



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING  
HELD ON 31 MARCH 2021**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor Wendy Waller  
Councillor Ayyad  
Councillor Balloot  
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 Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr George Harb, Chief Information Officer  
Mr John Milicic, Manager Property Services  
Ms Jennifer Chenhall, General Counsel, Manager Governance Legal and Procurement  
Mr Charles Wiafe, Manager Planning and Transport Strategy  
Mr George Georgakis, Manager Council and Executive Services  
Ms Maree Stewart, Coordinator Council and Executive Services (minutes)

The meeting commenced at 6.01pm.

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**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.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,  
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND  
AFFIRMATION TO BE READ BY**

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend David Morgan from St Mark's Anglican Church.



Clr Hadchiti declared a pecuniary interest in the following item:

- Item:** EGROW 01 - Amendments to Austral/Leppington North Planning Framework  
**Reason:** Clr Hadchiti and his immediate family members live and have property in the area that the report relates to.

Clr Hadchiti left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

- Item:** EGROW 02 - Issues and Options Report - Temporary Use of Land in Growth Areas  
**Reason:** Clr Hadchiti and his immediate family members live and have property in the area, however the interest is non-pecuniary and less than significant.

Clr Hadchiti remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Clr Hadchiti declared a pecuniary interest in the following item:

- Item:** INF 01 - Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study Update  
**Reason:** Clr Hadchiti and his immediate family members live and have property in the area that the report relates to.

Clr Hadchiti left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

- Item:** QWN 21 - Question with Notice - Clr Hagarty - Infrastructure and Services in Growth Areas  
**Reason:** Clr Hadchiti and his immediate family members live and have property in the area, however the interest is non-pecuniary and less than significant.

Clr Hadchiti remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

- Item:** QWN 24 - Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Drainage Channels  
**Reason:** Clr Hadchiti and his immediate family members live and have property in the area, however the interest is non-pecuniary and less than significant.

Clr Hadchiti remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

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

**Reason:** Clr Hagarty has had dealings through his work and in his community work with one of the owners.

Clr Hagarty left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

**Item:** CONF 04 - Environment Advisory Committee - Appointment of Committee Membership

**Reason:** Clr Kaliyanda knows one of the people recommended in the report to be appointed to the Environment Advisory Committee.

Clr Kaliyanda remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

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

**Item:** CEO 01 - Payment of Fees for Members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

**Reason:** Clr Shelton sits on the same Committee as the individuals involved, has had a role in relation their selection and is involved in voting and exchanging views on various issues from time to time.

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

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

**Item:** INF 01 - Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study Update

Clr Shelton had a non-pecuniary less than significant interest in relation to the motion as it was originally proposed, rather than the motion as adopted.

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

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## MAYORAL MINUTE

**ITEM NO:** MAYOR 01  
**FILE NO:** 093897.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Thank You for Support Provided During Severe Weather Event

## BACKGROUND

On the weekend of 20 March, a severe weather event inundated the Local Government Area, causing widespread flooding which had a major impact on the road networks and drainage channels.

Working around the clock from Saturday 20 March, Council's City Presentation Team proactively patrolled the Local Government Area attending to numerous emergency call-outs and managing flash-flooding locations, clearing blocked drainage channels, redirecting rapids away from homes, clearing debris to make roads safe, and executing traffic control management plans with road closures and detours.

Our recovery efforts now focus on an assessment of all Council areas and facilities. As the flash flooding areas recede, our Teams have moved from immediate response mode to an assessment and recovery phase. All areas will be assessed to determine the damage, and this will provide visibility of risks and priorities to be addressed.

The Council's City Presentation Team and State Emergency Services along with other members of the Local Emergency Management Committee played an important role in providing immediate responses to critical issues impacting the community and keeping people safe. Our community is thankful that no community members were evacuated, and no homes or lives were lost during this event.

