

# **MINUTES**

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## **Council Meeting**

**Monday, 26 September 2022**

**7.00pm**

**Dragon Room**

**Level 1, Georges River Civic Centre**

**Corner Dora and MacMahon Streets, Hurstville**



## **PRESENT**

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Mayor, Councillor Nick Katris, Councillor Ashvini Ambihaipahar Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Sam Elmir, Councillor Kevin Greene, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Nick Smerdely, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, Councillor Colleen Symington and Councillor Benjamin Wang.

### **COUNCIL STAFF**

Acting General Manager - Sue Weatherley, Director Assets and Infrastructure - Andrew Latta, Director Environment and Planning - Meryl Bishop, Acting Director Community and Culture - Kristie Dodd, Acting Director Business and Corporate Services - Danielle Parker, Acting Manager, Office of the General Manager - Vicki McKinley, Acting Manager Cultural Engagement and Library Services - Justin Yeomans (online), Acting Manager City Life - Thomas Koruth (online), Manager City Technical Services - Tom Heath (online), Manager Premium Facilities – Luke Coleman (online), Manager Strategic Planning - Catherine McMahon, Senior Strategic Planner - Rebecca Lau, Manager Community and Early Learning Services - Kylie Downing (online), Manager Strategic Placemaking - Hayley Barnes (online), Chief Audit Executive - Juliette Hall, Executive Services Officer - Marina Cavar, Acting Executive Services Officer - Marisa Severino, Research and Project Officer – Ann-Marie Svorinic, Chief Information Officer - Brendan Scott and Team Leader Technology Services - Garuthman De Silva

## **OPENING**

The Mayor, Councillor Katris, opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

## **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

All those present stood for the singing of the National Anthem.

## **PRAYER**

Reverend Peter Greenwood from St Mark's Anglican Church, South Hurstville, offered a prayer to the meeting.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor, Councillor Katris acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land, the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**MOTION:** Councillor Smerdely and Councillor Stratikopoulos

That an apology be accepted on behalf of Councillor Konjarski and a leave of absence granted.

## **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

## NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Mayor, Councillor Katris advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

## CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

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## DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

**Councillor Mahoney** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in item **CCL084-22 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 6 September 2022 (ASS029-22 Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting 6 September 2022)**, for the reason that he is acquainted with one of non-voting members of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee, having worked together at the same federal agency. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting for this item.

**Councillor Mahoney** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in item **CCL086-22 Glenlee, 80 Boronia Parade Lugarno - Update Report**, for the reason that he is a member of Friends of Glenlee who is currently campaigning to preserve the property. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Borg** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **NM086-22 Kogarah War Memorial Pool - A grateful community remembers its past**, for the reason that she is a member of the Kogarah Progress Association. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Borg will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Mort** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **NM086-22 Kogarah War Memorial Pool - A grateful community remembers its past**, for the reason that she is a member of the Kogarah Progress Association. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mort will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Mahoney** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **NM086-22 Kogarah War Memorial Pool - A grateful community remembers its past**, for the reason that she is a member of the Kogarah Progress Association which secured a state government grant to compile the history of the Kogarah War Memorial Pool. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Ambihaipahar** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **CCL087-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration options and preparation of Planning Proposal** for the reason that she is a volunteer board member of the St George Community Transport who rents office space at 1/29-33 Pitt St Mortdale. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Ambihaipahar will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Jamieson** declared a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest under clause 4.25 in item **CCL082-22 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022** for the reason that her principal place of residence is located within the **Mortdale Centre Masterplan core study area**. As this is a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest, Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting for voting and discussion of this item.

**Councillor Jamieson** declared a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest under clause 4.25 in item **CCL087-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal** for the reason that her principal place of residence is located within the **Mortdale Centre Masterplan core study area**. As this is a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest, Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting for voting and discussion of this item.

