



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Services
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Design
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:00pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT/S, PRAYER OF
COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Tim Booker from St Luke's Anglican Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung by Qamar Jabr and Courtney Mallia from 2168 Children's Parliament.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY
AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Dr Green

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 August 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Item: COM 03 – Revocation of Language Aide Policy.

Reason: Works with and is a creditor for NAATI.

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

Note: the Council meeting was adjourned before this item was debated and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Ammoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Harle declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Harle left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Harte declared non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Has been issued a summons to provide evidence in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council, which may include matters relating to the contents of the motion.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Dr Green declared non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Dr Green left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

At the adjourned meeting of Council, a supplementary conflict of interest declaration was made by Clr Dr Green, changing the classification from less than significant to significant when the item was considered.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

At the adjourned meeting of Council, Mayor Mannoun withdrew his conflict of interest declaration when the item was considered, as noted in the minutes.

Mr Finian Simes declared a pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 08 – Audio Visual Production Tender.

Reason: Is an employee of one of the tenderers included in the report.

Mr Finian Simes will be leaving Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: the Council meeting was adjourned before this item was debated and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That item COM 05 – Election of Deputy Mayor be brought forward and dealt with now.

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

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 300303.2025
SUBJECT: Election of Deputy Mayor

Nominations

Nominations were called for the position of Deputy Mayor by the Chief Executive Officer as the Returning Officer.

The Returning Officer advised that two nominations had been received, being for Cllr Dr Green and Cllr Harle.

The following votes were recorded:

Councillor	Cllr Dr Green	Cllr Harle
Mayor Mannoun	X	
Cllr Adjei	X	
Cllr Ammoun	X	
Cllr Dr Green	X	
Cllr Harle		X
Cllr Harte	X	
Cllr Ibrahim		X
Cllr Karnib		X
Cllr Macnaught	X	
Cllr Monaghan		X
Cllr Ristevski		X

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That:

1. The method of voting to be used for the election of Deputy Mayor is voting by show of hands.
2. Cllr Dr Green be declared the Deputy Mayor of Liverpool City Council for the term 1 October 2025 to September 2026; and
3. Council's register of delegations be amended accordingly.

Mayor Mannoun thanked the outgoing Deputy Mayor, Cllr Harle for his service to the role.

PUBLIC FORUM

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Arsofan Alkuheli, Qamar Jabr, Courtney Mallia and Zakaria Assaad of 2168 Children’s Parliament** addressed Council on the following item:

Item – COM 04 – 2168 Children’s Parliament Presentation from the Parliament Sitting 18 June 2025.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time to Zakaria Assaad.

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That item COM 04 – 2168 Children’s Parliament be brought forward and dealt with now.

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

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 297554.2025
SUBJECT: 2168 Children's Parliament Presentation From The Parliament Sitting 18 June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ammoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receive and notes this report.
2. Receive a report on items discussed during the public forum component to the February Council meeting.
3. The report to include:
 - a. The relevant partnerships and stakeholders to be consulted collaboratively to ensure issues and funding streams are identified and delivered within a reasonable timeframe; and
 - b. The actual number of students at the school compared to the approved student capacity of the school.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Vale Mr Andy Snook
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I rise to extend our deepest condolences on the passing of Mr Andy Snook – a man whose quiet dedication and generosity left an indelible mark on our community.

For more than four decades, Andy made it his personal mission to reunite lost pets with their owners across Liverpool, Fairfield, and Canterbury-Bankstown. He became the first name people turned to when a dog was found roaming the streets – always ready with his microchip scanner and his boundless compassion.

Though he never sought recognition, Andy's efforts touched countless lives. He gave comfort to families, joy to children, and safety to animals who could not speak for themselves. He was, in every sense, a quiet hero of southwest Sydney.

Andy's life reminds us of the extraordinary impact that one individual can have when guided by selflessness and compassion. With modesty and humility, he showed that a single person's determination and kindness can ripple through an entire community, leaving a legacy far greater than themselves.

In 2022, it was my honour to present him with an Order of Liverpool Award – a fitting tribute to a man who asked for nothing but gave so much. Yet his truest legacy lies in the lives he touched and the example he set for all of us across Southwestern Sydney.

We acknowledge Andy's passing at the age of 70 following a brief illness, and we extend our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife Daphne, his family, and his many friends – especially all those families whom he re- united with their furry friends.

Liverpool mourns the loss of Andy Snook, but we also celebrate his life and the extraordinary contribution he made. His memory will live on in every reunion between a lost pet and its family, and in the gratitude of a community that will ever remember him.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Expresses its sadness at the sudden passing of Andy Snook; and
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Snook's family, together with a copy of this motion as a mark of gratitude for the extraordinary contribution Mr Snook made to our Liverpool community.