## COUNCIL DECISION

**Motion:** **Moved: Mayor Waller**

That Council:

1. Acknowledge and thank all staff involved for their diligent and tireless work during the severe weather event; and
2. Write to the Liverpool NSW State Emergency Service and the Local Emergency Management Committee to thank them for their service and support in assisting the local community during the severe weather event.

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

**MOTION OF URGENCY**

Cllr Rhodes requested that she be permitted to move a Motion of Urgency relating to the Revised Parameters of the Intermodal Appeal Case No.: 2020/0004407.

Mayor Waller ruled that the motion was urgent and that it would be dealt with in Confidential Session at the end of the meeting.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

**ITEM NO:** CEO 01  
**FILE NO:** 064694.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Payment of Fees for Members of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**Motion:** **Moved: Cllr Kaliyanda** **Seconded: Cllr Shelton**

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.

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























**Clr Hadchiti left the Chambers at 7.08pm.**

**Clr Balloot left the Chambers at 7.35pm.**

**Clr Balloot returned to the Chambers at 7.40pm.**

**CITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

**ITEM NO:** INF 01

**FILE NO:** 071829.2021

**SUBJECT:** Wianamatta South Creek Flood Study Update

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**Motion:** **Moved: Clr Hagarty** **Seconded: Clr Hadid**

That Council

1. Note that the State Government is undertaking studies of the area and it is unknown how long these studies will take, and defer the matter until such time as:
  - the latest flood event is adequately assessed by independent consultants in relation to the proposed flood study.
2. Investigate illegal fill and undertake flood mitigation works in the areas covered by the draft flood maps;
3. Lobby the State and Federal Governments for funding to mitigate the effects of flooding in the areas covered by the draft flood maps; and
4. Look at current flood maps based on the local history, going back to the 2019 flood, and consult with the local community about how this relates to the existing flood maps and provide a further report to Council.

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

The Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.











- 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 - Mallow Avenue, West Hoxton – Proposed Line marking Scheme.

- Approves separation signs and line marking scheme along the section of Mallow 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.

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













**Mayor Waller called a recess of Council at 8.03pm.**

**Mayor Waller reopened the meeting at 8.17pm.**

**QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 01

**FILE NO:** 043112.2021

**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr 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?

**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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 02  
**FILE NO:** 043118.2021  
**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?

**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.



**ITEM NO:** QWN 03  
**FILE NO:** 043121.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr 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?

**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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 04  
**FILE NO:** 043125.2021  
**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?

