampouris - Acting Director City Corporate

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

For Council to endorse the attendance of Councillor Balloot to the National General Assembly to be held in Canberra from Sunday 20 June – Wednesday 23 June 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the attendance of Councillor Balloot at the National General Assembly.

REPORT

Council considered a report on the National General Assembly (NGA) at its meeting on 24 February 2021.

At that meeting Council endorsed the motions to be submitted to the NGA and also endorsed the attendance of Mayor Waller, Councillor Shelton, Councillor Hagarty, Councillor Kaliyanda and Councillor Rhodes at the Conference.

Since that meeting, Councillor Balloot has expressed an interest in also attending the NGA. The deadline for motions has now passed (and Council's motions have been submitted), however the early bird deadline for registrations are still open and close in early May.

It is therefore recommended that Council endorse the attendance of Councillor Balloot and he be added to the list of attendees already endorsed by Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	<p>If the National General Assembly is to be held in Canberra as planned, the following costs will be incurred per delegate:</p> <p>Registration: \$989 per person;</p> <p>Accommodation: Approximately \$325 per night;</p> <p>Meals: Approximately \$265 for the conference dinners on 21 and 22 June 2021 (if they go ahead as planned); and</p> <p>Travel: Via Council vehicle (or reimbursed mileage allowance if using private vehicle).</p>
Environment	<p>Raise community awareness and support action in relation to environmental issues.</p> <p>Promote an integrated and user friendly public transport service.</p> <p>Support the delivery of a range of transport options.</p>
Social	<p>Raise awareness in the community about the available services and facilities.</p>
Civic Leadership	<p>Act as an environmental leader in the community.</p> <p>Facilitate the development of community leaders.</p> <p>Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions.</p> <p>Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.</p> <p>Deliver services that are customer focused.</p> <p>Operate a well-developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.</p> <p>Actively advocate for federal and state government support, funding and services.</p>
Legislative	<p>There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.</p>
Risk	<p>The risk is deemed to be low and is considered to be within Council's risk appetite.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CORP 03	Order of Liverpool Awards and Australia Day Awards
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Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Increase community engagement
File Ref	063475.2021
Report By	George Georgakis - Manager Council and Executive Services
Approved By	George Hampouris - Acting Director City Corporate

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is in response to Council's resolution from the 27 October 2020 meeting to seek an amendment to the Civic Advisory Committee Charter to add a clause regarding the eligibility criteria to the Order of Liverpool Awards.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorse the inclusion of the following clause to the eligibility criteria of the Order of Liverpool Awards and Australia Day Awards:

"A breach of Council's Code of Conduct in the previous 12 months would preclude a nominee from being considered for an Award".

REPORT

When considering and endorsing Award recipients for the Order of Liverpool Awards at the 27 October 2020 Council meeting, Council resolved:

"That the Civic Advisory Committee Charter be reviewed to ensure the suitability of the nominees and what would exclude them from the Award".

This would also be relevant to the Australia Day Awards.

The report recommends that the following Clause be added to the eligibility criteria (to both the Order of Liverpool Awards and the Australia Day Awards):

"A breach of Council's Code of Conduct in the previous 12 months would preclude a nominee from being considered for an Award."

The current eligibility criteria is outlined on pages 3 and 4 (for the Australia Day Awards) and page 8 (for the Order of Liverpool Awards) of the Civic Awards Charter which is attached to this report, and is copied below:

Eligibility criteria for Australia Day Awards

- Nominations must be submitted on Council's official nomination form;
- Nominees cannot apply on their own behalf;
- Nominations must be received by the advertised date;
- Nominations must include the name and contact number of one referee that can provide supporting evidence for the nomination;
- A nominator is not permitted to nominate a person for more than one category in the same year; and
- Nominators must also meet the requirements of the respective award (outlined on pages 4 and 5 of the attached Civic Awards Charter).

Eligibility criteria for Order of Liverpool Awards

- Nominations must be submitted on Council's official nomination form;
- Nominees cannot apply on their own behalf;
- Nominations must be received by the advertised date;
- Nominations must include the name and contact number of one referee who can provide supporting evidence for the nomination;
- Persons who reside outside the Liverpool local government area but contribute to the Liverpool community can be nominated as 'honorary' members of the Order of Liverpool;
- Posthumous awards will be considered provided the date of the nominee's death occurred within the 12 months following the previous closing date of the Awards;
- Nominees' contributions to the Liverpool community must be predominantly voluntary and not solely as a result of paid employment; and
- Guidelines for expected quality and length of voluntary service to have served in order to be nominated for an award:
 - i. 5 years' service for consideration for a Member of the Order of Liverpool Award;
 - ii. 10 years' service for consideration for an Officer of the Order of Liverpool Award; and
 - iii. 15 years' service for consideration for a Companion of the Order of Liverpool Award.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	<p>Foster neighbourhood pride and a sense of responsibility.</p> <p>Facilitate the development of community leaders.</p> <p>Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions.</p> <p>Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.</p> <p>Operate a well-developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.</p>
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	The risk is deemed to be low and is considered to be within Council's risk appetite.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Civic Awards Policy (Under separate cover)

CORP 04**Geographical Information System License -
Corporate Applications**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	065712.2021
Report By	George Harb - Chief Information Officer
Approved By	George Hampouris - Acting Director City Corporate

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is Council's intention to enter into direct negotiations with existing service providers to continue to deliver the Geospatial system for a period of five (5) years with the option to renew two (2) 12-month terms.

The Geospatial platforms are an integral component of Council's technological infrastructure delivering essential planning services to internal and external stakeholders.

Since inception, the incumbents AAM Pty Ltd, ESRI Australia and Hexagon Spatial have provided reliable and professional service.

The annual cost of the software maintenance and assurance is approx. \$140,000 in total.

To ensure the continuity of service and in keeping with Council's "Best of Breed" approach a departure from the tendering requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 is required in accordance with Section 55 (3) (i) to enter into a contract with Council's current suppliers *"because of the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers... that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders"*. It is proposed that a broader strategy to source alternative platforms will be examined and considered once the 5-year Digital Transformation initiative is complete.

The Geospatial systems (combination of Geocortex, ArcGIS and Apollo) require the services of the following suppliers and systems in order to be fully functional:

- AAM Pty Ltd -VertiGIS Geocortex; - procured 2015
- ESRI Australia - ESRI ArcGIS; - procured 2003
- Hexagon Spatial - Apollo Image Server. – procured 2010

The functionalities include:

- Spatial data creation, maintenance, and editing – plotting of maps (the spatial data comprise datasets such as Liverpool LEP, Cadastre, DCP, infrastructure, community services, roads, assets etc);
- Spatial data analysis capabilities e.g. Flood mapping, analysis and population data
- Web mapping – distribution of spatial data and information internally and to the public via web applications and web sites;
- Storing of imagery (2D/3D) (e.g. air photo data, topography data);
- 3D imagery;
- Integration into Pathway and Assetic.

The platform is extensively used by both State and Local Government due to their interoperability to work with other products or systems seamlessly.

The ESRI ArcGIS platforms have significant presence in the Local Government sector representing approximately one third of 560 LGA's in Australia, while their presence in state government is even greater. Sourcing an alternative platform is thus unlikely to deliver better value for money, whilst at the same time requiring a significant investment in time and resource resulting in significant financial outlay and business disruption.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Approves by resolution pursuant to section 55 (3) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993 not to tender for existing services on the grounds that *(i) because of extenuating circumstances, remoteness of locality or the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers, a council decides by resolution that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders* in so far as:
 - 1.1 The existing system is a market leader having significant participation in local and state government;
 - 1.2 The likelihood the tender process achieving an equivalent or superior system is remote given the supplier saturation of the market;
 - 1.3 The existing systems are integral software packages allowing Council to meet customer service objectives across all service delivery areas;
 - 1.4 Operations are familiar with the platform having successfully used the systems for many years;
 - 1.5 Migrating to alternative systems at this time would be both cost prohibitive and difficult to achieve.

2. Delegate authority to the CEO to enter into direct negotiate with the incumbent suppliers pursuant to 55(3)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
 - AAM Pty Ltd - Verti GIS - Geocortex
 - ESRI Australia - ESRI
 - Hexagon Geospatial - Apollo
3. Delegate to the CEO authority to enter into a formally binding licenced contract with the existing services providers for a period of five (5) years with the option to extend for a further 2 12-month intervals.

REPORT

Over the past two decades or more, Liverpool City Council has adopted a “Best of Breed” approach to procuring software technologies for internal and external service delivery.

The emergence of new, smarter technologies in the market have resulted in the companies outlined in this report enhancing their products and offerings. As a consequence, Council's technology environment has evolved in complexity to the point where Council's existing Geospatial system (Geocortex, ArcGIS and Apollo) are all provided by different companies namely:

- AAM Pty Ltd -VertiGIS Geocotex (User Interface) – since 2015
- ESRI Australia - ESRI ArcGIS -since 2003
- Hexagon Spatial - Apollo Image Server - since 2014

These applications provide the following broad functionalities:

- Enterprise Spatial Data Base;
- Spatial data creation, maintenance, and editing – plotting of maps (the spatial data comprise datasets such as Liverpool LEP, Cadastre, DCP, infrastructure, community services, roads, assets etc);
- Spatial data analysis capabilities e.g. Flood mapping, analysis and population data;
- Web mapping – distribution of spatial data and information internally and to the public via web applications and web sites;
- Storing of imagery (2D/3D) e.g. air photo data, topography data;
- 3D imagery;
- Mobile functionality.

The existing Geospatial systems were procured by Council through a comprehensive, thorough and rigorous procurement process. The system capability to integrate with other Local Government software platforms including Pathway and Assetic, was an essential criteria of the software.

These systems are tightly integrated to enable seamless interoperability. The ESRI ArcGIS has an extensive client base in the LG sector, representing approximately a third of Australia's 560 LGAs and is extensively in operation in capital cities and most of the larger councils. Its presence in state government is even greater, with the majority of State Government agencies using ArcGIS. The software providers have a demonstrated track record of providing ongoing support and maintenance to ensure regular software upgrades are provided and troubleshooting concerns are addressed expeditiously.

Like almost all significant software purchases, maintenance and support is part of the purchase and is assumed to be ongoing while the software is fit for purpose and still in use. Service delivery has generally been of a high professional quality and it is anticipated this will continue.

Sourcing an alternative system would be uneconomical, inefficient and result in significant disruption of current services.

It is therefore recommended that Council approves by resolution pursuant to section 55 (3) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993 not to tender for existing services because of extenuating circumstances i.e remoteness of locality or the unavailability of competitive or reliable tenderers, a council decides by resolution that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders in so far as:

- The existing system is a market leader having significant participation in local and state government
- The likelihood the tender process achieving an equivalent or superior system is remote given the supplier saturation of the market;
- The existing systems are integral software packages allowing Council to meet customer service objectives across all service delivery areas;
- Operations are familiar with the platform having successfully used the systems for many years;
- Migrating to alternative systems at this time would be both cost prohibitive and difficult to achieve.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.

Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	<p>Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision-making processes.</p> <p>Deliver services that are customer focused.</p> <p>Operate a well-developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.</p>
Legislative	<i>Local Government Act 1993, s.55(3)</i>
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CORP 05

**Information Technology - Product
Standardisation**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	069271.2021
Report By	George Harb - Chief Information Officer
Approved By	George Hampouris - Acting Director City Corporate

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Over the past 8 years, Council has standardised its technology offering with the latest and most secure devices. Council has made a decision to procure Apple Smart Phones and Tablets to ensure quality, security and optimum service. Council procures its Apple Devices directly from Apple PTY LTD to seek better service and economic outcomes.

Apple works with many levels of Government directly, under the same arrangement proposed, to offer this service.

For this exclusive arrangement to continue, a Council resolution is required supporting the justification provided for Council to exercise Section 55 (3) (i) of the Local Government Act 1993 not to tender. Section 55 (3) stipulates that the Requirements for Tendering does not apply to the contract:

- (i) *because of extenuating circumstances, remoteness of locality or the **unavailability of competitive** or reliable tenderers, a council decides by resolution (which states the reasons for the decision) that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders.*

Approval is sought from Council to exercise section 55 (3) (i) in support of the justification provided for a period of up to 3 years. Subsequent to this period, Council will review whether the technological landscape has shifted with the aim to test the market in accordance with the Local Government NSW Tendering guidelines.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council delegates authority to the CEO to directly procure Apple smart devices from Apple PTY LTD pursuant to S55(3) (i) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for a period of up to 3 years.

REPORT

As proprietor and manufacturer, Apple has a competitive advantage over second tier resellers. It would not be to council's benefit to go to tender for apple products as Apple PTY LTD has made it clear that they do not respond to RFT or RFQs for any level of government. In addition, any other technology reseller would not be able to offer the continued loyalty pricing and or support to Government agencies.

Due to the nature of the product that Council is procuring, a contract is not required as the technology is continually changing. Council has made a decision to procure Apple Smart Phones and Tablets to ensure quality, security and optimum service. Of recent times, Council has procured its Apple Devices directly from Apple PTY LTD to ensure:

- Top Tier Loyalty pricing
- Dedicated account manager
- Localised Support and account management
- Consolidated and guaranteed availability of stock
- Support and warranty – Apple Care
- Compatibility with councils Mobile Device Management

Apple works with many levels of Government to offer this same service to ensure value added service and ongoing relationship strengthening.

Council has successfully been working with Apple Pty Ltd for over 3 years. If council was to procure using other technology partners, it would not have a central place of support, assurance of service and top tier loyalty discount pricing.

In addition, it would not be to council's benefit to go to tender for Apple products as Apple Pty Ltd does not respond to RFT or RFQs for any level of government. In addition, any alternate technology reseller would not be able to offer the continued loyalty pricing, or support to Government agencies which includes stock availability.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	The continuation of standardising Council mobility hardware offerings will ensure there is cost efficiency and enhanced service delivery.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	There are no Civic Leadership considerations

Legislative	<i>Local Government Act 1993, s.55(3)</i>
Risk	The risk of this report is deemed low.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Email From Catrin Walker - Account Manager

From: Catrin Walker <catrin@apple.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 17 February 2021 3:23 PM
To: Ayhan Biyik <BiyikA@liverpool.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Contract

Hi Ayhan,

Thanks for your patience here. I have attached your signed contract with Apple.

As discussed, we provide Liverpool City Council the top tier loyalty pricing that Apple directly offers customers globally. We work closely with many councils and other Government organisations to offer a similar service and whilst we don't go to tender, we continue to have strong relationships with these Government entities as their supplier.

If you have any further questions at all, please do let me know.

Warm Regards,

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INF 01

Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study Update

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Develop, and advocate for, plans that support safe and friendly communities
File Ref	071829.2021
Report By	Madhu Pudasaini - Manager Technical Support
Approved By	Raj Autar - Director City Infrastructure and Environment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council, at its meeting of 29 July 2020, resolved to publicly exhibit the updated Wianamatta South Creek (WSC) Flood Study and associated flood maps for community information and feedback. At this meeting, Council also resolved to receive a further report following conclusion of the exhibition period to adopt the Flood Study and associated flood maps for the WSC catchment.

Drivers for updates to flood study

The existing South Creek Flood Study was adopted by Council in 2004 following a detailed flood study and community consultation. While this study has played an important role in assisting Council manage flood risks within the WSC catchment, a more recent initiative by the NSW Government to undertake a broader catchment wide flood study to inform planning of the WSC catchment provided Council an opportunity to update and align its flood mapping with the most current flood related information.

Further, over the last three years and at numerous forums, residents from the WSC catchment have repeatedly expressed concerns regarding Council's continued reliance on the 2004 flood study for planning decisions, which in their view was outdated and did not reflect changes in the catchment.

In view of resident concerns and the age of the existing flood study, the NSW Government's flood study provided Council a unique opportunity to develop a better understanding of the flooding characteristics of Wianamatta South Creek.

Community consultation

Council commenced a comprehensive community engagement process in August 2020, which included a range of consultation activities undertaken generally between 10 August and 30 November 2020. The consultation process included:

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- Exhibition and provision of the flood study report and the corresponding updated flood maps via Council's website.
- Display and provision of maps and reports to the residents at Council libraries and Local Post Offices.
- Presentations and briefings to residents and other stakeholders at numerous community forums.
- Presentations and briefings to Council's Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) on a regular basis.
- Face to face meetings with individual property owners over a two-day period in early November 2020 at the Bringelly Community Centre.
- Numerous phone meetings and video conferences to further clarify study results to residents and stakeholders.

Consultation outcomes

Upon conclusion of the public exhibition process, a total of 140 submissions were received. Most submissions were from residents whose properties are already affected by flooding. Council also received submissions from public authorities, planners and flood engineers representing some of the residents.

Information received during the public consultation process was carefully analysed, and where necessary, incorporated in the study to update the flood maps. The assessment report covering all the submissions has been tabulated in section 5 of this report.

Council considers that while the full range of flooding related concerns and issues highlighted during the consultation process are valid, a detailed assessment has shown that changes to the flood extents are a result of significant innovations and improvements in topographical survey and modelling techniques and not changes within the catchment.

The flood extents resulting from the new study are generally consistent with the current flood maps (2004), however, some variations have been noted around the flood fringe areas. Further modelling was undertaken based on information gathered during the consultation process, which has resulted in minor changes to the proposed flood extents. The updated flood extent maps are attached as Attachment C & D for Council endorsement.

The following summarises the changes to flood impacts on properties within the catchment arising from moving to adopt the new flood maps (when compared with existing flood maps) in a 1% AEP flood:

- a) 71 flood affected properties will be completely relieved from flooding.
- b) 480 flood affected properties will be partially relieved from flooding.
- c) 317 flood affected properties will experience some increases to flooding.

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d) 33 flood free properties will now become partially flood affected.

The flood study and associated flood maps are generally prepared and updated using the methods prescribed in the NSW Floodplain Development Manual (2005). Information used to update the flood maps are the best available information at the time to assist land use planning and managing flood risks arising from occupation of flood prone lands. This also ensures that Council's approach to managing flood risks is consistent with requirements of Section 733 of the Local Government Act relating to acting in good faith.

Following a comprehensive review of flood modelling and study, and an extensive public consultation process, this report recommends that Council endorses the updated Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study 2020 and associated flood extent maps to guide future planning of this important corridor.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adopts the Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study and associated flood maps.
2. Notifies all respondents of Council's decision.

REPORT**1. Background**

Liverpool LGA is traversed by two major river systems namely the Georges River and the Hawkesbury-Nepean River. Most of the western parts of the LGA fall within the Wianamatta South Creek catchment, which is a major contributory catchment of the Hawkesbury-Nepean River system. Catchments of the adjoining Kemps Creek and Badgerys Creek also drain through the Wianamatta South Creek to ultimately discharge into the Hawkesbury River near Windsor.

Council has adopted flood studies and associated flood maps for all its major rivers and creek systems to guide the planning and development of flood prone lands in accordance with the NSW Government's Flood Prone Land Policy. The current Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study (South Creek Flood Study) was adopted by Council in 2004 following a detailed flood study and community consultation.

2. Drivers for updates to flood study

While the 2004 study has continued to play an important role in guiding flood risk management and flood related development controls within the WSC catchment, a more recent initiative by the NSW Government to undertake a broader catchment wide flood study to inform planning

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of the WSC catchment provided Council an opportunity to update and align its flood mapping with the most current flood related information.

Further, over the last three years and at numerous forums, residents from the WSC catchment have repeatedly expressed concerns regarding Council's continued reliance on the 2004 flood study for planning decisions, which in their view was outdated and did not reflect changes in the catchment.

In view of resident concerns and the age of the existing flood study, the NSW Government's flood study provided Council a unique opportunity to develop a better understanding of the flooding characteristics of Wianamatta South Creek.

The new flood study uses the most current topographical information with significantly improved accuracy that was not available at the time of adopting the flood maps in 2004. The new flood study also includes some additional areas of the Badgerys Creek and Thompsons Creek catchments, which were not previously included in the flood studies and mapping. In addition, the study uses two-dimensional hydraulic modelling technique that represents far better flood behavior compared to the one-dimensional modelling technique used in the 2004 flood maps.

3. Outcomes of the updated flood study

The flood extents resulting from the new study are generally consistent with the current flood maps (2004), however, some variations have been noted around the flood fringe areas. Further modelling was undertaken based on information gathered during the consultation process, which has resulted in minor changes to the proposed flood extents. The updated flood extent maps are attached as Attachments A to D and includes flood maps for the 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) and Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) scenarios.

(The 1% AEP, which is also referred to as the 100-year flood, has a 1% or 1 in 100 chance of occurring in any one year, whereas the PMF represents the largest flood that could conceivably occur at a particular location.)

The following summarises the changes to flood impacts on properties within the catchment arising from adopting the new flood maps (when compared with existing flood maps) in a 1% AEP flood as shown in Attachment A:

- a) 71 flood affected properties will be completely relieved from flooding (*shown purple*).
- b) 480 flood affected properties will be partially relieved from flooding (*shown purple*).
- c) 317 flood affected properties will experience some increases to flooding (*shown orange*).
- d) 33 flood free properties will now become partially flood affected (*shown orange*).

Flood study and mapping of the Badgerys Creek and Upper Thompsons Creek catchments show that up to 49 properties are partially affected by flooding under the 1 % AEP. Similarly,

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the following shows changes to flood impacts on properties within the catchment arising from the new flood maps under the PMF scenario, and is shown in Attachment B:

- a) 175 flood affected properties will be completely relieved from flooding (*shown purple*).
- b) 558 flood affected properties will be partially relieved from flooding (*shown purple*).
- c) 229 flood affected properties will experience increased flooding (*shown orange*).
- d) 25 flood free properties will now become partially flood affected (*shown orange*).

As for the 1% flood event, the PMF flood mapping for the Badgerys Creek and Upper Thompsons Creek catchment shows that 60 properties are affected by the PMF event.

4. Community consultation and outcomes

Council commenced a comprehensive community engagement process in August 2020, which included a range of consultation activities undertaken generally between 10 August and 30 November 2020. The consultation process included:

- Exhibition and provision of the flood study report and the corresponding updated flood maps via Council's website.
- Display and provision of maps and reports to the residents at Council libraries and Local Post Offices.
- Presentations and briefings to residents and other stakeholders at numerous community forums.
- Presentations and briefings to Council's Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) on a regular basis.
- Face to face meetings with individual property owners over a two-day period in early November 2020 at the Bringelly Community Centre.
- Numerous phone meetings and video conferences to further clarify study results to residents and stakeholders.

Upon conclusion of the public exhibition process, a total of 140 submissions were received. Most submissions were from residents whose properties are already affected by flooding. Council also received submissions from public authorities, planners and flood engineers representing some of the residents.

Information received during the public consultation process was carefully analysed, and where necessary, incorporated in the study to update the flood maps. The assessment report covering all submissions has been tabulated in Section 5 below.

Generally, the submissions focused on the six issues highlighted below. These issues and concerns are also assessed and discussed in the table in Section 5 below:

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- a) Flooding impacts arising from upstream development - residents felt that increased urbanisation and developments within the upper (Camden) catchment are the major causes of any increased flooding within the WSC catchment.
- b) Flooding impacts arising from recent widening of culverts across Bringelly Road by TfNSW - the expanded capacity of the culverts feeding the WSC is seen as a source of increased flood flows and velocity.
- c) Unauthorised land filling activities along sections of Kemps Creek, Thompsons Creek and South Creek - the land filling activities over time is seen to be having a major impact on flood flows and flood extents.
- d) Lack of confidence around the flood modelling - consultants representing residents queried the accuracy of model calibration, hydrology and use of historical flood data.
- e) Concerns regarding the accuracy of topographical data - residents have queried the accuracy of the topographical data used to define the landform.
- f) Flooding impacts arising from a lack of appropriate management of South Creek - lack of creek maintenance over time was also seen as contributing to the changes to flood extents.

Council considers that while the above concerns are generally valid, the detailed assessments below has shown that changes to the flood extents are a result of significant innovations and improvements in topographical survey and modelling techniques and not changes within the catchment.

5. Evaluation of submissions

The table below provides the details of the concerns raised in the submissions and Council's response to them.

Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
Flooding impacts are arising from upstream development	1. Increased flows due to new developments in Camden LGA are adversely affecting flooding of properties at downstream of Bringelly Road.	<p>Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study (2020) aims to review and update flood levels and flood extent mapping of 1% AEP and PMF, which are very rare and significantly large flood events.</p> <p>Council acknowledges that substantial new release areas are being progressively developed in the upper catchment within Camden LGA. Further, it is also acknowledged that without appropriate stormwater management measures/controls in place, peak flood flows are likely to increase and would have detrimental impacts on downstream properties. However, Camden City Council has confirmed that appropriate stormwater managements measures have been incorporated in the new development areas to ensure the stormwater exiting the sites are controlled to pre-development condition.</p> <p>The peak design flow determined for 1%AEP event downstream of Bringelly Road for the Wianamatta South Creek in 2004 flood study is 299 m³/s, which closely aligns with the 305 m³/s peak design flow determined for</p>

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Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
		2020 flood study at the same location. While some contribution from the development activities are unavoidable, this small increase in the peak flow is mainly due to better delineation of the catchment boundaries, refinement of the sub-catchment, improvement in the reliability of the catchment input data and improved reliability in estimating impervious areas in the catchment, and is unlikely to be the cause of changes to flood extents downstream.
	2. Increase in flood extents of some properties within the catchment is a consequence of failure by council to manage stormwater adequately.	The increase in flood extents in some area are almost entirely the result of new and more reliable topographic data becoming available and being relied upon in the mapping of flood extents. The 2004 flood extents for the 1% AEP event were produced using contours of land surface extracted from 1:4,000 and 1:10,000 orthophoto mapping, which is reported as having a vertical accuracy of ± 0.5 m or ± 1.0 m. LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) data used in 2020 study has accuracy of ± 0.15 m. LiDAR is a unique remote sensing technology that uses light in the form of lasers to measure distances and use it to create exceptionally precise three-dimensional topographical information.
	3. Properties at downstream of Bringelly Road are experiencing more frequent flooding.	Council notes that the Sydney basin including the Wianamatta South Creek has experienced more frequent flooding in the recent years including in 2015, 2016 and more recently in 2020. More frequent flooding is due to more intense rain events that the Sydney basin is experiencing over the recent years.
Flooding impacts are arising from recent widening of culverts across Bringelly Road by TfNSW.	1. Culvert upgrade works at Bringelly Road would have resulted in increased flooding of downstream properties.	As part of the Bringelly Road upgrading works, South Creek crossing at Bringelly Road has been upgraded. The Review of Environmental factors (REF) for the Bringelly Road upgrading works demonstrated that it has adopted the peak 1 in 100-year flow from the 2004 South Creek Flood Study for the design of the upgraded culvert.
	2. Flood model to be reviewed and all key drainage structures to be included in the model.	The flood model has been reviewed and extended approximately 800 metres upstream of Bringelly Road using the recently acquired topographic data and details of structures such as bridges and culverts which could act as hydraulic controls during major flooding. The results are similar to the original results with flood affectation unchanged.
Unauthorised land filling activities along sections of Kemps Creek, Thompsons Creek and South Creek	1. Illegal land filling at four (4) locations along South Creek, Thompson Creek and Kemps Creek would have worsened flooding of properties.	Council has undertaken flood impact assessments of the alleged illegal land fillings indicated in the submissions. The assessment demonstrated that the impacts of filling are localised and contained within the close vicinity of the filling. Analysis of alleged illegal filling on Thompson Creek demonstrated that impacts of filling is fully contained within the property and no adjoining property will be adversely affected.

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Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
	2. Requested council actions on alleged illegal filling within the floodplain.	Council has initiated investigations to address the issues with the alleged illegal fillings. Council will take appropriate action once the investigation is completed.
Lack of confidence around the flood modelling	1. There is significant increase in flow in 2015 study in comparison to 2004 study. Peak 1 in 100-year flows is higher than previous studies.	The adopted peak flow in the updated study is 305 m ³ /s, which is similar to the peak flow of 299 m ³ /s adopted in 2004 study for 1%AEP. The increase is attributed to various improvements in the current modelling as explained previously in this report. Further technical details are provided in Attachment E.
	2. The flow estimation modelling is based on 1987 Australian Rainfall and Runoff (ARR) methodology rather than the latest ARR 2019 guidelines.	The methodology adopted for estimation of peak flows for application in the flood modelling are in accordance to the ARR 2019 guideline and in consistent to approach Council has taken for peak flow estimation across the LGA. Further details are provided in Attachment E the flood study report (Attachment F).
	3. The upstream model inflow boundary location is at Bringelly Road, which may have overestimated flood levels at downstream. Flood model setup is not appropriate	The two-dimensional hydraulic model used in the study generally takes care of any potential anomalies in the flow distribution from the upstream boundary conditions. To confirm this, the flood model has been reviewed and updated with boundary condition extended approximately 800 metres upstream of Bringelly Road using the recently acquired topographic data and details of structures such as bridges and culverts which could act as hydraulic controls during major flooding. The results are similar to the original results with flood affectation unchanged. Further technical details are provided in Attachment E.
	4. The flood model is not sufficiently calibrated against local historical flood data.	Validation of the flood model by comparison of the 1% AEP flood surface generated from the modelling undertaken in 1990 / 1991 as part of the original flood and floodplain management studies was considered acceptable and reasonable by Council. Further details are provided in Attachment E.
	5. The flood model needs to be validated against previously calibrated model.	As explained above, the model has been validated as necessary.
	6. The RMA-2 model predicts flood levels that are approximately 0.4 to 0.5m higher than the levels in the 2004 study	Comparison of flood levels predicted by one and two-dimensional flood models such as the 2004 MIKE-11 and 2020 RMA-2 models can be misleading. Further details are provided in Attachment E.
Concerns regarding the accuracy of topographical data	1. Properties not previously affected by the 2004 flood study have become flood affected land under the new flood mapping.	The 2004 flood extents were based on contours derived from orthophoto mapping that was generated in the late 1970s and early 1980s with a vertical accuracy of ±0.5 m. The contour intervals adopted in the 2004 study was 2 metres. Although the input data to the 2004 flood study was appropriate when adopted, there have been

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Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
	Landform has not been changed.	<p>substantial changes to the catchment and floodplain over the intervening period, along with significant improvements to the reliability of available input data and modelling techniques.</p> <p>The current flood study is based on the latest topographical data captured in 2019 using LiDAR technology. Moreover, the current flood mapping is based on a 0.5m control interval. The combined application of more precise topographical data (LiDAR 2019) and more close contour intervals have produced most reliable flood extent mapping.</p> <p>Therefore, the change in the flood affectation observed in the 2020 flood study is mainly due to the better representation of the topography in the flood model compared to the topography represented in the 2004 flood study.</p>
	2. Some lands are affected by drainage easement not flooding from the creek. Newly affected properties are due to overland flow.	As outlined above, the new flood mapping is based on very accurate topographical data, which was not available in 2004. During a 1%AEP flood creek banks overtop, and the low-lying overland flow paths and drainage channels become impacted by backwater effects.
	3. Flood maps to be reviewed and amended incorporating land survey data provided during the submission.	Flood maps have been reviewed and updated as appropriate. The updated flood maps represent the most up to date landform data available.
Flooding impacts arising from a lack of appropriate management of South Creek	1. Creeks are blocked due to accumulation of rubbish and dense vegetation.	Council acknowledges that the maintenance of creek has been an issue for the residents. Creek maintenance has been a complex issue due to the multi-agency responsibility associated with the ongoing management. Council has made representation to relevant State agencies in the past to provide clear direction and take appropriate action to resolve this issue. It is encouraging that the State Government has committed to develop Creek Management Strategy as part of its planning for the development of Western Sydney Aerotropolis.
	2. Flooding should have been improved if creeks are appropriately maintained.	While council acknowledges that the ongoing maintenance of the creek is an issue, presence of vegetation and rubbish have very little or no effect on flood extent during much larger and rare events such as 1%AEP or PMF. This is due to the presence of high volume of water at a higher velocity during these rare flood events.
Other general Concerns	1. Residents are concerned about the timing of new flood study.	Latest topographical data using LiDAR technology was available in mid-2019. Council became aware of the need to update flood maps with the latest data when latest LiDAR based topographical data was used to analyse the flood event of February 2020. As per the intent of Section 733 of the Local Government Act and

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Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
		the requirements prescribed in the NSW Flood Development manual, Council initiated the process of adopting the new flood maps to facilitate better forecasting of flood risks, so that it can provide far accurate flooding related advice.
	2. It is recommended that Council wait to adopt the new maps until the completion of rezoning process.	NSW Government has rezoned the land within the South Creek catchment and Western Sydney Aerotropolis based on the 2004 flood maps.
	3. Devaluation of the properties due to increased flood extent in the new flood maps and proposed rezoning.	Council notes this concern. It is Council's statutory obligation to manage the flood risk within the LGA. As such, Council is obliged to act in good faith and update its flood forecasting instruments such as flood study and flood maps as soon as the latest and most up to date information becomes available.
	4. Flood extent of properties significantly increased in the new flood map.	Council acknowledges that some variations have been noted around the flood fringe areas. Variations in the flood extent is mainly due to the better representation of the current landform in the flood analysis. While flood affectation has been extended to some properties, there are significant number of properties that became flood free in the updated flood map. For example, 71 properties that were flood affected previously are now completely flood free compared to only 33 flood free properties now being partially flood affected in 1%AEP.
	5. Residents never experienced flooding of this extent in the past.	1% AEP are very rare events that have only 1% chance to occur in any particular year. The WSC catchment has experienced significant flooding in the recent past. It is essential that Council updates its flood forecasting tools such as flood maps with the best available data and technique to act on good faith as required by Section 733 of the Local Government Act.
	6. Impacts of climate change to be modelled and assessed.	An assessment of climate change impact has been included in Section 6 of the flood study report (Attachment F).
	7. Future development scenario to be included in the mapping. Flood maps will change after development.	The current flood maps are required to reflect flood behaviour and related risks due to the current landform. Flood maps are progressively updated once the landform is altered as a result of future developments. Understanding the current flood risks is an important first step to ensure appropriate control measures are in place to mitigate the flood risk in future development.
	8. Inclusion of peak flow for 1% AEP and PMF from tributaries in the report.	Peak flow rates at key crossings and tributary outlets are included in the flood study report (Attachment F).
	9. Inclusion of water surface contour.	Separate maps showing the water surface contours are included in the flood study report (Attachment F).

