

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 29 MAY 2024

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun

Councillor Ammoun

Councillor Goodman

Councillor Dr Green

Councillor Hadid OAM

Councillor Harle

Councillor Kaliyanda

Councillor Karnib (online)

Councillor Macnaught

Councillor Rhodes

Mr Jason Breton, Acting 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 Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations

Mr David Galpin, General Counsel, Manager Governance, Legal and Procurement

Mr Luke Oste, Coordinator Strategic Planning

Mr John Lac, Manager Project Delivery

Mr Tim Pasley, Manager Resource Recovery

Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services

Ms Melissa Wray, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 2.03pm.

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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

The prayer of the Council was read by Pastor Stephen Reddish from New Life Christian Ministries.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

CIr Karnib has requested permission to attend this meeting via MS Teams.

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun Seconded: Clr Macnaught

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

APOLOGIES

NIL.

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CONDOLENCES

ITEM NO: COND 01

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Vale Tony Bleasdale OAM (read by Mayor

Mannoun)

It is with great sadness that we reflect on the sudden passing of Councillor Tony Bleasdale OAM, who was Mayor of Blacktown City Council, on the 2nd of May. Our thoughts are with Tony's family, friends, and the community of Blacktown.

Tony arrived in Australia from Liverpool, England in 1963, and worked in the building industry as a bricklayer for 40 years. He would eventually be elected as a Blacktown City councillor in 1996. Tony was a strong advocate for his LGA and a champion of Western Sydney.

Tony was proud of Blacktown City's diversity and dedicated to delivering services and opportunities for its residents and businesses. He was a charitable man and received an OAM in 2010 for his community work and service.

After a 3 year tenure as Deputy Mayor commencing in 2016, Tony was elected Mayor in 2019, and emerged as a visionary leader, spearheading the transformation of Blacktown.

I will personally remember Tony as a gentleman's gentleman. I have fond memories of touring Blacktown's facilities with Tony and discussing all things Western Sydney and Local Government whenever we bumped into one another.

He was a lovely, generous man, and a passionate Liverpool Football Club supporter.

In Tony Bleasdale's honour, please join me observing in a minute of silence.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

- Express its profound sadness at the sudden passing of Councillor Tony Bleasdale OAM, Mayor of Blacktown City Council, on the 2nd of May, and extend heartfelt condolences to Tony's family, friends, and the community of Blacktown.
- 2. Acknowledge Tony Bleasdale's significant contributions to Blacktown City, recognising his election as a Blacktown City councillor in 1996, and his dedicated service as Deputy Mayor for 3 years and Mayor since 2019.
- 3. Observe a minute of silence in honour of Tony Bleasdale's memory and his invaluable contributions to the community.

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COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun Seconded Clr Macnaught

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

A one minute silence was then held for Mr Tony Bleasdale OAM.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24 April 2024 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 14 May 2024 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NIL.

PUBLIC FORUM

NIL.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Item: MAYOR 01 – Staffing Matter was dealt with later in the meeting in Closed Session after item CONF 04, pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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PLANNING & COMPLIANCE REPORTS

ITEM NO: PLAN 01 **FILE NO:** 259343.2023

SUBJECT: Housekeeping amendments to Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 -

Conservation and Employment Zone Reform

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: CIr Harle Seconded: CIr Green

That Council:

- 1. Receives and note this Report;
- Supports "in principle" the proposed housekeeping amendments to the Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 in response to zone name changes to the former Environmental, Business and Industrial zone names, and further amendments in response to industrial and commercial rooftop solar panel provisions, and industrial landscaping controls;
- 3. Undertakes public exhibition of the draft Liverpool DCP amendments for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with Council's Liverpool Community Participation Plan;
- 4. Delegates authority to the Acting CEO (or delegate) to proceed with finalising the amendment if no submissions opposing the amendment are received. Alternatively, if submissions are received, receives a further report on the outcomes of the public exhibition period.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: PLAN 02 **FILE NO:** 114980.2024

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report - Clause 4.6 Variations to Development Standards

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harle Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council receives and notes this report.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

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ITEM NO: PLAN 03 **FILE NO:** 134641.2024

SUBJECT: Liverpool Local Heritage Management Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Green

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.

2. Endorses the Liverpool Local Heritage Management Policy.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

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ITEM NO: PLAN 04 **FILE NO:** 134644.2024

SUBJECT: Request to proceed with the preparation of a planning proposal to heritage list

- 124 Moore Street, Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: CIr Rhodes Seconded: CIr Green

That Council:

1. Notes and receives this Report;

- 2. Notes the Resolution of Council from 30 June 2021 to prepare a Planning Proposal to amend the *Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008* to list 124 Moore Street, Liverpool under Schedule 5 Environmental Heritage; and
- 3. Notifies the property owner of 124 Moore Street, Liverpool of Council's decision to continue with the heritage listing of the property.

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

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Clr Kaliyanda left the Chambers at 2:58pm.

Clr Kaliyanda returned to the Chambers 3.02pm

Clr Hadid left the Chambers at 3.07pm.