**Councillor Mahoney** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary interest in the item **QWN038-22 Tree Mapping and Tree Canopy Cover Target** for the reasons that he is a member of Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society, which is mentioned in this report. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Stratikopoulos** declared a Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL085-22 Report of the Community and Culture Committee held on 12 September 2022 (COM036-22 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations)** for the reason that he serves on the Committee of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Kogarah Parish which received sponsorship from Council for a fete held on 25 September 2022. As this is a Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Stratikopoulos will leave the meeting.

**Councillor Elmir** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL088- 22 Applications pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy – September 2022** for the reason that his son plays for Kogarah Cougars JRLFC. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Elmir will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Mort** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the item **MM021-22 Congratulations and good luck to Councillor Mort** for the reason that the report is about her. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Mort will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Jamieson** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL082-22 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 12 September 2022 (ENV028-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration options and preparation of Planning Proposal)** for the reason that Deborah Mackie ran on her ticket at the LG Elections in 2021. As this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting.

**Councillor Greene** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL091-22 Electrical Supply upgrade to Hurstville Oval** for the reason that he is the President of St George District Cricket Club who have a licence for use of ground. Although this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Greene has chosen to not participate in the discussion or voting and leave the meeting.

**Councillor Greene** declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL087-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration options and preparation of Planning Proposal** for the reason that he is a patron of Mortdale RSL Sub Branch, Mortdale RSL is in the Mortdale Masterplan Area. Although this is a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Greene has chosen to not participate in the discussion or voting and leave the meeting.

**The Mayor, Councillor Katris** declared a Pecuniary Interest in the item **CCL085-22 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 12 September 2022 (COM036-22 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations)** for the reason that his architectural business does some consulting work for the Kogarah Greek Orthodox Parish on occasion. As this is a Pecuniary disclosure, Councillor Katris will leave the meeting.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

	Speaker	Report No	Report Title
1	Peter Stevens	<b>NM081-22</b>	Wolli Creek Regional Park
2	Gary Faafua	<b>NM079-22</b>	Congratulations to St George Junior Rugby League for Final Series
3	Brian Russell	<b>NM080-22</b>	Legislation on Abandoned Shopping Trolleys
4	John Delaney	<b>CCL087-22</b>	Mortdale Master Plan – consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal
5	James Neale	<b>CCL087-22</b>	Mortdale Master Plan – consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal
6	Malcolm Armstrong	<b>CCL087-22</b>	Mortdale Master Plan – consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal
7	Sami Winfield	<b>CCL087-22</b>	Mortdale Master Plan – consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal
8	Brian Shaw	<b>CCL089-22</b>	Review of Council's Code of Conduct
9	Matthew Allison	<b>CCL086-22</b>	Glenlee, 80 Boronia Parade Lugarno - Update Report
10	Karina McDougall	<b>NM084-22</b>	Suitability and Feasibility for a New Library at Mortdale
11	Peter Thompson	<b>CCL082-22</b>	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022
12	Catherine Ford	<b>CCL087-22</b>	Mortdale Master Plan – consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal
13	Anna Gilmore	<b>CCL082-22</b>	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022
14	Deborah Mackie	<b>CCL082-22</b>	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022
15	Diane Lo	<b>NM084-22</b>	Suitability & feasibility for a new library in Mortdale

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**CCL081-22 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 August 2022**

(Report by Acting Manager Office of the General Manager)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Councillor Smerdely

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 August 2022 be adopted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

## **MAYORAL MINUTES**

### **MM020-22      Vale Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II** (Report by The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That all persons attending this meeting of Council observe one minute's silence to commemorate the life and service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **MM021-22      Congratulations and Good Luck to Councillor Natalie Mort** (Report by The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

Note: Councillor Mort disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council congratulates Councillor Natalie Mort for qualifying for the IRONMAN World Championships being held at Kona, Hawaii on 6th October 2022 and wishes her luck in competing and completing this gruelling event.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **MM022-22      Tragedy at Buxton, NSW** (Report by The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council writes to the Mayor of Wollondilly Council, Councillor Matt Gould, to express our condolences to the community and families involved.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **MM023-22      Hurstville Oval Centenary 1st Grade celebration** (Report by The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris

THAT Council congratulate St George Cricket Club on their Centenary of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and all those who have represented in 1<sup>st</sup> Grade over the years.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **MM024-22      80 Boronia Parade, Lugarno (Glenlee) Information from the Meeting with the State and Federal Ministers**

(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Katris)

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris

That Council notes the information contained in this report.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

## **CONDOLENCES**

There were no condolences.