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Key Issues	Details of Issues	Council Officer Response
	10. Report does not consider flood evacuation and flood management strategies.	Flood study identifies the risk associated with flood affectation. Flood risk management study and plan is the next step that considers a range of flood risks and mitigations strategies. In case of Wianamatta South Creek Catchment, precinct planning process that the Stage Government is undertaking will consider mitigation strategies as necessary.
	11. Flood levels and extents should be replaced with the 2004 study results.	Council disagrees with this request for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two-dimensional hydraulic modelling is the industry standard for large scale flood studies recognising the limitations of one-dimensional models such as HEC-RAS and MIKE-11 used in the 2004 flood study. The one-dimensional MIKE-11 model predicts flood levels that do not vary across the floodplain and do not accurately mimic the actual hydraulic profile during a flood event. The 2004 flood extents have a significant potential for error due to the accuracy of topographical data used. The 2004 study is now outdated in terms of the input data and modelling techniques employed.

6. Benefits of adopting the updated flood study

Adopting the updated flood study and associated flood maps (Attachment C & D) will provide the following benefits:

- The study uses most current topographical information, representing the best available data for improved flood forecasting.
- The study utilises two-dimensional hydraulic modelling technology that mimics the flood behaviour more accurately compared to the one-dimensional modelling technology used in the 2004 flood study.
- The study includes some additional areas from the Badgerys Creek and Thompsons Creek catchments which were not previously studied or mapped.
- The updated flood study provides currency and will enable Council to align its flood maps with the most current studies and topographical information that are informing the planning of this catchment including the planning of the Aerotropolis.

7. Conclusion

As can be seen from the foregoing discussions, the updated flood study and associated flood maps provide the best available information to assist Council better manage the flood risks arising from occupation of flood prone lands within the Wianamatta South Creek catchment. The variations in the flood extents between the current (2004 maps) and the new flood maps are mostly attributable to higher levels of accuracy in the topographical data that has been

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used for the new study. Two-dimensional modelling technique used in the study has also provided better representation of the hydraulic profile of flood behavior.

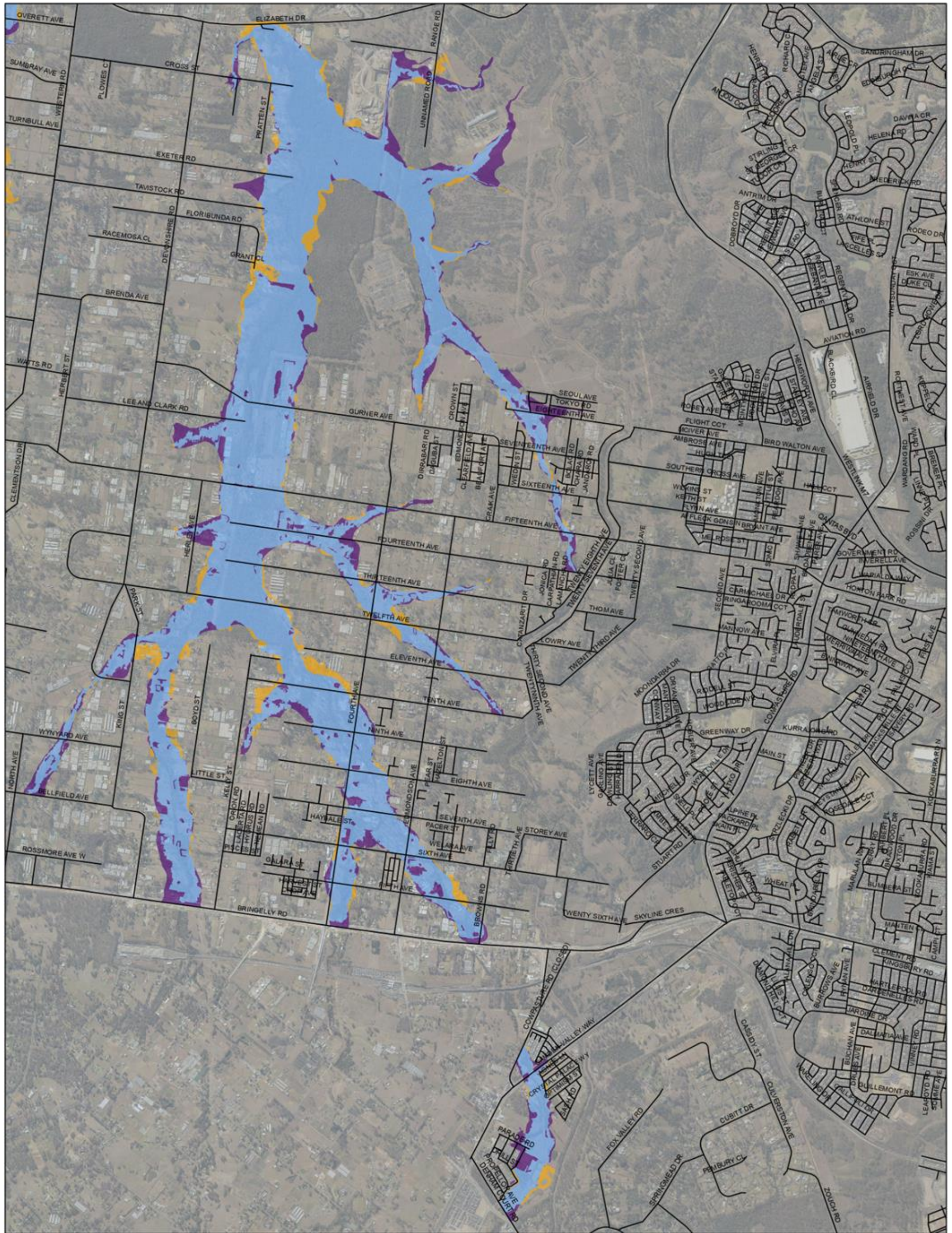
The updated study will enable Council to align the current flood mapping for the Wianamatta South Creek with the most current information available for this catchment and assist in planning for the Aerotropolis. This report therefore recommends that Council adopts the updated Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study and associated flood maps (Attachment C&D).

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Adoption of the updated Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study will not have direct economic and financial impacts on Council.
Environment	The updating of South Creek Flood Study will facilitate better management of the environmental health of waterways. Updating of the South Creek Flood Study will ensure confidence to the better environmental performance of buildings and homes.
Social	Preserve and maintain social welfare and minimise public risk associated with floods.
Civic Leadership	Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions.
Legislative	NSW Flood Prone Land Policy and NSW Floodplain Development Manual. Section 733 Local Government Act
Risk	This report supports the use of best and most up to date information to mitigate flood risk.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment A - changes to flood impacts arising from updated flood maps under %1 AEP scenario
2. Attachment B - changes to flood impacts arising from new flood maps under PMF scenario
3. Attachment C - updated flood maps under 1% AEP scenario for council adoption
4. Attachment D - updated flood maps under PMF scenario for council adoption
5. Attachment E - technical response related to flood modelling (Under separate cover)
6. Attachment F - Wianamatta (South) Creek Flood Study 2020 Liverpool LGA report (Under separate cover)



ATTACHMENT A

KEMPS CREEK

1% AEP PROPERTY AFFECTATION - COMPARISON TO 2004 PLAN

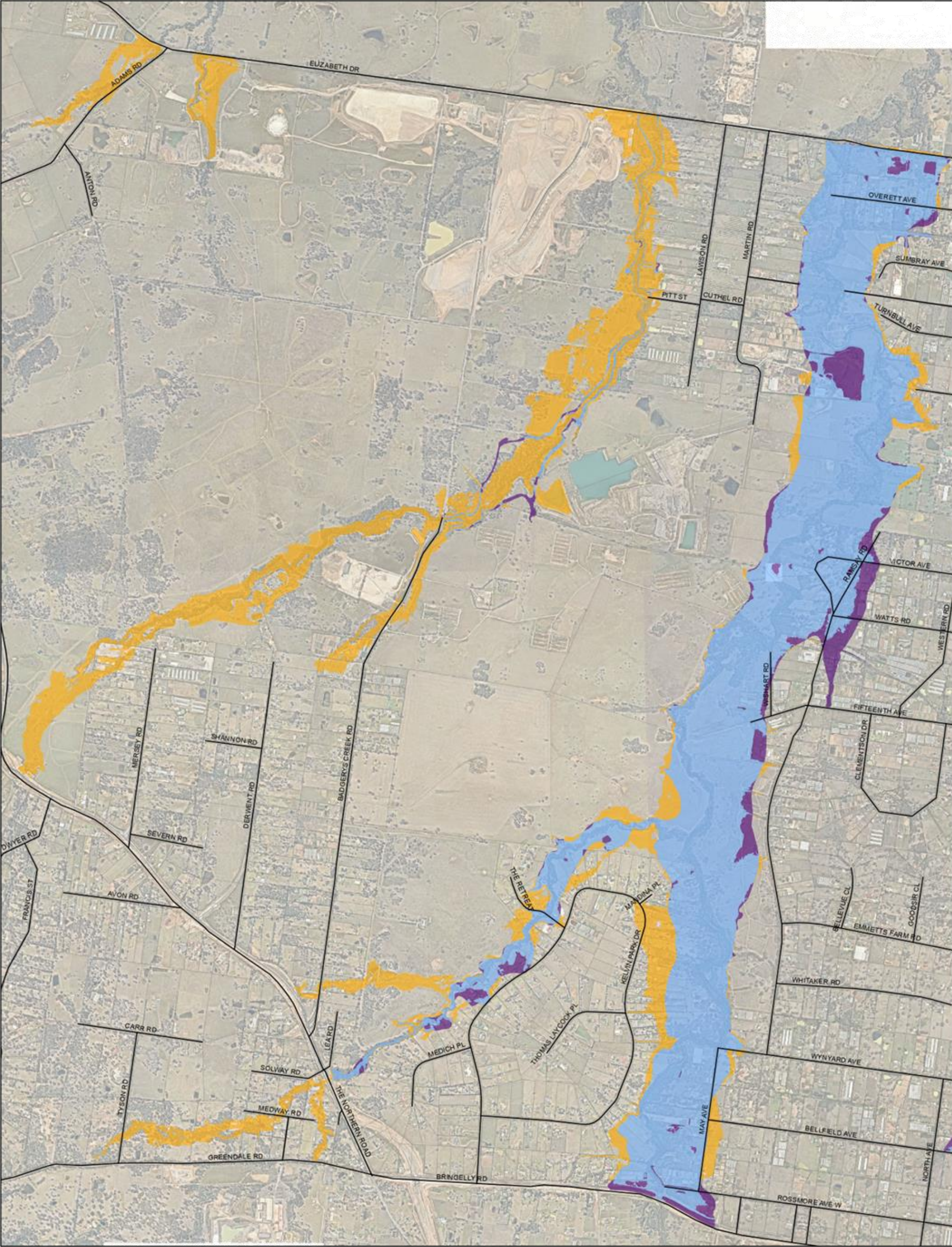
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- Flood affectation in both studies
- Increased flood affectation in the new study
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ATTACHMENT A

WIANAMATTA SOUTH CREEK

1% AEP PROPERTY AFFECTATION - COMPARISON TO 2004 PLAN

- Legend

Relieved flood affectation in the new study

Flood affectation in both studies

Increased flood affectation in the new study

Catchment

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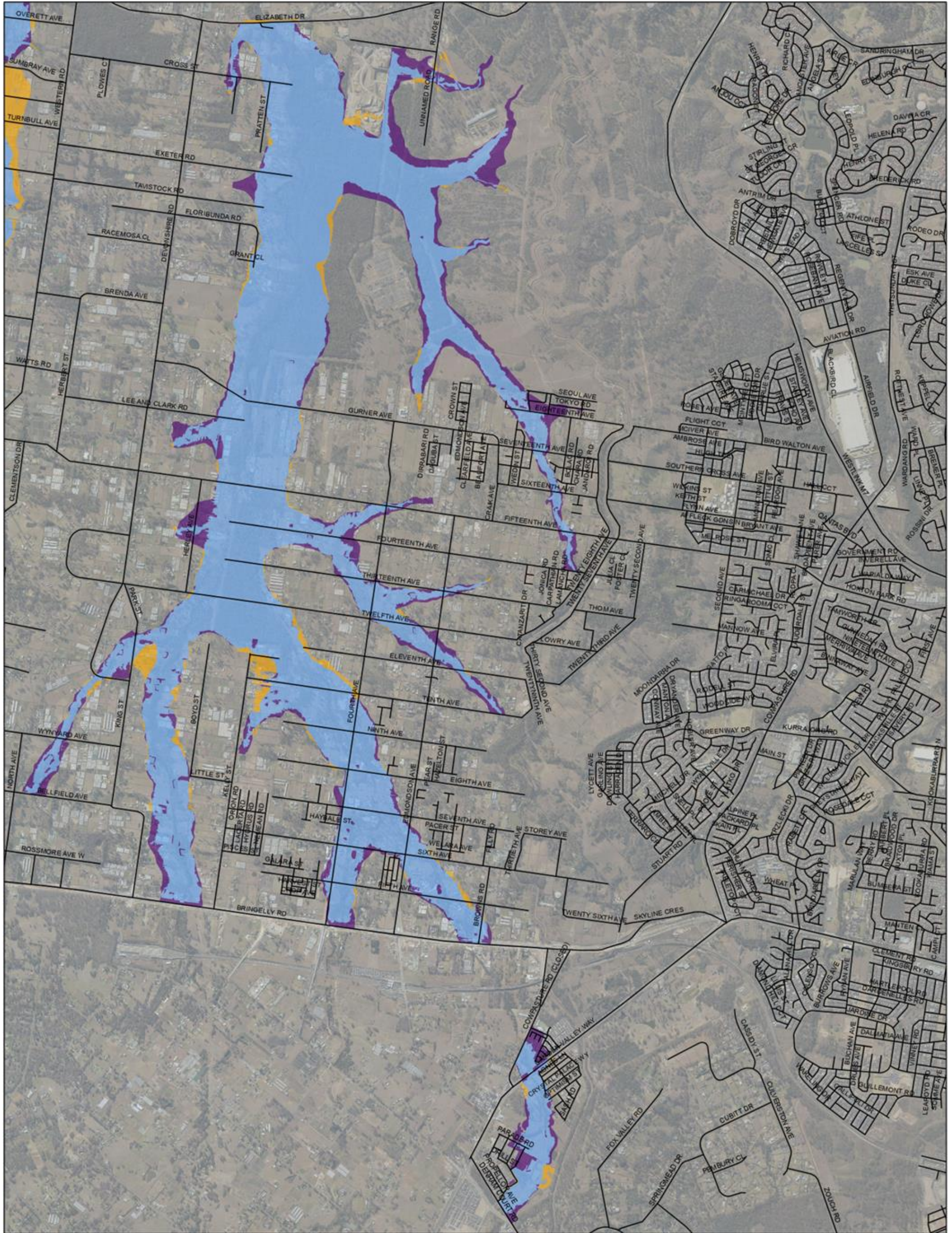
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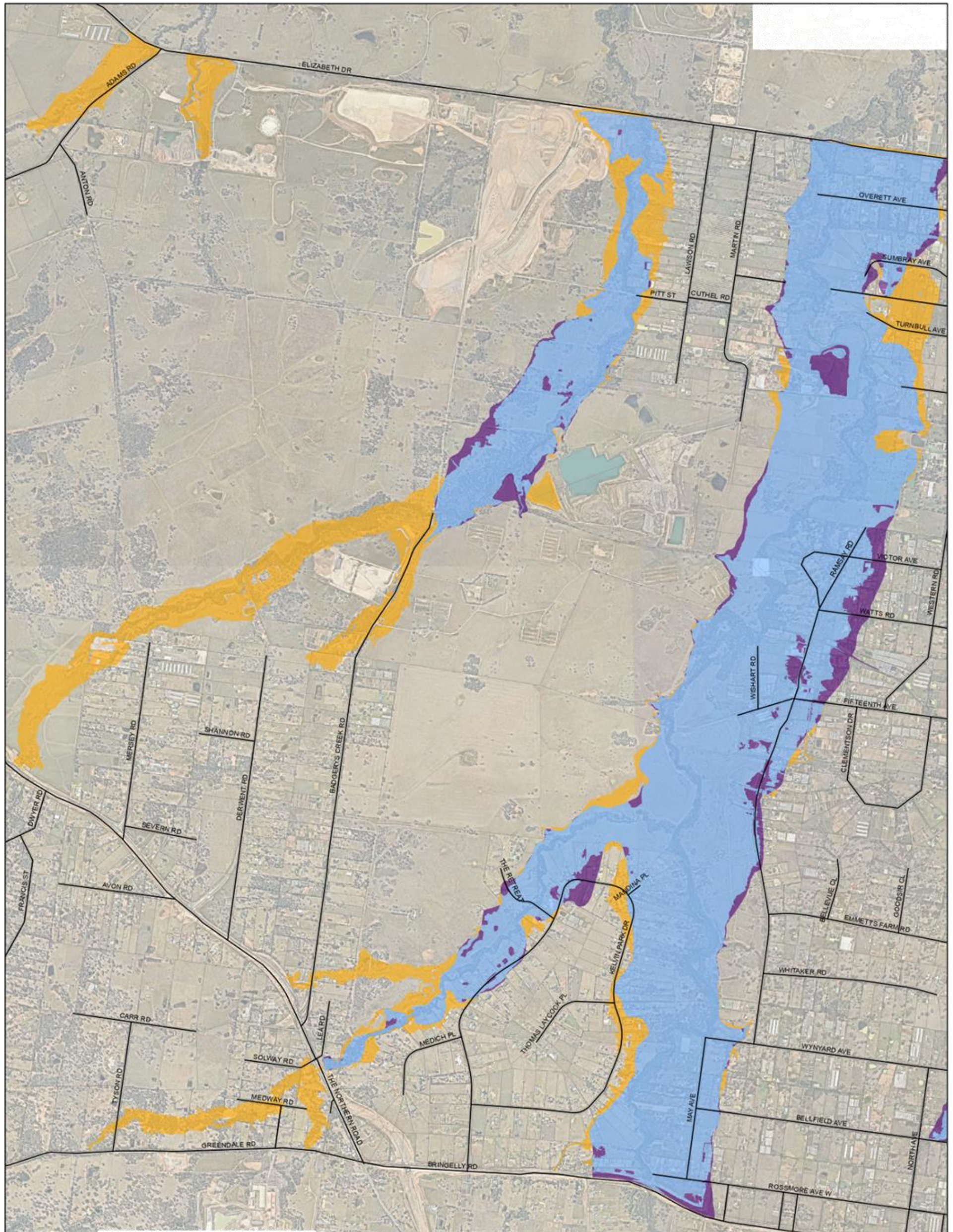
ATTACHMENT B
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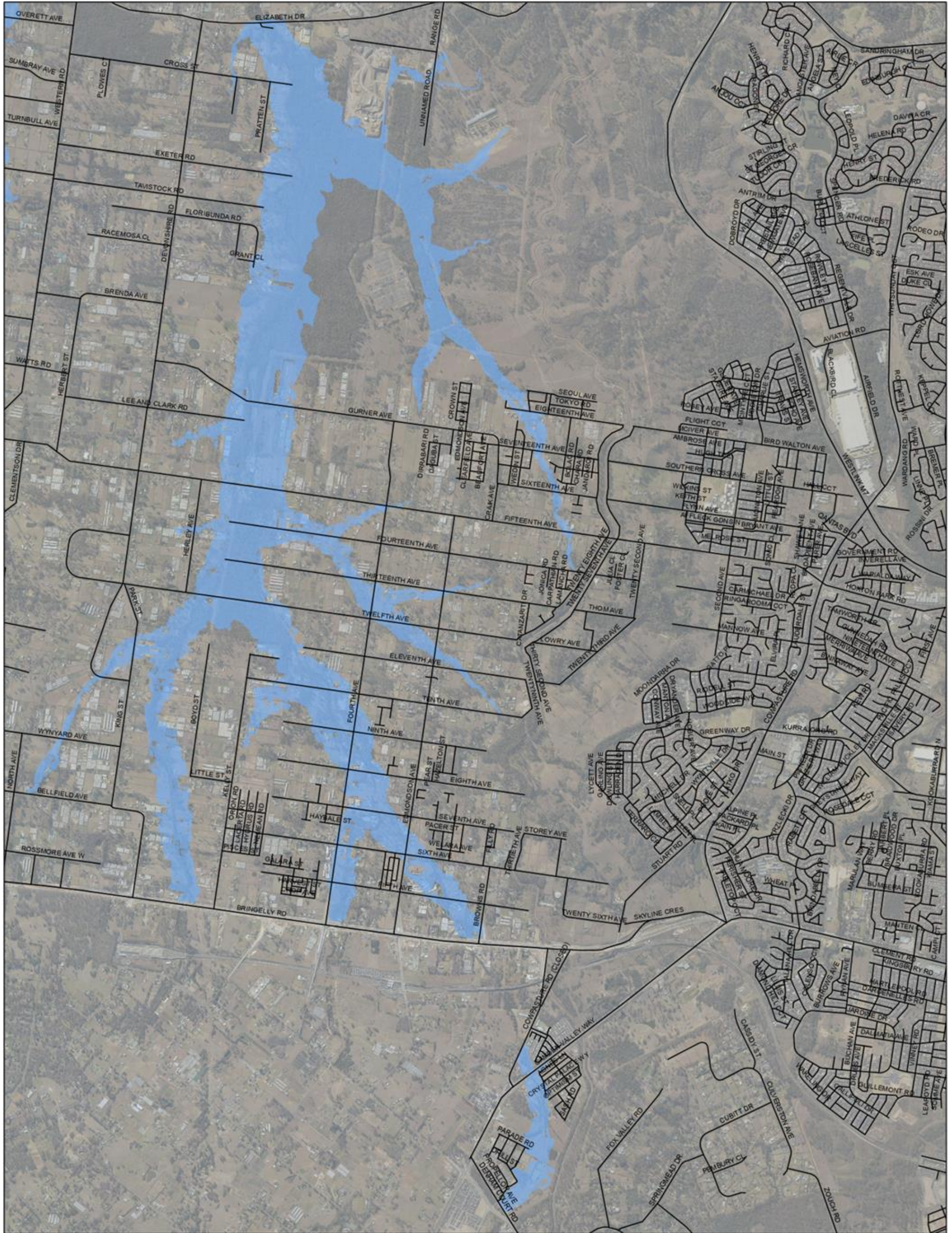
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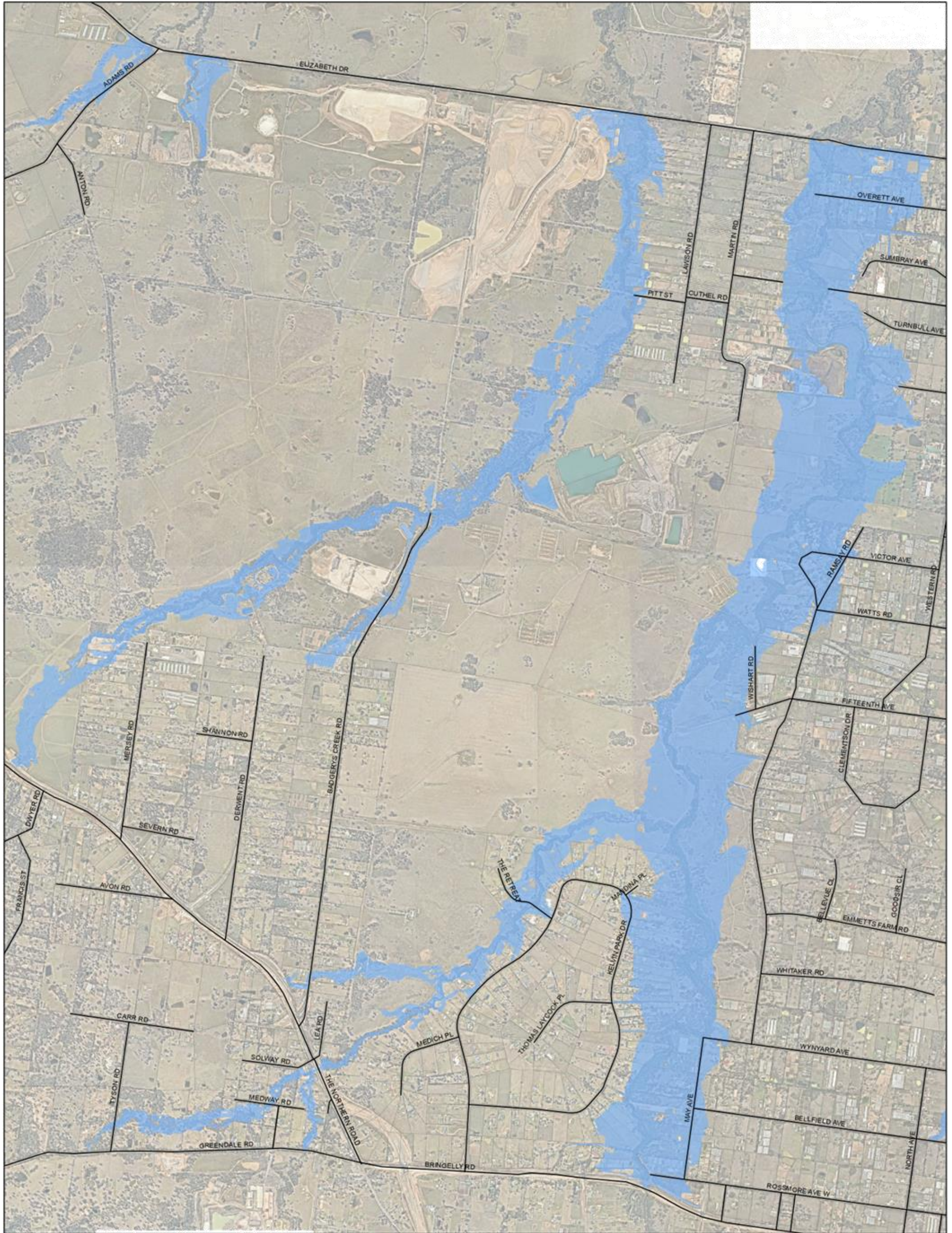
ATTACHMENT C KEMPS CREEK 1% AEP FLOOD EXTENT

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- 1% AEP Flood Extent
- Catchment