Clr Hadid returned to the Chambers at 3.10pm

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 3.11pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 3.12pm

ITEM NO: PLAN 05 **FILE NO:** 152161.2024

SUBJECT: Draft Principal Planning Proposal to establish a new Liverpool Local

Environmental Plan

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Rhodes

That Council:

1. Notes the advice of the Liverpool Local Planning Panel;

- 2. Endorses the Principal Planning Proposal to establish a new Liverpool Local Environmental Plan;
- 3. Forwards the Principal Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure, pursuant to Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, seeking a Gateway Determination;
- 4. Subject to Gateway determination, undertakes public exhibition and community consultation in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway determination, the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2022, *Local Government Act 1993* and the LEP Review Community Engagement Strategy;
- 5. Receives a further Report on the outcomes of public exhibition period;
- 6. Delegates to the CEO (or delegate) to amend the Principal Planning Proposal and attachments for any typographical and other minor errors / amendments if required;
- 7. Makes the following changes/amendments to the proposed Principal Planning Proposal before issuing to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure;
 - a. Council extend northern boundary to Memorial Avenue and southern boundary to Charles Street of Amendment 52 boundaries and further investigates additional sites within the city centre that are capable of developing within the controls set out in Amendment 52 of the Liverpool LEP 2008, including but not limited to larger sites that do not require amalgamation;

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- b. Council reject the rezoning of 300-324 Hume Highway, Liverpool and keep it zoned infrastructure and strongly encourage TfNSW to continue with the upgrade;
- c. 27 and 29 Grove Street, Casula, notes TfNSW's communication that it is surplus land and keep the zone as is;
- d. 39 Grove Street, Casula to be rezoned R2 as per the recommendation;
- 8. Investigates options to encourage basements in the R2 and R3 zone, including basement parking up to the footprint of the house be excluded from the calculation of Floor Space Ratio (FSR) as part of a comprehensive review of the Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008, and any necessary changes to the LEP;
- 9. Investigate possible gateway sites (entrances to the LGA) to encourage key site development to be welcoming (including appearance uplift, signage, gardens, entrance uplift and density controls), including but not limited to the following locations:
 - Elizabeth Drive from Flowerdale Road to the Hume Highway,
 - o Hume Highway from Casula (Crossroads),
 - o The Hume Highway at Warwick Farm, and
 - Newbridge Road Moorebank.
- 10. Requests the Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure finalises Landcom's Mod 5 application to support the delivery of additional housing supply in the Liverpool LGA;
- 11. Supports the NSW Government's Diverse and Well Located Housing reforms and writes to the Department to be applied to the area around Edmondson Park Train Station and as part of that letter also explores application to access the \$200mil fund into improving green spaces and sporting facilities;
- 12. Initiate community consultation to inform the community of the progress and proposed changes of the LEP so that they are briefed pre-gateway determination; and
- 13. Urgently write to the NSW State Government informing Council's response to their housing targets and the increase dwelling capacity that this LEP will provide and encourage its timely approval through gateway as well as the other planning proposals in the system.

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RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 3.22pm during discussion of PLAN 05 - Draft Principal Planning Proposal to establish a new Liverpool Local Environmental Plan.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed in Open Session at 3.44pm with all Councillors present and continued with PLAN 05 - Draft Principal Planning Proposal to establish a new Liverpool Local Environmental Plan.

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

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ammoun, Clr Goodman, Clr Hadid, Clr Harle, Clr

Macnaught and Clr Rhodes

Vote against: Clr Green, Clr Karnib and Clr Kaliyanda

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COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01 **FILE NO:** 126849.2024

SUBJECT: Grants Donations and Community Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Macnaught

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of \$5000 (GST exclusive) under the Community Grant Program for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Australian Arab Cultural Forum	Writing Poetry & Visual Art Competition	\$5000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grants Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
A Sound Life Limited	Sound Mentoring Program	\$15,000

3. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$20,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Melkite Charitable Foundation	Community Celebration Day	\$10,000
St Vincent de Paul Society NSW	Liverpool Vulnerable Community Event Series 2024	\$10,000

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4. Endorses the funding recommendation of \$18,337 (GST exclusive) under the **Sustainable Environment Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Scouts Australia NSW Branch	Glenfield Scout Activity Centre - Waste Management Project	\$5,000
St. Francis Catholic College	Sustainable Herb and Veg Garden	\$3,337
Good Samaritan Catholic College	Think Global Eat Local	\$5,000
Wattle Grove Public School - Dept of Education	Our Backyard	\$5,000

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

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ITEM NO: COM 02 **FILE NO:** 137822.2024

SUBJECT: Report back to Council: Establishing a framework for community-owned and

led community gardens

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Kaliyanda

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and

2. Implement some awareness campaign for the community regarding the opportunity to establish community gardens on community owned land.

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

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ITEM NO: COM 03 **FILE NO:** 143686.2024

SUBJECT: Re-establishing Alcohol Free Zone in Liverpool Local Government Area

Notes per memo 262464.2023-001 updates to considerations to include legislative requirements.

Legislative

- Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 16, Part 4 (Street drinking)
- Section 644 of the Local Government Act empowers Council to prepare a proposal to establish an alcohol-free zone which
 - a. may comprise either a public road or a public place that is a car park, or part thereof;
 - may be for a period not exceeding four years and may operate for the whole period or just on days when special events occur;
 - c. must comply with ministerial guidelines issued under section 646 of the Act.
- Section 644A of the Local Government Act specifies how public consultation is to be conducted on a proposed alcoholfree zone, including that:
 - a. notice should be published in a manner likely to bring it to the attention of members of the public in the area and contain specified information;
 - b. a copy must be given to the officer in charge of the nearest police station and to holders of liquor licences for premise bordering on, adjoining or adjacent to the AFZ;
 - c. a copy must be given to the Anti-Discrimination Board, if required by the ministerial guidelines, giving them 40 days to make representations; and
 - d. council must consider all representations and submissions
- Section 644B provides that Council may adopt a proposal to establish an AFZ, by resolution, after complying with the procedures in sections 644 and 644A. This applies equally to re-establishment of an AFZ.
- Ministerial guidelines on alcohol free zones were published in 2009: https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/councils/council-infrastructure/services-to-communities/alcohol-free-zones-alcohol-prohibited-areas/

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorses the recommended sites for re-establishment of Liverpool Alcohol-Free Zones (AFZ);

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- 2. Places the recommended AFZs on public exhibition for a period of 30 days as required by the Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol-Free Zones; and
- 3. Delegates to the CEO the finalisation of the recommended AFZs if no submissions are received; or receive a further report outlining details of the submissions received at the conclusion of the exhibition period.