## **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Councillor Jamieson

That, in accordance with Clause 8.5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council alter the Order of Business of this meeting to allow for the following items to be considered prior to all other items on the agenda;

- **CCL087-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **CCL087-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal** (Report by Senior Strategic Planner)

Note: Councillor Ambihaipahar disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

Note: Councillor Greene disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item he left the meeting at 8.21pm.

Note: Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Jamieson

That Council notes the submissions received during the public exhibition of the draft Mortdale Master Plan.

That Council does not proceed with the exhibited draft Mortdale Master Plan.

That Council notes it has received a range of diverse submissions on the previously exhibited Mortdale Master Plan, and as such, Council resolves to prepare two revised Master Plan Options for exhibition and comment as indicated below.

- (a) That Council is to prepare a revised Mortdale Master Plan (which is to be known as Option 1A) based on Option 1, as detailed in the report with the following amendments.
  - i. Revise the height limit in the B2 zones within Morts Road to 4-storeys, with a 2-storey street wall ,with upper levels setback, from St Catherine Street through to No 14A Morts Road, (just past the Uniting Church), and this is to be reflected on the opposite side of Morts Road, so that the 4-storey limit extends from St Catherine street , through to No. 11C Morts Road
  - ii. Revise the height limits on the sites that front onto Macquarie Place , which include the sites that are located just behind No. 11A Morts Road.( which is the current location of the Westpac Bank ) all the way through to The Strand are to be limited to 4 storeys , with a 2-storey street wall and with upper levels setback in this location as indicated in Option 1 and as detailed in the report as figure 6 but extended to The Strand , in order to include part of the RSL Site that faces Macquarie Place
  - iii. Revise the height limits on all the other remaining B2 Zoned sites which occur ,in close proximity to Mortdale Railway Station ,and front onto Pitt Street, the corner of The Strand and Pitt Street , Part of Cook Street and including parts of George Street so that they are limited to 6 storeys with a 2-4 storey street wall and with the upper levels setback in all such locations as indicated in Option 1 and as detailed in the report as figure 6 with the exception that the B2 Zoning that fronts Pitt Street, and includes part of the RSL site is to extend to The Strand and the 6 storey height Limit is also to extend to The Strand on the corner of Pitt Street and The Strand.
  - iv. All other proposed rezonings and proposed height limits are to be accordance with that which is indicated in the attached Council Officers Report as Option 1, and as detailed in the report as figure 6 - Option-Structure Plan on Page 97 which also includes the Rezoning of some of the existing Residential Properties.
  - v. The actual heights , in metres, are to be in accordance with paragraphs 58 and 59, on page 87 of the attached Council Officer's Report .
  - vi. The FSR in the business zones and in the proposed rezoning of existing residential zones are to be reviewed to reflect the proposed heights and these are to reflect the Proposed Floor space ratios that are indicated in paragraphs 55,56 and 57 on page 86 of the Council Officers report.
- (b) Further, that Council prepares a revised Mortdale Master Plan (which is to be known as option 2 A) based on Option 2 as detailed in the report as follows:
  - i. The height limit in the B2 zone in Pitt Street and Morts Road is 4-storeys with a 2-storey street wall with upper levels setback
  - ii. The FSR is reviewed to reflect the proposed 4 storey height limit
  - iii. Rezone the following existing R4 properties to B2 with a 4-storey height limit:



- a. 9 Pitt Street, Mortdale
  - b. 56 Pitt Street, Mortdale
  - c. 19-25 Macquarie Place
- (c) That Council endorse that the Mortdale Master Plan Option 1 A and Option 2 A be placed on public exhibition for 60 days in order to allow the residents sufficient time to review both options and provide their submissions.
- (d) That Council is to prepare a preliminary a Traffic, Transport and Parking Study to assess the potential impacts of land use uplift on the existing network and to develop mitigation strategies in order to accommodate the expected growth under Option 1A and 2A. Prior to the two options going out on exhibition.
- (e) The Council is to Incorporate the Public Domain benefits into both of the Mortdale Master Plans on a preliminary basis by carrying out an update on the previous Mortdale Local Centre Master Plan Public Domain Upgrade Works so that it reflects the revised and updated Mortdale Master Plan options, Option 1A and Option 2A .
- (f) That Council conduct in person community consultation for Option 1A and Option 2A of the Mortdale Master Plan during the exhibition period, as well as including the provision of one-on-one telephone and meeting services by Council's town planners for community members who wish to discuss any aspects of the draft plans
- (g) That a further report be prepared and submitted to Council at the conclusion of the exhibition period recommending a preferred approach for the revised Mortdale Master Plan 2022 based on the submissions received and the findings of the Traffic, Transport and Parking Study .
- (h) That Council does not proceed with a draft Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme in the Mortdale Local Centre at this stage and is to investigate a scheme that applies across the whole LGA.
- (i) That all persons who made a submission to the draft Master Plan options be advised of Council's decision.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Katris, Councillors Ambihaipahar, Borg, Elmir, Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry, Liu, Mahoney, Mort, Smerdely, Stratikopolous, Symington and Wang. (Unanimous)

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Katris adjourned the meeting for a recess break at 8.55pm until 9.00pm

Note: Councillor Greene returned to the meeting at 9.00pm.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **CCL082-22 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Jamieson

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for Items ENV027-22 to ENV028-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

### **ENV027-22 Annual Update - Progress towards Net Zero Carbon Emissions and Renewable Energy Targets**

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

That Council note the progress made in financial year 2021/22 toward meeting the target of net zero carbon emissions in Council's operations by 2025.

- (b) That Council note the progress made in procuring 100% renewable energy three years ahead of the target date of 2025.
- (c) That the income from the sale of Large-Scale Generation Certificates (LGCs) be held in a Reserve titled 'Net Zero Emissions Reserve' for the exclusive purpose of achieving net zero emissions be approved.
- (d) That Council congratulates and extends its appreciation to Council staff who have been involved in the development and implementation of our program to meet Net Zero Carbon Emissions

### **ENV028-22 Mortdale Master Plan - consideration of options and preparation of Planning Proposal**

(Report by Senior Strategic Planner)

That the Committee defer the consideration of *Item ENV028-22 Mortdale Master Plan - Consideration of options for the preparation of Planning Proposal* to the Ordinary Council Meeting on 26 September 2022.

### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **CCL083-22 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Borg and Councillor Jamieson

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for Items FIN042-22 to FIN045-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**FIN042-22 Investment Report as at 31 July 2022**

(Report by Acting Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

That the Investment Report as at 31 July 2022 be received and noted by Council.

**FIN043-22 Revised Georges River Council Investment Policy**

(Report by Chief Financial Officer)

That Council adopt the revised Georges River Council Investment Policy as attached to this report (Attachment 1).

**FIN044-22 Property Matter - Easement to Drain Water - Neilson Avenue Reserve, Peakhurst**

(Report by Strategic Property Specialist)

- (a) That Council grants an Easement to Drain Water over Lot 32 in Deposited Plan 28181, being Neilson Avenue Reserve, Peakhurst, on the terms generally detailed in this report.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to execute the Section 88B Instrument or Transfer Granting Easement and all associated documentation to create the Easement.

**FIN045-22 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee - Minutes of Meeting held on 2 June 2022**

(Report by Chief Audit Executive)

That the confirmed Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 2 June 2022 be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**CCL084-22 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Councillor Elmir

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for Items ASS025-22 to ASS029-22 and ASS053A-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council with the exception of ASS027-22.

**ASS025-22 Impact of Declared Disaster Event on Council Infrastructure Assets**

(Report by Manager Strategic Placemaking)

- (a) Council receive and note the financial and conditional impact to Councils Infrastructure Assets caused by the two disaster events in 2022.
- (b) Council endorses the allocation of disaster funding on the projects listed in this report.

**ASS026-22     Beverley Park Golf Club Steering Committee Report**

(Report by Manager Premium Facilities)

That Council receive and note the information provided in the Beverley Park Steering Committee report.

**ASS028-22     Streets as Shared Spaces Two - Riverwood Reconnected- Funding and Budget Approval**

(Report by Senior Placemaking Specialist)

That the Streets as Shared Spaces Two project - Riverwood Reconnected, budget and funding be approved in the 2022/23 Budget.

**ASS029-22     Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting 06 September 2022**

(Report by Senior Asset Engineer - Traffic and Transport)

That the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 06 September 2022 be adopted by Council.

**ASS053A-22     Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre - Management Agreement**

(Report by Manager Premium Facilities)

That Council authorise the Acting General Manager to approve the three-year option to extend the Management Agreement for Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre between Council and Evolution Tennis.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ASS027-22     T22/004 Jubilee Stadium - Playing Surface Amelioration**

(Report by Manager Premium Facilities)

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**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That under Section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, Council accepts the tender for Contract Number T22/004 Jubilee Stadium – Playing Surface Amelioration. from Evergreen Turf Australia Pty Ltd for the contract price of \$250,910 (excluding GST).
- (b) That the Acting General Manager be authorised to execute the Contract with the preferred Contractor on behalf of Council.
- (c) That Council inform the unsuccessful Tenderers of the resolution.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**CCL085-22 Report of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 12 September 2022**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu and Councillor Elmir

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for Items COM036-22 to COM039-22 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**COM037-22 Re-establishment of Alcohol Free Zones**

(Report by Manager Community and Early Learning Services)

That Council endorse the re-establishment of existing Alcohol-Free Zones (AFZs) at Oatley Shopping Centre, Penshurst Shopping Centre, Kogarah CBD, Hurstville CBD, Mortdale Shopping Centre, and Riverwood Town Centre until 2026 with no changes, in accordance with sections 644, 644A and 644B of the Local Government Act 1993.

**COM038-22 Adoption of Georges River Council's Customer Experience Strategy**

(Report by Coordinator Customer Experience Development)

That Council adopt the Georges River Council Customer Experience Strategy 2022-2027.

**COM039-22 Place Naming - Unnamed Roads in Oatley and Riverwood**

(Report by Coordinator, Library Operations)

- (a) That Council approves the name "Bubuk Place" for the unnamed road, located in Oatley on the west side of the Illawarra Railway and running north from Mimosa Street.
- (b) That Council approves the name "Theatre Lane" for the unnamed road, located in Riverwood, between Webb Street and Short Road.
- (c) That Council commences public exhibition of both names for the period of 28 days for community feedback, including notification of nearby residents.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Katris disclosed a Pecuniary Interest, the Mayor Councillor Katris left the meeting at 9.15pm

Note: In the absence of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor Councillor Landsberry assumed the Chair at 9.15pm.

Note: Councillor Stratikopoulos disclosed a Pecuniary interest he left the meeting at 9.15pm.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Katris disclosed a Pecuniary interest he left the meeting at 9.15pm.

**COM036-22 Outgoing Sponsorship and Donations**  
(Report by Business Improvement Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That Council retrospectively approve the event sponsorship of \$4,404.56 (\$3,282.80 financial and \$1,121.76 in-kind value) to support the 'Kogarah Greek Orthodox Parish and Community Annual Fete' to be held on 25 September 2022.
- (b) That Council approve the event sponsorship of \$20,000 (\$15,151.10 financial and \$4,848.90 in-kind value) to support the 'Lugarno Spring Festival' to be held on the provisional date of 26 March 2023.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: The Mayor returned and resumed the Chair at 9.16 pm.

Note: Councillor Stratikopoulos returned to the meeting at 9.16pm.

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING****CCL086-22 Glenlee, 80 Boronia Parade Lugarno - Update Report**  
(Report by Strategic Planner)

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Mahoney

"That Council requests Mr James Griffin MP, Minister for Environment and Heritage, to consider an extension of the current Interim Heritage Order for a further 12 months."