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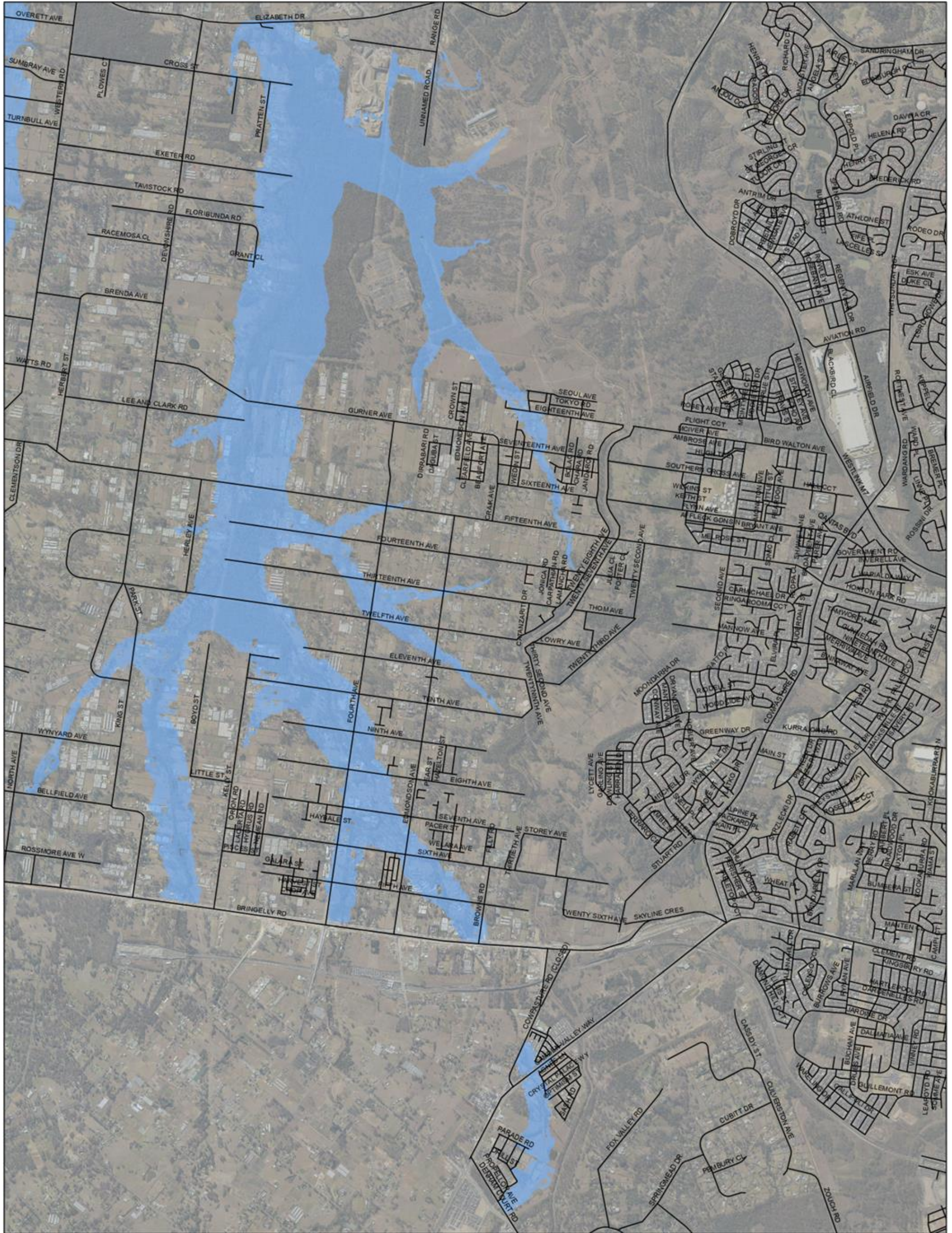
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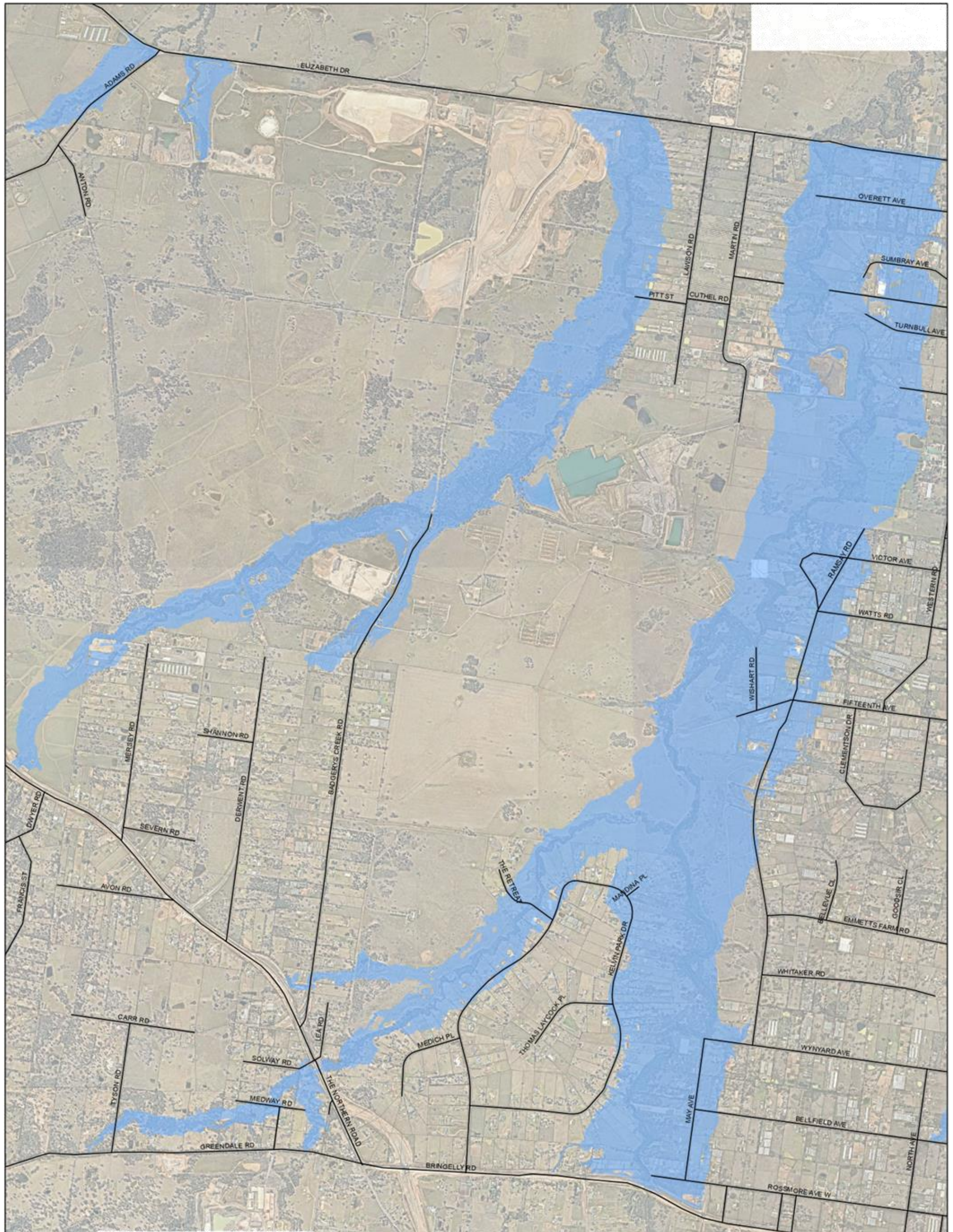
ATTACHMENT D KEMPS CREEK PROBABLE MAXIMUM FLOOD (PMF) EXTENT

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- PMF Flood Extent
- Catastrophe

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ATTACHMENT D **WIANAMATTA SOUTH CREEK** **PROBABLE MAXIMUM FLOOD (PMF) EXTENT**

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PMF Flood Extent
Catchment

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CTTE 01

**Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement
Committee Meeting held on 5 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	047472.2021
Report By	Chris Van Zyl - Acting Head of Audit, Risk and Improvement
Approved By	Dr Eddie Jackson - Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 5 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 5 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee held on 5 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council. The Minutes identify a number of actions that require Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes. Operate a well developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.

Legislative	<i>Local Government Act 1993, sections 8B and 23A</i>
Risk	<i>The committee reviewed several reports, including Council's Top 10 strategic risks, management actions to address the Asbestos and Contaminated Waste Management audit findings, Liverpool Civic Place, and Land Acquisitions.</i>

ATTACHMENTS

1. Final ARIC Minutes - 5 Feb 2021



Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes

5 February 2021 - Microsoft Teams - 9:30am - 12:30pm

Committee Members Present:

Andrew McLeod	Chairperson, Independent Member
Stephen Horne	Independent Member
John Gordon	Independent Member
Geoff Shelton	Councillor

Observers:

Wendy Waller	Mayor	(joined at item 9.1)
Karress Rhodes	Councillor	
Nathan Hagarty	Councillor	(item 9.1 only)
Dr Eddie Jackson	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	
George Hampouris	Acting Director City Corporate	
Chris Van Zyl	Acting Head of Audit, Risk and Improvement (Head of ARI)	
Peter Patterson	Director City Presentation	
Tim Pasley	Manager Waste & Cleansing	
Tina Bono	Acting Director City Community & Culture	
John Morgan	Director Property & Commercial Development	
John Milicic	Manager Property	(joined at item 9.1)
Ellen Whittingstall	Acting Internal Ombudsman	
Jessica Saliba	Acting Coordinator Governance	
Nada Mardini	Manager Community Standards	
Michael Zengovski	Manager City Environment	(Item 6.1 only)
Ana Serra	Asbestos & Waste Coordinator	(Item 6.1 only)
Jennifer Chenhall	General Counsel Manager Governance Legal & Procurement	
Alvin Morales	Acting Deputy General Counsel	(for few items only)
Anna Rizos	Manager Customer Experience	
George Harb	Chief Information Officer	(joined at item 9.3)
Ayhan Biyik	Coordinator IT Support & Infrastructure	
Vishwa Nandan	Chief Financial Officer	
Lawrissa Chan	NSW Audit Office, Director, Financial Audit Services	
Greg Parks	NSW Audit Office, Audit Leader	
Rose Koch	Committees Officer (Minutes)	

1. WELCOME / OPENING

The Chairperson welcomed attendees and opened the meeting at 9:30 am. It was noted that this meeting was being recorded on MS Teams for minute taking purposes.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Independent Horne declared a non-pecuniary interest for item 9.2 as a member of the ARIC at Wollondilly Council.

Independent Gordon declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of the ARIC at Camden Council.

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the minutes of the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Meeting held on 23 October 2020 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

5. ACTION TRACKING FROM MINUTES

5.1 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee - Resolution Tracking

A/Head of ARI advised that sixteen resolutions carried over from previous meetings. Eleven of these have been completed.

Independent Gordon added that progress appears to be well managed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee note and discuss the progress made on the implementation of resolutions.

Moved: Independent Horne

Seconded: Independent Gordon

6. SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 Asbestos & Contaminated Waste Audit Presentation

Manager City Environment delivered a presentation on this item.

Prosperity Audit Services conducted an audit of Council's asbestos and contaminated waste management framework in September 2020. The findings indicated that controls are functioning as intended with few additional actions needed at present. It was also identified that planning is underway to address weaknesses, with actions in place, to resolve within the agreed timeframes. A positive result overall.

Audit recommendations were made and some of these have been actioned to date. These were discussed as follows:

- Develop a methodology to reasonably estimate remediation costs after investigations for contaminated land and allocate costs for each site in Council's contaminated land register;
- Develop an audit program, with one project audited per quarter;
- Update guidelines and develop asbestos management procedures, with relevant procedures to be stored in Council's RelianSys register;
- Hold asbestos awareness training;

- Develop a meeting item tracker where a document will list clear timeframes for managing and resolving; and
- Develop a matrix for sites that considers different risk levels based on land information.

Queries and discussion

Manager City Environment addressed the below queries.

- a) Cllr Shelton queried whether the methodology to estimate remediation costs is in written form that is accessible by members of the ARIC.

The methodology is in draft form at present.

- b) Cllr Shelton queried whether the methodology assists Council to find the preferred remediation option, put forward by landowners and the community which can have varying budget implications.

The methodology considers cost and risk. For instance, provided the material is left on site and capped, the risk is minimised and would be Council's preferred approach.

Cllr Shelton further queried if there will be a publicly available document that states this method is appropriate, as a protection for Council in the event of future disputes.

The Chairperson agreed with this suggestion.

- c) Independent Gordon queried whether the remediation strategy will be underpinned by a standard.

This was confirmed affirmative. Council will engage with an external consultant and obtain a clearance report. These works are performed as per the guidelines.

- d) Independent Gordon highlighted the importance of transparency to stakeholders on this matter and the availability of this information on Council's website for media purposes.

It was confirmed that Council is developing a communications strategy.

Asbestos and Waste Coordinator added that Asbestos Awareness Week was held in 2020, which was promoted via Council's social media channels. Awareness is being increased to residents about asbestos.

- e) Independent Horne queried how Council manages and tracks the outcome of the quarterly audits conducted by the City Environment team.

The audits are internal and are made against compliance which are the guidelines and procedures. Where there is non-conformance, it will be followed up with an additional audit with continuous improvement mechanisms.

- f) Independent Gordon queried what Council's legal liability would be in an event of a known contaminated site that has not been treated.

The Chairperson advised that Council's legal liability would be addressed through appropriate risk assessments including prioritising and budgeting for these remediation works to occur.

- g) The Chairperson queried the role of contractors in Council's management program and how they fit into the solution of the problem.

A panel was formed in 2020 of licensed asbestos removal contractors who have EPA approved accreditation for haulage of material. When a demolition project occurs, Council will engage with these contractors to remove asbestos.

In the event of contractors installing recreational facilities and the like, consultants will be engaged to test these sites for contamination, prior to tenders carried out. The findings are disclosed in tender reports and the sites are cleaned out before construction.

The Chairperson suggested for staff to consider how Council can address this.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Review and discuss the Asbestos & Contaminated Waste Audit update.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

6.2 Enforcement Standard referred by Council

Manager Community Standards advised that the Enforcement Standard relates to the Enforcement Policy that was adopted by Council in 2016. The policy was reviewed in 2020 as part of normal process and has been categorised as a standard under Council's policy drafting standard. It requires CEO approval. The Councillors requested that it be referred to a Council meeting and was referred to the 16 December 2020 Council meeting. It was resolved to refer to the ARIC. It sets out the process by the authorised officers on how to act when responding to allegations of unlawful activities.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Cllr Rhodes clarified that Councillors do not have authorisation over the standards. At the Council meeting, the concerns amongst Councillors related to the undermining of Council development controls by private certifiers. It was felt that more should be done to investigate private certifiers if they had broken the conditions of the development application and consents. It would be in Council's interest to keep an internal record of these occurrences.

The Chairperson advised that this is outside the scope of the ARIC to dive into the operational nature of this policy. This relates to a quality assurance matter of private certifiers and whether there is regulatory capacity for Council to deal with this. They are certified by the state. However, it is reasonable for staff to consider how this could be managed.

- b) Independent Gordon queried whether there is an independent review on decisions relating to enforcement and if there a limit to assessor's discretion.

Manager Community Standards advised that Council has detailed guidelines and procedures for staff. If staff at the officer level wish to apply discretion, they will need to liaise with coordinator staff, as they co-sign the documents and make decisions accordingly. The documents are reviewed by the legal team.

As per the recent regulatory changes made in 2020, the control of private certifiers is reserved under the Department of Fair Trading. There has been tightening of responsibilities and penalties for non-compliance. Council will monitor the proceedings under the new legislation.

The Chairperson suggested providing information of changes on the new legislation to the Councillors.

Clr Rhodes expressed concern of risks to Council of private certifiers undermining Council's development control instruments.

The Chairperson advised that the ARIC cannot offer an opinion on this matter as this is a technical and quality assurance issue. An approach to handle this would involve considering how this can be avoided. The new legislation would guide all activity and the associated penalties for refusing to comply. However, Council's Enforcement policy would not serve in this space.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the Enforcement Standard report.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

7. EXTERNAL AUDIT

7.1 Final Management Letter (Late Paper)

The Chief Financial Officer reported on audited risk items of Council's Financial statements, outlined in the management letter put forward by the NSW Audit Office. This was for the year ending 30 June 2020.

The main high-risk items related to the contamination of land and also accounting issues relating to Liverpool Civic Place (LCP). New accounting standards came into effect in 2020 and work is required to assess leases, revenue streams and identifying liabilities of revenue.

Director, NSW Audit Office reported of moderate risk items relating to the reconciliation of land parcels where 14 parcels of community land were excluded from the valuation. Others related to Council's commitment, particularly with LCP, where notes should be quality reviewed.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Gordon sought to ascertain if Council can handle the cost of remediation to avoid repeat issues.

Chief Financial Officer assured that relevant staff are collaborating to ensure it is handled adequately. The estimates for remediation are on par.

- b) Independent Gordon noted of future accounting complexities for LCP and queried whether independent accounting advice will be received.

Chief Financial Officer assured that Council will go to market for independent accounting advice.

Independent Gordon requested for this advice to be provided to a future ARIC.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Note and discuss audit observations, recommendations and management comments on matters raised.
2. Receive an update on the independent accounting advice for Liverpool Civic Place.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

7.2 Annual Engagement Plan (Late Paper)

Chief Financial Officer advised that the ARIC had requested input for the 2022 audit plan. This paper was reviewed by the management team and they were satisfied.

The ARIC was encouraged to provide feedback before finalisation.

The Chairperson added that they wished to ensure there was congruence between the existing audit plans with those of the NSW Audit Office, within the continuous improvement space. The Committee was satisfied with the program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Discuss and endorse the Annual Engagement Plan.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

8. INTERNAL AUDIT

8.1 Internal Audit Projects and Activities - 1 October to 31 December 2020

A/Head of ARI reported that two audits were finalised based on the update. Audit report with medium or high risk once finalised, will in future be presented by management. The remaining items are low risk. There has been improvement on the outstanding audit recommendations.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Horne noted the risk of industrial unrest and delayed timesheet fraud during COVID. It was queried if deferring this is wise as the risk remained relevant.

A/Head of ARI advised that he will be liaising with the management team to address the risks surrounding further delays of this audit.

- b) Independent Gordon queried the interim solution from management to protect themselves from inappropriate super user access.

A/Head of ARI advised that reviews are being made in this area for heightened awareness of super users and their role with privileged access to Council's systems.

A/Internal Ombudsman added that there is delegated authority for certain people to have access over Council's record management system. It is managed at a security level by staff and only a couple of users have access. An audit function for this does exist. The system is locked for business need only.

A/Head of ARI advised that the super user access audit is aimed at core Council systems including TechnologyOne, Aurion and Assetic. The records management system is currently not in scope for the super user access audits by the Internal Audit team.

- c) Cllr Shelton queried whether there is a means of keeping a record of internal audit items that are postponed at the request of management.

The Chairperson advised that if there are changes, the internal audit team will advise him of these changes.

A/Head of ARI added that any deferrals are reported as updates to the ARIC and specifically noted in changes to the Annual Audit Plan. This said, the suggestion will be taken on board.

A/Director City Corporate added that certain delays of items that are management led such as implementing a new software or reviewing an operating model, the value of an audit earlier in the process would not compare well to the later stages of implementation.

Cllr Shelton advised of this to be recorded in written form within these minutes as the official process.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee;

1. Receive and discuss the Internal Audit Projects and Activities Report.

Moved: Independent Horne

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

9. RISK MANAGEMENT

9.1 Liverpool Civic Place Project Update

Director Property & Commercial Development reported that both Council and Built Holdings have lodged their DAs for their respective works.

Piling and excavation on site is expected in the coming weeks. Potential heritage wells were identified, and clearance was received from the heritage group to commence excavation around them, causing delay of four to six weeks.

Discussions with TCorp are continuing regarding the quantum of loans.

Queries & Discussion

Director Property & Commercial Development addressed the below queries.

- a) Cllr Shelton queried whether a formal written process exists for the Built Project Control Group (PCG) and the internal PCG to report and communicate to each other.

Under the PDA with Built Holdings, they run a PCG which Council is a member and staff report on relevant matters.

- b) Cllr Shelton queried if there will be a report to Council's Heritage Committee on the items that were found.

This was confirmed. Council's Heritage Officer is across this matter.

- c) Cllr Rhodes queried the selection process of the independents within the PCG.

The Chairperson noted that it would be in the interest of Council to establish a documented process on the selection. Councillor participation will give assurance on this aspect of the LCP project.

Director Property & Commercial Development agreed.

- d) Independent Gordon queried if TCorp are on board with the project.

Council is gathering requested information from TCorp to confirm the quantum of their loan. The information requested by TCorp includes details on the population growth.

There is an undertaking by commercial banks to fund the whole project. However, it was always Council's position to have TCorp involved.

- e) Cllr Shelton requested a copy of the report with regards to demographic figures, including population growth requested by TCorp.

- f) Cllr Hagarty queried the possibility of the project becoming unfavourable given the financial delay with TCorp and commercial banks prepared.

Council is redoing the financial plan for the commercial banks. It is aimed that this is achieved over the coming six to eight weeks. It is hoped by March or April that Council will be on the market for the balance of the loan.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the LCP project update.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

9.2 Project 24

Manager Waste & Cleansing delivered a presentation on this item.

Project 24 is a procurement joint venture for waste processing services with various Councils, including Liverpool. These services include general domestic waste, bulky waste, recyclable and garden organics. It was planned to commence in 2024.

Number of changes have occurred in the industry such as import and export ban of recyclables by China and Australia respectively. Visy Recycling is Liverpool's single player to handle recyclable material. Australia will have to determine solutions domestically. The NSW EPA banned the use of organics derived from waste. Direction is needed from the state government for the management of waste moving forward.

An industry expert was engaged to conduct an independent review of Project 24. No formal study was undertaken by Council before it had joined. Head of ARI in March 2019 identified several strategic and operational risks in relation to the project. These included losses of opportunity for Council in relation to investment and business, as well as the loss of opportunity to create jobs within the LGA. The review further highlighted the likely location for the disposal facility and the increased cost associated with transport the material to the new facility.

A resolution was carried for Council to withdraw from Project 24. Council is currently in the process of engaging an industry expert to assist in the development of a localised strategy, incorporating Council's objectives.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the new risk associated with changes in the Waste Industry.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

9.3 IT Disaster Recovery Framework (Late Paper)

Coordinator IT Support & Infrastructure reported that the Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP) was drafted in 2019. It has been reviewed in consultation with third party companies and was commended. They advised the DRP showed significant commitment by Council. They provided recommendations which are now being addressed.

A/Director City Corporate added that the recommendations will be updated within the policy documents accordingly. These will be tabled to the ARIC once ready.

The Chairperson requested for an overview of the structure of the DRP at a future ARIC meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the review of Council's IT DRP.
2. Receive a further report and overview of Council's DRP structure / resilience framework.

Moved: Independent Horne

Seconded: Independent Gordon

9.4 Land Acquisitions

This report was taken as read.

Queries & Discussion

- a) The Chairperson queried to Manager Property, whether Council's approach to land acquisitions will cover all reasonable examinations relating to contaminated land.
- b) Manager Property advised he is comfortable with the approach. Council requests access to properties to undertake contaminated land assessments prior to acquisition. Reports are provided as part of the DA process, however there is no legislative requirement upon owners to allow Council onto their land before acquisition.
- c) Independent Gordon queried Council's policy in acquiring land and whether it is acquired immediately.

Manager Property noted that the developed program has been extended to 5-10 years to align with delivery of infrastructure.

The Department of Planning, Industry & Environment had identified priorities on the delivery of detention basins to allow the release of residential land. Council is subjected to slowly acquiring funds via section 7.11 contributions. One of the risk exposures involves residents approaching Council with hardship claims. Legal advice is obtained with those applications.

- d) Independent Gordon queried whether the CFO had quantified the unfunded liability to acquire properties.

Chief Financial Officer advised that Finance does not currently know the amount of properties to be acquired in the long-term. The Infrastructure Planning team are responsible for identifying projects that require parcels of land and Councils Property team to identify specific properties for acquisition.

The Infrastructure Planning and Property teams will collaborate to provide an update to a future ARIC meeting, detailing the potential unfunded acquisitions.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Note and discuss the process undertaken for Land Acquisitions by Council and the associated statutory process.
2. Receive a report on properties identified for long-term acquisition, unfunded liability and properties that may be impacted by future hardship claims.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

9.5 Enterprise Risk Management Report - December 2020

This report was taken as read.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Horne queried whether action will be taken to manage the factors contributing to outstanding ERM training.

A/Head of ARI clarified that when the report was completed this occurred, however training has commenced.

- b) The Chairperson suggested that the CEO acquire trend data and do cumulative examination on the volume of work covered by Internal Audit over the last five years. Reporting is focused on quarterly and biannual updates; however the Internal Audit team have consistently been forthcoming in looking at and managing risks. Liverpool has a good story to tell as most of the key issues have been dealt with.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the Enterprise Risk Management report.
2. Receive a future update on risk treatments implemented and the effectiveness to mitigate risks.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Cllr Shelton

10. GOVERNANCE, COMPLIANCE & FRAUD

10.1 Biannual Operating Budget Update

This was taken as read.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Gordon commented that the report was good and acknowledged the sensitivity of reporting in Local Government as problems are highlighted by the issues experienced at Central Coast Council. It was suggested that it would be useful to see the reports that go to council to reveal the discussions occurring at the Council meetings in relation to the quarterly budget review. As Councillors have a responsibility to understand what investments, cash and restrictions they have, they could share this information as part of the governance structure.

The Chief Financial Officer advised that the investment reports are circulated monthly and the Budget Review reports are sent quarterly. These are all discussed at the Budget Review Panel meetings.

- b) Independent Gordon queried whether the Councillors are satisfied with the level of information received.

Mayor Waller commented that the information is readily available through documents and minutes of the Budget Review Panel. Staff are also happy to answer any queries via phone. The process is working well overall.

Independent Gordon requested for a copy of the Budget Review Panel minutes to be attached to the agenda at a future ARIC.

The Chief Financial Officer informed the committee that a presentation will be held for Councillors following the Central Coast issue on the key issues and providing clarity to Councillors on what areas they should focus on.

Councillor Rhodes reaffirmed that the Chief Financial Officer provides ample opportunity for Councillors to ask questions and extended her compliments to the team on their reporting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Note and discuss bi-annual operating budget update.
2. Receive copies of the quarterly budget review minutes at future meetings.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

10.2 Capital Works Roll Overs / Shovel Ready Projects

This was taken as read.

A/Head of ARI advised this report was in response to a previous resolution.

The Chairperson suggested reporting on commitments to capital program to improve on the delivery of the program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee note and discuss the report.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

10.3 Insurance Coverage

This was taken as read.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Gordon queried whether the \$2.5m Cyber Liability was adequate if Council had a cyber security incident and had to totally rebuild the system

A/Director City Corporate indicated that the level of cover will be reviewed and included as part of the presentation on Council's disaster recovery / resilience framework presentation.

- b) Independent Gordon queried whether any claims relating to asbestos will be covered under public liability claims.

A/Director City Corporate advised that the current insurance policies do not cover asbestos. There does not appear to be many products on the market that provide adequate coverage. It is up to the systems and processes to mitigate liability and exposure.

- c) The Chairperson suggested to ensure the insurance covers ransomware sufficiently.

Following discussion, A/Director City Corporate added that he is comfortable with the level of controls to isolate a disaster event. The team will investigate how insurance companies translate such events into a monetary figure. This could be packaged as a presentation into the DRP.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the annual insurance coverage.
2. Receive an update on the adequacy of Council's Cyber Liability cover as part of the disaster recovery / resilience framework presentation.

Moved: Cllr Shelton

Seconded: Independent Gordon

10.4 Governance Report July 2020 - December 2020

This was taken as read.

Independent Gordon commended the report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the Governance Report; and
2. Receive a copy of the Draft probity policy before its adopted by Council.

Moved: Independent Horne

Seconded: Independent Gordon

10.5 Legal Affairs Report

This was taken as read.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the report containing the legal affairs of Liverpool City Council.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

10.6 Acting Internal Ombudsman Activity Report

A/Internal Ombudsman reported that the number of emotive complaints received during the COVID period have increased. Some have been derogatory toward staff and from a WHS viewpoint, this requires management for the wellbeing of staff.

Following some trend analysis made, approximately 70% of issues result from Council's poor communication of the work process with customers. Council is working on improving this. It likely results due to busy schedules of staff.

Queries & Discussion

- a) Independent Gordon queried whether stats exist for ICAC referrals.

A/Internal Ombudsman advised not at present. An anonymous complaint was made to ICAC with no details. Therefore, they were unable to investigate it.

- b) A/Director City Corporate added that following up with customers would alleviate the difficulties experienced by staff, and it would be useful to take the existing data and translate them into KPI's. This will improve serviceability across the organisation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee receive and discuss this report.

Moved: Clr Shelton

Seconded: Independent Gordon

10.7 Quarterly Procurement Activity Report - Statistical Trend Analysis

This was taken as read.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee

1. Receive and discuss the procurement statistical & trend analysis report.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Clr Shelton

10.8 High Risk Probity & Financial Capacity Recommendations

This was taken as read.

Following discussion, A/Director City Corporate added that education for staff in relation to probity expectations may be necessary. Further education is needed for the roles and expectations of the tender evaluation panel.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and note the High-Risk Probity and Financial Capacity Recommendations report.
2. Receive a future report on the draft project management framework and risk mitigation strategies.

Moved: Independent Horne

Seconded: Independent Gordon

11. SERVICE REVIEW & IMPROVEMENT

11.1 Customer Experience - Overdue Customer Requests and Records Action Items

This was taken as read.

Queries & Discussion

Manager Customer Experience addressed the below queries.

- a) Independent Gordon questioned the figure of 1662 overdue requests from City Presentation in the report.

This is about improving how the system is used in relation to closing requests and advising customers of request outcomes.

- b) The Chairperson queried how customer satisfaction is being measured following request completions.

Council has a system where customers are sent a confirmation of where the task stands. At the end, a user is prompted to fill out a survey about the level of service, quality and any feedback. Many responses are received, though more would be preferable.

Customers do ring back to request clarity about the completion of requests. This is explained by staff.

It was requested that this be included in future reporting.

- c) Independent Horne added that it would be useful to obtain information on the trends, triggers or root causes of complaints. The analysis of numbers may have valuable insight to address any underlying problems.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss the customer experience report.
2. Receive future updates including insight on trends, triggers and root causes of complaints and outstanding customer requests. The reports should also include a section on customer satisfaction.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

11.2 Business Plans

This was taken as read.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Receive and discuss business plans update.

Moved: Cllr Shelton

Seconded: Independent Horne

12. ARIC SUPPORT

There was no discussion on this item.

13. GENERAL BUSINESS (FOR INFORMATION)

13.1 Procurement management in Local Government

A/Head of ARI advised that this report is for noting purposes. A GAP analysis will be tabled to the next ARIC.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee:

1. Note and discuss the NSW Audit Office – Procurement management in Local Government report.
2. Receive a gap analysis of Councils current status against the performance audit at a future meeting.

Moved: Independent Gordon

Seconded: Independent Horne

14 CLOSE

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 12:24.

15 NEXT MEETING

Friday, 30 April 2021, Microsoft Teams, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

CTTE 02

**Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council meeting
held Tuesday 9 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Encourage community participation in decision-making
File Ref	055063.2021
Report By	Galavizh Ahmadi Nia - Manager Community Development and Planning
Approved By	Tina Bono - Acting Director City Community and Culture

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9 February 2021; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council held on Tuesday 9 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The Minutes identify a number of actions for Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	Support community organisations, groups and volunteers to deliver coordinated services to the community.
Civic Leadership	Facilitate the development of community leaders. Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions. Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council meeting held on Tuesday 9 February 2021



Minutes

MINUTES OF THE LIVERPOOL YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING 9 February 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Councillor Nathan Hagarty
Councillor Geoff Shelton

Liverpool City Council
Liverpool City Council

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Emily D'Silva
Phillip Gigliotti
Simbarashe Zimbudzana
Mustafa Sawalhi
Vishal Kunnathur Senthilkumar
Sonia Sharma
Alyssia Dower
Ella-Jay Nuttall
Jorja Suga
Adrian Lal

President (**Chairperson**)
Deputy President
Youth Liaison Representative
Treasurer
Secretary (**Minutes**)
Media Representative
Media Assistant
Youth Councillor
Youth Councillor
Youth Councillor

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Derek Tweed
Christopher Fulham

Liverpool City Council
Liverpool City Council

APOLOGIES:

Mayor Wendy Waller
Councillor Charishma Kaliyanda
Mikaela Jenkins

Liverpool City Council
Liverpool City Council
Youth Councillor



Minutes

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Deputy President Phillip Gigliotti opened the meeting at 6.05pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Phillip conducted an Acknowledgement to Country.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. GUEST SPEAKER

Christopher Fulham, Youth Programs Librarian, provided an update on services and activities that the Liverpool Library network offers and information on current youth programs:

- The Youth Programs Librarian aims to work with young people, schools and youth services to improve existing services and develop programs that are topical and of interest to the community;
- Libraries are a diverse space for everyone and cater for everyone;
- The Library offers a diverse range of services and programs;
- Programs planned for February and March include:
 - The Art of Resume Writing;
 - The Secrets of Interviewing;
 - Preparing for the HSC – information night for parents and students; and
 - 'Telling Female Stories on Screen' to celebrate International Women's Day.
- The Library are planning Youth Week activities for April including:
 - Retro video gaming day;
 - 3D printing workshops;
 - Virtual reality activities; and
 - Chess activities.
- The Library offers digital platforms such as the Library App, e-research options, library membership and social media platforms.