UPDATED RECOMMENDATION (AS PER MEMO REF: 262464.2023-001)

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the recommended sites for the continuation of Liverpool Alcohol-Free Zones (AFZ).
- 2. Places the recommended AFZs on public exhibition for a period of 30 days as required by the Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol-Free Zones.
- 3. Receives a further report outlining details of any submissions received at the conclusion of the exhibition period.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Rhodes

That Council:

- 1. Endorses the recommended sites for the continuation of Liverpool Alcohol-Free Zones (AFZ).
- 2. Places the recommended AFZs on public exhibition for a period of 30 days as required by the Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol-Free Zones.
- 3. Receives a further report outlining details of any submissions received at the conclusion of the exhibition period.

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

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CORPORATE SUPPORT REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 01 FILE NO: 127036.2024 SUBJECT: Investment Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harle Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council adopt the amended Investment Policy.

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

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ITEM NO: CORP 02 **FILE NO:** 149414.2024

SUBJECT: Investment Report April 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That the Council receives and notes this report.

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

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ITEM NO: CORP 03 **FILE NO:** 154535.2024

SUBJECT: 2023/24 - Quarter 3, Budget Review

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council approves the identified budget variations in accordance with this report.

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

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ITEM NO: CORP 04 **FILE NO:** 159426.2024

SUBJECT: Amendment to Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Macnaught Seconded: Clr Goodman

That Council:

- 1. Endorse the draft 'Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy' at Attachment 1 for public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
- 2. Agree that if no submissions are received, then the publicly exhibited policy should be adopted, subject to any non-significant amendments that the CEO may authorise.
- 3. Note that any submissions on the proposed policy will be reported to a subsequent meeting of Council.

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

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ITEM NO: CORP 05 **FILE NO:** 159438.2024

SUBJECT: Legal Services Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Green Seconded: Clr Rhodes

That Council notes and agrees with the attached Legal Services Policy.

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

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CITY FUTURES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CFD 01

FILE NO: 151062.2024

SUBJECT: Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council:

- Implements a criteria for subscribing to any organisation, ensuring that potential memberships offer at least three of the following four key benefits: Collective Advocacy, Training and/or Professional Development, Networking Opportunities, and Profiling and Branding Opportunities;
- 2. Continues membership of the National Growth Alliance as the peak national advocacy body; and
- Continues membership of the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) due to its alignment with Council's advocacy and government relations framework.

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

Note: Clr Dr Green asked that the website for the Georges Riverkeeper be included in the minutes. Therefore the link is shown below and the minutes for meetings can be found on this website:

Working towards a cleaner, healthier, more liveable river. | Georges Riverkeeper

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01 **FILE NO:** 122337.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Companion Animals Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5

March 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Companion Animals Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 02 **FILE NO:** 128838.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 6 March 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 6 March 2024.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 03 **FILE NO:** 134646.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Heritage Advisory Committee on 8 April 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 April 2024.
- 2. Endorses the recommendations in the Minutes of the Liverpool Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 April 2024.
- 3. Notes that a dedicated Implementation Plan for the Collingwood Activation Plan will be prepared and referred to a future Ordinary Meeting of Council for Council consideration and endorsement.
- Notes that a dedicated Implementation Plan for the Collingwood Activation Plan will have associated funding and resourcing requirements and require a dedicated budget.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 04 **FILE NO:** 136444.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Local Traffic Out of Session meeting held on 22 April

2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harle Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council endorses the Committee's recommendations, as outlined in the report.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 05 **FILE NO:** 141501.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Committee Meeting held Tuesday 16

April 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on 16 April 2024.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 06 **FILE NO:** 149137.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 26 February

2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 26 February 2024.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 07 **FILE NO:** 153681.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 12

April 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council approves the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 12 April 2024.

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

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ITEM NO: CTTE 08 **FILE NO:** 155607.2024

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 14 May 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council:

- Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 14 May 2024; and
- 2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

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

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QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01 **FILE NO:** 147607.2024

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harle - Synthetic Playing Fields and Related Health

and Environmental Issues

Based on a recent report published in the St George Leader in April 2024, regarding the Georges River Council and associated environmental and health issues related to their synthetic fields leaching up to six tonnes of rubber crumbs into the environment every two years and considering that "the EU has banned rubber crumbs from these types of fields because of both environmental and health concerns and suggests looking at alternatives including back to natural turf".

Information here: <u>Georges River Council Rubber Crumb Report | St George & Sutherland</u> Shire Leader | St George, NSW (theleader.com.au)

I raise the following questions:

- a. Does Liverpool City Councils' recently completed synthetic field at Hammondville have similar environmental and health issues?
- b. What was the total construction cost of this field and what mitigation measures, if any, were incorporated to prevent environmental and health related issues?
- c. How does Council intend to address ongoing environmental issues and how do those affect the overall maintenance costs of the field both long and short term?
- d. Considering the environmental and health issues, what are the overall advantages and disadvantages of synthetic fields compared to natural turfed fields, including cost considerations?
- e. How many synthetic fields, including cricket pitches does Liverpool City Council currently have?
- f. Since the NSW Government released its draft "Synthetic Turf in Public Open Space Guidelines" in March 2024, has Liverpool City Council re-evaluated its future program of installing synthetic fields compared to natural turfed fields?

Responses (provided by Operations Directorate and Community & Lifestyle)

a. Does Liverpool City Councils' recently completed synthetic field at Hammondville have similar environmental and health issues?

No, rubber crumbs were not used in the Hammondville Park project, the trend in Europe and United States is quite clear with the phasing out of rubber crumb in sports ovals. The infill materials used at Hammondville were sand

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and organic vegetable materials.

b. What was the total construction cost of this field and what mitigation measures, if any, were incorporated to prevent environmental and health related issues?

The improvements to Hammondville Park Field No.1, cost approx. \$3.0million, the cost of the synthetic oval component of works – approx. \$1.3million.

Refer to point a above as there are no environmental or health related issues.

c. How does Council intend to address ongoing environmental issues and how do those affect the overall maintenance costs of the field both long and short term?