**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.

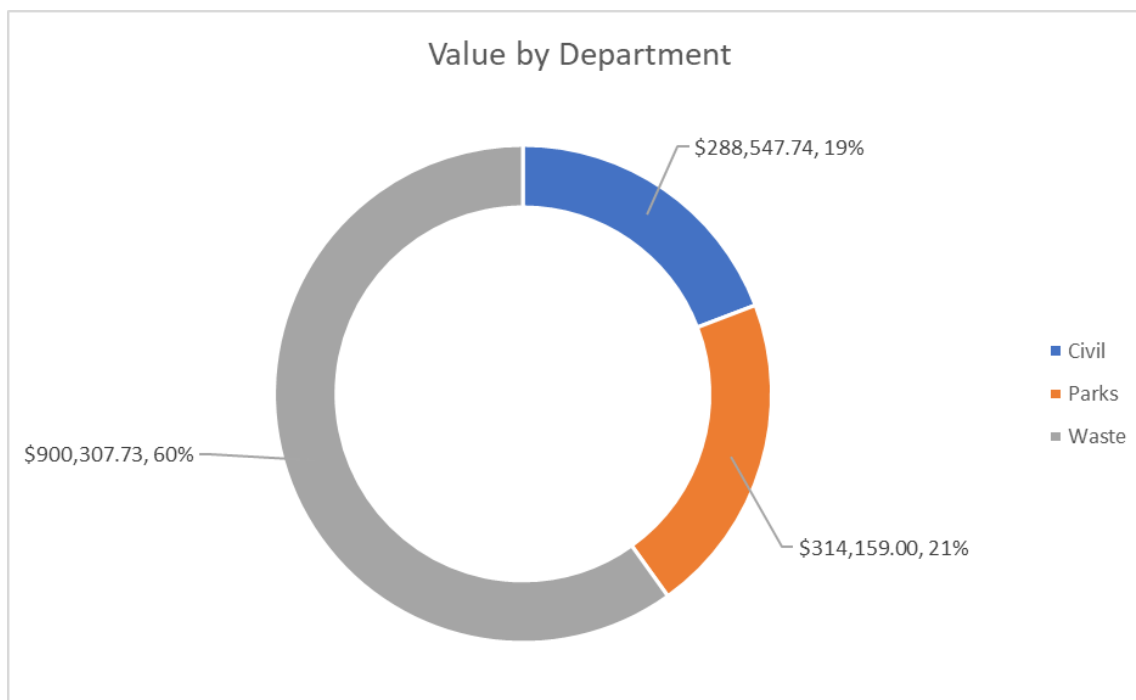
In March 2020, the Managers for City Works (Parks and Civil), Waste and Cleansing as well as Operational Facilities presented individual rationales to the Director of City Presentation for consideration. A review of service and maintenance programs in each area was undertaken, and a final decision of 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 Satus 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	6X4 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	FX4 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	Hartrite	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	Ganwood	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	Ganwood	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 Wickel roller – Rosedale	1	\$32,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	Small plant & hardware for Cimilio Reserve	1	\$8,000.00	Procurement - Scoping	tbc	tbc
Parks	New Initiative	tbc	2 X Kabota 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	
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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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 05  
**FILE NO:** 043131.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr 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)?

**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.



**ITEM NO:** QWN 07  
**FILE NO:** 043163.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr 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?

**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.



**ITEM NO:** QWN 08  
**FILE NO:** 062858.2021  
**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?

**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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 09  
**FILE NO:** 062862.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr 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?

**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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 10  
**FILE NO:** 062863.2021  
**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?

**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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 11  
**FILE NO:** 062866.2021  
**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)?

**Response**

There are currently 69 Council owned properties on the Annual Fire Safety Statement register. As at 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, 65 are up to date and 4 are overdue which are listed below.

<b>Property Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Comments</b>
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 <sup>th</sup> 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.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 12  
**FILE NO:** 082263.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Rhodes - Mobile Office Services

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 13  
**FILE NO:** 083327.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Customer Service Request