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE****CCL088-22 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - September 2022**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: Councillor Elmir disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Borg and Councillor Elmir

That the following applications for funding, pursuant to the Councillors Ward Discretionary Fund Policy, be approved:

- (a) Application submitted by Councillor Liu on behalf of Asian Women at Work Inc in the amount of \$500.
- (b) Application submitted by Councillor Liu on behalf of Sea Snow Arts Group in the amount of \$1500.
- (c) Application submitted by Councillor Elmir on behalf of Kogarah Cougars Rugby League Football Club in the amount of \$1500.
- (d) Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of Kogarah Cougars Rugby League Football Club in the amount of \$800.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**CCL089-22      Review of Council's Code of Conduct**  
(Report by Senior Policy Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Borg and Councillor Mahoney

That the revised Georges River Council Code of Conduct (Attachment 1) be adopted with the following amendments:

- i. That an addition of 'briefing, workshop or similar' is added after any reference to 'meeting', between clauses 4.28 and 4.38 of subsection Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests at Meeting.
- ii. That a note is added to clauses 4.37 and 4.38 of subsection Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests at Meeting, that 'voting does not occur at briefings, workshops or similar'.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**CCL090-22      Draft Mayor and Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy (2022) - for public exhibition**  
(Report by Acting Manager Office of the General Manager)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Borg and Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council endorse for the purposes of public exhibition the proposed 'Mayor and Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy' as attached, for a period of at least 28 days as required by the NSW *Local Government Act 1993*.
- (b) That the draft Policy be sent to the Office of Local Government (OLG) for feedback prior to the close of the public exhibition period.
- (c) That the draft Policy be referred to the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) for feedback prior to the close of the public exhibition period.
- (d) That in accordance with Council's resolution from 27 April 2020 (NM020-20), the draft Policy be referred to Council's Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee for feedback prior to the close of the public exhibition period.
- (e) That following conclusion of the exhibition period, the draft Policy together with any public submissions received, be reported back to Council in November 2022 for consideration and adoption of the final Mayor and Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy.
- (f) That clause 18.2 be amended to delete the reference to the words "Fair Market Price"

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous



## **ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

### **CCL091-22 T21/017 Electrical Supply Upgrade at Hurstville Oval** (Report by Team Leader Procurement and Contracts)

Note: Councillor Greene disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.  
Councillor Greene left the meeting at 9.33pm.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Councillor Elmir

- (a) That in accordance with 178 (1) (b) & 178 (3) (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 Council declines to accept any of the tenders for T21/017 Electrical Upgrade at Hurstville Oval and resolve to enter into negotiations with a preferred supplier with a view to entering into a contract in relation to the subject matter of the tender.
- (b) That in accordance with 178 (4) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, the reason for Council to decline all tenders is that none of the tenders received were within the allocated budget for the project. By resolving to enter into negotiations with a preferred supplier it is anticipated that a satisfactory outcome will be achieved on demonstrated capacity and ability to undertake the works.
- (c) That Council authorise the Acting General Manager to undertake negotiations and execute a contract and any other documentation required to give effect to the resolution.
- (d) That Council notify all Tenderers that Council declined to accept any of the Tenders.

#### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Greene returned to the meeting at 9.33pm.

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **NM075-22 Georges Riverkeeper's "Zero Litter In Georges River" Campaign** (Report by Councillor Mahoney)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Smerdely

- (a) That Council promotes the Georges Riverkeeper's "Zero Litter in Georges River" campaign through its social and print media channels and through its website.
- (b) That Council contacts all schools within the LGA to inform them of the educational resources which are available to students through the Riverkeeper.

#### **Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

### **NM076-22 Public Open Space for Hurstville** (Report by Councillor Liu)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu and Councillor Symington

- (a) That having regard to the identified shortage of open space in Hurstville, that a report be prepared about the public owned land in Hurstville that could be transferred to the care and control of Council for use as green open space for our community and actions that can be taken to improve existing public spaces, including through the use of feature

lighting.

(b) This report should consider:

- i. land under the control of the state government including the extensive land holdings of Transport for NSW along Forest Road that could be converted to a linear park; and
- ii. the development of an advocacy program to gain the support of both the state government and the opposition in the lead up to the next state election in March 2023, for the delivery of open space through the transfer of land to Council to be used for green open space.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM077-22      Congratulations to our local Winter Sport Associations**  
(Report by Councillor Greene)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Greene and Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council congratulates our local Winter Sport Associations on the conclusion of their season.
- (b) That Council thank the Sports' Administrators for their cooperation.
- (c) That Council congratulates Council officers for their outstanding efforts in the presentation of the natural turf playing fields in what were extremely difficult circumstances created by the unprecedented weather.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM078-22      ICAC Guidelines for Managing Corruption Risks Associated with Lobbyists**  
(Report by Councillor Elmir)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Elmir and Councillor Smerdely

- (a) That Council notes that the Office of Local Government is preparing new guidelines, in response to the recommendations of the Independent Commission Against Corruption, to manage corruption risks associated with the lobbying of councillors and staff.
- (b) That Council writes to the Office of Local Government to outline its support for the following principles in relation to managing the corruption risks associated with lobbying of Councillors and staff:
  - i. A councillor must make a declaration regarding any meetings the councillor has had with developers, third party lobbyists or persons seeking to tender with the council.
  - ii. The Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018 should be amended to include the declaration on the list of records prescribed as open access information, be updated and be made publicly available and updated every quarter at a minimum.
  - iii. Staff must report any attempts by councillors to influence their reports or recommendations, in writing, to the General Manager.

- iv. That the *Lobbying of Government Officials Act* 2001 be to extended to apply to councillors, staff and member of planning panels.

(c) A further report be presented to Council once the new guidelines are released.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM079-22      Congratulations to St George Junior Rugby League for Finals Series**  
(Report by Councillor Borg)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council congratulates St George Junior Rugby League for hosting a successful finals series at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, the traditional home of rugby league in the St George area.
- (b) That Council acknowledges St George Junior Rugby League's contribution in encouraging kids of all ages and abilities to participate in grass-roots team sports and for providing a development pathway to representative levels of rugby league in the St George area.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM080-22      Legislation on Abandoned Shopping Trolleys**  
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Borg

That Council writes to Wendy Tuckerman MP, Minister for Local Government to request that the legislation relating to abandoned shopping trolleys be expedited.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM081-22      Wolli Creek Regional Park**  
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Smerdely

- (a) That Council note the significance of the Wolli Creek Regional Park as an important regional resource for the broader Southern Sydney metropolitan area.
- (b) That Council write to the Honourable James Griffin MP, Minister for Environment and Heritage, and the Honourable Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning and Minister for Homes, to advocate:
- For the acquisition of all remaining land necessary to complete the Wolli Creek Regional Park; and
  - That the Wolli Creek Regional Park is supported through sufficient funding and staffing, to allow for its continued protection and enhancement.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM082-22      NSW Audit Office - Audit of Procurement**  
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney and Councillor Jamieson

That the Acting General Manager provide a report to Council on the attendance of the Acting Director, Business and Corporate Services on 6 June 2022 at the NSW Parliament Public Accounts Committee in relation to the NSW Audit Office audit of Procurement at Georges River Council and other councils in 2020.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM083-22      Networking or mentoring program for creative industry professionals in the LGA**  
(Report by Councillor Liu)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu and Councillor Smerdely

That Council officers investigate the feasibility of establishing a networking or mentoring program between emerging creatives, living or working in the Georges River area, and established creative professionals.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM084-22      Suitability and Feasibility for a New Library in Mortdale**  
(Report by Councillor Smerdely)

**MOTION:** Councillor Smerdely and Councillor Elmir

That Georges River Council investigates the suitability and feasibility for a new library in Mortdale in line with the Georges River Library Strategy 2030 – that outlines the need for a new library to serve the Western part of the LGA and a Councillor Briefing be provided to Councillors on the Library strategy.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Katris, Councillors Elmir, Greene, Liu, Smerdely, Stratikopoulos

Against the Motion: Councillors Ambihaipahar, Borg, Jamieson, Landsberry, Mahoney, Mort, Symington, Wang

On being PUT to the meeting voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST. Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry moved a Foreshadowed Motion.

**FORESHADOWED MOTION**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Ambihaipahar

That Council be provided a Councillor Briefing that covers the Library Strategy 2030.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillors Elmir, Smerdely and Stratikopoulos left the meeting at 10.46pm and were not present for voting on the following items.

**NM085-22      Street Signage Replacement**  
(Report by Councillor Liu)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu and Councillor Symington

- (a) That Council officers develop a program for proactive street sign replacement to inform a 2023/24 budget bid.
- (b) That Council officers promote the way in which our community can report a faded or missing street sign.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM086-22      Kogarah War Memorial Pool - A grateful community remembers its past**  
(Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry)

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

Note: Councillor Mort disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

Note: Councillor Borg disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry and Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council notes that the first part of Dr Mitchell's report, "*Kogarah War Memorial Pool: a grateful community remembers its past*" has now been released and is available for viewing on the Kogarah Bay Progress Association's website;
- (b) That Council sincerely thanks Dr Mitchell for his comprehensive study and report and extends its thanks to the Kogarah Bay Progress Association and its members for their support to Dr Mitchell during his research on the history of the Kogarah War Memorial Pool;
- (c) That Council acknowledges the expertise and support of the Local Studies Team at the Clive James Library, Kogarah, and thanks them for providing Dr Mitchell access to the Library archives; and
- (d) Further that, Council requests that Kogarah Bay Progress Association provides copies of

Dr Mitchell's final report for Council's library collection and records.

**(Background from Councillor Landsberry** - In 2021 Kogarah Bay Progress Association (KBPA), supported by the Kogarah RSL Sub-branch, successfully secured grant funding from the NSW Office of Veterans' Affairs Community War Memorials Grant Fund, to research and document the planning and building of the Kogarah War Memorial Pool (KWMP). The KBPA engaged eminent War Memorial Historian, Dr Darren Mitchell to study and document the historical and cultural significance of the KWMP, following its closure in July 2019. <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5bd1899f94d71a9131cd22e2/t/6323581f4460a330d98fe1f0/1663260706724/Kogarah+War+Memorial+Olympic+Swimming+Pool+-+Report+-+September+2022+-+Darren+Mitchell.pdf>)

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Smerdely returned to the meeting at 10.54pm

**NM087-22 Contribution of Les Blackshaw**  
(Report by Councillor Greene)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Greene and Councillor Symington

That Council notes and records the significant contribution made to our community by A L (Les) Blackshaw, long-time resident and distinguished citizen, former Mayor of Hurstville, patron and benefactor of all forms of sport and of the arts and father of cricket in the St George District.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Stratikopoulos returned to the meeting at 10.57pm.

Note: Councillor Elmir returned to the meeting at 10.58pm.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Symington and Deputy Mayor, Councillor Landsberry

That at this time being 11.00pm an extension of time be granted up until 11.15pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NM088-22 Traffic Study - Peakhurst**  
(Report by Councillor Greene)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Greene and Councillor Smerdely

That Council undertake a Traffic Study in the area bounded by Jacques Ave, Forest Rd, Bonds

Rd and Trafalgar St Peakhurst.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

**RESOLVED:** The Mayor, Councillor Katris and Councillor Greene

That at this time being 11.15pm an extension of time be granted up until 11.20pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

**QWN037-22 Heavy Vehicles Parking on Suburban Streets**  
(Report by Councillor Symington)

Answer published in Council Meeting Agenda.

Note: Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in this item.

**QWN038-22 Tree Mapping and Tree Canopy Cover Target**  
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Answer published in Council Meeting Agenda.

**QWN039-22 Penshurst Park Sporting Hub Project**  
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Answer published in Council Meeting Agenda.

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 11.17pm



Chairperson

Mayor, Councillor Nick Katris

Minutes confirmed at the Ordinary Council meeting on 31 October 2022 (CCL092-22)