Council has been an active participant in the development of NSW Department of Planning's "Synthetic Turf in Public Open Space Guidelines." The public exhibition process for these guidelines ended on 29 April 2024 with the final guidelines expected to be released later this year. The draft guidelines make recommendations on how environmental impacts are minimised in the construction of synthetic fields.

Once these guidelines are released Council will adopt these recommendations as part of its own Policy framework.

d. Considering the environmental and health issues, what are the overall advantages and disadvantages of synthetic fields compared to natural turfed fields, including cost considerations?

There are a number of advantages of synthetic playing fields by comparison to natural turf surfaces. These advantages include:

- Lower costs to maintain;
- Lower costs to install;
- Increased durability and capacity to accommodate high volumes of traffic:
- Capacity to endure extreme weather conditions (rain and cold resistance); and
- Better playing surface quality (that includes a lower injury profile)
- e. How many synthetic fields, including cricket pitches does Liverpool City Council currently have?

Combined there is 27 fields, 4 synthetic fields and 23 synthetic cricket pitches.

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f. Since the NSW Government released its draft "Synthetic Turf in Public Open Space Guidelines" in March 2024, has Liverpool City Council reevaluated its future program of installing synthetic fields compared to natural turfed fields?

The draft 'Synthetic Turf in Public Open Space Guidelines' will certainly play a key role in any future decisions Council makes regarding the installation of new sporting fields, whether synthetic or natural.

Decisions regarding the type of field to be installed in each location will also consider factors such as (but not limited to):

- Availability of space
- Anticipated/historical utilisation rates/ demand
- Potential for commercialisation (hiring or leasing)
- Site characteristics (e.g., if the site is prone to flooding); and
- Availability/ need for supporting infrastructure (e.g., pedestrian/ vehicular access, parking, public transport and amenity facilities)

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ITEM NO: QWN 02 **FILE NO:** 155850.2024

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Green - Council Use of Contractors

Council utilises contractors from time to time for several reasons which might include when a project or specialist skills are necessary.

Could Council please advise:

- 1. Was any work contracted out in preparation for the Family Fun Day at Grimson Park West Hoxton?
- 2. If so, what work was contracted out? And,
- 3. What was the cost?

Responses (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. Was any work contracted out in preparation for the Family Fun Day at Grimson Park West Hoxton?

Grimson Park opening was scheduled in conjunction with the May suburban Family Fun Day to create efficiencies in resources and costs and to optimise the Communities experience.

All event production is coordinated in house by the Major Events team.

The delivery of the event is supported by both internal and external resourcing, this includes external suppliers across Audio Visual, Traffic, security, and litter-picking/cleansing.

In house, Council delivery is supported by the Waste & Cleansing team coordinating event bin drop off, pick up and the Parks teams supporting the park and general maintenance as part of their standard delivery and the ongoing management of the space.

2. If so, what work was contracted out?

Audio Visual support due to the capacity of our internal resources, this is a standard across our Family Fun Days and Major Events.

Traffic Control & Security, this is procured through one company that can provide an overlap in resources so we can prioritise needs.

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Litter Picking, this is sourced through our tendered provider Solo Services.

3. What was the cost?

Current Event expenditure: \$19,861.06 EX GST (includes any current postponement fees, does not include staffing OT).

Of this traffic and security support is \$2976.

Event budget; \$20,000k EX GST

Civic Component: \$4,838.00 EX GST

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Clr Harle left the Chambers at 4:40pm. Clr Harle returned to the Chambers at 4:43pm.

ITEM NO: QWN 03 **FILE NO:** 155876.2024

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Green - Management of Vulnerable Cumberland

Plains Woodlands Kokoda Oval Holsworthy

Background

Cumberland Plains Woodlands are acknowledged as special and unique to western Sydney and are listed as critically endangered facing a high risk of extinction. To date it is reported only 6% of Cumberland Plain Woodlands remain, with less than 2% protected in National Parks.

Cumberland Plains Woodlands are recognised ecologically as important providing vital habitat for native birds, animals, and plants. These protected and vulnerable woodlands are found predominantly in a number of western and southwestern LGA's including Liverpool.

According to NSW Environment and Heritage protecting remnants of Cumberland Plain bushlands is the top priority to ensure ecological diversity of vegetation and habitat is preserved and managed appropriately to reduce further degradation and damage.

The ongoing protection and management of these vulnerable and ecological woodlands ensures future generations have the opportunity to appreciate the diverse species of flora and fauna Cumberland Plains Woodlands support.

Please address the following:

- 1. Is there a best-practice management plan in place to ensure Cumberland Plains bushland including native grasses and vegetation, is properly protected from any activities conducted at Kokoda oval?
- 2. What strategies are currently enlisted to ensure the ongoing protection and preservation of Cumberland Plains bushland, native grasses and vegetation, such as fencing off vulnerable areas of Kokoda Oval?
- 3. What is the current health status of the Cumberland Plains Bushland at Kokoda Oval?
 - a. Has any reportable damage occurred
 - b. What protective measures are in place to ensure the risk of damage is minimised

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4. How are regular users of Kokoda Oval made aware of their responsibilities in ensuring the vegetation of the protected bushlands are not disturbed, damaged, or interfered with as a result of user activities?

Response from Operations

1. Is there a best-practice management plan in place to ensure Cumberland Plains bushland including native grasses and vegetation, is properly protected from any activities conducted at Kokoda oval?

The bushland adjacent to the Kokoda Oval is regularly maintained by Council's bush regeneration team. Signs were previously installed to identify the area as sensitive vegetation, but they require reinstallation due to their recent unauthorised removal.

2. What strategies are currently enlisted to ensure the ongoing protection and preservation of Cumberland Plains bushland, native grasses and vegetation, such as fencing off vulnerable areas of Kokoda Oval?

See response above. Fencing is also being investigated as an added protection to the bushland area.