**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.



**ITEM NO:** QWN 14  
**FILE NO:** 083347.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Climate Action Plan

**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**

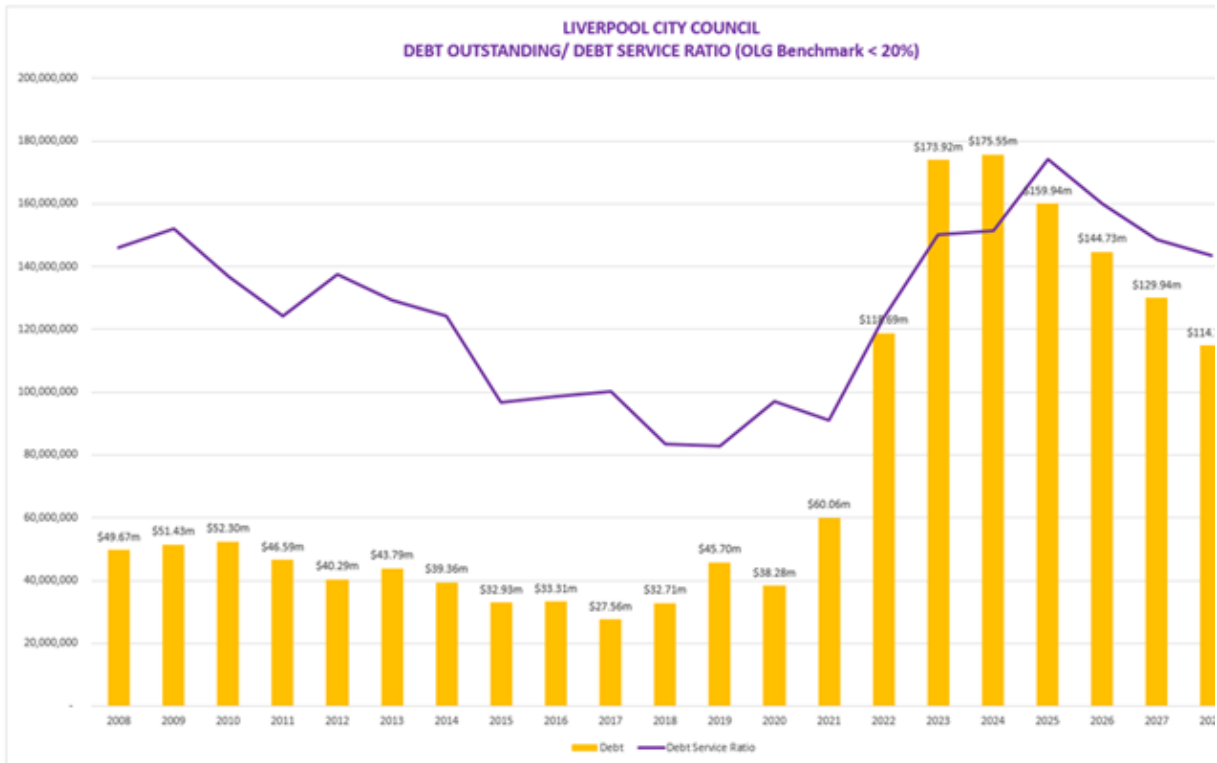
The development of a Climate Action Plan is likely to include a public exhibition period prior to adoption. The scope of the Plan will be informed by the scheduled Councillor workshop, and may include cost estimates for pertinent actions. However, until funding opportunities (such as grants) and cost savings are further explored, it may not be possible to identify the cost to the ratepayers.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 15  
**FILE NO:** 083251.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Council's Debt Level

**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?

**Response**



The graph indicates that Council's debt level will remain significantly lower than the OLG Benchmark ratio throughout the period to 2028.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 16  
**FILE NO:** 083271.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - 35 Scott Street, Liverpool

**Please address the following:**

1. Has the empty commercial floor space at 35 Scott St been leased out yet?

**Response**

The empty floor space is approximately 700 sqm, on Level 6 at 35 Scott St and is currently yet to be leased. Council has appointed a commercial agent to lease the space.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 17  
**FILE NO:** 083283.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Civic Place

**Please address the following:**

1. What percentage of the rate base would the repayments on the loan for Civic Place equate to?

**Response**

The loan for Liverpool Civic Place will be drawn in tranches during the construction period and full impact of loan repayment will be in 2024-25.

The loan repayment (after adjusting for LCLI interest subsidy) as a percentage of Council's rate base (excluding Domestic Waste Management Charges) in 2024-25 will be 11.4%, calculated as follows:

Total Rates & annual charges	\$165.7m
Less: Domestic Waste Management Fees	\$42.9m
General Rates & annual charges	\$122.8m
Loan Repayment (Less LCLI Subsidy)	\$14.0m
Repayment as % of rate base	11.4%

Council is expecting to generate an additional \$8.4m in rental income. The repayment, after adjusting for an increase in rental revenue, as a percentage of Council's rate base will be 4.6%

**ITEM NO:** QWN 18  
**FILE NO:** 083295.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Rates

**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?

**Response**

Council's current financial projections do not indicate a need for any special rate variation in a short to medium term.

**ITEM NO:** QWN 19  
**FILE NO:** 083091.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Kaliyanda - Food Insecurity

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 20  
**FILE NO:** 083179.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Kaliyanda - Gender Pay Gap

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 21  
**FILE NO:** 083199.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr Hagarty - Infrastructure and Services in Growth Areas

### **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.**



**ITEM NO:** QWN 22  
**FILE NO:** 083222.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Civic Place Documentation

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 23  
**FILE NO:** 083305.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Aerotropolis

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 24  
**FILE NO:** 083313.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Cllr Hadchiti - Drainage Channels

**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.**

**ITEM NO:** QWN 25  
**FILE NO:** 083339.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr Hadchiti - Consultants

**Please address the following:**

- a) 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?

**Response**

Attached reconciliation of consultants' expenditure. A significant increase in projected expenditure relate to the following:

- a) \$3m grant funded (from the NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure) consultancy on works undertaken by Western Sydney Planning Partnership Office;
- b) \$400k grant funded (from the NSW Department of Planning & Infrastructure) consultancy on LEP review.

Reconciliation - Consultants Expenditure 2020-21 Budget vs Projections

Project Description	Original Budget	Projections	YTD		Service Providers	Comments
			Mar 21	\$		
Advanced Investigations, Design & Documentation Open Space	10,000	10,000	2,500		Swan Architecture	Landscape Improvement Design 1 - 3 Dixon Park Road Liverpool
Cabrantia Creek Flood Study	50,000	50,000	43,177		Kaloon Brown & Root Pty Ltd	Underpinning Review of Cabrantia Creek
Strategic Maintenance Planning for High & Outer Areas	10,000	10,000	8,470		Geosite Australia Pty Ltd	Functional layout and ERFV segregation support
Liverpool Collaboration Area - Flood Evacuation Constraints	50,000	50,000	48,400		Metro Street	Liverpool Collaboration Area - Flood Evacuation Constraint
Preparation of LCC Signs and Line Marking Asset Register	0	111,000	55,445		Pavement Management Services	LCC Signs and Line Markings
Review of Dam Safety Emergency Plan	0	160,000	130,051		Mulino Stewart	Review and update DSRP, O&M reports and base 2 surveillance report for drainage basins
Update of Dam Safety Management Plan	20,000	20,000	12,030		Leitchmere Simulation Solutions Pty Ltd	Liverpool Overland Flow Path study for surge catchment
Floodplain & Water Management	10,000	10,000	1,800		Adrian Jay Pty Ltd	Updating Road maps in South Creek catchment
Natural Environment Implementation	0	39,560	4,400		Fluorion Pty Ltd	Updating Road maps in South Creek catchment
Design Excellence Panel	77,800	77,800	12,091		Stark Pty Ltd	Liverpool Overland Flow Path study for surge catchment
The Liverpool Local Planning Panel	55,000	55,000	25,916		Various	Environmental education benchmarking
Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study	25,000	25,000	4,088		University of New South Wales	Costs transfer / approvals business case
Comprehensive Review of Liverpool LEP	0	400,000	22,159		Field City Council	Panel Members' fees for the Liverpool Local Planning Panel
	0	0	28,859		Camplin & Associates Pty Ltd	Aboriginal economic study
	0	0	44,400		Sue Agrealla	Urban Planning tasks - LEP Project Manager
	0	0	28,420		Kinross Pty Ltd	Aerial Photography Review
	0	0	9,376		SOS Economics & Planning Pty Ltd	Liverpool Emissions Reduction and Resource Efficiency
Waste Planning & Policy	100,000	100,000	58,500		Hill CPA Pty Ltd	Peer Review of submissions on SOS Centre Strategy
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	7,394		Lenden Municipal Council	Review medium density residential land use controls
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	52,200		All Civil Works Pty Ltd VIA Prolead Plus	Regional Waste Procurement contract
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	5,000		EC Sustainable	Waste, Recyclables and garden organics collection service
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	33,400		Schultz Pty Ltd	Household kerbside bin composition audit
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	101,861		Urban Concepts Australia Pty Ltd	Western Sydney Aerobically Blood Site and Inland Assessment
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	80,400		Urban Urban Economics	Western Sydney Aerobically Blood Site and Inland Assessment
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	152,150		Aecon Australia	Western Sydney Aerobically Transport Planning
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	101,861		Urban Concepts Australia Pty Ltd	Western Sydney Aerobically Sustainability and Plan
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	152,150		Aecon Australia Pty Ltd	Aerobically Emergency and Market Capabilities Analysis
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	152,150		Aecon Australia Pty Ltd	Western Sydney Aerobically Land Capability Assessment, Utilities Audit, Air Quality, Odour Baseline, Noise and Acoustic Assessment studies
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	17,840		Schultz Pty Ltd	Western Sydney Land Use Planning Guidelines for Waste Management Assessment
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	106,350		Eco Logical Australia	Western Sydney Aerobically Biodiversity and Riparian Corridor Study
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	52,000		Extent Heritage	Western Sydney Aerobically - Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal Heritage
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	281,410		Orch Pty Ltd	Western Sydney Aerobically Aboriginal Engagement
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	281,548		Hensel Ltd	Aerobically Core Urban Design
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	347,376		Hill Thales Architecture & Urban Projects Pty Ltd	Urban Design - Northern Gateway Precinct
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	350,400		Styria Design	Western Sydney Aerobically Market Research Services for the Aerobically Aerobically Precinct
Waste Planning & Policy	0	0	1,000		Tandock Communications	Public Review - Western Sydney Aerobically Precinct Finalisation Report
Infrastructure Asset Condition Assessment	20,000	20,000				
Investment Council and Project Management Framework	80,000	80,000				
Mattress Recycling Feasibility Study	0	80,000				
Manamatta South Creek Flood Study Update	0	40,000				
Sustainable Environment	10,000	10,000				
Strategic Planning	100,000	100,000				
LCC Development Corp	250,000	250,000				
<b>Total</b>	<b>787,800</b>	<b>4,688,360</b>	<b>3,190,710</b>			