Youth Council members were asked for feedback on how the library can continue to collaborate on youth programs, the current needs of young people and how best to promote library programs and activities to local young people.

Feedback will be sent to the Youth Programs Librarian after the meeting.



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Moved: Simbarashe Zimbudzana

Seconded: Adrian Lal

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting held on 8 December 2020 were confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Philip Gigliotti

Seconded: Simbarashe Zimbudzana

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 School Engagement

This action was discussed at the Youth Council's planning day held on Wednesday 27 January 2021.

Engagement with local schools, universities and TAFE is still limited due to COVID-19 restricting access to these institutions. Youth Council members with links to these education institutions will prioritise making links with their schools to engage with Youth Council activities and plans.

5.2 New Youth Council member

The Community Development Worker (Youth) provided nominations from the eligibility list to replace Youth Councillor Elise Vadala who submitted her resignation from the Youth Council.

Youth Council members nominated Natasha Ferrer as the preferred person to complete the membership for the Liverpool Youth Council 2020 – 2023.

Moved: Adrian Lal

Seconded: Alyssia Dower



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MOTION: That Council endorses the appointment of Natasha Ferrer from the eligibility list to be appointed as a member of the Liverpool Youth Council for the remainder of the current term 2020 – 2023.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence tabled at this meeting.

7. COUNCILLOR UPDATE

The following update from the recent Council meeting held on 3 February 2021 was provided:

- Council meetings have returned to the Council Chambers - Francis Greenway Centre, 170 George Street Liverpool. To comply with the Public Health Order and social distancing guidelines, the number of public attendees is limited. Registrations are required and can be made via the Council website;
- Council has provided support to Sutherland Shire Council by advocating for the duplication, rather than the widening, of the Heathcote Road bridge at the Woronora River;
- The National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) will be held in Canberra in June 2021. The NGA provides an important opportunity for councils to influence the national policy agenda;
- Aerotropolis acquisition of land has been noted as unfair and inefficient for local landowners. Council will seek support from government agencies, neighbouring councils and Western Parklands City Authority for expedited land acquisition for landowners;
- Council has entered into a 5-year lease with South Western Sydney Local Health District for the Courtside Café located in Bigge Park;
- Council has supported a feasibility study to consider expanding community gardens and to investigate their long-term financial sustainability; and
- Council has received positive feedback from the community for the New Year's Eve fireworks which was delivered across local neighbourhoods adhering to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings.

Moved: Adrian Lal

Seconded: Simbarashe Zimbudzana

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.



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8. YOUTH WORKER'S REPORT

- Council delivered activities for local young people from refugee backgrounds to participate, learn new skills and build connection to the local community. Approximately 200 young people participated in activities including sports programs and art workshops. This program was funded through a grant from the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ);
- The Youth Council planning day was held on Thursday 27 January 2021. Youth Council members brainstormed and began planning activities including Youth Week and school engagement activations for 2021; and
- The Community Development Worker (Youth) shared a message on behalf of Councillor Kaliyanda regarding an Esports videogame competition. In 2020, Wagga Wagga City Council hosted an Esports competition as a COVID safe approach to engage with their community. Wagga Wagga Council are now looking to expand the competition and include other Councils. Youth Council members have requested the Community Development Worker (Youth) obtain further information and provide feedback at a future meeting.

Moved: Simbarashe Zimbudzana **Seconded:** Phillip Gigliotti

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

MOTION: The Community Development Worker (Youth) investigate with Wagga Wagga City Council on their Esports competition.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

9. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Youth Council budget expenditure for the 2020/2021 financial year is \$1,360 with a remaining balance of \$9,405.

Moved: Adrian Lal **Seconded:** Simbarashe Zimbudzana

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.



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10. YOUTH LIAISON REPORT

Youth Liaison Representative Simbarashe Zimbudzana attended the launch of a new initiative with TAFE NSW and JP Morgan to support young people into careers and opportunities within local areas of demand.

Simbarashe advocated positively for local young people by participating on the Q&A panel and spoke of some of the barriers young people face in the current employment climate.

Moved: Adrian Lal

Seconded: Emily D'Silva

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

11. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

The following updates were provided on the Youth Council Facebook and Instagram page:

- The number of followers for the Youth Council Facebook page is 1,215; and
- The Youth Council Instagram page has 286 followers.

Media Representative Sonia Sharma will work on producing Youth Council mini biographies so people can get to know the Youth Council members.

Moved: Simbarashe Zimbudzana **Seconded:** Vishal Kunnathur Senthilkumar

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

12.1 Youth Week Activities

Youth Week 2021 will be held from Friday 16 April to Saturday 24 April. The theme for this year is 'Together More than Ever'.

Council are offering small grants of up to \$4,000 for local agencies and schools to deliver a local Youth week event.



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The Community Development Worker (Youth) presented the funding applications received from local organisations for the Youth Week funding grants. Youth Council members provided feedback and requested further information about each activity.

ACTION: The Community Development Worker (Youth) to seek feedback from Youth Week funding applicants regarding questions from the Youth Council.

ACTION: The Community Development Worker (Youth) to conduct a poll with Youth Council members to rank eligible Youth Week funding applicants in order of priority to receive a Youth Week grant.

Moved: Vishal Kunnathur Senthilkumar **Seconded:** Simbarashe Zimbudzana

MOTION: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

13. CLOSE

The meeting closed at 7:45pm.

The next Liverpool Youth Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 March 2021 from 6.00pm – 8.00pm.

CTTE 03

**Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee
held 8 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Develop, and advocate for, plans that support safe and friendly communities
File Ref	060262.2021
Report By	Michael Zengovski - Manager City Environment
Approved By	Raj Autar - Director City Infrastructure and Environment

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee meeting held on 8 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The Minutes identify a number of actions that require Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
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Environment	<p>Minimise household and commercial waste.</p> <p>Manage the environmental health of waterways.</p> <p>Manage air, water, noise and chemical pollution.</p> <p>Enhance the environmental performance of buildings and homes.</p> <p>Protect, enhance and maintain areas of endangered ecological communities and high quality bushland as part of an attractive mix of land uses.</p> <p>Raise community awareness and support action in relation to environmental issues.</p>
Social	<p>Preserve and maintain heritage, both landscape and cultural as urban development takes place.</p> <p>Support community organisations, groups and volunteers to deliver coordinated services to the community.</p>
Civic Leadership	<p>Act as an environmental leader in the community.</p> <p>Undertake communication practices with the community and stakeholders across a range of media.</p> <p>Foster neighbourhood pride and a sense of responsibility.</p> <p>Facilitate the development of community leaders.</p> <p>Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions.</p> <p>Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.</p> <p>Actively advocate for federal and state government support, funding and services.</p>
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2021



Minutes

The meeting was recorded for minute taking purposes

MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 8 FEBRUARY 2021

COUNCILLORS

Clr Geoff Shelton	(Liverpool Councillor) Chairperson
Clr Wendy Waller	(Mayor)
Clr Karress Rhodes	(Liverpool Councillor)
Clr Peter Harle	(Liverpool Councillor)
Clr Nathan Hagarty	(Liverpool Councillor)

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

Ian Bailey	(Community Representative)
Patricia Glossop	(Community Representative)
Robert Dixon	(Industry Representative)
Signe Westerberg	(Community Representative)
Robert Storey	(Community Representative)
Ellie Robertson	(Community Representative)
Stephen Dobell-Brown	(Community Representative)

COUNCIL ATTENDEES

Raj Autar	(Director City Infrastructure and Environment)
Peter Diplas	(A/Director City Presentation)
Michael Zengovski	(Manager City Environment)
Madhu Pudasaini	(Manager Technical Support)
Alexi Gilchrist	(A/Coordinator Environment Restoration Plan)
Maruf Hossain	(Coordinator Floodplain and Water Management)
Steven Hodosi	(Coordinator Environmental Operations)
Raffaele Catanzariti	(ERP Bushland Project Officer)

APOLOGIES

Peter Ridgeway	(Greater Sydney Local Land Services)
Darren Duncan	(Gandangara Aboriginal Land Council)
Denise Ezzy	(Tharawal Aboriginal Land Council)
Peter Fraser	(Community Representative)
Peter Patterson	(Director City Presentation LCC)
Rosalyn Faddy	(Community Representative)
Tim Pasley	(Manager Waste and Cleansing)



Minutes

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Clr Shelton opened the meeting and acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land. Apologies were acknowledged.

Moved: Signe Westerberg

Seconded: Stephen Dobell-Brown

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

3. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: That the minutes from the EAC meeting held on 14 December 2020 be adopted by the committee.

Moved: Signe Westerberg

Seconded: Stephen Dobell-Brown

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

5. AGENDA ITEMS

5.1 Wild Deer Management Program

Council, at its meeting held on 16 December 2020, resolved to defer decisions on supporting the Wild Deer Management Program until it can be confirmed how many deer are in the Liverpool LGA and refer it back to the Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) for further discussion. Accordingly, A/Coordinator ERP provided an update on the issue.

It was advised that the program is coordinated and funded by Greater Sydney Local Land Services (GSLLS), at no cost to Council.

It is not possible to determine the deer population size across the LGA due to the constant movement of the animals and most of the population being on private land. Herds of 50-70 have been sighted in the LGA across multiple properties. GSLLS estimates a population over 400 animals. Regardless of the population size, the management of deer is a statutory requirement where deer are present.



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Clr Rhodes queried how GSLLS proceed with complaints and requests for assistance from local landowners. Coordinator ERP advised that the next step is for GSLLS contractors to evaluate the properties of participating landowners to ensure they are suitable for population management activities (i.e. shooting).

Action: Coordinator ERP to advise number of properties who have made complaints with regards to deer populations on their properties.

Action: GSLLS to be invited to the next local Rural Forum to inform the rural landowners of the Wild Deer Management Program.

Ms Robertson raised concerns of animal welfare with regards to the deer shooting. Coordinator ERP advised that the shooters must hold licences and are professional pest control companies with background checks conducted. It is in the interest of shooting contractors to adhere to animal ethics guidelines to ensure compliance with GSLLS and RSPCA requirements.

Monitoring and reporting with regards to kill statistics are undertaken and reports will be available to Council.

Action: That the statistics on monitoring and reporting with regards to kills are provided to the committee.

Director City Infrastructure & Environment questioned any contractual/statutory implications of deferring this any further. Coordinator ERP advised this is a statutory requirement and that non-compliance and obstruction can be met with penalties.

Motion: The committee acknowledges the requirement for deer management in the LGA and notes that details of concerns will be reported to a future committee meeting and that the matter will be raised at the first available Rural Forum.

Moved: Stephen Dobell-Brown

Seconded: Councillor Rhodes

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

Note: An update on the above was provided to the committee via email on 10/03/2021.

5.2 ERP Bush Regeneration Project Update Report

Environmental Restoration Plan Bushland Projects Officer provided an update on Council's current Bush Regeneration projects, as detailed in Attachment 2 of the agenda.

Mr Dobell-Brown queried how contractors disposed of green waste from weeding activities. ERP Bushland Project Officer advised that if they are not seeding, they are left in piles. If they are in seed, the cuttings are bagged and disposed. Contractors at Glen Regent Reserve have been asked to remove green waste so as not to encourage illegal dumping.



Minutes

Coordinator ERP Bushland Projects Officer advised that areas are regularly monitored to keep weed growth under control.

Ms Westerberg noted the improvement in the sites and congratulated the team for their work in this area.

Clr Rhodes requested that the next report be presented via Powerpoint presentation.

Ms Glossop asked whether Council is targeting the Casula Parklands. ERP Bushland Project Officer advised that Council is targeting the foreshore vegetation from the Powerhouse and is progressing towards the M5, however progress has been slow due to the terrain.

Coordinator ERP advised that following the feedback received from the EAC with regards to the performance of contractors, Council reviewed the Technical Specifications and scope of works which has contributed to the better results.

Clr Shelton thanked the ERP Bushland Project Officer for his presentation on behalf of the committee.

5.3 Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study

Manager Technical Support provided an update on the feedback received from the public exhibition of the Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study. The exhibition has lasted for three months with over 140 submissions received from the affected residents. The resident concerns were based on a range of matters, including:

- The impact of development in the upper catchment;
- Culvert upgrade at Bringelly Road by TfNSW;
- Alleged unauthorised land filling;
- Lack of creek maintenance; and
- Accuracy of topographical data used and the calibration of the flood models against historical data.

Council was pleased to learn that some residents had commissioned external service providers to prepare their submission.

Council has engaged a consultant who will analyse the submissions and assist Council to provide a comprehensive response.

A report detailing the response to the concerns raised by the residents is to be presented to Council in March 2021.

Queries and Discussion

Mr Dobell-Brown questioned whether the alleged unauthorised land filling is able to be removed. Manager Technical Support confirmed that based on the outcomes of legal proceedings, Council's recommendation will be to remove the unauthorised land filling to allow the floodplain to function properly.



Minutes

Action: Manager Technical Support to confirm next steps with regards to the unauthorised land filling after consulting with Council's legal team.

Motion: Council Communications department to investigate ways to educate residents with regards to the problems caused by unauthorised land filling, and also to advise residents that Council is able to identify where illegal works have occurred and to issue penalties.

Moved: Stephen Dobell-Brown

Seconded: Councillor Rhodes

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: An update on the above was provided to the committee via email on 10/03/2021.

Councillor Shelton asked whether Council will be responding to the external Consultant's report commissioned by residents that provides technical feedback on the exhibited flood maps. Manager Technical Support advised that Council will be addressing the concerns raised in this report and responses will be included in the March Council report.

Clr Shelton thanked Manager Technical Support for his presentation and involvement in the flood study.

5.4 Water Quality Improvement Framework (WQIF)

Council has adopted a holistic approach to address water quality, floodplain management and water conservation across the LGA as part of its Water Management Policy and Strategy. Coordinator Floodplain and Water Management delivered a presentation on the Water Quality Improvement Framework as part of the Strategy. An update of the water quality improvement initiatives and future plan was also discussed in the presentation.

Mr Dixon thanked the team for putting together this program and advised that Georges Riverkeeper has received grant money to assist Council with the ongoing water quality improvement works.

Clr Shelton thanked Coordinator Floodplain and Water Management for the presentation.

5.5 State of the Georges River Report – Robert Dixon

Mr Dixon presented the published report to the committee which outlined the current state and health of the Georges River.

Mr Dobell-Brown asked about the current procedures in place for handling microplastics in our waterways. Mr Dixon advised that the main solution is to educate the community and factories on the use and disposal of plastics to ultimately reduce the amount of plastic that ends up in our waterways.

Ms Robertson asked about Council's future plans with regards to Council's policies and programs on plastic use. Clr Shelton advised that the Liverpool Youth Council has previously moved a resolution that Council take steps to abolish single use plastics. It is now a stated Council policy and Council's aim is to move away from single use plastics. Mayor Waller acknowledged that Council staff are taking steps to reduce the amount of single use plastics in the workplace.

Mr Dixon advised that the NSW Government has just released a discussion paper with regards to their policy to reduce plastic use.



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Motion: That this committee receives a report in relation to the progress on previous resolutions in relation to abolishing single use plastics at Council.

Moved: Ellie Robertson

Seconded: Stephen Dobell-Brown

On being put the meeting, the motion was declared CARRIED.

Ms Glossop asked what Council is doing to reduce the use of plastic bags by supermarkets, in particular in relation to home deliveries.

Action: Council to advocate to respective agencies for the reduction of plastic bag use.

Moved: Patricia Glossop

Seconded: Ellie Robertson

On being put the meeting, the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: An update on the above was provided to the committee via email on 10/03/2021.

Clr Shelton thanked Mr Dixon for his presentation.

5.6 Environment Levy Snapshot

A/Coordinator ERP provided a snapshot of the reserve, which had a closing balance \$6,132,022 as at December 2020.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Status of Membership of Committee

A/Coordinator ERP confirmed that the advertisement for the new committee was extended over the Christmas/new year period. At this time of this meeting, submissions were evaluated with a report to be provided to the March Council meeting. The new committee will convene for the April 2021 EAC meeting.

6.2 Vegetation along Cabramatta Creek at Cartwright Avenue

Mr Dobell-Brown queried whether the growth of vegetation in the excavated flood retention areas beside Cabramatta Creek at Cartwright Avenue, is impeding the flow of water.

Coordinator Environmental Operations advised that Council has undertaken some works along the creek to target the vines and weeds.

Action: Coordinator Environmental Operations to provide specific locations where regeneration works have been carried out.

Note: The requested information was provided to the committee via email on 10/03/2021.

6.3 Trees at 76-78 Derna Road, Holsworthy

Ms Robertson advised that trees at this location have been lopped quite significantly by one or more utility company.



Minutes

Action: Ms Robertson to send further details to Council for City Presentation to investigate.

Note: An update on the above was provided to the committee via email on 10/03/2021.

6.4 ERP Program

Clr Shelton asked if the current ERP program is coming up for review. Coordinator ERP advised that the program will be reviewed, and the committee will be engaged as part of this process.

CTTE 04

Minutes of Strategic Panel Meeting held on 8 February 2021

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	061091.2021
Report By	George Georgakis - Manager Council and Executive Services
Approved By	George Hampouris - Acting Director City Corporate

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Strategic Panel Meeting held on 8 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Strategic Panel Meeting held on 8 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Strategic Panel meeting held on 8 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The Minutes identify a number of actions that require Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	Raise community awareness and support action in relation to environmental issues. Support the delivery of a range of transport options.

Social	<p>Raise awareness in the community about the available services and facilities.</p> <p>Preserve and maintain heritage, both landscape and cultural as urban development takes place.</p> <p>Regulate for a mix of housing types that responds to different population groups such as young families and older people.</p> <p>Support community organisations, groups and volunteers to deliver coordinated services to the community.</p>
Civic Leadership	<p>Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions.</p> <p>Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.</p> <p>Deliver services that are customer focused.</p> <p>Operate a well developed governance system that demonstrates accountability, transparency and ethical conduct.</p> <p>Actively advocate for federal and state government support, funding and services.</p>
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	The risk is deemed to be low and is considered to be within Council's risk appetite.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of Strategic Panel meeting held on 8 February 2021



This meeting was recorded for minute taking purposes
This meeting occurred on MS Teams

MINUTES FROM STRATEGIC PANEL MEETING

8 February 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Wendy Waller
Tony Hadchiti
Geoff Shelton
Nathan Hagarty
Peter Harle
Karress Rhodes

Mayor (**Chairperson**)

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Dr Eddie Jackson
David Smith
George Hampouris
Tina Sangiuliano
Raj Autar
Michael Zengovski
Alexi Gilchrist
Peter Patterson
Peter Diplas
Steven Hodosi
John Morgan
Vishwa Nadan
Adrian Nesbitt
Claudia Novek
Chris Guthrie
Emily Tinson
George Georgakis
Rose Koch

CEO
A/Director City Economy & Growth
A/Director City Corporate
A/Director City Community & Culture
Director City Infrastructure & Environment
Manager City Environment
Environment Restoration Plan (ERP) Coordinator
Director City Presentation
Manager City Works
Coordinator Environmental Operations
Director Property & Commercial Development
Chief Financial Officer
Manager Communications
Senior Policy Officer City Deal
Coordinator Business Development
Senior Officer City Innovation
Manager Council & Executive Services
Committees Officer (**Minutes**)

APOLOGIES:

Julie Scott
Andrew McLeod

Manager City Economy
Chairperson, Audit, Risk & Improvement
Committee



OPEN

Meeting opened at 10:01 am.

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Mayor Waller welcomed the panel and opened the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

3. AGENDA ITEMS

3.1 Tree Maintenance Services

Manager City Works delivered a presentation on the Environment Restoration Plan (ERP) Bush Regeneration Program.

In 2002 the Department of Local Government approved a five-year temporary environment levy for the Liverpool LGA. It became permanent in 2007 and the ERP was adopted.

As part of the program, Council's conservation works and volunteer programs connect the community to the natural environment. The team is working with up to 95% of critically endangered ecological communities. This only covers 3.75% of bushland in the LGA.

The sites within the program cover Bringelly to Voyager Point, with a total area of 235.8 hectares. To date, 162.9 hectares have been regenerated.

Construction for the Environment Education Centre (EEC) is expected to begin in 2022 at Casula Park Lands. Once this is completed and commissioned, the ERP program will be reviewed and subject to community and stakeholder consultation.

Queries & Discussion

Manager City Works addressed the below queries.

- i. Cllr Shelton queried whether the planned ERP review for 2023 is a scheduled review, and if not, the purpose of the review was questioned for that time.
Once the education centre is built and commissioned, it will be an internal review.
- ii. Cllr Shelton queried whether there will be apprenticeships available for younger employees for the EEC.
This will be listed as part of the business model moving forward.
- iii. Cllr Hagarty reported on the low quality of weeding work made at roundabouts by external contractors within the LGA. The possibility of sourcing Council staff for these works was put forward on account of better work quality.
This will be considered.
- iv. ERP Coordinator added that Council is required to perform regular reviews of the ERP to ensure its alignment with deliverables. Once the EEC is delivered, a comprehensive review will be made to ensure the program satisfies Council and community values. It will also be reported to the Minister and Office of Local Government.



- v. Cllr Harle sought to ascertain where the leftover funds from the ERP levy will be used.
This will go into reserve funding, and some of this will fund the EEC. The remainder will fund the Community Volunteer Program and purchase of new equipment.
- vi. Cllr Harle commented that many parks in the LGA are inaccessible to the public and would pose dangers if residents wished to enter. It was suggested this be investigated.
- vii. Cllr Hadchiti queried if roundup is used for weeding control.
Coordinator Environmental Operations confirmed that roundup is used along with manual treatment. However, its use is being limited to encourage growth of native plants. Alternative methods are being adopted.
- viii. Cllr Hadchiti requested an update on an email that had been received by Councillors a month prior, in relation to a tree contract that was established. It was queried whether this was reviewed.
This had not been reviewed.
It was further queried, when a contract is in place whether staff attend these sites to assess the works carried out by contractors, and if so, the reasoning for current issues with roundabouts.
Staff are tasked to check the works commenced on site, however recent busy scheduling and poor weather have led to some lapses. This process requires improvement.
- ix. Cllr Hadchiti expressed concern of potential backlog of uncompleted works if staff is sourced in-house, due to an increasing workload.
There is a need for redundancy in the modelling, such as having a panel of service providers when needed.
- x. Cllr Hadchiti queried when factoring in costs, whether funding is allocated for HR and other services or whether this is solely for staff.
Soft service support costs such as administration are also factored in.
Action: Council staff to provide a reconciliation over the last 3 years for the ERP Levy.
- xi. Cllr Rhodes noted that the ERP Levy consists of a charter that guides how Council is able to spend the levy. It was queried whether all is in order with the charter or whether it requires change.
ERP Coordinator advised that Council is in alignment with the charter. Depending on the changing nature of projects, consultation and review of the charter may be necessary.
- xii. Cllr Hagarty queried the possibility of a clause in the contract where agreements can be terminated if contractors are not meeting their KPIs.
There are clauses as such. The transition between terminating the contract and sourcing in house staff will need to be considered, to avoid community impacts.
- xiii. Mayor Waller noted the increase of city maintenance workers and the resulting exposure to injury. It was queried if Council had conducted a risk analysis.
Action: Staff to investigate the above.



3.2 Briefing on Central Coast Council – Financial Affairs

The Chief Financial Officer delivered a presentation on this item.

Central Coast Council (CCC) is one of the largest Councils in NSW resulting from merger of the former Wyong and Gosford City Councils. It's operating revenue base totalled \$637 million for the 2018/19 financial year and owns approximately \$7 billion of assets.

The operating performance ratios included in its 2018/19 annual financial reports did not indicate any financial problems, however, a closer review of its cash & at bank components show a significant deficit in cash available for operating purposes. Generally, water and sewerage funds are externally restricted and funding is to be used only for these purposes. In their reporting, CCC did not take this view and had practically used both internally and externally restricted funds for operational purposes.

Additionally, the merging of two Councils had led to organisational and cultural issues such as Councillor interests, policy and system differences, overstaffing, significant borrowing, uncollected rates and an inefficient cost recovery process.

The issues at CCC are being discussed by the NSW Audit Office and Office of Local Government. The accounting code unfortunately has since been changed, meaning Councils are not required to disclose in their financial reports how much of their cash in bank is unrestricted. This has proven controversial in the industry as it is best practice. Liverpool City Council will continue to remain transparent in this space, until informed otherwise by the NSW Audit Office.

Queries & Discussion

The Chief Financial Officer addressed the below queries.

- i. Cllr Hagarty requested for the Local Government Solutions article that discusses recommendations on the solutions of this matter.

Action: Staff to provide the above to all Councillors and also table all recommendations in the article to the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee (ARIC) for comment.

- ii. Cllr Shelton added that he did not recall any comments made in relation to CCCs ARIC and their role in this matter. A comment was requested.

Action: The existence of an ARIC at CCC to be investigated by Chief Financial Officer.

- iii. Cllr Hadchiti queried the role of the NSW Audit Office on this matter.

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) used to be CCC's auditor. Their view is that water and sewerage funds are not wholly restricted funds.

The NSW Audit Office is seeking legal advice on this matter and they have convinced OLG to remove the disclosure requirements.

- iv. Cllr Hadchiti expressed concern of Council heading toward the same path if no tenants are found for Liverpool Civic Place (LCP).

The current modelling predicts that if a tenancy is not assumed two years after the completion of LCP, Council's unrestricted funds will be \$6 million on hand, assuming \$20 million is spent on unrestricted works. Given tenancy is not assumed in the third year, there will be an option to delay capital works and reduce expenditure.

Cllr Hadchiti queried whether the upcoming local government election is considered in this modelling, where changes to the political climate will occur.



The modelling is currently based on business as usual. If necessary, Council could look to options of increasing rates or borrowing more funding. However, these are unfavourable.

- v. Cllr Hadchiti noted of information on Council's website relating to the funding of LCP. Given Council had refused to sell assets in the previous six months, it was queried if this will be factored into the budgeting forecast, as a transparency measure.

This can be done.

- vi. Cllr Hagarty commented that the new term of Council will drive the community strategic plan which will feed into the budget process. The priorities of the previous Council will be taken into consideration.

- vii. Cllr Hagarty queried the debt cover ratio benchmarks for CCC and Liverpool City Council.

Action: Chief Financial Officer to investigate the above.

It was noted that CCC had loans at very high interest rates and repayment was problematic.

4. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

4.1 City Deal Update

Senior Policy Officer City Deal delivered a presentation on this item.

The City Deal Commitment I4, is a commitment by the three levels of government to work with Indigenous organisations within the Western Parklands City, to realise economic, social and cultural outcomes for the Indigenous communities.

The Delivery Office has held meetings to discuss the approach of this commitment, including consultations with First Nations people for the planning stages of projects to ensure that engagement outcomes are realised.

The Western Sydney Health Alliance has received a \$100,000 grant from LGNSW to explore the impacts of climate on human health. The project will involve workshops with Councils in the Western Parklands City who are interested in participating.

Council is commissioning a study to establish pain points in the bus network and develop a joint approach for remedy. A workshop will be held over the coming weeks.

4.2 City Economy Update

Coordinator Business Development delivered on this item.

The City Economy team reported challenges in obtain data statistics relating to jobs at this time.

The half yearly figures were identified as follows:

- o 510 new jobs;
- o 165 new potential business leads;
- o 736 DA's were lodged; and
- o \$1 billion worth of DA's were approved.

Liverpool's unemployment rate is tracking at 5.9%, however, it is thought that Liverpool is tracking higher than this. The Australian unemployment figures for December is 6.6% and Liverpool often tracks similar to this rate. 41% of local businesses have accessed job keeper over the last six months.

Council continues to provide support to businesses affected by the pandemic through the Business Resilience Package. In January, Council staff had visited 60 businesses and referred them to the



NSW business concierge. Additional support was provided to businesses in the CBD who weren't compliant with COVID regulations on account of language barriers.

Twenty tertiary scholarships per annum will be available for Indigenous students living and working in Liverpool. Council is developing this program with the YARPA organisation.

Upcoming events planned for the CBD such as the Art Trail and Love Livo Nights were discussed.

4.5 Innovation Strategy

Senior Officer City Innovation delivered on this item.

Council has been active in participating in the City Deal initiatives and the commitment to open data is in development. On the shared data storage platform, eight Councils have developed sub sites which are combined in creating a centralised parent site that is the Western Parkland City.

A major task with an open data platform is developing data assessment procedures. Council's Legal and Governance teams are involved in this space.

Council had piloted technologies for high level projects such as stormwater AI, smart trees and the Western Sydney sensor project. To utilise and deliver these technologies, Council was involved with other external businesses and government agencies. Each project had varying levels of success during these attempts and were discussed in detail.

Queries & Discussion

Coordinator Business Development and Senior Officer City Innovation addressed the below queries.

- i. Cllr Hadchiti queried how financially disadvantaged groups can be targeted for education scholarships.
A/Director City Community & Culture advised that Council is working with YARPA who have contacts of employment offices that can provide support. A database is available with contact information.
- ii. Cllr Shelton queried who owns the data from the Smart Pedestrian project.
Council owns the data. It was confirmed that Council has the capacity to change the format and presentation of the data.
- iii. Cllr Rhodes requested the industry breakdown of the 510 new jobs reported and whether they are full or part time.

Action: Coordinator Business Development to investigate the above.

4.3 Liverpool Civic Place Update

Director Property & Commercial Development delivered a presentation on this item.

Negotiations are continuing with TCorp who have requested additional information. TCorp's position on the quantum of the loan should be known by end of March 2021. Funding options from Commercial Banks are expected to be confirmed by May 2021.

The planning and development stages of the project were discussed. It is estimated that all LCP planning approvals, including the Developer's Works DA, could be determined by mid-2021, which will line up with the Council Works early works, currently underway.

The demolition works are complete, with some heritage items, sandstone footings, identified and the NSW Heritage Office issuing a certificate allowing Council to extract the items. Council will review same and consider options for display or storage.



Cllrs Harle and Hagarty left the meeting.

Queries & Discussion

- i. Cllr Hadchiti requested a monthly or quarterly running progress of funding spent on the project.

Action: Staff to investigate the above.

Mayor Waller left the meeting.

4.4 Update on Planning Proposals

A/Director City Economy & Growth advised he had circulated the Strategic Planning program to the Councillors.

4.5 COVID19 Update

The CEO reported that briefings by the South West Sydney Local Health District (SWLHD) are continuing. They are content with the management and community response of COVID19. It is still being requested that people get tested if they exhibit any symptoms. Attention has been refocused towards the vaccine. Councillors will be updated of the meeting discussions made.

Queries & Discussion

- i. Cllr Shelton queried whether Council has a role in the distribution of vaccinations and if it can contribute to the SWLHD.

The CEO advised that Council had offered its support, however there are no requests currently for Councils to participate in the rollout of the vaccination. This will be monitored.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 2019/20 Annual Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Assurance Report

The Chairperson of ARIC was an apology for this meeting and was unable to present to the Panel.