- 3. What is the current health status of the Cumberland Plains Bushland at Kokoda Oval?
 - a. Has any reportable damage occurred
 - b. What protective measures are in place to ensure the risk of damage is minimised
 - 3a. Council staff have identified some damage to the bushland including damage to mature trees, clearing for access paths and trampled areas of vegetation.
 - 3b. Signage is proposed to be reinstated and fencing is being investigated. Alternative locations for archery activities are being explored in less environmentally sensitive areas of the reserve.
- 4. How are regular users of Kokoda Oval made aware of their responsibilities in ensuring the vegetation of the protected bushlands are not disturbed, damaged, or interfered with as a result of user activities?

Council most recently met with Maydaan Archery in April 2024, who act as an anchor tenant for Kokoda Oval. Maydaan Archery have sought Council permission to utilise this space periodically as part of their traditionally archery program. While some initial access has been provided, monitoring by Council staff has highlighted the adverse impact to the bushland. Council and the Club are working collaboratively on a plan that will support the archery clubs' activities without impacting on environmentally sensitive areas.

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ITEM NO: QWN 04 **FILE NO:** 159088.2024

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Kaliyanda - Quarterly Tender Report

At the June 2022 meeting of Council, a resolution was passed to provide a quarterly report detailing all tenders awarded by Council regardless of dollar value.

- 1. On what occasions has this information be provided?
- 2. Please provide a summary report for the financial year 2023/24 detailing all tenders, regardless of dollar value, be provided to the next Council meeting.
- 3. Please also include details of any Council land or properties that have been bought and/or sold since January 2021.

Response (provided by Corporate Support)

Question 1: On what occasions has this information be provided?

This information is provided to the council as part of the quarter budget review report from finance. It is attachment 9 of each report. A copy of each schedule of contracts from the previous quarters has been attached to this report.

Council meeting	Period of Contracts
1 March 2023	Contracts award 1 October 2022 – 31 December 2022 tabled as part of the Quarterly Budget review (attachment 9)
31 May 2023	Contracts awarded 1 January 2023 – 31 March 2023 tabled as part of the Quarterly Budget review (attachment 9)
22 November 2023	Contracts awarded 1 July 2023 – 30 September 2023 tabled as part of the Quarterly Budget review (attachment 9)
28 February 2024	Contracts award 1 October 2023 – 31 December 2023 tabled as part of the Quarterly Budget review (attachment 9)
29 May 2024	Contracts award 1 January 2024 – 31 March 2024 tabled as part of the Quarterly Budget review (attachment 9)

Question 2: Please provide a summary report for the financial year 2023/24 detailing all tenders, regardless of value.

A schedule of contracts awarded for each quarter from 1 July 2023 has been attached as attachment 2 to this report.

Question 3: Please also include details of any Council land or properties that have been bought and/or sold since January 2021.

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Properties Sold: Since January 2021

Acquisition of Council's interests at Warwick Farm by the Transport Asset Holding Entity of NSW was affected by publication of an Acquisition Notice in the NSW Government Gazette No 292 of 2 July 2021. This included land and temporary construction leases.

The interests acquired by TAHE included: freehold land owned by Council, part of public road (part Warwick Street), part of Cabramatta Creek and part of Jacquie Osmond Reserve that is under the care, control and management of Council.

Land Owned by Council

Type of Acquisition	Description	Defined in Plan of Acquisition	Area sqm
Permanent	Part of Lot 10 DP776165	Lot 3 DP1262377	391.1
Freehold Interest	Public Reserve - Section between the railway corridor & the car dealership		
Permanent	Part of public road area being	Lot 1 DP1265554	150.0
Freehold Interest	part of		
	Warwick Street, Warwick Farm		
Permanent	Part of Cabramatta Creek	Lot 5 DP1262377	14.5
Freehold Interest	Traversed by the railway corridor		
Temporary	Part of 1008 DP591195 being	Lot 2 DP1265553	1,384.0
Construction Lease	part of Stroud Park, Warwick Farm		
Temporary	Part of public road area being	Lot 1 DP1265553	129.6
Construction Lease	part of		
	Railway Parade, Warwick Farm		
Temporary	Part of Lot 10 DP776165	Lot 9 DP1262377	179.8
Construction Lease	Public Reserve - Section		
	between the railway corridor & the car dealership		
Temporary Easement	Part of Lot 1008 DP591195	(A) DP1265553	1,075.0
for Access	being part of Stroud Park,	(, , = , , = , = , = ,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
	Warwick Farm		
Temporary Easement	Part of Lot 10 in DP788368	(OO) DP1262377	1,730.2
for Access	Beneficial ROW from Sappho Road		

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Council settled on sale to Coptic Orthodox Church (NSW) Property Trust - Purchase of Lot 1 McLean Street and Part Tepper Park (52 McLean Street), Liverpool NSW on 28 April 2021.