3. At an appropriate time, work with Mr Snook's family to acknowledge his contributions with a suitable memorial.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

1. Expresses its sadness at the sudden passing of Andy Snook; and
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Snook's family, together with a copy of this motion as a mark of gratitude for the extraordinary contribution Mr Snook made to our Liverpool community.
3. At an appropriate time, work with Mr Snook's family to acknowledge his contributions with a suitable memorial, considering options such as:
 - Establishing the "Andy Snook Animal Welfare Award", presented annually at the Order of Liverpool Awards to recognise outstanding community service in animal welfare.
 - Naming a Council facility, park, or animal-related service after Andy Snook (e.g. "The Andy Snook Animal Care Facility" or "The Andy Snook Dog Park").
 - Planting a commemorative tree or garden in Andy's honour in a public reserve, with a plaque acknowledging his contribution.
 - Creating an annual "Lost Pets Awareness Week" in Liverpool in his name, promoting responsible pet ownership and community care for animals.
 - Partnering with local animal welfare groups to establish a small grant or sponsorship fund in Andy's name, supporting local pet rescue and rehoming initiatives.
4. Receive a report back on the feasibility of the memorial options listed above.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 297973.2025
SUBJECT: Illegal Dumping along Heathcote Road

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the ongoing illegal dumping problem along Heathcote Road and notes that residents have raised repeated concerns regarding this issue;
2. Writes to the Minister for Roads, the Minister for the Environment, and relevant State Government representatives requesting immediate and coordinated action to address illegal dumping along Heathcote Road;
3. Invites State Government representatives to attend a Council meeting to provide an update to Liverpool residents on actions taken to address these concerns;
4. Publishes on Council's website and social media channels a summary of Council's advocacy efforts on this matter so residents are informed of ongoing initiatives and responsibilities.
5. Requests quarterly updates from State agencies on progress toward a permanent solution, including enforcement and clean-up programs; and
6. Explores opportunities for joint operations with NSW Police, Transport for NSW, and the NSW Environment Protection Authority to target known "hotspots" for illegal dumping along Heathcote Road.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the challenge associated with illegal dumping across the LGA;
2. Direct the CEO to produce a report detailing the number of complaints regarding illegal dumping on Heathcote Road between Newbridge Road and Deadmans Creek;
3. Explores opportunities for collaboration between NSW State Agencies including but

not limited to NSW Police, TFNSW and the NSW EPA to identify and target known dumping hotspots across the LGA; and

4. Hold a workshop inviting the State Government and local Land Council representatives to attend, to provide an update to Liverpool residents on actions taken to address these concerns.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harle, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Harte and Cllr Ammoun left the Chambers at 6:49pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

ITEM NO: NOM 02

FILE NO: 301800.2025

SUBJECT: Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the findings of the public inquiry hearings which highlighted uncertainty and inconsistency in how the Liverpool City Council Facebook page is managed, particularly regarding councillors' representation;
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a clear and transparent policy that ensures:
 - a) Councillors attending official events on behalf of Council are recognised and reported on through the Council's Facebook page.
 - b) Representation of Council at official functions, delegations, and community events is acknowledged in a fair and non-partisan manner.
 - c) Staff are not placed in a position where they are directed into political interference, including altering photographs, excluding councillors, or withholding information from the community; and
3. Ensure that where councillors attend official functions or delegations in their capacity as elected representatives, their role is acknowledged and given appropriate recognition on Council's Facebook page.

COUNCIL DECISION

Cllr Monaghan then cited clauses 5.11 (c) and 5.12 (b) of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, which states:

5.11 A meeting of the council must be adjourned if a quorum is not present:

(a) at the commencement of the meeting where the number of apologies received for the meeting indicates that there will not be a quorum for the meeting, or

(b) within half an hour after the time designated for the holding of the meeting, or

(c) at any time during the meeting.

5.12 In either case, the meeting must be adjourned to a time, date and place fixed:
 (a) by the chairperson, or
(b) in the chairperson's absence, by the majority of the councillors present, or
 (c) failing that, by the CEO.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded: Cllr Ristevski**

That the meeting be adjourned due to the absence of a quorum and reconvened on Thursday 25 September 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers, Level 1, 50 Scott Street, Liverpool.

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

Councillors voted unanimously for this item (Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr Karnib).

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harle, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Harte, and Cllr Ammoun were not in the Chambers when this motion was voted on.

Following the decision, the Chief Executive Officer left the Chambers to notify the Councillors who were not in attendance.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:51PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 October 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 September 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting