

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13 FEBRUARY 2024

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun

Deputy Mayor Macnaught

Councillor Ammoun, retired at 11.35am.

Councillor Goodman, retired at 11.35am.

Councillor Green

Councillor Hadid, retired during recess.

Councillor Harle

Councillor Rhodes

Hon John Ajaka, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support

Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle

Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance

Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance

Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures

Mr Jason Breton, Director Operations

Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer

Mr Earl Paradeza, Senior Management Accountant

Mr Luke Oste, Coordinator Strategic Planning

Mr Mark Hannan, Manager City Planning

Mr Michael Oliveri, Coordinator Development Assessment

Ms Claire Scott, Contributions Reform Project Manager

Ms Noelle Warwar, Manager Community Standards

Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Civic and Executive Services Lead

Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

Ms Melissa Wray, Councillor Executive and Support Officer (Minutes)

External Guests

Mr Luke Nicholls, Director Western Sydney Planning Partnership Mr Toney Hallahan, Associate Director Planning Policy (Online)

The meeting commenced at 10.07am

APOLOGIES

COUNCILLOR KALIYANDA AND COUNCILLOR KARNIB

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

ITEM NO: ITEM 01 **FILE NO:** 023540.2024

SUBJECT: Draft Regional Affordable Housing Scheme - Response to Questions on

Notice

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun Second: Deputy Mayor Macnaught

That the Governance Committee recommends that all:

1. Action Items be resolved

2. Following Action Items resolved, matter to go to Council Meeting for consideration.

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

Action Item

- CIr Rhodes asked council staff to investigate a way of keeping the housing affordable forever through a current system that Council has already in place.
- Mr Nichols to confirm the rate for Liverpool and to investigate the taxes imposed for a knock down and rebuild infrastructure and to report back to the committee.
- Western Sydney Planning Partnership to circulate a list of LGA's that have already signed up to the scheme.

ITEM NO: ITEM 02

FILE NO: 334374.2023

SUBJECT: Voluntary Planning Agreement Monthly Status Report

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Goodman Second: Clr Hadid

That the Governance Committee receives and notes this report

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

Clr Ammoun left the meeting at 11.00am and returned at 11.13am. Clr Goodman left the meeting at 11.13am and returned at 11.15am. Recess at 11.18am.

ITEM NO: ITEM 03 **FILE NO:** 017770.2024

SUBJECT: Development Assessment

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Hadid Second: Clr Goodman

That the Governance Committee receives and notes the Development Assessment report.

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

Clr Goodman and Clr Ammoun retired from the meeting during the break.

Resumption of meeting at 11.37am.

Clr Hadid left the meeting at 12.02pm and returned at 12.05pm.

ITEM NO: ITEM 04 **FILE NO:** 022153.2024

SUBJECT: Draft Compliance and Enforcement Policy

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: Deputy Mayor Macnaught Second: Clr Hadid

That the Governance Committee recommends Council:

- 1. Endorse the draft 'Compliance & Enforcement Policy' for public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days (Attachment 1).
- 2. Delegates to the CEO the finalisation of the 'Compliance & Enforcement Policy', should no submissions be received; or report back to Council the details of the submissions upon conclusion of the exhibition period.

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

Action Item

 Policy discussed at length with amendments and changes to be incorporated by Council Officers The Committee resumed the meeting at 11.37am. Clr Rhodes left the meeting at 12.12pm Clr Rhodes returned to the meeting at 12.20pm.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

ITEM NO: ITEM 05 **FILE NO:** 033873.2024

SUBJECT: Review of Council's Financial progress, forecasts and assumptions

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Hadid Second: Clr Green

That the Governance Committee receives and notes the report.

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

Action Items

Investigate replacing street lights with LED lightening. Initiate discussion for costing to go against capital works.

- A Budget workshop is to be scheduled within a months' time, to give an opportunity for all councillors to discuss the new budget with long term financial plan.
- Budget workshop to be organised during May 2024.
- Councillors to address questions or speak to Director Corporate Support so preparation can be made in addressing issues prior to workshop.
- Mayor asked about more sustainable energy sources for council buildings and what can be accomplished. Staff to investigate with feedback provided back the committee.

Recess at 12.30pm, resumption of the meeting at 1.30pm. Clr Hadid retired from the meeting during recess.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

ITEM NO: ITEM 06 **FILE NO:** 017176.2024

SUBJECT: Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2024 – 2028

COMMITTEE DECISION

Motion: Moved: CIr Green Second: CIr Rhodes

That the Committee defer this item to a later Governance Committee Meeting.

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

An update was provided on the Liverpool Civic Place and when Council Staff was expected to move in.

An update was provided in relation to Contaminated Mulch that has been in the media recently.

Correspondence was received by the Department of Education, one of our public schools in the area. They found only a very small piece of asbestos loose, no one knows how it got there. The Department of Education has locked up the contaminated mulch and are currently examining it. The Director Operations has also examined the contaminated mulch and found only a single piece of asbestos. We have obtained an Certificate of Compliance and have acquired dip samplings of various sites and are planning to action six more dip samples to ensure that there is no more contaminated mulch.

A Submission to our part on Cost shifting from State to Local Government.

Clr Green enquired if council will be preparing a submission to our part on cost shifting from state to local government. The response was yes, council is preparing a submission.

Liverpool's Stance on the engagement with South Western Sydney and Western Sydney.

Clr Rhodes enquired about Liverpool's stance with our engagement as South Western Sydney or Western Sydney. The council staff are currently working on an opportunity on how to tie and market Liverpool's identity as being South Western Sydney, instead of Western Sydney. With the opportunity arising with the election, it would probably be more for the new council to assess again and take action.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1.48PM.