Properties Acquired: Since January 2021

	Lot & DP	Address
1	Lot 25 DP 1220035	Somme Avenue, Edmondson Park
2	Lot 26 DP 1220035	Somme Avenue, Edmondson Park
3	Lot 700 DP 1244341	RAINBOWS WAY LEPPINGTON
4	Lot 21 DP 1231320	LOT 21 Gurner Avenue, Austral
5	Lot 1 DP 1234968	LOT 1 Illaroo Road, Prestons
7	Lot 45 DP 657031 Lot 19 DP 17134	6 Newbridge Road Chipping Norton 36 Rickard Road Chipping Norton
8	Lot C DP 19162	78 Rickard Road Chipping Norton
9	Lot 410 DP 1233750	70 Seventeenth Avenue. Austral
	Cnr Lot 100 DP	77 Ooverhooma 7 Avoide, 7 August
10	1203918	Cnr Lot 100 Middleton Drive, Middleton Grange
11	Lot 16 DP 1223866	16 Burrows Avenue, Edmondson Park
12	Lot 133 DP 17134	39 Newbridge Road, Chipping Norton
13	Lot 4601 DP 1248502	Clermont Park, Buchan Avenue, Edmondson Park
14	Lot 23 DP 1260171	Pt 45 Seventh Avenue, Austral
15	Lot 182 DP 1237400	Parts incorporated into Tokyo Road and Cortina Avenue and Lot 182 Eighteenth Avenue, Austral
16	Lot 132 DP 1215482	155 Jardine Dr, Edmondson Park
17	Lot 1054 DP 2475	335 Sixth Avenue, Austral
18	Lot 200 DP 1284975	80-90 Eleventh Ave Austral
19 20	Lot 134 DP 1271187 Lot 32 DP 17134	Pt 230 Thirteenth Avenue Austral 62 Rickard Road, Chipping Norton
21	Lot 78 DP 657030	62 Newbridge Road, Chipping Norton
22	Lot 153 DP 17134	47 Rickard Road Chipping Norton
23	Lot 161 DP 17134	31 Rickard Road, Chipping Norton
21	Lot 1 DP 1237352	1 Copeland St, Liverpool, rear of 9 Copeland St
25	Lot 2 DP 1292702	Lot 2 Wakeling Drive, Edmondson Park
	Cnr Lot 481 DP	-
26	1251848	Cnr Lot 481 Haybale Street, Austral
27	Lot 297 DP 752060	Lot 297 Illaroo Road, Prestons
28	Lot 4311 DP 1263706	Lot 4311 Fifteenth Avenue, Austral
29	Lot 299 DP 2475	50 Sixteenth Avenue, Austral
30	Lot 8 DP 1249397 Lot 2 DP 567321	Pt Lot 164 Manchuria Road, Edmondson Park 2082 Camden Valley Way, Edmondson Park
32	Lot 141 DP 852633	305 Denham Court Road, Den ham Court
33	Lot 2 DP 1263707	Pt 285 Fifteenth Avenue, Austral
34	Lot 1046 DP 2475	255 Sixth Avenue, Austral
35	Lot 612 DP 1268345	First Avenue, Hoxton Park
36	Lot 7 DP 1246598	145 Edmondson Avenue, Austral
37	Lot 10 DP 1203674	220 Fifth Avenue, Austral
38	Lot 1047 DP 2475	265 Sixth Avenue, Austral
39	Lot 866 DP 2475	90 Tenth Avenue, Austral
40	Lot 1137 DP 2475	160 <u>Fifth_Avenue</u> , Austral
41	Lot 64 DP 1271974	35-55 Tenth Ave Austral
42	Lot 65 DP 1271974	35-55 Tenth Ave Austral
43	Lot 66 DP 1271974	35-55 Tenth Ave Austral
44	Lot 67 DP 1271974 Lot 142 DP 1265897	35-55 Tenth Ave Austral 95-105 Seventh Avenue Austral
46	Lot 141 DP1265897	95-105 Seventh Avenue Austral
47	Lot 10 DP 808614	180 Sixth Ave Austral
48	Lot 2 DP 1249397	Lot 2 Croatia Avenue, Edmondson Park (Basin 14)
49	Lot 4 DP 1249397	Lot 4 Croatia Avenue, Edmondson Park (Basin 14)
50	Lot 7 DP 1249397	Lot 7 Camden Valley Way, Edmondson Park (Basin 14)
51	Lot 9 DP 1249397	Lot 9 Camden Valley Way, Edmondson Park (Basin 14)
52	Lot 100 DP 1282981	45 Sixteenth Avenue Austral
53	Lot 161 DP 1287280	Lot 161 Fifth Avenue, Austral
54	Lot 102 DP 1130459	600 Cowpasture Road, Len Waters Estate
55	Cnr Lot 1117 DP 2475	265 Fifth Avenue, Austral
56	Lot 850 DP 2475	235 Tenth Avenue, Austral
57	Lot 15 DP 1254457	Lot 15 Monoplane Avenue, Middleton Grange
58 59	Lot 25 DP 1249950	Lot 25 Winterhead Street, Austral 62 Kelly Street, Austral
23	Lot 1 DP 1257931 Lot 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14	UZ Nelly Olicet, Austral
61	& 18 DP 1295727	Governor Macquarie Drive, Warwick Farm

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CIr Macnaught left the Chambers at 4:44pm. CIr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 4:47pm.

ITEM NO: QWN 05 **FILE NO:** 159161.2024

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Kaliyanda - Community Engagement in Cecil Hills

On 1 May 2024, Council began an extensive hedge cutting exercise in Cecil Hills in response to resident complaints about ongoing maintenance, rubbish and safety issues.

Please address the following:

- 1. What community engagement or consultation was conducted with residents prior to the contractor beginning works?
- 2. When residents expressed significant concerns with the works undertaken and works were paused, what communication or engagement was conducted with residents in relation to these issues?
- 3. Prior to the recommencement of works at Cecil Hills, what engagement or consultation was conducted with residents to inform any change to the scope or nature of these works?
- 4. What has been the involvement or role of Council's substantial Communications Team in helping to support operational and frontline staff in responding to resident concerns and complaints in relation to the hedge cutting works at Cecil Hills?
- 5. What has been the cost of undertaking these works at Cecil Hills?
- 6. Has this been budgeted for?
- 7. If so, what funding source was this drawn from?
- 8. What is the comparison of the actual cost of the works to the budgeted amount?

Responses (provided by Operations Directorate)

1. What community engagement or consultation was conducted with residents prior to the contractor beginning works?

There was no community engagement or consultation conducted with residents prior to the contractor beginning works. An engagement piece was planned for a Community Forum in March, however Manager City Works, Parks, Sport & Open Spaces was on leave and unavailable.

2. When residents expressed significant concerns with the works undertaken and works were paused, what communication or engagement was conducted with residents in relation to these issues?