The A/Director City Corporate advised that the Annual ARIC Assurance Report is designed to provide Council with a summary of work performed by the ARIC to fulfill all responsibilities during the year.

The ARIC consists of 5 members with an independent Chairperson. The internal audit function reports to the CEO and to the ARIC, to ensure the audits are independent and free from undue influence. The Committee assesses all aspects of Council's management processes, with Council risks tabled to the ARIC quarterly. Council's maturity with compliance and fraud control is monitored by the ARIC. A risk-based approach has been established towards the management of Council's policies. The ongoing development of this has been reported to the ARIC at various intervals.

It was noted that Council made a submission against the OLG's proposal to not have Councillors as voting members on Council ARICs.

CLOSE

Meeting closed at 12:03 pm.

CTTE 05	Minutes of the Liverpool Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee Meeting held on 3 February 2021
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Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Advocate for, and develop, transport networks to create an accessible city
File Ref	064078.2021
Report By	Charles Wiafe - Acting Manager Planning & Transport Strategy
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the recommendations of the Liverpool Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee meeting held on 3 February 2021. At the meeting, the Committee considered eleven (11) agenda items, two (2) technical discussion items and twelve (12) general business items.

A copy of the meeting minutes, incorporating the Committee's recommendations on the agenda items is included as **Attachment 1**.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the following recommendations of the Committee:

Item 1 - Manning Street, Priddle Street and Scrivener Street, Warwick Farm – Review of Parking Restrictions.

- Approves transverse line marking between 2m and 7m on either side of major driveways along Manning Street, to accommodate safe turning movements.
- Centre and edge line marking along sections of Manning Street, Priddle Street and Scrivener Street.

Item 2 - The Northern Road, (realigned road section), Bringelly - Request for Parking Restrictions.

- Approves proposed timed 'No Parking', bus stop and associated signs and line marking scheme.

Item 3 - Strzlecki Drive and Singleton Street, Carnes Hill – Proposed Traffic Facilities.

- Approves a pedestrian refuge at the intersection of Strzlecki Drive and Schoeffel Grove, two speed humps across Strzlecki Drive as well as minor intersection treatments at Strzlecki Drive - Singleton Street and Strzlecki Drive -Rosedale Circuit intersections.
- Detailed design of the facilities be submitted to TfNSW for comment, prior to construction.
- Community consultation to be carried out with the affected residents prior to construction.

Item 4 - Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue Intersection, Moorebank - Request for Intersection Treatment.

- Approves installation of a mountable roundabout at the Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue intersection, Moorebank.
- Detailed design of the roundabout is to consider tree planting in the central island.
- Approves C3 yellow linemarking on the northern side of the intersection, along Clyde Avenue.
- Council to undertake community consultation prior to installation.
- Council to investigate options for imposing a load limit along Nuwarra Road, in consultation with TfNSW.

Item 5 - Brickmakers Drive/Christiansen Boulevard/Greenview Drive, Moorebank – Request for a Pedestrian Crossing Facility.

- Approves construction of a gap through the eastern splitter island at the Brickmakers Drive/Christiansen Boulevard/Greenview Drive roundabout, to act as a pedestrian refuge.

Item 6 - Mannow Avenue, West Hoxton – Proposed Line marking Scheme.

- Approves separation signs and line marking scheme along the section of Mannow Avenue, west of Carmichael Drive.

Item 7 - Fourth Avenue/Tenth Avenue, Road upgrade, Austral – Proposed signs and line marking scheme.

- Approves road upgrades along sections of Fourth Avenue and Tenth Avenue, two roundabouts at Fourth Avenue/Tenth Avenue and Fourth Avenue/ Eleventh Avenue intersections and associated signs and line marking scheme.

Item 8 - New Subdivisions – Proposed signs and line marking schemes.

- Approves signs and line marking at the intersection of Eighth Avenue and Muster Street.

- Signs and line marking at the intersections of Stock Street (half-road), Hackney Street and an unnamed laneway.

Item 9 - Hume Highway – Proposed Cycleway.

- Approves sign and line marking scheme for the proposed shared path.

Item 10 - Northumberland Street, Liverpool – Proposed Parking restrictions.

- Approves a works zone along the section of Northumberland Street and No Stopping restrictions along Laurantus Serviceway between 7am-6pm, MON-FRI, 8am-1pm SAT.
- Advise all stakeholders of Council's resolution.

Item 11 - Items Approved Under Delegated Authority.

- Approve delegated authority applications approved by the NSW Police Force and RMS representatives during the period 19 November 2020 and 3 February 2021.

REPORT

This report presents the recommendations of the Liverpool Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee meeting held on 3 February 2021. At the meeting the Committee considered eleven (11) agenda items, two (2) technical discussion items and twelve (12) general business items.

One of the agenda items includes a proposed intersection treatment at the Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue, Moorebank intersection. The committee also supported construction of a roundabout at this intersection at its meeting on 25 September 2019. Council at its meeting on 28 October 2019, resolved to adopt the traffic committee's recommendations except for a proposed roundabout at the intersection.

Since then, Council has been receiving representations, including from the Local Member for Holsworthy, for an intersection treatment to be implemented to reduce the significant delays at the intersection for existing vehicle movements. The Committee considered different intersection treatments including traffic signals and alternate access arrangements for traffic to exit the precinct via a connecting road to Greenway Drive or through the Sydney Water site to Hennessy Avenue. These access arrangements would require significant land acquisition and are not considered feasible at this stage.

Marshall Avenue provides access to approximately 145 detached residential properties. Traffic counts carried out over the last two years indicates that traffic volumes do not meet the TfNSW traffic signals warrant of 900v/hr and 100v/hr; or 600 vehicles and 200v/hr along Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue respectively for four hours a day. Therefore, TfNSW has again advised that it does not support traffic signals at this intersection.

A copy of the meeting minutes, incorporating the Committee's recommendations on the agenda items is included as **Attachment 1**. It is recommended that Council adopts the Committee's recommendations on the agenda items as outlined above.

Two technical discussion and twelve general business items were considered, and the recommended actions are as follows:

Technical Discussion Items

TD1 - Regentville Drive, Elizabeth Hills

A Regentville Drive resident is organising for a petition to be presented to Council for traffic management changes along the street to improve road safety and reduce through traffic.

Council is yet to receive the petition, but the previous issues raised includes:

- Request for Installation of traffic calming devices
- Minimise traffic and noise in the area by removing speed cushions
- Investigate heavy vehicles accessing residential areas.
- Re-diversion of traffic from the residential area by consideration of:
 - Making Regentville Drive a one-way street.
 - Closing entry to Elizabeth Hills from Aviation Drive.
 - Widening Cowpasture Road to avoid drivers using the back streets of Elizabeth Hills as a shortcut.

Council is carrying out additional speed classifications (after the school holidays) to provide an indication of the current traffic and speed profile. Once the petition is received, the traffic count information will be used to assess whether changes needs to be made to the existing traffic arrangements and reported to a future committee meeting.

It was noted that construction activities in the local area could increase traffic flow/speeding along Regentville Drive.

TD2 - Hume Highway, Casula – Arrangements for improved pedestrian safety

On 7 January 2021 there was a fatal crash involving a single vehicle and a pedestrian on the footpath. It has been reported that the pedestrian was struck at about 12.30pm on the Hume Highway at Casula. The driver was uninjured and has been charged following mandatory testing.

The Committee is requested to discuss possible arrangements/treatments to improve pedestrian safety along the Hume Highway.

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting under item 9.

TD3 - Traffic Counts - December 2020

Traffic counts that were undertaken in December 2020. Where the 85 percentile speeds are close to or higher than 60km/h, traffic calming devices will be considered and reported to the committee for further discussion. Alternatively, the Police will be requested to carry out speed enforcement.

Traffic Count Summaries – Conducted December 2020

Street Name	50th Percentile Speed	85th Percentile	7 Day AADT and % Heavy Vehicles (7- day average)	Comments/Recommendations
Christiansen Boulevard, Moorebank - Midblock between Maddecks Ave & Sims St (outside house #66)	51	59	2964 Med 5.7%	With the speed profile less than 60km/h, the police have been requested to continue with speed enforcement rather than installation of a physical device at this stage.
Christiansen Boulevard, Moorebank - Midblock between Bradbury St & Brickmakers Dr (outside house #31)	53	61	2793 Med 4.7%	With the speed profile greater than 60km/h, an appropriate location is to be identified for the installation of a speed hump. The investigation is to be presented to the committee at a future meeting.
Ardennes Drive, Edmondson Park - Midblock between Moscow Rd & Okinawa Rd (outside house #57)	52	60	2403 Med 3.4%	With the speed profile of 60km/h, the police have been requested to continue with speed enforcement rather than installation of a physical device at this stage.
Talana Hill Drive, Edmondson Park - Midblock between Jardine Dr & Kimberley Dr (outside house #40)	48	58	1889 Med 3.0%	With the speed profile less than 60km/h, the police have been requested to continue with speed enforcement rather than installation of a physical device at this stage.
Webster Rd, Lurnea - Midblock between Hoxton Park Rd & Reilly St (outside house #47)	47	56	6282 Med 2.1%	With the speed profile less than 60km/h, the police have been requested to continue with speed enforcement rather than installation of a physical device at this stage.

Webster Rd, Lurnea - Midblock between Wonga Rd & Graham Ave (outside house #103)	47	57	5136 Med 2.4%	With the speed profile less than 60km/h, the police have been requested to continue with speed enforcement rather than installation of a physical device at this stage.
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General Business Items

GB1 - Rossmore Avenue (West) – Proposed No Stopping Restrictions.

A property owner close to Bellfield College has raised concern about on-street parking close to the property driveway. The property is a construction depot and therefore needs to permit heavy vehicle movements.

The property owner has therefore requested parking restrictions for 14m including “No stopping” signs to be installed across both driveways and also “No stopping” signs opposite their driveways, outside Bellfield College.

Council has investigated the driveway access issues and is recommending “No Stopping” restrictions, approximately 7m on either side of both existing driveways. An application has been submitted under delegated authority for approval.

The school has been informed about this matter. The resident had requested the removal of parking opposite the school and was advised by Council that this is not supported.

GB2 - Hammondville Shops – Request for pedestrian crossing facility across Norman Avenue, Hammondville.

Council has received representation from the Member for Holsworthy concerning pedestrian safety across the section of Norman Avenue near its intersection with Walder Road with a request for a pedestrian crossing close to the Hammondville shops carpark entry. The local member has been advised that Council will investigate whether a crossing facility can be installed on Norman Avenue.

The investigation is expected to be completed for presentation to the March traffic committee meeting. The Committee noted this item.

GB3 - Bardia Parade, Holsworthy - Speeding concern.

Council has received representation from the Member for Holsworthy concerning traffic speed along Bardia Parade with a request for traffic calming measures to address this concern.

Council is investigating whether the existing road reserve can accommodate a raised threshold to be installed towards the roundabout approach on Bardia Parade between Huon Crescent and Mivo Street.

The investigation is expected to be completed for presentation to the May traffic committee meeting. Council will carry out the required investigation during the school term.

GB4 – 3-5 & 7-9 Atkinson Street, Liverpool – Request for no stopping signs opposite their driveways to cater for safe exit and entry movements.

The request for parking restriction is being investigated in consultation with the Strata Manager. If the parking restriction can be accommodated, an application will be submitted to the Police and Transport for NSW (TfNSW) under delegated authority for the requested parking restrictions to be supported. The Committee noted this item.

GB5 – Boundary Road – Request for change to bus route 866 and stop.

Council has received representation from the Member for Holsworthy requesting that bus route 866 be changed and for the bus stop at the corner of Boundary Road to be relocated.

Interline Bus Services operates bus route 866. The requested bus route change and bus stop relocation has been referred to the bus company for consideration. Interline will advise whether the requested change can be implemented.

The Committee noted this item.

GB6 – Road work on Camden Valley Way and Ash Road, Prestons.

Transport for NSW has a project to extend the current right turn lane on Camden Valley Way into Ash Road from 50 metres to 170 metres.

Works are proposed between Sunday 17 January and Friday 12 March. The Committee noted this item.

GB7 – Disability Access to Wattle Grove Lakeside Park.

Accessibility concerns were raised by a resident in Wattle Grove, regarding the lack of accessible parking to provide access to the footpath at Wattle Grove Lakeside Park.

Currently, people in wheelchairs are required to cross the lawn and gutter to reach the footpath. An application will be submitted under delegated authority for approval of the requested mobility parking space.

GB8 - Decommission bus stop, San Marino Drive, Prestons.

The Committee was advised that a request was received from Interline to decommission a bus stop that is located approximately 150 meters east of San Marino Drive. An existing bus stop in front of the college has been relocated and now the distance between the two stops is 118 meters. It was requested that the one further away from the school be decommissioned.

The Committee supported the bus stop to be decommissioned.

GB9 - Traffic, Saint Mark's Coptic Orthodox College, Australis Ave, Wattle Grove.

The Member for Holsworthy's representative outlined a concern about traffic delays around St Marks College and requested arrangements to improve traffic flow.

It was advised that the traffic delay was due to an arrangement implemented by the school at the first week of school re-opening that required parents to pick up their school children close to the school gates.

This arrangement has since stopped, and traffic flow has improved. Council rangers and the Police have monitored traffic flow and enforced parking rules where required.

The Police representative recommended traffic management changes near the shopping centre on village way to improve traffic flow.

GB10 - Hoxton Park Road and First Avenue – Consideration of line marking on the First Avenue approach.

Clr Hagarty raised a concern that the two lanes approach along First Avenue to the intersection needs to be demarcated to clarify the permissible turning movements. There is concern that some motorists are making right turn from the kerbside lane use which may lead to crashes.

It was advised that advisory signs of "left lane must turn left" and "right lane must turn right" cannot be placed since one of the lanes allows motorists to drive straight. Pavement markings for the left lane to go straight and left will be considered, with the right turn reserved for the right lane in consultation with TfNSW.

GB11 - Riley Street, Lurnea - Parking restriction request.

Clr Hagarty raised concern about safe entry and exit movements to and from the childcare centre and requested the need for parking restrictions to be investigated.

It was advised that the issue will be investigated.

GB12 - Wilson Road, Green Valley – Bus stop not moved.

Clr Hagarty advised that the bus stop on Wilson Road near the Islamic College has not been moved. It was advised that the relocation will be carried out in the coming weeks.

Budget impact of matters arising from the minutes

Item	Description	Funding, Indicative Cost and Timing
1	Manning Street, Priddle Street and Scrivener Street, Warwick Farm – Review of parking restrictions	TfNSW grant funding# Indicative Cost - \$3,500. Timing – May 2021.
2	The Northern Road, (realigned road section), Bringelly - Request for Parking Restrictions	TfNSW grant funding# Indicative Cost - \$1,500. Timing – May 2021.
3	Strzlecki Drive and Singleton Street, Carnes Hill – Proposed Traffic Facilities	Council's traffic facilities project Indicative Cost - \$70,000. Timing – June 2021.
4	Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue Intersection, Moorebank - Request for Intersection Treatment	Council's traffic facilities project Indicative Cost - \$300,000. Timing – 2022/2023.
5	Brickmakers Drive/Christiansen Boulevard/Greenview Drive, Moorebank – Request for a Pedestrian Crossing Facility	Council's minor traffic facilities project Indicative Cost - \$5,000. Timing – August 2021.
6	Mannow Avenue, West Hoxton – Proposed Linemarking Scheme	TfNSW grant funding# Indicative Cost - \$1,500. Timing – August 2021.
7	Fourth Avenue/Tenth Avenue, Road upgrade, Austral – Proposed signs and linemarking scheme	Developer Timing – In accordance with development consent requirement
8	New Subdivisions – Proposed signs and linemarking schemes	Developer Timing – In accordance with development consent requirement
9	Hume Highway – Proposed Cycleway	TfNSW grant funding# Indicative Cost - \$10,000 - signs and linemarking only. Timing – 2021/2022.
10	Northumberland Street, Liverpool – Proposed Parking restrictions	Developer Timing – In accordance with development consent requirement
11	Items Approved Under Delegated Authority	TfNSW block grant funding# Indicative Cost - \$10,000. Timing – April 2021.

RMS block grant funding has no financial implication on Council

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Provide efficient parking for the City Centre. Deliver a high-quality local road system including provision and maintenance of infrastructure and management of traffic issues.
Environment	Promote an integrated and user-friendly public transport service. Support the delivery of a range of transport options.
Social	Support access and services for people with a disability. Improve road and pedestrian safety.
Civic Leadership	Actively advocate for federal and state government support, funding and services.
Legislative	Roads Act
Risk	The risk is considered Low. The risk is considered within Council's risk appetite.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Liverpool Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee meeting held on 3 February 2021 (Under Separate Cover)

CTTE 06

**Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative
Committee meeting held on 4 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Creating Connection Celebrate diversity, promote inclusion and recognise heritage
File Ref	065063.2021
Report By	Galavizh Ahmadi Nia - Manager Community Development and Planning
Approved By	Tina Bono - Acting Director City Community and Culture

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee Meeting held on 4 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee Meeting held on 4 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee meeting held on 4 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The Minutes identify a number of actions for Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	Preserve and maintain heritage, both landscape and cultural as urban development takes place. Promote community harmony and address discrimination.

Civic Leadership	Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions. Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes.
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes Aboriginal Consultative Committee 4 February 2021



Minutes

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This meeting occurred via MS Teams

MINUTES FROM THE ABORIGINAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 4 February 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Councillor Geoff Shelton	Liverpool City Council
Councillor Nathan Hagarty	Liverpool City Council

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Sandy Oldfield	Aboriginal Community Member
Christine Nickel	Aboriginal Community Member
Kerriane Garrard	Aboriginal Community Member
Warren Oldfield	Aboriginal Community Member
Stephen Dobell Brown	Community Member

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

Norma Burrows	Liverpool City Council (Minutes)
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APOLOGIES:

Mayor Wendy Waller	Liverpool City Council
Rosheen Sanders	Aboriginal Community Member
Sandra Kitching	Aboriginal Community Member
Aunty Norma Shelley	Aboriginal Community Member
Ruth Maginness	Community Member
Maggie Neal	Aboriginal Community Member



Minutes

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1. WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO COUNTRY

The Committee nominated Committee member Sandy Oldfield to be the Chairperson for this meeting.

Sandy welcomed everyone to the meeting and conducted the Acknowledgement to Country.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting held on 26 November 2020 were confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 Aboriginal Cultural Scoping Study – University of NSW

Council's Community Development Worker will advise the University of NSW of those Committee members willing to participate in the Aboriginal Cultural Scoping Study.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 National Anthem

A discussion was held regarding the changes to the Australian National Anthem. Committee members were divided in their opinions of the changes.

5.2 Parks for People Program State Government - New Park at Leppington

Committee members were provided with a copy of the park's design options, which incorporated the suggestions from the previous community consultation and site visit to discuss the design and resources. This included:

- Shade covers placed around the park;
- A controlled cultural burning on the site before development; and
- Tracks with native plants and signage explaining their use and showcasing the plants and animals that live on the site.

The committee will be updated on progress of the park.



Minutes

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5.3 Philips Park in Lurnea and Apex Park in Liverpool

Committee Member Stephen Dobell Brown asked for more information regarding the signing of the co-design and management of Philips Park in Lurnea and Apex Park in Liverpool.

Committee members were advised that Council and Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) have entered into an agreement which supports the co-design and management of these sites.

5.4 Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre's (CPAC) Funding Opportunity

CPAC has applied for a 3-year funding grant to support their annual activities and contribute to new programs. This funding will allow CPAC to offer a wider variety of activities for visitors and support aspiring artists across the LGA. There are several opportunities for the community, organisations, local custodians and knowledge holders, artists and mentors to be involved in projects.

The Committee was asked to support the funding application by way of a support letter. The Committee will be informed as to the outcome of the CPAC Funding application.

ACTION: Community Development Worker to liaise with the Committee Chairperson and provide a support letter for the CPAC funding application.

5.5 Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre's (CPAC) Koori Floor

Committee members were advised that the restoration of the CPAC Koori Floor was now complete. The Committee was encouraged to visit CPAC and view the Koori Floor.

6. REPORTS BACK FROM COMMITTEES

Reports from the Local Aboriginal Research Committee and the Heritage Advisory Committee have not been received for this meeting.

6.1 Councillor's report

The following questions were posed to Councillors in attendance and were taken on notice for a response at a future meeting:

- What is the cost of the FAST Transit Corridor and what is the current status of the project;
- What compliance measures are being undertaken to ensure that the water detention basins in growth areas are maintained; and
- What is the process of ensuring that the developer road construction in growth areas are built to the correct standards?



Minutes

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Councillor Geoff Shelton provided the following update from the recent Council meetings:

- Council has supported a feasibility study to consider expanding community gardens and investigate their long-term financial sustainability;
- Aerotropolis Acquisition Scheme system. Some Councillors have concerns that the current arrangements are unfair and inefficient. Since the Western Sydney Airport and the Aerotropolis were announced, landowners and residents have asked for certainty in the process, a reliable timeline with a commitment from all three levels of Government, and a better, fairer, and more efficient process. Council will write to State Government in relation to the Aerotropolis Acquisition Scheme to allow for expedited land acquisition for landowners experiencing hardship. If changes are approved Council will seek collaboration from State and Federal Government bodies to fund and administer the scheme and to investigate the rollout of a similar scheme across the LGA;
- Council has received positive feedback from the community for the New Year's Eve fireworks which were delivered across local neighbourhoods adhering to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings;
- Council has provided support to Sutherland Shire Council by advocating for the duplication, rather than the widening, of the Heathcote Road bridge at the Woronora River;
- The National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) is an important opportunity for the community and Council to influence the national policy agenda. Motion Submissions are now open until 26 March 2021; and
- Council has entered a 5-year lease with South Western Sydney Local Health District for the Courtside Café located in Bigge Park.

7. CLOSE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

8. NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6 May 2021. Location to be advised pending social distancing restrictions.

CTTE 07

Minutes of Budget Review Panel 18 February 2021

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	066329.2021
Report By	Earl Paradeza - Senior Management Accountant
Approved By	Vishwa Nadan - Chief Financial Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report tables Minutes of the Budget Review Panel meeting held on 18 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the minutes of the Budget Review Panel meeting held on 18 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Budget Review Panel held on 18 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic and financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	There are no social and cultural considerations.
Civic Leadership	There are no civic leadership and governance considerations.
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes - Budget Review Panel Meeting 18 Feb 2021



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MINUTES FROM BUDGET REVIEW PANEL MEETING 18 February 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Wendy Waller
Karress Rhodes
Geoff Shelton
Nathan Hagarty
Peter Harle
Charishma Kaliyanda
Tony Hadchiti

Mayor (**Chairperson**)

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Dr Eddie Jackson	CEO
Raj Autar	Director City Infrastructure & Environment
David Smith	A/Director City Economy & Growth
George Hampouris	A/Director City Corporate
Tina Bono	A/Director City Community & Culture
Peter Diplas	A/Director City Presentation
John Morgan	Director Property & Commercial Development
Jennifer Chenhall	General Counsel Manager Governance & Legal Procurement
Shaun Beckley	Manager Infrastructure Planning
Vishwa Nadan	Chief Financial Officer
Earl Paradeza	Senior Management Accountant
George Georgakis	Manager Council & Executive Services
Ian Stendara	Executive Planner
Murray Wilson	A/Principle Strategic Planner
Nancy-Leigh Norris	A/Senior Strategic Planner
Rose Koch	Committees Officer

APOLOGIES:

Nil



OPEN

Meeting opened at 6:00 pm.

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Mayer Waller welcomed the Panel and opened the meeting. No apologies were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

3. MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Chief Financial Officer reported that the previous meeting was held on 17 November 2020. The following action items from the endorsed minutes were addressed:

- i. Cllr Kaliyanda suggested for an update to be presented (in relation to the Voyager Point Footbridge) at the Eastern Forum. It was also suggested that a framework be developed to adequately flag these rumours from the community for Council to explore.

Action: Staff to investigate the above.

Response: An update was presented at the Eastern District Forum held on 1 December 2020.

- ii. **Action:** Council staff to circulate a copy of the draft program (in relation to the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program) to Councillors to provide feedback.

Response: The Councillors were updated on 16 December 2020.

Cllr Hagarty noted of a minor error on page 3, item 5 of the minutes under "**Operating Expenditure**", which currently reads as "*Council is protecting this to be at \$210M for June 2021*".

It was requested that this be modified to "*Council is projecting this to be at \$210M for June 2021*".

The minutes were noted by the Panel.

4. OPERATING BUDGET FORECAST FOR JUNE 2021

Chief Financial Officer delivered a presentation on this item as follows:

Net Cost of Services

Council is projected to post a deficit Net Operating Result (before grants & contributions for capital purposes) of \$9.5m at 30 June 2021. Key factors contributing to the projected \$3.8m compared to budget of \$5.7m include:

- \$1.9m expected gain on sale of 24 Scott Street property will not be realized by 30 June 2021 due to delays in obtaining RMS approval to realign Terminus Lane which is a pre-requisite for the sale;
- \$700k retrospective adjustment to ex-gratia payment expected from Moorebank Intermodal Company resulting from incorrect land parcel used in the calculations; and
- \$600k budgeted sub-leasing rental income from Level 6 35 Scott Street due to delays in securing a tenant.

Operating Revenue

Council is projecting \$261.2m operating revenue compared to budget of \$260.3m. Key variations include:



- +\$3.0 million grant was received from the Western Sydney Planning Partnership;
- +\$400k grant received for LEP review;
- + \$200k grant was received from the EPA grant; and
- -\$1.9million expected gain on sale of 24 Scott Street property will not be realized by 30 June 2021
- -\$600k budgeted sub-leasing rental income from Level 6 35 Scott Street due to delays in securing a tenant.
- -\$200k adjustment to ex-gratia payment expected from Moorebank Intermodal Company resulting from incorrect land parcel used in the calculations

Capital Revenue

Capital grants & contributions revenue at \$36.5m is projected to perform to budget. Key variations, however, include:

- +\$1.4m Local Roads and Community Infrastructure funding for Schoeffel Park;
- +\$1.3m funding for Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan;
- +\$600k Intersection, bridge upgrade of GMD and Hume Highway;
- +\$500k various projects funded by Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program;
- +\$300k expected grants for FAST project;
- -\$2.1m received from Federal in FY 19/20 towards the Georges River Footbridge; and
- -\$2.1m delay in contribution from Canterbury Bankstown due to deferment of works for the Georges River Footbridge.

Operating Expenditure

Total operating expenditure at \$211m is projected to be \$4.8m higher than budget. Key variations include:

- +\$3.9 million consultancy on Western Sydney planning Partnership and other grant funded initiatives, and
- -\$500k salary savings.

Queries & Discussion.

Chief Financial Officer addressed the below queries.

- Clr Hagarty queried whether the \$1.4 million grant for the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program for Schoeffel Park was received.
This was received.
- Clr Hagarty noted of a news article 6 months prior, in relation to the varied performance of Council's and how COVID 19 has impacted them. It was queried why the net operating results are used before grants and contributions. The community may be concerned hearing of deficits when in actuality, the revenue received will offset those deficits, therefore illustrating an ideal financial scenario.

The Office of Local Government (OLG) prescribes how Councils report their financials to the state government. A separate line of communication of the actual financial scenario to the



community can be arranged for clarity.

Action: Chief Financial Officer to action the above.

- iii. Cllr Shelton queried whether the unrestricted funds would continue to decrease following 30 June 2021, and also the cash burn rate per week.
- iv. A large number of projects were funded from unrestricted general reserves. It is assumed they will be completed by June, and if not, the fund will increase. A better projection will be provided in Q3.
- v. Cllr Shelton queried if there is a need for a better projection.
Based on history, funds of capital works are often carried over year to year for general works. Currently, it is the best estimate possible. Uncertainties relating to asbestos could surface.
Action: Chief Financial Officer to investigate the cash burn rate relative to unrestricted funds.
- vi. Cllr Shelton questioned the delay of the sale of 24 Scott Street at the request of buyers and requested information regarding the solvency of the buyer.
Director Property & Commercial Development added that there are Condition Precedents for the sale of the land. These include the approval from RMS for road work closure and any service relocations. Once completed, the deal will be finalised. A meeting will be held with Wu International soon. They have requested a delay to settlement due to COVID19. It is believed there are no solvency impacts, however this will be confirmed and reported to Council.
It also was confirmed that the sale process is via a Put or Call option.
- vii. Cllr Hadchiti questioned whether the call option was signed by Wu International.
Director Property & Commercial Development advised it was signed between Council and Owada Group Pty Ltd, the registered owners of the adjoining site. The latter were also owners of the land owned at 40 Scott Street.
Cllr Hadchiti sought to ascertain the possibility of Wu International not committing to the sale of 24 Scott Street.
Action: Director Property & Commercial Development to investigate the above.
- viii. Cllr Hadchiti questioned the projected parking strategy figure at nil for 30 June 2021.
Action: Chief Financial Officer to investigate the above and also assess the revenue collected that is placed in general funds and where it is used.
- ix. Cllr Hadchiti queried the projected income and expenses for the year ending 2021, inclusive of grants.

For revenue, \$298 million is projected. For expenses, this is \$211 million.

5. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE QUARTERLY UPDATE REPORT – JANUARY 2021

Director City Infrastructure & Environment reported on this item.

All the projects and programs are at various stages of the delivery cycle. More than 50% of projects within the program is complete or under construction.

Project highlights for the recent quarter were as follows:

- Cirillo Sporting Facility is nearing completion and is scheduled for opening in late March 2021;



- Site works are underway for Stante Reserve with water play facilities due for completion by April 2021, however other works within Stante will continue e.g. landscaping and amenities construction works;
- The project for a recreational and community hub for Phillips Park is due for completion in August to September 2021;
- Remediation works at the BMX Track in Powell Park is at the advanced stages and will be completed in March. Upon completion, Council will be able to commence the recovery of cost for remediation works from the Liverpool Catholic Club; and
- Upgrades to the Voyager Point Footbridge have commenced.

Queries & Discussion

Director City Infrastructure & Environment addressed the below queries.

- i. Cllr Hagarty queried whether wider suburb mapping was made along Middleton Grange where residents can have access to continuous footpaths for navigation.
Provisions for access to the site, mobility and safety was assessed beyond the project location. The works for these are underway and it is expected they will be delivered between now and April.
- ii. Cllr Harle queried whether solar panels will be placed on the amenities buildings at Cirillo and Phillips Parks, to offset electricity costs.
The Phillips Park building will have extensive roof solar panels with extensive solar park lighting across both sites.
- iii. Cllr Shelton noted of the cost recovery notice to be issued to the Liverpool Catholic Club for the remediation works at Powell Park. The quantum was questioned.
Based on the expenditure to date, the total cost is approximately \$1.2 million.
- iv. Cllr Shelton queried when the decision was made to go with the option of encapsulation in favour of digging out the asbestos.
Action: Director City Infrastructure & Environment to investigate the above and provide a chronology of when approvals were obtained.
Update: The above action was responded to in an email to Councillors on 4 March 2021, which attached the following documents that outline the history of the development of the remediation proposal for the BMX Track at Powell Park:
 1. Memo to Councillors dated 9 August 2018 which provided a detailed update on the status and outcomes of discussions with the EPA.
 2. Copy of the presentation from the 21 February 2019 Councillor Briefing – this briefing was provided to present/discuss Council's remediation plans for the BMX tracks.
 3. Memo to Councillors dated 3 December 2019 – provided in response to further questions from Cllr Shelton with respect to remediation costs.
- v. Cllr Rhodes queried the views of the Liverpool Catholic Club in receiving Council's compliance cost order.
Following discussions and lobbying by the Club to address the hot spots, Council provided a holding letter as advised by the EPA, advising a proper remedial action plan was required. This way, the cost recovery process can occur. The Club is now aware of this process.