**ITEM NO:** NOM 02  
**FILE NO:** 081395.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Liveable Communities - One Size state Planning Does Not Fit All

**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 cost 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 (Submitted by Cllr Rhodes)**

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





**ITEM NO:** NOM 03  
**FILE NO:** 082812.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Western Sydney City Deal

## **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 (Submitted by Cllr Shelton, Cllr Rhodes, and Cllr Hadchiti)**

That this Council develop a formal system for periodical written evaluation of its part in the *City Deal*.



**Mayor Waller ruled that this item be moved into Committee of the Whole.**

**Clr Balloot left the Chambers at 9.09pm.**

**Clr Balloot returned to the Chambers at 9.11pm.**

**ITEM NO:** NOM 04  
**FILE NO:** 082824.2021  
**SUBJECT:** Racism Not Welcome

## **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 Socceroo 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.





4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business

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

**Clr Hagarty left the Chambers at 9.32pm.**

**ITEM NO:** CONF 02

**FILE NO:** 038482.2021

**SUBJECT:** Dedication to Council of Lot 39 in DP 1160527, Lot 39 Swoffer Avenue, Middleton Grange for drainage purposes

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**Motion:**

**Moved: Clr Rhodes**

**Seconded: Clr Shelton**

That Council:

1. Approves a Deed of Settlement and Release associated with dedication of Lot 39 in DP 1160527, Lot 39 Swoffer Avenue, Middleton Grange based on the terms outlined in this confidential report;
2. Authorises the CEO or their delegated officer to execute a Deed of Settlement and Release any other document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to the decision in item 1 above; and
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

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













**Mayor Waler reopened the meeting at 10.14pm and read the resolutions made by Council in Closed Session relating to CONF 01, CONF 02, CONF 03, CONF 04, CONF 05 and CONF 06 as shown in these minutes.**

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.19pm.**

<Signature>

Name: Wendy Waller

Title: Mayor

Date: 28 April 2021

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 31 March 2021. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.