A resident forum was arranged by Councillor Kaliyanda and was held at 6pm on 6 May 2024. Manager City Works, Parks, Sport & Open Spaces, A/Director Operations and Coordinators were in attendance.

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3. Prior to the recommencement of works at Cecil Hills, what engagement or consultation was conducted with residents to inform any change to the scope or nature of these works?

Several concerns were raised at the forum. Council had agreed to cease the works on 6 May 2024 and considered their valid concerns around safety and clearance. An update was drafted by Council's Communications, Marketing & Brand Team and placed on community pages through social media.

4. What has been the involvement or role of Council's substantial Communications Team in helping to support operational and frontline staff in responding to resident concerns and complaints in relation to the hedge cutting works at Cecil Hills?

Manager Communications, Marketing & Brand provided input & design for the message. They were engaged prior to the community meeting and made aware of the issue. Frontline and operational staff attended the forum to address residents' concern. The public messaging was approved by Council's Communications, Marketing & Brand Team and posted to Council's social media. Please also refer to answer to question 3.

5. What has been the cost of undertaking these works at Cecil Hills?

The current cost of the works is approximately \$100,000. Exact figures can be sourced if required.

6. Has this been budgeted for?

Yes, this has been budgeted.

7. If so, what funding source was this drawn from?

The funding source is the Parks Operation Budget.

8. What is the comparison of the actual cost of the works to the budgeted amount?

There is NIL difference as it was a scope of works agreed to and undertaken by a contractor. Prices for quoting this work ranged from approximately \$100k - \$300K. Exact figures can be sourced if required.

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ITEM NO: CFD 02

FILE NO: 159228.2024

SUBJECT: Public Hearing Report - Plan of Management Hammondville Park

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harle Seconded: Clr Macnaught

That Council:

1. Notes the Hammondville Park Public Hearing Report;

- 2. Supports the exhibited Categorisation including General Community Use for the proposed areas reflecting the Hammondville Park Masterplan layout; and
- 3. Endorses the Hammondville Park Plan of Management for the purpose of adoption and implementation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act)*.

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

Clr Kaliyanda and Clr Dr Green requested they be recorded as having voted against the motion.

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PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

NIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01 **FILE NO:** 160316.2024

SUBJECT: Addressing Contributory Factors to High Turnover of CEO

Background

Recognising that strong and stable operational leadership is an important factor in ensuring that Council continues to deliver high-level service to the community, I propose the following motion:

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Dr Green)

That Council:

- 1. Engage an independent external party to conduct an investigation into the turnover of the position of Chief Executive Officers from 2008 at the completion of the term of Administration of Council to the present (2024);
- 2. That the investigation include within its terms of reference:
 - a. an assessment of whether or not the turnover of the Chief Executive Officer position at Council is consistent with turnover of Chief Executive Officer/General Manager positions at similar Councils;
 - b. any underlying or common factors which have caused turnover in the Chief Executive Officer position;
 - c. any recommendations to address issues identified (if any) in the recruitment, management, and termination process relating to the position of Chief Executive Officer
- 3. Engage the independent external party to conduct the investigation within 14 days of the date of this motion; and
- 4. That the independent external party is directed to provide a report to Council on the findings of the investigation within 28 days of their engagement.

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COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Green Seconded: Clr Kaliyanda

That Council:

- 1. Engage an independent external party to conduct an investigation into the turnover of the position of Chief Executive Officers and Council staff from 2000 to present;
- 2. That the investigation include within its terms of reference:
 - a. an assessment of whether or not the turnover of staff is consistent at similar Councils;
 - b. any underlying or common factors which have caused turnover of staff;
 - c. any recommendations to address issues identified (if any) in the recruitment, management, and termination process relating to staff employment;
- 3. Defer administration of this item until the Office of Local Government concludes the current investigation and findings are presented to Council.

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

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 5.07pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed in Open Session at 5.21pm with all Councillors present

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun Seconded: Clr Macnaught

That Council move into Closed Session to deal with the following items:

CONF 01 - Purchase of Lot 1 DP 1203671, 210 Fifth Avenue, Austral for RE1 Public Recreation and SP2 Local Drainage and CONF 02 - Acquisition of 90 Eighteenth Avenue in Austral, Lot 153 in DP 2475 pursuant to the provisions of \$10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because they contain information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

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CONF 03 - RCL3258 - Stormwater Drainage Pipes Rehabilitation Works and CONF 04 - Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants Program - procurement of in-ground lighting Macquarie Street pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(d i) of the Local Government Act 1993 because they contain commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CONF 05 – Mayoral Minute: Staffing Matter pursuant to section 14.1a of the Code of Meeting Practice which reflects section 10A(1) and (2) of the Act. Pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

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

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 5.23pm and the gallery left the Chambers.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01 **FILE NO:** 137403.2024

SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 1 DP 1203671, 210 Fifth Avenue, Austral for RE1 Public

Recreation and SP2 Local Drainage

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council:

- 1. Purchase Lot 1 DP 1203671, 210 Fifth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
- 2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 1 DP 1203671 as "Operational Land".
- 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; and
- 4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions
- 5. Direct the CEO to have a basin report to come back to Council and include an update regarding basin program and designs for Austral.

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

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ITEM NO: CONF 02 **FILE NO:** 143772.2024

SUBJECT: Acquisition of 90 Eighteenth Avenue in Austral, Lot 153 in DP 2475.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

That Council:

- 1. Approves the acquisition of Lot 153 in Deposited Plan 2475, 90 Eighteenth Avenue, Austral within the terms outlined in this confidential Report.
- 2. Resolves to classify Lot 153 in Deposited Plan 2475 as 'Operational land' in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* upon settlement.
- 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; and
- 4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or its delegated Officer/s to execute any documents, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision.