CLOSE

Meeting closed at 7:01 pm.

CTTE 08

**Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee
meeting held on 23 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Create an attractive environment for investment
File Ref	068747.2021
Report By	Susana Freitas - Tourism Development Officer
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled to present the minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the minutes.

REPORT

The minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The minutes identify a number of actions that Council staff are required to undertake, none of which will have a financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	<p>Further develop a commercial centre that accommodates a variety of employment opportunities.</p> <p>Encourage and promote businesses to develop in the hospital health and medical precinct (of the City Centre).</p> <p>Facilitate economic development.</p> <p>Facilitate the development of new tourism based on local attractions.</p>
Environment	<p>There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.</p>
Social	<p>Raise awareness in the community about the available services and facilities.</p> <p>Provide cultural centres and activities for the enjoyment of the arts.</p> <p>Preserve and maintain heritage, both landscape and cultural as urban development takes place.</p> <p>Deliver high quality services for children and their families.</p>
Civic Leadership	<p>Foster neighbourhood pride and a sense of responsibility.</p> <p>Deliver services that are customer focused.</p>
Legislative	<p>There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.</p>
Risk	<p>There is no risk associated with this report.</p>

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Tourism & CBD Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021



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MINUTES FROM TOURISM & CBD MEETING

23 February 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Nathan Hagarty
Geoff Shelton
Peter Harle
Karress Rhodes
Tony Hadchiti

Acting Chairperson

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION:

Alli Abdurahman
Belinda Thomson
Chloe Laface
Dr Garth Lean
George Khoury
Harry Hunt OAM
Jason Aquilina
Marc Edwards
Maria Nguyen
Max Luciano
Michelle Caruso
Nataly Rahme
Navid Diwan
Gordon Faumi
Candice Clark

AyZee Consulting
The William Inglis
The Papermill Food
Western Sydney University
Khourys & Associates
Hunts Hotel
University of Wollongong
Club Liverpool
Comai
The Spot Bar and Grill
Community Representative
Community Representative
Diwansons Collection / Designer Palace
Belgravia Leisure Centre
Western Sydney Airport

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Julie Scott
Craig Donarski
Clara McGuirk
Scott Sidhom
Tracy Lee
Chris Guthrie
Susana Freitas
Rose Koch

Manager City Economy
Director Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre
Strategic Events Lead
A/Manager City Design and Public Domain
A/Senior Officer City Precinct
Coordinator Business Development
Tourism Development Officer
Committees Officer (**Minutes**)

GUESTS:

Belinda Comninos
Rachel Pagitz

Astrolabe (Guest)
Astrolabe (Guest)

APOLOGIES:

Wendy Waller
June Young OAM

Mayor
Community Representative



OPEN

Meeting opened at 10:05 am.

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Clr Hagarty was nominated as acting chairperson. The Councillors and Committee members introduced themselves.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The previous minutes from the Tourism and CBD Committee meeting held on 1 December 2020, was received and noted at the 3 February 2021 Council meeting. No further discussion was made.

4. CITY ECONOMY UPDATE PRESENTATION

Coordinator Business Development delivered a presentation on this item.

The Aerotropolis land around Western Sydney Airport (WSA) has been rezoned, therefore providing ample opportunity for tourism development. As part of a communication campaign, eight reasons are highlighted to businesses on the benefits of locating to Liverpool. Some of these include a strong economy, accessible and affordable industrial land, a connected city, a growing population and a skilled workforce.

The key strategies under the Economic Development Strategy by City Economy were discussed.

Council is looking to create and develop new employment lands near the WSA and the Agribusiness precinct. Council consists of a Small Business team that assists small business owners in Liverpool.

Council is looking to develop an 18 hour night time economy, as currently the city shuts down shortly after 5pm. The city centre will be revitalised. There has been focus of innovation in the tourism space to increase more local offerings.

Council is promoting support for businesses in the community by encouraging to buy local due to COVID19 impacts. The #LoveLivo campaign is continuing to help fulfill this need.

Action: Staff to circulate the video link of Liverpool Civic Place (LCP) to the Committee.

Queries & Discussion

Coordinator Business Development and Manager City Economy addressed the below queries.

- i. Mr Khoury requested an approximate timeframe for the CBD transformation.
Liverpool Civic Place will act as a catalyst for transformation. Numerous development applications (DAs) have been approved in the CBD, one of them including the Meriton development on Northumberland street. Additionally, the Westfield will be expanding. There are a number of projects in the pipeline. It will take approximately five to ten years for Liverpool to develop at the level of Parramatta.

For the land around WSA and the Aerotropolis, the state government has been focusing on inward investment. Certain players have expressed interest such as Samsung, defence and advanced manufacturing. Realistically, this is for 10 to 15 years into the future.



Action: Staff to circulate, short, medium and long-term plans for the Liverpool CBD to the Committee.

- ii. Cllr Rhodes questioned how current Liverpool's GDP figure of \$11.4 billion is and whether it reflects COVID19 impacts to the local economy.

This figure was from 2019. It is suspected the figure has not changed since. Challenges are present in receiving the current figures that incorporate impacts of COVID19 from the Australian Bureau of Statistics. It is estimated this won't be received for another six months.

- iii. Mr Hunt queried whether Council has communication with developers to continue investment of apartment blocks in the CBD, bearing in mind COVID19.

Council communicates equally with existing and new developers.

- iv. Mr Luciano queried the strategies to build Liverpool's night time economy and bring to the pace of Parramatta and the Sydney CBD.

Zoning changes from commercial core to mixed use on account of Amendment 52 will act as a significant catalyst, along with LCP.

Council has invested in a 10 year City Centre Public Domain Masterplan. Changes will slowly be seen with the look of the CBD, proper lighting, better security, trees and street furniture.

Once these changes occur, it will pave the way for Council in talking to businesses again for more service offerings downtown.

- v. Mr Aquilina added that the responsibility would not solely lie on Council to activate tourism in Liverpool. It was queried what more can be done to assist in achieving these strategies.

A Tourism Workshop will be held over the coming weeks. Communication through networks for businesses to determine Liverpool as a viable option would be helpful. Ideas are encouraged for alternative offerings such as cultural eats, working with food bloggers and repositioning Liverpool.

- vi. Ms Rahme suggested for Council to consider adding a café or centennial park eatery at Chipping Norton parklands.

The destination management plan looks at offerings for locations beyond the CBD. This suggestion will be taken on notice and raised at the Tourism Workshop and build these into long term plans.

Cllr Hagarty added that there is demand in the community for these local events such as Love Summer and Liverpool on a Roll.

5. PRESENTATION UPDATE FROM TOURISM DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Tourism Development Officer delivered a presentation on this item.

City Activation Strategy

The 5 year City Activation Strategy consists of a vision to foster an 18 hour walkable city with a lively and well-integrated mixture of activities, to attract private investment and stimulate Liverpool's communities, to make greater use of the City Centre and its attributes. It seeks to activate the city centre and night time economy.

Love Livo Nights involved a trial laneway pop up activation each month at varying business venues in the CBD. Its intention was to enable congregation between locals and corporate workers in the City Centre after 5pm. This event will likely resume in April 2021.



Destination Management Plan

The objective of the Destination Management Plan is to build a thriving visitor economy and increase the economic benefits that flow from tourism to local businesses and communities through unique visitor experiences.

It consists of 5 strategic directions:

1. Promoting Liverpool as a core visitor destination to increase engagement and support from locals;
2. Supporting local businesses and organisations to build and develop the visitor economy through their products and services;
3. Celebrate Liverpool's diversity and utilizing it to grow and strengthen the visitor market;
4. Attracting business investment to engage with locals and increase visitation; and
5. Leveraging on existing assets to grow Liverpool's visitor economy.

In late March or early April, a Tourism Workshop will be held to determine the goals and objectives for Liverpool over the coming 2 years. The workshop will include discovering methods of how Council and Committee Members can work to grow the tourism economy and activate the City Centre.

Action: Tourism Development Officer to invite the Committee Members to the Workshop and for those unable to attend, issue surveys to obtain feedback for city activation and tourism.

Queries & Discussion

- i. Mr Hunt commented that the visiting friends and relatives tourists need to be a focus to increase domestic tourism.
- ii. Ms Rahme suggested for food events within laneways in the Liverpool CBD that is themed with different countries, bearing in mind the current border restrictions.

The Tourism Development Officer advised that the Liverpool on a Roll event is based on the concept of having international varieties of cuisines. This event will resume in April.

Council is also initiating a new campaign where participants visit different businesses in the CBD, such as dining at a Lebanese restaurant, visiting an Indian sari store and sampling Balkan sweets. This would provide a worldly experience in a few blocks radius in the City Centre.

Clr Hagarty added that this is a strength that should be built on.

- iii. Ms Caruso agreed that smaller scale targeted events engages local communities and promotes safety. Once returning to normality post COVID, there may be opportunity to return to larger scale events overtime.

Mr Khoury highlighted the stigma of Liverpool relating to drug and alcohol issues.

Clr Hagarty added that with the addition of LCP, it is hoped that more DAs will be found in that vicinity to bring more white collar workers to the area.

Manager City Economy added that Parramatta was once believed as not a great place to invest and the private sector helped it grow and change the investment perceptions. It is a case of needing one or two catalysts in the CBD to begin the transformation. LCP will change the look and feel of the southern CBD hence changing perceptions in the community.

Action: Staff to circulate the Liverpool Commercial Office Prospectus to the Committee.



- iv. Cllr Hagarty encouraged the Committee to assist in helping to change perceptions of Liverpool in terms of its safety, amongst their networks.

Cllr Hadchiti left the meeting.

6. 2021 EVENTS – THE RETURN AFTER COVID PRESENTATION

Strategic Events Lead delivered a presentation on this item.

The return of face to face events has begun within allowable restrictions. Smaller scale, multi day events will be held to manage the dispersal of crowds, along with wider reach across the LGA to encourage people keeping local.

New Year's Eve – Light Up The Sky

This event involving the new year's eve fireworks was highly successful and was well received by the community.

It was held over 6 sites across the LGA in order to avoid people congregating during COVID19 restrictions. These sites included Hammondville, Moorebank, Casula, Sadler, Prestons and West Hoxton, which were tested to see if residents were engaged in these areas with this event. A need of activation was identified within these fringe suburbs in the LGA.

Love Summer

This event is a new initiative on account of restrictions to delivering the Australia Day event in its traditional form. Three sites of Wattle Grove, Bigge Park and Prestons were selected for activation.

It includes live performances, food trucks, bars and an open air cinema.

Action: Strategic Events Lead to deliver a CPAC event update at the next Committee meeting.

Action: Strategic Events Lead to circulate the slides of this presentation to the Committee.

Upcoming Events

Liverpool on a Roll is scheduled to be held in April 2021 at Chipping Norton. It is an opportunity to highlight the parklands in the area. It is also being market tested for future events.

The Seniors Tea Break Concert is returning to delivery in April 2021.

The NAIDOC event will be held in July 2021.

The WOW Festival for kids event will also be held in July 2021.

Queries & Discussion

- i. Cllr Rhodes queried the economy of scale of holding smaller events.

Action: Strategic Events Lead to investigate the above.

- ii. Cllr Hagarty queried whether Council has considered having separate strategies of smaller scale events for the suburbs along with the larger scale events for the City Centre. The success of suburb events in comparison with those in the CBD were questioned.

Strategic Events Lead advised that the suburban events are well needed, and it is a space of convenience of local access which drives the success. It involves accessing a larger audience within a smaller space. The team at CPAC are working with City Economy for the CBD activation, which requires a detailed approach.

Action: Staff to provide a parking strategy with public transport and traffic information in the CBD at a future meeting.



7. CITY DESIGN & PUBLIC DOMAIN PRESENTATION

A/Manager City Design and Public Domain delivered a presentation on this item.

An overview of the City Design & Public Domain team was provided. This included an overview of the team's areas of expertise, these being; Urban Design, Healthy Placemaking, Heritage, Public Art, and traffic engineering.

An overview of the team's role, responsibilities and core duties was provided.

The team completes various strategic projects, including policies, master plans, strategies, guidelines and manuals, to guide planning and infrastructure projects that are undertaken by Council and private developer, within the Liverpool Local Government Area (LGA).

The team provides advice on private development, including through the completion of Development Assessment referrals for State Significant developments, Pre-Planning Proposals, Planning Proposals, Voluntary Planning Agreements, Pre-Development Applications, Development Applications, Road Reserves, and Minor Works Exemptions.

The team undertakes reviews, and provides input and advice on various other Federal, NSW Government and Council-led planning and infrastructure projects located within the Liverpool LGA. Examples include; the Western Sydney Aerotropolis, Western Sydney Street Design Guidelines, Western Sydney Engineering Design Manual, Fifteenth Avenue Smart Transit Corridor, Sydney Metro Western Sydney Airport, and the review of the existing Liverpool Development Control Plan.

The team seeks and obtains funding through Federal and NSW Government grant funding programs, in order to help fund identified Council projects. The team also undertakes various other activities, including convening the Design Excellence Panel, Heritage Advisory Committee, and collaboration with other teams across the organisation to deliver various projects and programs of work.

A presentation was given on the Liverpool City Centre Public Domain Master Plan, which was prepared by the City Design and Public Domain team, and was adopted by Council in 2020. The Master Plan is a ten-year vision and improvement plan for the city's public domain. The key moves of the plan were presented, these being: improved streets, activated laneways and service ways, improved gateways, new and upgraded open spaces, improved rivers and creeks, and enhanced heritage spaces.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

Ms Clark encouraged the Committee visit the Western Sydney Airport experience centre at 100 Eaton Street, Luddenham. This is open from Monday to Thursday and Saturday to the public. Fridays are available open for visitation by stakeholders.

CLOSE

Meeting closed at 12:07 pm.

CTTE 09

**Minutes of the Intermodal Precinct Committee
meeting held on 1 March 2021**

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Attract businesses for economic growth and employment opportunities
File Ref	072598.2021
Report By	Chris Guthrie - Coordinator Business Development
Approved By	David Smith - Acting Director City Economy and Growth

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled to present the minutes of the Intermodal Precinct Committee meeting held on 1 March 2021. There were no resolutions passed by the committee requiring a decision by Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the minutes of the Intermodal Precinct Committee.

REPORT

The minutes of Intermodal Precinct Committee meeting held on 1 March 2021 are attached for Council's information, noting that the communications campaign (adopted by Council on 3 February 2021) has commenced, with a press release relating to the Live Life Get Active program soon to be progressed.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	Facilitate economic development.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	Raise awareness in the community about the available services and facilities.

Civic Leadership	Encourage the community to engage in Council initiatives and actions. Provide information about Council's services, roles and decision making processes. Deliver services that are customer focused.
Legislative	There are no legislative considerations relating to this report.
Risk	There is no risk associated with this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Intermodal Precinct Committee meeting held on 1 March 2021.
2. Liverpool City Council Response to Cambridge Avenue Upgrade



This meeting was recorded for minute taking purposes
This meeting occurred on MS Teams

MINUTES FROM INTERMODAL PRECINCT COMMITTEE MEETING

1 March 2021

COUNCILLORS:

Karress Rhodes
Tony Hadchiti
Geoff Shelton
Peter Harle

Chairperson

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Carlo Di Giulio
Fiona McNaught
Erik Rakowski

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Chris Guthrie
Rose Koch

Coordinator Business Development
Committees Officer (**Minutes**)

EXTERNAL:

Kylie Hargreaves

Government & Stakeholder Relations, Moorebank
Intermodal Company

APOLOGIES:

Darren Foxe

Community Representative



OPEN

Meeting opened at 6:05 pm.

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Clr Rhodes welcomed the Committee and opened the meeting. Apologies were acknowledged.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the Committee meeting held on 7 December 2020 were adopted by Council on 3 February 2021. No further discussions were made.

4. MOOREBANK INTERMODAL COMPANY (MIC) UPDATE

Kylie Hargreaves delivered a presentation on this item.

At the Eastern District Forum, the MIC had provided an update on the new management actions for the dustbowl, running along the Georges River.

The Dustbowl is a designated Biodiversity protected zone and the Commonwealth is seeking to improve its ecological characteristics. All biodiversity rehabilitation activities occurring in the "Dust Bowl" must be undertaken and performed with the approval of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust. No material can be relocated to the Dust Bowl that is not suitable for the biodiversity location and the most stringent land use requirements.

The new management actions, which were assessed and approved by the Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) in consultation with the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment in December 2020, will involve placing suitable excavated soils from clearing activities such as those in the northern part of Moorebank Intermodal Precinct West (MPW), into the Dustbowl for new seed plantings to have better quality top soil and thus higher survival rates.

Conversations have also been initiated with Qube for MIC to assume responsibility of all biodiversity conservation areas in the precinct. The three main conservation areas include the offset areas of Wattle Grove, Moorebank and Casula. Currently the precinct is in the passive management phase, which focuses on reporting and monitoring. Active management will commence this year, and it will include activities such as removal of waste, weed and erosion control, replanting where regeneration is not sufficient and pest management.

MIC is also working with Council on a proposal for a very short stretch of bike path on the western side of the Georges River, through biodiversity conservation areas within the Precinct, to provide seamless connectivity with existing community bike paths in the area. The proposal would need to be presented to and assessed by the BCT. Currently, the area is still under the direct control of SIMTA, so any proposal may have to wait until / if the Commonwealth is granted the transfer of responsibility for biodiversity conservation areas.

Queries & Discussion



Ms Hargreaves addressed the below queries.

- i. Erik Rakowski questioned whether any changes have occurred to the predicted job figures for the MIC since the last written response by Ms Hargreaves.
The figure of 6,500 is the assumed figure at present. No changes have occurred since.
- ii. Mr Rakowski commented that job numbers reflect on traffic. Therefore, the number quoted is different to those of traffic assumptions which is approximately 4700. Deloitte is the author of both reports. Concerns were expressed of the discrepancy.
- iii. Mr Rakowski alerted Ms Hargreaves of the differing views of the Community Consultation Committee with Elton and Qube representatives, in relation to the responsibility of the bike track and biodiversity. This was questioned based on the presentation given at this meeting. It was confirmed these are under the purview of Qube. It was added that a holistic approach by all organisations involved should be the focus for the riverfront.
It is hoped that once the biodiversity aspects of the precinct fall within the responsibility of the MIC, that it can work with Council and the BCT to maintain these areas to an appropriate standard.
- iv. Coordinator Business Development added that Council's Environment Team is assisting the City Economy Team in developing a business case for the inclusion of the bike path in the biodiversity agreement, as this area requires some active management. It needs to be ensured that the original agreement is not overlooked and that the plantings and proposed active management of the site are suitable and agreed by the BCT.

5. DRAFT COMMUNICATIONS PLAN REPORT

Coordinator Business Development advised that a report in relation to the draft communications plan was adopted by Council on 3 February 2021. The first press release has been created for the campaign in relation to the Live Life Get Active program.

Queries & Discussion

- i. Carlo Di Giulio questioned the possibility to suggest topics of communication in the plan. It was thought that the benefits of the Intermodal were to be the core purpose of the communications plan.
Cllr Rhodes advised that the specific number of jobs provided by the Intermodal is yet to be determined as per the discussions had with Ms Hargreaves and Mr Rakowski earlier in the meeting.
Coordinator Business Development added Council is open to receive suggestions provided it is within the scope of the resolution made at the 3 February 2021 Council meeting.
Mr Di Giulio requested that the second press release highlight the economic benefits of the Intermodal for Liverpool.
Cllr Hadchiti seconded Mr Di Giulio's views above.
Cllr Rhodes suggested that the information be rechecked prior to release, bearing in mind the reputational risks to Council if it is inaccurate.
Fiona McNaught advised that the community may not be aware of events such as the Live Life Get Active program. Ms McNaught was of the view that this is a good starting position to communicate these events, while the economic benefits of the Intermodal can also be communicated for the next press release.



Mr Rakowski added that it is best to have a gentler approach in the first round of the press release, where the entire community is not supportive of the Intermodal project. It would be in the community's interest to have factual data that supports the idea that the project is economically beneficial.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Cambridge Avenue

Coordinator Business Development reported that an update has been provided from the Traffic Team at Council.

A submission has been submitted to Transport for NSW. It will contain an advocacy piece on having Cambridge Avenue constructed and opened before the Intermodal is fully operational. Council will be requesting to rename Cambridge Avenue, have additional signage and install koala crossings.

Action: The submission on the above to be attached with these minutes.

6.2 Update on appeals process

Mr Rakowski updated the Committee on the appeals process relating to the Moorebank Precinct West Stage 2. For the benefit of the Committee, the RAID Statement of Facts and Contentions was circulated by Mr Rakowski via email.

6.3 Georges River Interface Planning and Casula Station

Coordinator Business Development reported that Council's Community Planning Team will embark on a holistic community planning exercise to plan the George's River Precinct from Casula to Warwick Farm.

Action: That the Community Planning Team be invited to a future meeting to discuss this item.

6.4 Traffic Related Issues

Coordinator Business Development reported that the Strategic Planning team have confirmed that all modifications at the intermodal terminal site have been approved except for one. (Note; Member of the Strategic Planning team has indicated that a further update will be provided next meeting.)

CLOSE

Meeting closed at 7:03 pm



Our Ref: 337919.2020
 Contact: Charles Wiafe
 Ph: 8711 7452
 Date: 22 February 2021

Cambridge Avenue Upgrade
 Transport for NSW
 PO Box 973
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Sent by email: cambridgeavenue@rms.nsw.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Cambridge Avenue Upgrade

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Cambridge Avenue Upgrade to provide a link road between Moorebank Logistics Park and the Hume Motorway as outlined in the Transport for NSW (TfNSW) community update of December 2020.

Council notes that the project is part of Moorebank Intermodal Terminal (MIT) Road Access Strategy to address the expected additional traffic including freight movements in the Liverpool-Moorebank area over the next 10-20 years. Council appreciates that TfNSW is proposing road upgrades to minimise traffic impacts of the MIT, including the proposed Cambridge Avenue and the M5 westbound road widening.

Cambridge Avenue is the key access road between Moorebank Avenue and Campbelltown Road that would accommodate the additional traffic from the Moorebank Logistics Park and provide a relief route south of the park to Campbelltown Road and the M5 Motorway.

Council agrees that the road in its current configuration is unsafe for increasing traffic movements that would be generated from the MIT and other planned developments in the surrounding areas. Hence, Council supports the proposed upgrade and the preferred design configuration.

Whilst funding has not been allocated, Council notes that the project is to be delivered in stages. To ensure traffic impacts of MIT can be minimised, Council requests that funding be sought for the road upgrade to be completed before the terminal developments are fully occupied.

The road upgrade is within the Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA) just outside the Liverpool LGA, hence Council's comments on the proposed upgrade as attached relates to the external traffic impacts of the project. Council would like to continue working with TfNSW for the design investigation and delivery of the project.



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If you require further clarification in relation to the above, please contact me via email
wiafec@liverpool.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Wiafe', is positioned above the printed name.

Charles Wiafe
A/Manager Planning & Transport Strategy

Support for the Project

Council notes that the project is part of Moorebank Intermodal Terminal Road Access Strategy to address increasing traffic and freight movements in the Liverpool-Moorebank area over the next 10-20 years.

The Department of Planning, Industrial and Environment has approved both Stage 2 developments for the MIT East and West precincts.

Cambridge Avenue is the key access road providing access to the MIT precinct as well as relief traffic route between Hume Highway, Campbelltown Road and the M5 Motorway. The road is currently a two-lane undivided semi-rural road. The existing Georges River crossing frequently floods in the 1 in 5-year flood events.

In addition, the road in its current configuration is unsafe and would accommodate the expected additional traffic from the MIT and other planned developments in the surrounding area. Hence, Council supports the project noting that the project would increase road capacity to facilitate the planned additional developments in the surrounding areas.

Request for delivery of the project before the MIT developments are fully occupied

Whilst funding has not been allocated, Council notes that the project is to be delivered in stages. To ensure traffic impacts of MIT can be minimised, Council requests that funding be sought for the road upgrade to be completed before the terminal developments are fully occupied.

Intersection Performance Analysis

A traffic modelling study is to be carried out for the proposed options. The study is to take consideration into the future planned growth within the surrounding areas, including the Moorebank Intermodal Terminal operation and associated warehousing. SIDRA intersection performance analysis is required for the following intersections in order to confirm intersection design layouts:

- a) Intersections along Moorebank Avenue between the M5 Motorway and Cambridge Avenue.
- b) Proposed new signal intersections along Cambridge Avenue and its extension.
- c) Proposed new on/off ramps to/from Campbelltown Road.

Possible Realignment of Moorebank Avenue

Council notes that the MIT proponent has a proposal to realign a section of Moorebank Avenue through the MIT precinct as a separate project. As part of the realignment, the existing and new signalised intersections need to be upgraded.

Hence, the new layouts of the signalised intersections along Moorebank Avenue need to take consideration of the proposed Cambridge Avenue link road and additional traffic expected to be attracted by the two road links and the proposed connections to the M5 Motorway and M31 Hume Freeway.

In addition, the typical cross section of Moorebank Avenue upgrade needs to be similar to the cross section adopted for the Cambridge Avenue upgrade.

Concern is raised with regard to potential weaving issue associated with the proposed Hume Motorway/Campbelltown Road on-ramp due to its close proximity to the existing off-ramp from the M31 Hume Freeway to Camden Valley way.

A copy of the modelling study is submitted to Council for comment. Council is to be consulted for the design investigations and delivery of the project.

Flooding

The project design is to include the following:

- Water quantity & quality control management measures to control post development flows and treat pollutants before discharging into receiving waters of Cabramatta Creek/Georges River system.
- The proposed bridge across Georges River shall not have adverse impact on flood behaviour downstream of Georges River with respect to flood levels and velocities.
- Hydraulic analysis and flood impact assessment is to be carried out using 2D flood modelling and demonstrate that the proposal will cause no adverse flood impact. TUFLOW model developed for Georges River Flood Study 2020 by Liverpool Council can be provided upon request to assist in this assessment.

Biodiversity

The portion of the project site east of the Georges River is also a known Koala vehicle strike location. It is recommended that the design process includes measures to minimise vehicle strike risks to wildlife and that as the project progresses, measures to minimise impacts are further considered (particularly within Edmondson Regional Park, the Georges River riparian corridor, and land to the east of the River).

A Biodiversity Development Assessment Report is to be prepared to assess the project. Further comments will be provided on biodiversity related matters at that stage. The project needs to provide koala crossing facility and associated warning signs.

Rename and Reclassification

It is expected that the upgraded Cambridge Avenue and Moorebank Avenue will function as a major arterial road, which will be part of the classified state road network to connect to the national land transport network.

Hence, Council has submitted an application to reclassify the section of Moorebank Avenue between the M5 Motorway and Anzac Road. Both roads should be reclassified as state roads once the upgrades are completed.

It is recommended that Cambridge Avenue is to be renamed after the upgrade to reflect its arterial road function.

Noise and Vibration

Sections of the proposed development site would be currently characterised by low background noise levels. Noise and vibration impacts are likely to arise during demolition, site preparation, bulk earthworks, construction and operation of the proposed Cambridge Avenue upgrade. The proposed roadway would be located within close proximity to existing/proposed sensitive receivers (in the Campbelltown Local Government Area) who may have low tolerance for increased noise levels associated with the Project.

In this regard, Campbelltown Council should be consulted on arrangements to minimise noise and vibration impacts of the project.

Air Quality

Potential impacts associated with the development include dust and particulate matter from construction activities including vegetation clearing, earthmoving, handling of spoil, demolition of existing structures and movement of heavy plant and machinery on unsealed roads. Operational emissions would be attributed to vehicles utilising the proposed Cambridge Road upgrade. A comprehensive air quality impact assessment is required for the proposal.

Water Quality Impacts

The proposed development has the potential to increase stormwater flows due to the replacement of unsealed surfaces with impervious materials. Construction activities may also result in erosion and sedimentation issues. The design investigation and environmental assessment should include a comprehensive assessment of water quality impacts for all construction and operational stages of the proposed development.

Environmental Impact Statement

Council provides the following additional comments for TfNSW consideration to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement at the next stages.

The Environmental Impact Statement shall be prepared in accordance with Part 3, Schedule 2 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000.

Appropriate Regulatory Authority

The agency is to determine whether an Environment Protection Licence is required under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. 'Road construction' is identified in Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 as a scheduled activity requiring an Environment Protection Licence.

State Environmental Planning Policy No 55- Remediation of Land

In accordance with Clause 7(1) of State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) No. 55- Remediation of Land, the agency and the consent authority is required to consider contamination and the need for remediation when determining an application. If the land requires remediation, it must be satisfied that the land will be remediated before the land is used for that purpose.

Furthermore, Clause 7(2) of SEPP 55- Remediation of Land requires the consent authority to consider a report specifying the findings of a preliminary investigation of land

if the proposed development involves a change of use on any land specified in subclause 4.

Additional information is required to determine whether the proposed development involves a change of use on land that has been used for purposes referred to in Table 1 of the contaminated land planning guidelines. It is the responsibility of the consent authority to consider the requirements of Clause 7 of SEPP No. 55- Remediation of Land prior to granting consent to any development on the land.

Before determining an Application for consent to carry out development that would involve a change of use the land referred to above, the Consent Authority must consider a report specifying the findings of a preliminary investigation of the land carried out in accordance with the contaminated land planning guidelines.

To address the requirements of Clause 7 of State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) No. 55- Remediation of Land, it is believed that the Applicant must engage the services of a suitably qualified environmental consultant to prepare or review and approve a Stage 1- Preliminary Site Investigation for the Land.

The Preliminary Site Investigation shall comply with applicable guidelines made or approved by the NSW EPA under the Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 and identify all past and present potentially contaminating activities; identify potential contamination types; discuss the site condition; provide a preliminary assessment of site contamination; and assess the need for further investigations.

Where contaminating activities are suspected or known to have occurred, or if site history is incomplete, it may be necessary to prepare a Stage 2- Detailed Site Investigation. This investigation shall give regard to the potential effects of any contaminants on public health, the environment and building structures and shall meet the sampling density outlined in the NSW EPA 'Sampling Design Guidelines' (1995).

If the Stage 2-Detailed Site Investigation indicates that the site poses unacceptable risks to human health or the environment, a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) shall be prepared or reviewed and approved by a suitably qualified environmental consultant in accordance with applicable guidelines made or approved by the NSW EPA under the Contaminated Land Management Act 1997. In these circumstances, the Remedial Action Plan shall be referred to the consent authority for review.

Contaminated site reports shall be prepared or reviewed and approved by a suitably qualified environmental consultant who is certified under either the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand's Certified Environmental Practitioner (Site Contamination) scheme (CEnvP(SC)) or the Soil Science Australia Certified Professional Soil Scientist Contaminated Site Assessment and Management (CPSS CSAM) scheme.

CTTE 10

**Liverpool Sports Committee Minutes of meeting
held 25 February 2021**

Strategic Direction	Creating Connection Celebrate diversity, promote inclusion and recognise heritage
File Ref	076874.2021
Report By	Mark Westley - Manager Recreation and Community Outcomes
Approved By	Tina Bono - Acting Director City Community and Culture

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is tabled in order to present the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 25 February 2021.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 25 February 2021.

REPORT

The Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 25 February 2021 are attached for the information of Council.

The Minutes identify actions for Council staff to undertake, none of which will have any financial impact on Council.

CONSIDERATIONS

Economic	There are no economic or financial considerations.
Environment	There are no environmental and sustainability considerations.
Social	Support community organisations, groups and volunteers to deliver coordinated services to the community.
Civic Leadership	There are no civic leadership and governance considerations.
Legislative	Sections 356(3), 377(1), and 378 of the Local Government Act 1993.
Risk	There are no risk considerations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Liverpool Sports Committee Minutes of meeting held 25 February 2021



Minutes

MINUTES OF THE LIVERPOOL SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Monica Anastasi	Werriwa All Breeds Dog Training
Daniel Di Lucca	Tennis
Nathan Gilbert	Hockey
Brian Martin	Sports less than 100 Participants delegate NSW Barefoot Water Skiing Club
Melissa King	Netball
Janette Bartram	PSSA and Schools
Ron Hughes	Football
Tony Jackson	Softball

COUNCIL ATTENDEES:

Chris Corby	Liverpool City Council
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APOLOGIES:

Adrian Rumiz	Remote Control Car Racing
Greg Blaxland	Basketball
Peter Moore	Cricket
Danielle Ayrton	Rugby League
Craig Lambeth	Liverpool City Council
Mark Westley	Liverpool City Council
Clr Charishma Kaliyanda	Liverpool City Council (Chairperson)
Fiona Heath	Baseball
Craig Hardman	Athletics
Alistair Dobson	Archery
Anna Talese	Swimming



Minutes

AGENDA:

1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Clr Charishma Kaliyanda is unable to attend and wishes to pass along her apologies. Monica Anastasi has been nominated as the Acting Chairperson.

Moved: Brian Martin **Seconded:** Tony Jackson

Motion: To confirm the appointment of Monica Anastasi as Acting Chairperson.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

Monica Anastasi welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.07pm

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting held on 26 November 2020 were confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

Moved: Daniel Di Lucca **Seconded:** Janette Bartram

Motion: To confirm the minutes from the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 26 November 2020.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

4. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM PRESENT

At any committee meeting the presence of 30% of delegates constitutes a quorum. If no quorum is present within 20 minutes of the advertised time of the meeting, the meeting must be postponed. 30% of delegates were present and formal decisions may be ratified.

Moved: Nathan Gilbert **Seconded:** Melissa King

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.



Minutes

5. LIVERPOOL SPORTING DONATIONS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Liverpool Sporting Donations Program had been placed on hold until sports recommence. Applications have now reopened however there has been limited applications. Since the last meeting on 26 November 2020 no applications were received due to the cancellation of sporting events.

Totals

Number of requests received:	0
Number of requests recommended for funding by Sports Committee:	0
Number of requests approved pending further information:	0
Amount of funding recommended by Sports Committee:	\$0
Additional donations approved pending supply of further information:	\$0
Amount of funding required:	\$0
Current funds in budget:	\$15,000

Moved: Janette Bartram **Seconded:** Ron Hughes

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

6. MAY 2021 SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING VENUE

As per Council resolution the Liverpool Sports Committee will now meet four times per year. The next meeting will occur at the Wattle Grove Public School in Wattle Grove. If the COVID-19 pandemic continues and we are unable to meet in person, we will conduct a teleconference over the Microsoft Teams platform.

Moved: Janette Bartram **Seconded:** Monica Anastasi

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

7. LIVERPOOL SPORTING GRANTS PROGRAM 2021

Chris Corby (Liverpool City Council) provided an update to all Sports Committee Members on the Liverpool Sporting Grants Program 2021.

This program offers funding to sporting clubs and junior disability sporting clubs to assist with the development of young people and encourage participation of the broader community in local sporting and recreational activities. Grants can also be used towards the purchase or maintenance of sporting equipment.



Minutes

All sports Committee members present were provided with an update that the application window is now closed. Recreation Services are currently sorting applications and the selection panel will meet to discuss these applications before the end of the financial year.

The 2021 selection panel will consist of the following Sports Committee Members:

- Monica Anastasi
- Tony Jackson
- Janette Bartram

Moved: Tony Jackson

Seconded: Melissa King

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

8. INDIVIDUAL SPORTS UPDATES

Softball

Softball is coming to the end of their summer 2020/2021 competition as they approach finals over the coming weeks. COVID greatly affected competition and representative softball in the lead into Christmas as the Northern Beaches cluster lead to the cancellation or postponement of games. Softball is currently two weeks from finals with a lot of double headers and midweek games occurring to make up games lost due to the Northern Beaches COVID cluster in December and January.

Tennis

McGirr Park Tennis Centre is currently building with local residents embracing the new tennis centre in Miller. Hot Shots Tennis, adult coaching programs and casual hire have been building since the centre was opened and will continue to grow as the centre becomes more established. The tennis centre at Bigge Park in Liverpool has also been performing strongly with participation progressing well.

The planned renewal works at Bigge Park Tennis Courts over the next 12 months will be very welcome for the tennis community in the Liverpool LGA and there is a lot of excitement around the upgrades to the tennis courts.



Minutes

Hockey

Hockey has had a fairly quite summer season due to the Northern Beaches COVID 19 Cluster effecting events and participation. The winter 2021 season is due to begin in late March for both men's and women's competitions. The below events are planned over the coming months at Ernie Smith Hockey Complex.

March

Monday – Friday

4 th	Selection Trails - Liverpool Zone PSSA
8 th	Selection Trails & Training - ISA U16 Girls Reps
11 th	Training - Liverpool Zone PSSA
15 th	Training - ISA U16 Girls Reps
16 th	GoActive - Tri-Sport Tournament
18 th	Training - Liverpool Zone PSSA
22 nd	Selections Trails – NSWCCC
23 rd	Matches – Sydney South West

Weekends

7 th	Trial Matches
13 th	SEHA Junior Comp
13 th	Season Launch & Family Day
27 th	Competition Matches
28 th	Competition Matches

April

Weekends

10 th	Competition Matches
17 th	Competition Matches
18 th	Competition Matches
24 th	Competition Matches
25 th	Competition Matches

The new spectator platform at Ernie Smith Hockey has also been completed. This viewing platform will assist the club in meeting requirements for hosting higher level hockey events and providing shelter for spectators.

PSSA and Schools

School sport has returned for Term 1 2021 after being postponed during the COVID-19 pandemic last year. School sport is mindful that COVID may impact the school sport moving forward and are monitoring parent numbers as well as encouraging COVID safe practices. PSSA working with Hockey NSW in an effort to hold Hockey in 2021.



Minutes

Netball

Liverpool Netball Association are currently in the lead into their 2021 winter season. Registrations for the season are closing over the next two weeks however unfortunately at this stage registrations are down around 20% due to the impact of COVID. The mid-week competition during spring 2020 may spark another mid-week competition due to the level of interest it attracted. COVID restriction have continued to be a difficult process to manage with events and match days spread over a greater number of courts and venues.

Football

Football is approaching the beginning of their winter 2021 season and clubs are currently in the middle of preseason. Everyone is excited about the season ahead, especially after the challenges of last season in relation to the COVID 19 pandemic. Southern Districts Soccer Football Association are looking forward to the recommencement of all their programs this winter, especially those that involve vulnerable members of the community.

Liverpool Robins FC are currently experiencing difficulties as they look at the prospect of a second year away from their home field at Ash Road Sporting Complex. This is due to an ongoing NSW Health Testing Clinic at the ground. They will be based until further notice at Brownes Farm Reserve in Hoxton Park.

Sports less than 100 participants delegate NSW Barefoot Water Skiing Club

The NSW Barefoot Water Skiing Club's season is well underway. Unfortunately a number of events such as the 2020 Worlds Junior Barefoot Championship were cancelled due COVID 19. The E-World Championships were held in December 2020 with Australia's venue for the event being Malwala on the NSW/VIC border. Videos of the competitors were sent to World's Judging Committee to verify scores and World's Juniors Champions awarded positions. The below local athletes competed:

Boys Jump

2nd Lachlan Tresidder

7th Mike Raglus

Boys Tricks

9th Mike Raglus

13th Lachlan Tresidder

Boys Slalom

5th Mike Raglus

6th Lachlan Tresidder



Minutes

Girls Tricks

4th Charlotte Keen

7th Elle Keen

Girls Slalom

7th Charlotte Keen

9th Elle Keen

In local competitions three out of the scheduled five were held as one was cancelled due to E-World championships and one was cancelled due to weather. Around 15 participants competed in each event. The Nationals are scheduled to be held in Malwala in March 2021. The NSW state titles are planned to occur in April/May 2021.

Dog Training

Dog training returned after the Christmas break at the end of January. There has been a good turn out as new members and their puppies have come down to the club. COVID restrictions are still effecting some of their operations and they will work through this as the year progresses.

Athletics

While Craig Harman was an apology to the meeting he asked that the following update be provided. The local athletics clubs are approaching the end of their summer season. With the clubs finishing their Friday night competition in mid-March, with State Championships held at Homebush over last 2 weekends in March.

Nineteen athletes in the Liverpool area qualified for the U9-12 State Championships with ten from Prestons, six from Liverpool and three from the Western Blues (Austral), with 4 of those athletes breaking records at the Regional Championships. Athletics are awaiting the names of the U13-17 athletes successful in nominating for Youth State Championships. COVID has meant that the athletes had to supply club performances to apply, rather than the usual zone/regional carnival progression.

Moved: Janette Bartram

Seconded: Daniel Di Lucca

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.



Minutes

9. GENERAL BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

Monica Anastasi has asked if Council can provide confirmation if the newly constructed school in Warwick Farm will be using the Freeman Oval parking area.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with the relevant area of Council and provide this information.

Brian Martin has asked if Council can investigate and repair potholes in the boat ramp access road at Helles Park.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with Council's City Presentation Department once Barefoot club provide images and locations of the potholes for repair.

Brian Martin has asked if Council can follow up the repairs required to the power pole reported on 18 January 2021 (GEAC #1324727).

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with Council's City Presentation Department and request that repairs be actioned.

Tony Jackson has asked if Council can provide an update of when the cage of the water meter at Jacqui Osmond Reserve will be installed. The concrete slab has been poured and is waiting on the cage installation.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with Council's City Presentation Department for an update or completion date for the cage.

Tony Jackson has asked for repairs to his playing field fences at Jacqui Osmond Reserve after people have cut them to walk dogs.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with Council's City Presentation Department to action repairs.

Monica Anastasi has asked if Council can provide an update on if the Nor-West Dog Club have submitted a winter 2021 application to Council.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with the club to see if an application has been submitted.

Nathan Gilbert has asked if Council can provide an update of when car park material will be spread at Ernie Smith hockey Complex. The mound is large and is taking up car parking.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up the project managers of the car park works and will provide an update.

Craig Hardman has asked for an update the playing field fencing project at Ash Road Sporting Complex.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up with the project managers and will provide an update.



Minutes

Craig Hardman has asked if Council can provide an update of when the Ash Road Sporting Complex will be handed back to sporting club from NSW Health.

Action: Council's Recreation Department to follow up Health NSW and provide updates when possible.

Moved: Daniel Di Lucca

Seconded: Monica Anastasi

Motion: That the information be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting, the motion was declared carried.

10. CLOSE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:06pm

QWN 01

**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Boardwalk
at the Paper Mill**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	043112.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Has the board walk which formed part of the developers VPA at the Paper Mill been approved for construction?**

Response

A voluntary planning agreement (VPA) was entered into between Council and the following parties:

- Shepherd Street Developments Pty Ltd
- Coronation (33 Shepherd St) Pty Ltd
- Coronation (28 Shepherd St) Pty Ltd
- Coronation (26 Shepherd St) Pty Ltd
- Shepherd Property Nominee Pty Limited

The purpose of the VPA is to deliver infrastructure and financial contributions to support the redevelopment of the Shepherd Street precinct. Council has been dealing directly with Coronation in relation to the delivery of the infrastructure items included in the VPA, including the riverbank works (bank stabilisation and shared path) subject to this question with notice.

There are two key approvals required from Council to enable the commencement of works:

1. Approval under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act
2. Licence for occupation of Council land for a works compound

The Part 5 approval is facilitated by a "Review of Environmental Factors" or REF. The REF is prepared by the proponent and then assessed and approved by Council. Coronation has provided Council with a REF to review and approve. Council have required some additional information and clarification of specific issues to ensure that the REF is suitable for the works.

Final assessment has been made on the REF by Council. On 18 March 2021, Council received the final documentation that it requires to complete this assessment. If this documentation addresses the requirements of the VPA and the issues raised in submissions, then the REF will be approved. Council acknowledges the risks of continued erosion of the bank adjacent to the development site and are working quickly to finalise the approval.

In relation to the works compound, Council have issued a draft site compound licence to Coronation for their review. This draft licence has been subject to a public exhibition process in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act.

Once the REF is approved and the licence executed, all relevant Council approvals will be complete.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 02	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Service Level Agreements
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Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	043118.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Council was to introduce Service Level Agreements between departments. Has this been implemented?**

Response

All Council departments have developed a draft set of internal customer service levels which include response and turn-around times for interdepartmental activity.

Although these have been developed, Council's Executive has determined that the implementation of internal customer service levels needs to be aligned to the broader organisational service and budgeting review which is currently being undertaken. This would mean that both internal and external customer service level agreements will be streamlined with a focus on key service outcomes. These will be consistent across the organisation with accountability and clarity around turnaround times ingrained in their development.

By aligning the internal customer service levels with Council's broader service and budgeting review, Council can ensure that internal customer service levels include the appropriate monitoring, reporting and accountability measures and that these are embedded into the day to day operations of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 03	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Heritage Review
Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	043121.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Council is undertaking a city-wide heritage review. My understanding is staff have identified sites that will form part of this review. If these sites are privately owned have the owners been notified that their property will be reviewed or will the first they know of it be when the report is presented to Council?**

Response

Council is preparing a detailed project brief for the proposed Liverpool Heritage Study project. Council will go to market via an Expressions of Interest process to identify suitable consultants. The EOI process is scheduled to commence by the end of April 2021 with shortlisting in May 2021. Subject to a budget allocation in the 2021/22 financial year, the shortlisted consultants will be invited to tender in July/August 2021.

This project is a comprehensive community-based heritage study for the Liverpool Local Government Area. At this stage, no properties, beyond any requests for Interim Heritage Orders, have been identified or assessed.

The proposed community-based heritage study will consist of at least four components, as follows:

1. A detailed thematic history of the Liverpool area;
2. The Heritage Study;
3. Land Use Planning Analysis; and
4. Financial Implications Analysis.

A list of potential heritage items will be created through a series of community workshops, engagement through Council's digital platforms, and consultation with identified key stakeholder groups. The list of potential items collated through this process will be analysed by the independent heritage consultant, compressing the list down to a schedule of potential items that meets the Heritage Significance Assessment criterion. This list will not be made public, at this stage of the project.

Engagement with the owners of potential heritage items will commence at this stage of the project and the engagement program will consist of the following:

1. Initial notification to owners of the identification of their property, and a factsheet will be prepared that will outline the study process and the timeframe. A request will also be made for Council's consultant team to visit the property to inform the assessment process. This will also give the owner an opportunity to meet the consultant team, to discuss the process and provide any information they feel is necessary.
2. Following the initial notification, a Q&A forum will be held with all owners of potential heritage items. The forum panel will consist of the heritage, land use planning and economic experts of the independent consultant team as well as Council's heritage and planning representatives. The forum will be chaired by an independent community engagement specialist and will provide all owners an opportunity to ask questions relating to potential heritage listing and to get answers from the panel. Where questions cannot be answered, these will be taken on notice and a formal response will be provided after the forum. All questions and answers will be documented, and a draft will be provided to all attendees to confirm the question and answers provided.
3. During the Land Use Planning and Financial Implications analysis, one-on-one interviews will be held with each owner of a potential heritage item. The purpose of these interviews will be to understand the condition of the building, future intentions of the owner and any potential financial challenges. This information will form part of a confidential report which will inform an analysis outlining the issues identified and provide recommendations or mitigation measures. The analysis will be a public document, however, will not identify specific owners and properties and their identified situations.
4. The outcome of the assessment process will then be presented to each owner in a detailed letter. Opportunities will be provided for the owner to again meet with the consultant team to discuss the outcome and potential implications.
5. The outcomes of these detailed consultation stages with the owners will be documented and summarised in a stakeholder engagement report that will be tabled to Council with the draft study. Where owners clearly object to the listing of their property, this will be documented along with the reasonings and a response from the consultant team.

The proposed approach to consultation with owners of potential heritage items is extensive and will occur before a draft is presented to Council. The proposed consultation program is greater than what is recommended for heritage studies, but Council considers it important to bring owners into the process early and to have them actively involved.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 04	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Machinery Purchase
Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	043125.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Council allocated approximately \$3m to the City Presentation team for the purchase of new equipment. What machinery was purchased and how was this determined?**

Response

In 2019, the City Presentation Directorate requested additional funding for the purchase of plant and equipment to address the increasing servicing requirement across the expanding Local Government Area. Council Resolution (Corp 03 dated December 2019) approved budget variations for the transfer of \$1.5M of unrestricted reserves to City Presentation.

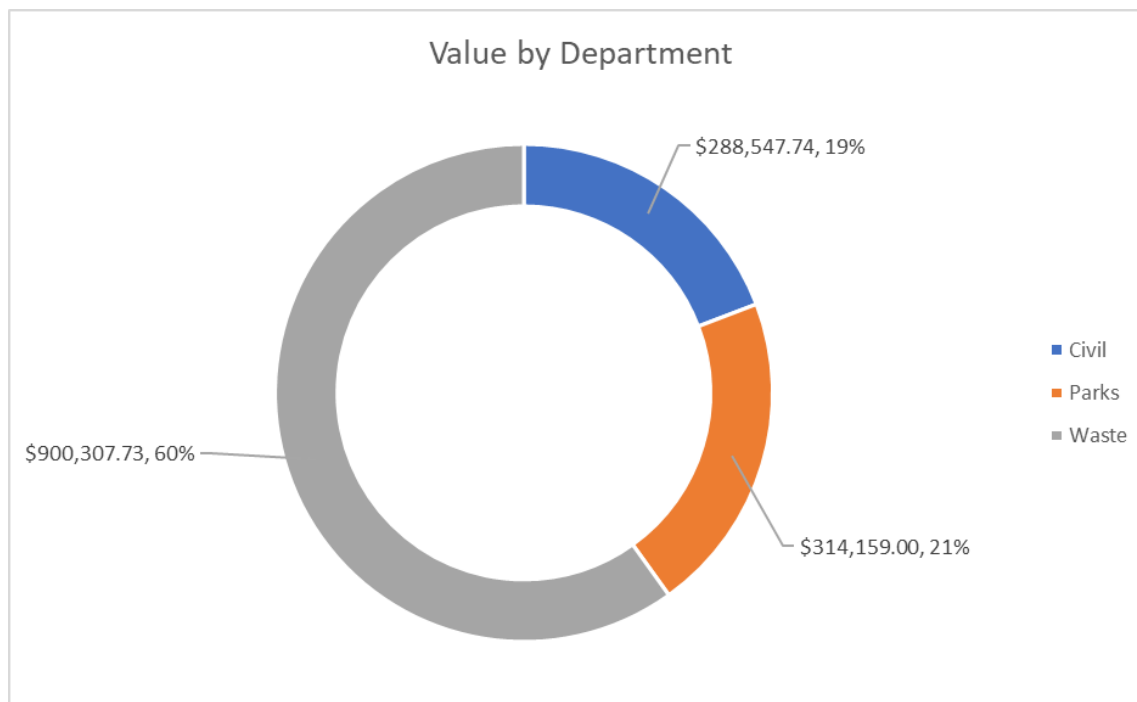
In March 2020, the Managers for City Works (Parks and Civil), Waste and Cleansing as well as Operational Facilities presented individual rationales to the Director of City Presentation for consideration. A review of service and maintenance programs in each area was undertaken, and a final decision of plant and equipment acquisitions was based on service priorities.

The acquisition strategy evolved from the original list as presented in the Memo to the Mayor and Councillors dated 6 March 2020.

Please refer to the table below, outlining the latest commitments.

Plant and Equipment Acquisition Status Report

Department	Replacement/ New Initiative	Description of Plant Make	Model	Qty	Contract Value	Procurement Status	Estimated Arrival Month	Timing during month
Civil	New Initiative	Hino	5X4 Tipper	1	\$213,547.74	Plant Ordered	Jun-2021	End
Civil	New Initiative	Rogers Willex	Trailer for civil excavator 951	1	\$25,000.00	Plant Manufacturing	Apr-2021	End
Parks	New Initiative	Kubota	Extra tractor for Dave Taylor team	1	\$74,282.00	Delivered to dealership	Apr-2021	End
Waste	New Initiative	Isuzu	FXV 6X4	1	\$179,133.63	Plant Ordered	May-2021	Mid
Waste	New Initiative	Effer	80-2 Crane	1	\$59,000.00	Plant Ordered	May-2021	Mid
Waste	New Initiative	Hartrie	Crane attachments	1	\$11,500.00	Plant Ordered	May-2021	Mid
Waste	New Initiative	Avant	850 Loader	1	\$108,712.73	Delivered to supplier for modification	Mar-2021	End
Waste	New Initiative	Garwood	1 Compactor	1	\$210,023.64	Procurement - Award	Sep-2021	End
Waste	New Initiative	Carler Wesco	BT450	1	\$18,475.00	Completed	ready now	
Waste	New Initiative	Garwood	1 X Street Sweeper	1	\$313,462.73	Plant Manufacturing	Sep-2021	End
Civil	New Initiative	tbc	Mulching Head for excavator	1	\$50,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	Condor Slasher – West Sports Fields	1	\$30,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	Mentay 2000 Wicket roller – Rosedale	1	\$32,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	Small plant & hardware for Cirrillo Reserve	1	\$8,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	2 X Kubota trailers	1	\$55,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	Walk Behind Roller	1	\$22,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	Kubota	Out-Front Mowers F3690	1	\$30,959.00	Completed	ready now	
Parks	New Initiative	Kubota	Out-Front Mowers F3690	1	\$30,959.00	Completed	ready now	
Parks	New Initiative	Kubota	Out-Front Mowers F3690	1	\$30,959.00	Completed	ready now	
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It is important to note - *“the current lead-time for tendering plant and equipment in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 – Section 55 and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, Part 7 would take approximately 6 months to purchase. In addition, average manufacturing time range anywhere from 3-8 months, once contracts are awarded. This means there would be a lead-time of a maximum total of 14 months before plant is available to our workforce”.*

The Council’s priority at the time was to ensure the plant renewal budget of over \$4M to replace the aging plant and equipment had to be delivered first, to meet the Council’s safety obligations under the National Heavy Vehicle Law (NHVL).

The expenditure of the \$1.5M for plant and machinery commenced after this initiative in a two-phased procurement process, which allowed Council to manage the budget and take into account uncertainty associated with market pricing.

The procurement process takes approximately 6-9 months to scope and go through the procurement cycle. In addition, significant events such as the NSW Bushfires in December/January 2019/2020, the February flood event in 2020 and the COVID19 pandemic presented significant challenges across manufacturing, logistics, as well as, shipping and transport which further impacted the timeline.

The Council aims to have all plant and equipment purchasing completed by December 2021.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 05

**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Wait Time
for Household Clean Up Service**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Seek efficient and innovative methods to manage our resources
File Ref	043131.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. What is the wait time as at 15 February, 2021 for a household clean up service (waste pick up)?**

Response

Currently Council's website states "please book at least four weeks in advance", our current service timeframes range from four to six weeks which is in line with our current resourcing (Waste Operatives and Plant availability).

On 1 February 2021 Council launched a new booking system, which has been well received by the community. The ease of the new booking system has introduced a positive impact with increased bookings which has also led to the lead times increasing.

Each household is permitted two bookings per year at a maximum capacity of 2 tonnes allowed per booking.

Starting on 22 February 2021 our Waste Teams' maximum capacity for household collections is up to 175 collections per day. This was increased from 140 collections per day once the acquisition and roll out of the five new Compactors (Trucks) was completed.

Council is currently reviewing resourcing to improve wait times and service delivery to the community.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 06

**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - One Lane
Bridge on Sixth Avenue, Austral**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	043141.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Who is responsible for the dangerous one lane bridge on Sixth Avenue, Austral close to the intersection of Thirtieth Avenue?**

Response:

The bridge on Sixth Avenue, Austral near its intersection with Thirteenth Avenue, crosses the Water NSW Upper Canal. Water NSW owns the bridge and has responsibility for its maintenance.

The road approaches to the bridge have been inspected and stop signs have been relocated. In addition, overgrown grass which was obstructing sight distances has been mowed to improve visibility on the bridge approaches.

Water NSW engaged consultants last year to assess heavy vehicle movements across the bridge and as a result, an 18-tonne load limit to restrict heavy vehicles has been imposed. The load limit signs will be installed this month.

To reduce traffic speeds on the bridge approaches, the Liverpool Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee will consider the installation of two rubber speed humps on either side of the bridge at its meeting on 17 March 2021.

When the Austral / Leppington North precinct was zoned by the NSW Government, no provision was made for the widening of this bridge, including within the Contributions Plan. Further, Browns Road is to be upgraded to a collector road linking Austral to Bringelly Road which then crosses the Upper Canal to the east.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 07**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Twenty
Sixth Avenue, Austral Resurfacing**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	043163.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Twenty Sixth Ave Austral is in desperate need of resurfacing. Is it on the program of works?**

Response

Council acknowledges that the condition of Twenty Sixth Avenue is very poor with extensive surface and pavement failures, which are beyond the scope of normal maintenance repairs. Accordingly, Council has scheduled major repairs and resurfacing of the full length of Twenty Sixth Avenue, between Stuart Road and Twenty Fifth Avenue. At this stage, these works are planned to be completed in May 2021.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 08**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Edmondson Avenue, Austral - Part Road Resurfaced**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	062858.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Parts of Edmondson Avenue, Austral have been resurfaced. Are there any plans to finish off the Bringelly Road end?**

Response

Council's Civil Maintenance Team repaired several deteriorated road sections in Edmondson Avenue towards Fifteenth Avenue in September 2020.

Additional funds were required to complete the works and Council endorsed \$120,000 to be transferred to this project in the first quarter budget review. Repair and resurfacing works which will include the Bringelly Road end, have been programmed to commence in April 2021 and are anticipated to be completed by the end of June 2021.

Council's Civil Maintenance Team continues to be committed to undertaking routine inspections and road repairs as required until the proposed upgrade of the two-lane divided road construction is completed as part of future programmed capital road works.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 09

Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Extra Road Lanes on Greenway Drive, West Hoxton

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	062862.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Is there anything that stops Council from considering adding extra road lanes on Greenway Drive West Hoxton (East bound) between Cowpasture Road and Wyattville Drive?**

Response

Greenway Drive is a collector road providing access to the southern part of West Hoxton between Cowpasture Road and Joshua Moore Drive. With its intersection with Joshua Moore Drive, Greenway Drive forms a loop road (between Cowpasture Road north and Cowpasture Road south).

The section of Greenway Drive between Cowpasture Road and Wyattville Drive is a two-lane divided road. Cowpasture Road is a state road under the care and control of Transport for NSW (TfNSW). It has a signalised intersection with Kurrajong Road and Greenway Drive, which permits all turning movements. The section of Greenway Drive between Cowpasture Road and Wyattville Drive is the western leg of the intersection.

The signal operation particularly in the AM peak periods results in traffic queues and congestion along this road section. The western approach to the signals has a lane configuration as shown below, with a left turn slip lane, a through lane and a short right turn lane of approximately 60m. The congestion (along this approach) could be the result of queueing vehicles blocking the left turn or through traffic movements.



This section of Greenway Drive has a carriageway width of approximately 12m with a 2m raised concrete median island. The eastbound carriageway width is approximately 5m wide. To accommodate an additional eastbound traffic lane, the carriageway will need to be widened by approximately 1.5m. This will require reconfiguration of the existing traffic lanes involving narrowing, reconstruction of the existing central median island to the south and/or minor kerb adjustment. Such reconfiguration involves changing the western approach to the signalised intersection with Cowpasture Road and will require consultation with and approval by TfNSW.

Upgrading this road section is not identified in Council's capital works program. Council will develop preliminary designs, undertake necessary agency consultation and advise Councillors of the outcome.

Following this, detailed costings and designs can be prepared for Council's consideration for inclusion in the capital works program for funding consideration in future financial years' budgets.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 10	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Drive Through to Inspect the Quality of Roads in the Rural Area
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Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	062863.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. When was the last time a drive through was done to inspect the quality of roads in the rural area?**

Response

The Council inspects its road network using external consultants and internal crews.

Council also undertakes a comprehensive condition survey of road assets including rural roads every 4 years using an external expert. This informs the Council of the long-term financial forecast for the road assets. The last comprehensive survey was completed in 2018. Approximately 890 km of the road assets were inspected during this survey including 158 km of the rural roads.

Council's maintenance crews undertake an inspection of rural roads regularly and aim to complete the tasks within 6 to 12 months. The major arterial roads (Fifteenth Avenue, Badgerys Creek Road, Edmondson Avenue, Greendale Road, etc.) are inspected monthly.

Currently, inspections and maintenance of roads in rural areas are undertaken by Council's City Presentation Team. There is a total of 5 teams (Crews) in City Presentation which focus on civil maintenance for the Council's entire road network and that includes:

- Minor Patching Teams – focus on minor patching and potholes
 - the Minor Patching Teams comprises of 3 Crews with 8 staff members operating 3 key pieces of plant - Flo-con machines (quantity 2) and one Jet Master system.

- Heavy Patch Team – focus on larger and lengthy road repairs
 - The Heavy Patch Team comprises 1 Crew with 5 staff members operating heavy plant such as backhoe and road roller.
- Shoulder Team – focus on reconstructing road shoulders (edges and natural causeway) of the side of the road.
 - The Shoulder Crew comprises 1 Crew with 6 staff members operating heavy plant bobcat, excavator and road roller and grader.

For larger and more complex works which require a specialised plant, City Presentation engages external contractors to undertake the works.

Council's maintenance team manages the rural roads using the above-mentioned crews if they have safety and complaint issues. In addition to the above, road shoulder reconstruction and grading works are also undertaken by the Depot for rural roads.

Council manages its road network including the rural roads at set standards and makes sure they are accessible all year.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 11

Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti Annual Fire Safety Statement (AFSS)

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	062866.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Do all Council owned/managed properties have an up to date Annual Fire Safety Statement (AFSS)?

Response

There are currently 69 Council owned properties on the Annual Fire Safety Statement register. As at 22nd March 2021, 65 are up to date and 4 are overdue which are listed below.