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

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ITEM NO: CONF 03 **FILE NO:** 145971.2024

SUBJECT: RCL3258 - Stormwater Drainage Pipes Rehabilitation Works

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harle Seconded: Clr Green

That Council:

1. Accepts the tenders from the below listed contractors for tender RCL3258 - Stormwater Drainage Pipe Rehabilitation Works for an initial two-year contract term with the option of 3 x 12 months extension.

Portion A: CCTV Inspection and Condition Assessment

- Total Drain Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd
- Interflow Pty Limited
- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd

Portion B: Enhanced Pipe Maintenance

- Total Drain Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd
- Interflow Pty Limited
- Aqua Assets Pty Ltd

Portion C: Pipe Restoration

- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd
- Total Drain Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd
- Interflow Pty Limited
- Aqua- Assets Pty Ltd

Portion D: Drainage Pipe Renewal & Replacement

- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd
- Interflow Pty Limited
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd

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Portion E: Lateral Connection /Side Lines Re-Connections and Repairs

- Interflow Pty Limited
- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd
- TDM Pipeline Solutions Pty Ltd

Portion F: Other services for Stormwater Drainage Pipe Rehabilitation

- Interflow Pty Limited
- Pipe Management Australia Pty Ltd
- TDM Pipeline Solutions Pty Ltd
- Aqua- Assets Pty Ltd
- Total Drain Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
- Downer Pipetech Pty Ltd
- 2. Makes public its decision regarding tender RCL3258 Stormwater Drainage Pipe Rehabilitation Works.
- 3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer, or delegate, to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions, including signing award letters and executing contracts.
- 4. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

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

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ammoun, Clr Goodman, Clr Green, Clr Hagarty, Clr

Hadid, Clr Harle, Clr Kaliyanda, Clr Macnaught and Clr Rhodes.

Vote against: Clr Karnib*.

*Note: Clr Karnib's microphone was muted and he did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore in accordance with Clause 11.4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (as shown below), he is recorded as voting against the motion:

"A councillor who is present at a meeting of the council but who fails to vote on a motion put to the meeting is taken to have voted against the motion."

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ITEM NO: CONF 04 **FILE NO:** 152114.2024

SUBJECT: Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants Program - procurement of in-ground

lighting Macquarie Street

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Rhodes Seconded: Clr Harle

It is recommended that Council:

1. Agrees to procure inground lighting from LiteSource and Controls Pty Ltd.

- 2. Agrees that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - a) the Macquarie Street upgrade is underway and the most efficient way to install the lighting solution is during the current upgrade;
 - b) Council must complete the requirements of the Public Spaces Legacy Grant by June 30 and comply with the program for Macquarie Street agreed under the Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants Program;
 - c) the time required to invite tenders and award a contract is estimated to take up to four months, resulting in grant deadlines not being met, and would likely result in even longer delay to the Macquarie Street upgrade as the upgrade cannot take place during Council's Summer events program which will involve significant events in Macquarie Street during January and February 2025; and
 - d) LiteSource and Controls Pty Ltd is the sole supplier of the Filix product (identified by Council's
- Agrees that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders due to the unavailability of competitive tenderers to supply the Step Up Wide RGBW lighting which is required to implement the lighting design.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

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ITEM NO: MAYOR 01

REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun - 29 May 2024

SUBJECT: Staffing Matter

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Pursuant to clause 10.4 of the Employment Contract, the Council terminate the employment of John Ajaka as Chief Executive Officer of the Council without notice and with immediate effect.
- 2. That Council writes to John Ajaka informing him of the Council's decision and issues him with the attached letter without delay.
- 3. Mr Jason Breton continue as acting Chief Executive Officer in higher duties for up to 12 months.

Deputy Mayor Macnaught left Chamber at 6.34pm and returned at 6.36pm.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Mayor Mannoun Seconded: Clr Macnaught

That the recommendation be adopted.

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

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ammoun, Clr Goodman, Clr Hadid and Clr

Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Karnib, Clr Green, Clr Rhodes, Clr Harle and Clr Kaliyanda

The motion was carried on the Mayor's casting vote.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: Moved: Clr Kaliyanda Seconded: Clr Green

That:

- 1. A decision should not be made until the current investigation findings are available.
- 2. The Mayor should not be using a casting vote for this matter.

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

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Vote for (the dissent): Clr Green, Clr Harle, Clr Kaliyanda, Clr Karnib and Clr Rhodes.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ammoun, Clr Goodman, Clr Hadid, Clr

Karnib* and Clr Macnaught.

*Note: Clr Karnib's microphone was muted and he did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore in accordance with Clause 11.4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (as shown below), he is recorded as voting against the motion:

"A councillor who is present at a meeting of the council but who fails to vote on a motion put to the meeting is taken to have voted against the motion."

The Chamber requested voting with names be recorded for transparency.

Dissenting Councillors advised an intent to issue a Motion to Rescind Resolution CONF 05: Mayoral Minute – Staffing Matter which was not available immediately, however issued to A/Chief Executive Officer at 6.55pm (signed by Clr Green, Clr Kaliyanda, Clr Harle, Clr Rhodes).

COUNCIL IN OPEN SESSION

Council moved back into Open Session at 6.53pm and Mayor Mannoun read the resolutions for items **CONF 01** - Purchase of Lot 1 DP 1203671, 210 Fifth Avenue, Austral for RE1 Public Recreation and SP2 Local Drainage, **CONF 02** - Acquisition of 90 Eighteenth Avenue in Austral, Lot 153 in DP 2475, **CONF 03** - RCL3258 - Stormwater Drainage Pipes Rehabilitation Works, **CONF 04** - Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants Program - procurement of in-ground lighting Macquarie Street and **CONF 05** – Staffing Matter which were dealt with in Closed Session.

Note: the correct resolution resolved for CONF 04 is detailed accurately in the minutes. Please note the Mayor incorrectly refers to an old resolution that is read out in Open Session due to administration not presenting content on screen.

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THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.55pm

<Signature>

Name: Clr Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 May 2024

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 May 2024. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

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