Property Name	Address	Comments
SES Liverpool	99-101 Rose St Liverpool	The premises is under renovation. Therefore, not currently being occupied. Date not specified for AFSS submission.
Casula Community Centre & Library & Childcare Centre	39 Ingham Drive Casula	Repairs scheduled for the 24 th March.
Warwick Farm Children's Centre	68 Williamson Crescent	The certificate has been submitted. Therefore, this is a timing issue towards official certification.
Rose Street Depot (Mechanics Workshop)	99-101 Rose Street, Liverpool	Testing is being completed. Awaiting fire testing report to determine whether repairs are required prior to certification

Over the last 10 months, Council has worked diligently to put in place appropriate resources, budgets and work schedules to maintain a sustainable program of fire safety certification across our property portfolio. Even though this meets compliance standards, Council has an appetite to progressively move towards best practice with regards to Fire Safety.

In order to progress to best practice, Council has engaged an independent fire safety engineer to complete a due diligence process to validate the integrity of the schedule's base line data, identify opportunities for full functional testing and identify those Fire safety assets within its properties which aren't itemised on the schedules.

Council intends to translate the outcomes of this report into a program of capital works and a revision of Council Property Fire Schedules where applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 12	Question with Notice - Cllr Rhodes - Mobile Office Services
Strategic Direction	Creating Connection Implement access and equity for all members of the community
File Ref	082263.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

Mobile Office Services

- 1. People in the Community who are not computer literate, have no internet service, and consequently are not on facebook or other social media platforms have asked when is Council intending to start Council Mobile Office services again?**
- 2. What else can Council do to bridge the communication gap with constituents who are not Computer or smart phone savvy?**

Response to point 1

The last Council Mobile Office was held on 12 February 2020 and then ceased due to Covid-19.

Staff propose to recommence Mobile Offices in May and hold another one in July for the current term of Council.

It's intended that Mobile Offices then continue to be held bi-monthly in the new term of Council.

A response to point 2 of this QWN will be provided in the April 2021 Council meeting business papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 13**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Customer Service Request**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083327.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

- 1. Once a customer service request is made whether on line or over the phone, what measures are in place to ensure that the request is actioned?**

Response

All customer requests are issued with a unique identifier. Once a customer request is lodged it is assigned to an actioning and responsible officer in the relevant department.

At times customers call Council to request an update on their request, if it is found that the request is unactioned a follow up request will be issued to the actioning/responsible officer.

Customer Service rely on the information updated in the customer request to update the customer on the progress.

At times customer service requests are escalated to People Leaders for follow up or actioning.

Monthly reporting is available and reported on for outstanding customer request trend analysis.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 14	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Climate Action Plan
Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083347.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. At the last ordinary meeting Council passed a resolution to create a 'Climate Action Plan'. What community consultation will take place prior to the implementation of such plan and will this plan include a dollar cost which ultimately will be paid for by the ratepayer?

Response

The development of a Climate Action Plan is likely to include a public exhibition period prior to adoption. The scope of the Plan will be informed by the scheduled Councillor workshop, and may include cost estimates for pertinent actions. However, until funding opportunities (such as grants) and cost savings are further explored, it may not be possible to identify the cost to the ratepayers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 15**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Council's
Debt Level**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Increase community engagement
File Ref	083251.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Can a graph please be put together showing Council's debt level from 2008 to 2028 based on current projections?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided to Councillors prior to the March Council meeting and will be included in the minutes for the March 2021 Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 16

Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - 35 Scott Street, Liverpool

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083271.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Has the empty commercial floor space at 35 Scott St been leased out yet?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided to Councillors prior to the March Council meeting and will be included in the minutes for the March 2021 Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 17

Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Civic Place

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083283.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. What percentage of the rate base would the repayments on the loan for Civic Place equate to?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided to Councillors prior to the March Council meeting and will be included in the minutes for the March 2021 Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 18

Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Rates

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083295.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Can the CEO rule out based on Council's current position that a request for an increase in rates will not be made for the 22/23 financial year?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided to Councillors prior to the March Council meeting and will be included in the minutes for the March 2021 Council meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 19**Question with Notice - Cllr Kaliyanda - Food
Insecurity**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083091.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. What is the status of food insecurity in the Liverpool LGA?
2. As COVID-19 related restrictions have eased, what impact has this had on people accessing food relief?
3. How are gaps in government support being met in the Liverpool LGA?

A response to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business Papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 20

**Question with Notice - Cllr Kaliyanda - Gender
Pay Gap**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083179.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Has Council ever conducted a gender pay gap analysis for the organisation?
2. If so, how does our Council compare to benchmarks?

A response to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business Papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 21	Question with Notice - Cllr Hagarty - Infrastructure and Services in Growth Areas
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Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Meet the challenges of Liverpool's growing population
File Ref	083199.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Background

There is still a lack of infrastructure and services in our growth areas. Suburbs like Middleton Grange, Edmondson Park and Austral are poorly served with choked roads and a lack of bus services. This issue is set to become worse if it is not addressed quickly.

While Council is delivering on State Government housing targets, other levels of Government must provide their fair share such as main roads, bus services and regional infrastructure like hospitals, schools, police stations and top tier venue spaces.

Please address the following:

- 1. What additional bus services are planned for our growth suburbs?**
- 2. When are these new bus services set to arrive?**
- 3. How are major upgrades to roads like Fifteenth Avenue funded?**
- 4. Are there plans for additional public services and infrastructure like hospitals, schools, police stations, ambulance stations in our growth suburbs?**
- 5. When are these expected to be delivered?**

A response to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 22

**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Civic Place
Documentation**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Increase community engagement
File Ref	083222.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Can all the documents relating to Civic Place, ie QS reports etc, be made public?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 23**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Aerotropolis**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083305.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Currently landowners in the Aerotropolis are stuck in no man's land based on the new zonings. Although a range of developments are permissible under the new zoning, applications are not able to be submitted or determined due to the lack of an infrastructure plan or infrastructure to service the land. What options are available to landowners for temporary use DAs? What discretions can Council apply if it chooses to allow structures to remain that are currently in place?

A response to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 24	Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Drainage Channels
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Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083313.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. Can the CEO please provide a map of the drainage channels that Council is responsible for in the rural/growth areas and a timeline for when they will all be cleared?

A response to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business paper.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

QWN 25**Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Consultants**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	083339.2021

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

Please address the following:

1. There is a dramatic increase in dollar terms from the adopted budget to the current projections for consultants. Can a reconciliation please be provided for that line item identifying the consultant, the amount spent, when the request for that consultant was made, the purpose and when it was first known that that consultancy work would be needed?

A response to this Question with Notice will be provided in the 28 April 2021, Council Meeting Business papers.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

NOM 01**Parking on Verges and Nature Strips**

Strategic Direction	Generating Opportunity Meet the challenges of Liverpool's growing population
File Ref	081367.2021
Author	Karress Rhodes - Councillor

BACKGROUND

Following the recent communication from Eleni Petinos MP Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads advising that Council has the authority to permit parking on the verge or nature strips by providing appropriate parking control signage, it is in the best interest of residents that Council identify suitable areas where such parking is safe to do so and implement it as soon as possible.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council establish parking areas on verges and nature strips where safe to do so in accordance with NSW Road Rule 197 by:

- a) Identifying all streets in the Liverpool LGA where parking on the verge and nature strips can be safely permitted;
- b) Report back to May 2021 Council Meeting on areas found to be permissible together with the time it would take to implement and cost to appropriately sign post or paint roads indicating where such parking is permissible;
- c) Cease immediately any parking fines for vehicles parked on verges or nature strips as long as they are doing so safely and in accordance with the requirements of Road Rule 197 until Council has completed all necessary reports and implementation; and
- d) Promote on Council's website, the press, and all Council social media platforms information to educate residents on Council's intentions together with clear diagrams on legal and illegal parking.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S COMMENT

The letter from the Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads was in response to a letter Council resolved to write to the Minister for Transport and Roads requesting changes to the Roads Act 1993 and RMS Technical Direction (TTD 2014/004-July 2014) in relation to parking on verges and nature strips. Both letters are **attached**.

RMS Technical Direction (TTD 2014/004-July 2014) outlines the design approach to permit parking on road verges. This approach was followed when preparing Council's "Guidelines for Assessment of Parking Spaces along Narrow Streets which was adopted by Council on 11 December 2019 (**attached**).

Council has allocated \$200,000 in this financial year's budget for indented parking bays to be constructed on prioritised streets. A priority list was considered by the Local Traffic Committee at its meeting held on 18 November 2020 and designs are being completed for construction this financial year. Subject to funding allocation, the program can continue into future financial years on a prioritised basis.

Further discussions will take place with TfNSW to identify whether there are other cost-effective ways (other than indented parking bays) to permit verge parking in suitable locations where there will not be a conflict with pedestrians and will not impact residential amenity and safety.

Council officers performing enforcement activities is an operational activity in accordance with Council policy and the NSW Ombudsman's Enforcement Guidelines for Councils. If a complaint is received regarding parking on a verge or footpath, officers patrol the area to confirm whether illegal parking is occurring. This is followed by sending educational letters to all residents of the street advising against parking on the nature strip prior to any enforcement action being taken.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter to Minister for Transport and Roads - Council Resolution - 27 October 2020 - EGROW 05 - Parking on Verges and Nature Strips
2. Response from Minister for Transport and Roads - Parking on verges and nature strips
3. Guidelines for Assessment of Parking Spaces along Narrow Streets



Our Ref: 292479.2020
Contact: Charles Wiafe
Ph: 8711 7452
Date: 18 December 2020

The Hon. Andrew Constance MP
Minister for Transport and Roads
GPO Box 5341
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Sent via email: office@constance.minister.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Constance,

Re: Parking on Nature strips – Request for amendment to Roads Act and Transport Technical Direction

Liverpool City Council at its meeting on 27 October 2020 discussed ongoing concerns regarding parking on narrow streets and nature strips and resolved that Council *"makes representations to the State Government to amend the relevant regulations to allow discretion for parking on verges and nature strips"*.

The Liverpool Local Government Area contains many suburbs with relatively narrow carriageways - including Moorebank, West Hoxton, Prestons, Cecil Hills and Cartwright that were developed over the past 40 to 50 years. These areas have increasing levels of on street parking and has resulted in some residents believing they have no option but to park on nature strips. Consequently, Council has been receiving complaints and representations for arrangements to provide on-street parking or permit parking within the nature strips.

Council notes that the NSW Road Rule Number 197 *"prohibits parking on footpaths and nature strips"*. However, parking is allowed on road-related areas that are specifically intended or constructed for on-street parking. In this regard, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has prepared Transport Technical Direction (TTD) 2014/04 with a recommended approach to permit parking along narrow streets which includes paving of a portion of the nature strip.

Council considers that the recommended paving solution is expensive and requests that consideration be given to amending the above-mentioned road rule to permit parking on specified portions of nature strips where space is still available for pedestrian movements.

Council appreciates that amending road rules takes time. Therefore, as an interim measure Council requests that TTD 2014/04 be amended to permit parking at specified locations within nature strips or road verges such as within 1.5m from kerb lines. This amendment would still permit pedestrian access and achieve the aim of the TTD.

Should you require any further information on this matter, please contact Charles Wiafe, Acting Manager Planning and Transport Strategy via email wiafec@liverpool.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Smith".

David Smith
Acting Director City Economy & Growth



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Ms Eleni Petinos MP
Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads

Our Ref: 01169945
Your Ref: 292479.2020

Mr David Smith
Acting Director
City Economy & Growth
Liverpool City Council
Locked Bag 7064
LIVERPOOL BC NSW 1871

Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your correspondence to the Minister for Transport and Roads about Liverpool City Council's request to change *the Roads Act 1993* and the Transport Technical Direction in relation to parking on verges and nature strips. The Minister has asked me to respond on his behalf.

As council is aware, Rule 197 of the *NSW Road Rules 2014* prevents drivers from stopping or parking on paths, verges, nature strips, painted islands or traffic islands. This rule is in place to protect the safety and ensure the amenity of pedestrians who are the primary users of these areas. This includes pedestrians living with a disability, including reduced mobility and vision impairment, whose safety may be placed at increased risk if motorists were permitted to drive and park on footpaths and other road-related areas. This is particularly the case in built-up areas where pedestrian space is often already limited. As such, there are no plans to amend this road rule or the Transport Technical Direction.

It may interest council to know that NSW Road Rule 197 may allow road managers at council to establish parking areas on verges and nature strips within its Local Government Area. These parking areas would need to be marked by appropriate parking control signage.

However, any determination to establish such parking areas on verges and nature strips needs to be preceded by an appropriate safety assessment conducted by council's road managers.

Thank you for taking the time to write to the Minister.

Yours sincerely

16/03/2021

Eleni Petinos MP
Parliamentary Secretary for Transport and Roads



Guidelines for Assessment of Parking Spaces along Narrow Streets

Adopted: 11 December 2019

TRIM (301885.2019)



Guidelines for Assessment of Parking Spaces along Narrow Streets

1. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- Roads Act 1993
- AS2890.5:1993
- RMS Technical Direction (TTD 2014/004 July 2014)

2. PURPOSE

In accordance with Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) delegation to Councils, Council manages traffic and parking along local and regional roads under its care and control.

A number of established suburbs in the Liverpool Local Government Area (LGA) have many residential streets with narrow carriageway widths between 5.5m and 7m. These carriageway configurations do not permit on-street parking on one or both sides while maintaining two-way traffic flow.

Some residents have therefore been parking on footpath and nature strips. NSW Road Rule No 197 prohibits parking on footpaths and nature strips. Council has been receiving requests from local residents for on-street parking along narrow streets.

Council resolved to develop guidelines for the assessment and prioritisation of requests for additional on-street parking along narrow streets (Guidelines).

The Guidelines apply to the assessment, prioritisation and provision of additional on-street parking along narrow streets.

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Guidelines are to:

- a) provide a clear assessment methodology to assist Council staff in selecting streets where verge parking or alternative treatments can be provided;
- b) provide guidance on how to treat narrow roads to permit parking and provide sufficient road width for through traffic;
- c) provide design specifications and requirements for parking treatments along narrow streets;
- d) ensure that parking provision along narrow streets complies with legislation, RMS Technical Directions and Australia Standards;
- e) ensure that cost-effective parking treatments are provided along narrow streets;
- f) establish a clear and streamlined process for the prioritisation of requests for additional on-street parking along narrow streets; and
- g) ensure that the parking treatments minimise impacts on existing streetscapes / utilities.

4. DEFINITIONS

AS2890.5 -1993 - Australian Standard: Parking facilities – On-street parking.

Footpath - An area open to the public that is designated for, or has as one of its main uses, use by pedestrians, and maybe paved or unpaved

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Nature strip - an area between a road (except a road related area) and adjacent land, but does not include a bicycle path, footpath or shared path.

Road – an area that is open to or used by the public and is developed for, or has as one of its main uses, the driving or riding of motor vehicles.

Road related area - is any of the following:

- a) An area that divides a road
- b) A footpath or nature strip adjacent to a road.
- c) An area that is not a road and that is open to the public and designated for use by cyclists or animals.
- d) An area that is not a road and that is open to or used by the public for driving, riding or parking vehicles.

Roads Act - NSW Roads Act 1993

Street – a road as prescribed in the Local Government Act.

Verge parking – Provision of a hard stand area in the nature strip such as paving or concrete to permit vehicle to park safely in the nature strip without disrupting pedestrian movement and other functions of the verge.

Indented parking – Provision of a parking bay located immediately adjacent to a through traffic lane, but protected from through traffic by virtue of the kerb & channel alignment adjacent to the parking bay(s) being offset in the direction of the property boundary.

5. POLICY STATEMENT

In accordance with the NSW Roads Act, Council is responsible for the management of the local and regional road network, under its jurisdiction.

In addition to the local and regional road network, under an agreement with the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) with local councils, Council is also responsible for provision of footpath, verge and landscaping along roads in its LGA except motorways.

5.1 Assessment and Prioritisation Requirements

All requests for on-street parking on narrow streets should be sent to Council's email: lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au or by post to Locked Bag 7064 Liverpool BC NSW 1871.

Such requests will be registered in Council's Parking on Narrow Streets Fund project database.

Council will carry out a warrant assessment to decide whether on-street parking treatment is required based on the following factors:

- An assessment of on-street parking demand versus supply
- Traffic efficiency and road safety issues caused by on-street parking such as impacting through traffic
- History of infringements
- Environmental/streetscape issues

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- Utility affectation

If the treatment is warranted, Council staff will carry out a detailed investigation to determine appropriate treatment options and will prepare concept design plans and costings.

The proposed treatment will be considered by the Council's Pedestrian, Active Transport and Traffic Committee and a Council meeting for approval.

The timing of improvement works is subject to available funds through Council's Parking on Narrow Streets Fund. If the funds are exhausted in a financial year, the works will be listed for delivery in the following financial year pending allocation of funds through the budget process.

5.2 Assessment requirements


In accordance with RMS Technical Direction (TTD 2014/004 July 2014), verge or indented parking will only be considered if it meets the following requirements:

- a) Narrow roads with adjacent off-road parking spaces must not have a speed limit greater than 50km/h.
- b) Narrow roads have road carriageway widths less than 7.2 m.
- c) The footpath meets the requirements set out in the RMS Technical Direction or Council's footpath specification. Appropriate residual width is maintained on the verge for pedestrians.
- d) The location of the parking spaces or areas must not comprise sight distances for vehicles at intersections and property access. There are existing mandatory restrictions at intersections, road crossings, and traffic signals contained in the NSW Road Rules 2008 (statutory restrictions) and RMS Technical Directions (signposted restrictions). These are applied to ensure that minimum sight distances are provided for road safety purposes. These documented requirements must be applied when locating off-road parking spaces and areas.
- e) The parking spaces, including access to and from spaces, are not to affect utilities and the streetscape.
- f) Parking spaces can be accessed without driving on the footpath or nature strip.
- g) Paved parking spaces will not cause any adverse impacts on on-street stormwater drainage system.

5.3 Types of parking treatments

Option 1 – Installation of parking restriction on one side of the road	<p>Factors to be considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence indicates that the on-street parking demand restricts vehicle movements b) Safety and maximising on-street parking will be taken into consideration when identifying which side of the road the parking restrictions are to be located c) Consultation with affected properties along the street
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<p>Option 2 – Verge parking</p> <p>(Design dimensions as shown below) (Example show in Figure 1)</p>  <p>The diagram illustrates a side view of a car parked on a red-colored verge. To the left of the car is a green footpath, and to the right is a grey street. Further left is an orange property boundary. Dimensions are indicated: 0.6m from the property boundary to the start of the verge, 1.5-2.4m as the desirable verge width, 0.5m for the footpath, 2.1m minimum as the desirable parking space width, and 6.5 or 12m for the car length. A tree is shown on the verge, and a 'Type M3 herb & channel' is indicated at the bottom right of the verge area.</p>	<p>Factors to be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence indicates that the on-street parking demand restricts traffic flow; b) High parking exceeds parking supply (including on-site parking) in the surrounding area; c) Low traffic, pedestrian and cyclist movements; d) Low speed street; e) Sufficient verge area to covert parking space; f) Adequate footpath width for pedestrians; g) No impact on utilities and landscaping; h) Safe sight distances for vehicles at intersections and property access; i) Detailed design is to minimise impact on existing landscaping, include tree planting and where possible include water sensitive design principles and features. j) Available funds through Council's Parking on Narrow Streets allocation in the Capital Works Programme.
<p>Option 3 – Indented parking</p>	<p>Factors to be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence indicates that the on-street parking demand restricts traffic flow; b) High parking exceeds parking supply (including on-site parking) in the surrounding area;

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c) Medium/high traffic, pedestrian and cyclist movements; d) Street length and width to provide indented parking bays; e) Sufficient footpath width for pedestrians; f) No impact on utilities and landscaping; g) Safe sight distances for vehicles at intersections and property access; h) Detailed design is to minimise impact on existing landscaping, include tree planting and where possible include water sensitive design principles and features. i) Available funds through Council's Parking on Narrow Streets allocation in the Capital Works Programme.
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Figure 1 – Example of car parking spaces within nature strips

5.4 Funding

In general, Council will fund the provision of on-street parking.

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Local residents are able to apply to Council to fund the construction of on-street parking along their street frontage, subject to the design being approved by Council. However, the subject parking spaces will remain public and can be used by anyone including neighbours.

5.5 Prioritisation

The selected streets for parking treatments will be prioritised based on the following factors:

- a) Traffic volume;
- b) History of infringements;
- c) Number of community requests;
- d) Other road safety concerns;
- e) Footpath paving projects program
- f) Cost and available funds;
- g) Private funds from local residents

AUTHORISED BY

Council Resolution

EFFECTIVE FROM

11 December 2019

DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE

Planning & Transport Strategy (City Economy & Growth)

REVIEW DATE

The policy must be reviewed every two years

VERSIONS

Version	Amended by	Changes made	Date	TRIM Number

Guidelines for Assessment of Parking Spaces along Narrow Streets

THIS POLICY HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN CONSULTATION WITH

- *Planning & Transport Strategy*
- *Infrastructure & Environment*
- *City Design & Public Domain*

REFERENCES

- *Australian Standard AS2890.5 Parking Facilities*
- *RMS Technical Direction (TTD 2014/004) – off road parking provision on narrow roads*
- *Department of Transport and Main Roads Technical Note 138 Verge Parking and Indented parking*

NOM 02

**Liveable Communities - One Size state Planning
Does Not Fit All**

Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	081395.2021
Author	Karress Rhodes - Councillor

BACKGROUND

State planning legislation is currently based on what the future might be when infrastructure is provided similar to the Sydney CBD that makes the dependence on privately owned vehicles redundant.

That is not the current situation for Western Sydney where the provision of such infrastructure is measured in decades if not many decades into the future.

It is time that all Local Governments in the growth centres of Western Sydney stood together to reject the one size fits all planning regulation and legislations of the State Government and insist on behalf of our residents that the current needs of our Local Communities are address now, not what their needs may be into the future.

The current State regulations and legislations are based on the needs of the Sydney CBD and those areas that the Government has already supplied the necessary infrastructure that makes owning a car unnecessary. Here in Western Sydney there is no such existing infrastructure and Western Sydney unlike other areas remains very much car dependent.

Dependent to get to work, dependent to get to schools, the shops dependent for your everyday living in the Western Sydney City.

To meet that need we need roads that are wide enough for traffic to flow in either direction at the same time with cars parked on both sides of the street all at the same time.

It is not ok for our residents to be forced into communities where the roads are so narrow that cars cannot park outside residential properties that then only permits one single flow of traffic in one direction, this is not acceptable.

It is not acceptable that residents are forced to break the law in order to park their cars in efforts to keep traffic trickling through residential areas all because of the State Planning belief that one day people will not need cars..

It is not ok for emergency services not to be able to reach any and every house that may have a need because the roads are just too narrow for them to be able to attend, this is not acceptable.

Western Sydney is more prone to extreme heat than areas closer to the coast and the one size fits all for minimum block size may be suitable for those areas, but here in Western Sydney we need larger blocks to enable opportunities for heat mitigation.

Block sizes need to be relevant to the dwelling foot print with enough room between boundaries to enable air flow and tree planting.

There is a need for a maximum density to be set to the identified infrastructure planning recognised in new development areas at time of zoning and there is a need to set maximum density upgrades in established area in accordance with the limits of existing infrastructure.

It is not ok to increase densities in established areas where the existing infrastructure is inadequate because it was established years before when the area was first zoned and. Infrastructure was established on the planned density needs at time of zoning. It is not always possible to meet new increased density infrastructure requirements. When State Government encourages increase in densities in such already developed areas that does not have the necessary infrastructure to cope with increased densities it simply lowers the standard of liveability for existing residents.

We as representatives of our Community need to stand united to deliver more liveable communities for the Liverpool LGA and the Western City that is based on the current needs of our residents not what might there needs be in decades to come.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Write to Minister for Western Sydney and DPIE seeking changes to State Planning legislation and planning regulations that will ensure the delivery of Liveable Communities that meets the current needs of the residents in Western Sydney.
2. Seek supporting collaboration with all Western Sydney Local Governments, WSROC, Western Sydney State and Federal MP's for changes to the State Planning legislation and regulations that includes:
 - a) maximum permissible density in all areas subject to original zoning and identified infrastructure at the time of original zoning for green fill areas and
 - b) maximum permissible densities in areas already developed subject to the existing supplied infrastructure.
 - c) Set a percentage of variety of zoning densities in all new green fill developments that provides a choice of housing from premium larger blocks with single dwelling to smaller block sizes with a variety of dwelling types and levels of affordability.

- d) Increase the size of the smallest block size, in conjunction with the maximum permissible dwelling foot print per block to ensure deep soil opportunities for tree planting on each building block.
 - e) Increase the minimum residential road width to 12m
 - f) Increase the minimum off street parking required for any development to be aligned to the number of bedrooms for each dwelling and
 - g) a minimum of one car space per affordable or social housing dwelling except where within 1000m of public transport.
 - h) Increase the minimum building boundaries to 3metres from both side boundaries and 6m from the front and back block boundaries.
3. Report back to April Council meeting on the success or otherwise collaboration with Western Sydney Councils.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S COMMENT

Planning controls and land use zoning in the growth areas of Liverpool (Austral / Leppington North and East Leppington) are contained within State Environment Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006. This SEPP also applies to growth areas in Camden, Campbelltown, Blacktown, The Hills, Hawkesbury and Wollondilly local government areas. Planning controls for constructing new buildings and additions in these growth areas are also contained within SEPP (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008, particularly the Greenfield Housing Code.

SEPP (Western Sydney Aerotropolis) 2020 applies to land encompassed by the Western Sydney Aerotropolis, which surrounds the proposed Western Sydney Airport. The SEPP (State Significant Precincts) 2005 provides for planning controls and zoning for land in Edmondson Park South.

Planning controls and zoning for the remainder of the Liverpool local government area are contained within the Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 and other State Environmental Planning Policies including SEPP (Exempt and Complying Development Code) 2008, particularly the Medium Density Housing Code.

Rezoning proposals (known as planning proposals) are required to demonstrate strategic and site specific merit when assessed against the Greater Sydney Region Plan, the Western City District Plan, the Liverpool Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) and Council adopted land use strategies including the Liverpool Local Housing Strategy 2020. If a planning proposal does not demonstrate merit when assessed against these strategic planning documents, the proposal will not proceed.

Prior to writing to the Minister for Western Sydney, the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, other Western Sydney Councils, WSROC and Western Sydney State and Federal MP's advocating for changes to planning controls within the identified SEPPs, it is recommended that Council receive a detailed report on the matters identified in point 2 of the

motion. This is consistent with point 7 of the recommendation on EGROW01 in this Agenda (regarding amendments to the planning framework in Austral) which states that Council “further investigate issues relating to odour impacts and **dwelling density/variety controls in the Austral/Leppington North Precinct**, with a further report back to Council (emphasis added).

A further report back to Council on the matters outlined in point 2 of the NOM can be provided by June 2021.

Separately, Council is preparing a submission on a proposed Design & Place SEPP that intends to encourage better design of places and buildings through establishing principles for the design and assessment of development. Through this submission, Council will be advocating for a review of the SEPP (Exempt and Complying Development Code) 2008 and other relevant SEPPs so that better design outcomes can be achieved throughout Western Sydney.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

NOM 03**Western Sydney City Deal**

Strategic Direction	Leading through Collaboration Strive for best practice in all Council processes
File Ref	082812.2021
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BACKGROUND

The *Western Sydney City Deal* was signed in March 2018, and was said to represent a 'collaborative approach' across three tiers of government. A 'core goal' was said to be '(r)eaching the 30-minute city by delivering the Sydney Metro-Western Airport (formerly the North South) Rail Link'. Quotations are from the website of the *Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications*. Previously the original rail scoping study had in fact supported an east west rail spur link from LEPPINGTON to the airport as the quickest, fastest and cheapest method of achieving mass public transport connectivity with the *Western Sydney Airport*. Nothing has ever emerged which challenges the logic of this conclusion.

In the June 2020 *Western Sydney City Deal – Annual Progress Report* it is stated (at page 50): 'The three levels of Government are working together to develop an evaluation framework and strategy to measure progress of the City Deal'. It is troubling that at the time of the most recent *Annual Progress Report* this was still a work in progress.

In the meantime *Infrastructure Australia* states in a March 2021 Media Release headed 'Project business case evaluation summary', relating to an evaluation of the Sydney Metro-Western Airport Rail Link dated 18 February 2021: 'the proponent's (NSW Government's) business case does not provide sufficient evidence that the proposed project is the best solution...Based on the business case and evidence available, Infrastructure Australia has not included the Sydney Metro-Western Sydney Airport project on the infrastructure Priority List...'.

Disquiet as to the manner in which the *City Deal* was created, the nascent attempts to implement its goals, be they described as so-called 'core goals' or otherwise, and as to its capacity to ultimately deliver at all and still less without skewing outcomes to marginal electorates has also been expressed in several other contexts.

The *City Deal* is new in design and substantial in terms of community impact and in dollar terms.

For all of these reasons this Council should have its own formal system for evaluation of its part in the *City Deal*.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That this Council develop a formal system for periodical written evaluation of its part in the *City Deal*.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

NOM 04**Racism Not Welcome**

Strategic Direction	Creating Connection Celebrate diversity, promote inclusion and recognise heritage
File Ref	082824.2021
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BACKGROUND

For many years, Liverpool City Council has been a proud and active participant in campaigns and initiatives that reject racism and support multiculturalism. We are members of the Human Rights Commission's 'Racism. It Stops with Me Campaign'. Liverpool City Council is also a member of "welcoming cities", a national network of cities which are committed to an Australia where everyone can belong and participate in social, cultural, economic and civic life. Council is also a Refugee Welcome Zone, and has worked with many local multicultural organisations to provide support and resources to build a strong, vibrant and equal community.

However, 2020 saw a worrying rise in racism in Australia and around the world. As one of the most diverse local government areas (LGAs) in the country, this impacts our residents in many ways. We have a long history of willingness to challenge racism in every way possible every day.

Recently, I have been made aware of a new campaign targeting racism. It is a campaign, spearheaded by Craig Foster - a former Soccerroo captain, SBS presenter and human rights campaigner which has gained support from various local councils. The campaign is titled 'Racism Not Welcome' and amongst other aims, wants to see symbolic anti-racism messages pop up on street corners in iconic locations around the country.

The 'Racism Not Welcome' campaign emerged as a response to an increase in racist attacks on people in our communities. There is evidence-based research for the rise in racism, including reports published by UTS and UNSW, and Per Capita and the Asian-Australian Alliance. The aim of the campaign is to create:

1. A Liverpool where racism is not welcome. A place with strong social cohesion where racism is "called out" and we stand with each other.
2. Places where people feel a sense of belonging and are equal.
3. A place where decision making is shared, and diversity is valued and celebrated.
4. Through the street sign element of the campaign, a call to action to encourage the local community to have these important, if difficult, conversations and call out racism when they see it.

Racism is both hurtful and enraging, it robs people of their dignity and denies the equality that all human beings rightfully have. This gets to the heart of the issue – racism is not fought through our TVs or mobile phones. It's eradicated in our daily lives, our actions, in every local street, café, park or library.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Note the recent, alarming rise of racism in our community.
2. Endorse and become a member of the “racism not welcome” campaign and continue to encourage advocacy and promotion of the campaign in the local area.
3. Identify locations for street signage within our LGA.
4. Provide a report to Council with street sign locations and cost implications.
5. Join the NSW Anti-Racism Working Group, an initiative of the Local Government Multicultural Workers' Network.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil