

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Monday, 24 March 2025

7:00 PM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville

UNCONFIRMED



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Ashvini Ambihaipahar, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Tom Arthur, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Leon Pun, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, and Councillor Ben Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Andrew Latta, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, Director Community and Culture – Kristie Dodd, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Manager, Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Head of Technology – Garuthman De Silva and Technology Services Officer Arun Job.

OPENING

The Mayor, Councillor Borg, opened the meeting at 7:01pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor, Councillor Borg acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

PRAYER

Pastor Brian Tung from St George Hurstville Anglican Church offered a prayer to the meeting.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED: Mayor, Councillor Borg

That in accordance with Sections 234 and 254A of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

- (i) A leave of absence be granted to Councillor Ashvini Ambihaipahar from the period of the calling of the Federal Election up until Federal Election day (inclusive of these days).
- (ii) Councillor Ambihaipahar's annual fee not be paid during this period, as requested by the Councillor.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Landsberry disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item (CCL019-24) ENV009-25 Appointment of Community Representatives to the Georges River Local Planning Panel for the reason that one of the candidates for the Georges River LPP is known to her through local government. Councillor Landsberry will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Ambihaipahar disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item CCL023-25 Reconstruction of new Aquatic Facility at Carss Park - Status on February 2025 Council Resolutions for the reason she is the ALP candidate for the seat of Barton for the 2025 Federal elections as mentioned in the report. Councillor Ambihaipahar will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item..

Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item NM015-25 Glenlee for the reason that he is a member of Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society and the Friends of Glenlee. Both organisations are advocating for the acquisition and heritage protection of the property. Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Allison disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item NM015-25 Glenlee for the reason that he is a member of Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society and the Friends of Glenlee, which have been advocating for the acquisition and heritage protection of the property. Councillor Allison will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Arthur disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item CCL023-25 Reconstruction of new Aquatic Facility at Carss Park - Status on February 2025 Council Resolutions for the reason that he is working as the Campaign Manager for Labor's candidate for Banks, Zhi Soon, who is referenced in the report. However, without control or influence over the process to commit funding to Carss Park Pool. Councillor Arthur will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Pun disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item CCL008A-25 – Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata for the reason the he is an owner of a property and on the strata committee of a complex managed by Netstrata. Councillor Pun will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Councillor Wang disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item CCL008A-25 Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata for the reason that he has an investment property for which Netstrata is the strata manager. Councillor Wang will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Deputy Mayor Councillor Liu disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item CCL008A-25 Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata for the reason that Netstrata is the strata company who manages one of her investment properties. Deputy Mayor Councillor Liu will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun left the Chambers at 07:08pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun returned to the Chambers at 07:10pm

PUBLIC FORUM

	Name	Report No.	Report Title
1	Jenny Huang (in person)	NM014-25	Mandating the collection of Food Organics and Garden organics (FOGO) from households by July 2030
2	Lucy Watson (in person)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks
3	Lidia Serrano (in person)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks (Did not attend meeting)
4	Bill Yuan (in person)	ASSO13-25	Hurstville School Precinct Traffic Study Outcomes
5	Dzhafar Gasanov (in person)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks
6	Sonia Rita Baxant (in person)	NM017-25	Reduction in tree canopy cover
7	Craig Croft (in person)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks
8	Melina Amerasinghe (in person)	CCL021-25	Low and Mid rise housing policy stage 2
9	Tica Lee (in person)	QWN005-25	Community involvement with Australia Day Honours
10	Catherine Logan (in person)	NM023-25	Council related development application policy

11	Caroline Hart (written submission)	NM015-25	Glenlee
12	Jason Ford (in person)	NM019-25	Investigation of parking on Bembridge and surrounding streets in Carlton and Kogarah
13	Brian Shaw (in person)	NM020-25	Investigation of garbage collection after the waste bin changes
14	Theresa Kot (in person)	NM018-25	E-Bikes and E-Scooters
15	Linda Simon (in person)	NM015-25	Glenlee
16	Suzanne Galluzzo (in person)	NM016-25	Beautification of Mortdale
17	Keith Creighton (in person)	NM020-25	Investigation of garbage collection after the waste bin changes
18	Marilyn Chand (written submission)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks
19	Robyn Stahel (in person)	CCL021-25	Low and Mid rise housing policy stage 2
20	Catherine Ford (in person)	NM016-25	Beautification of Mortdale
21	Iris Wu (written submission)	CCL024-25	Off-Leash Dog Parks
22	Graham Lalchere (in person)	QWN008-25	Use of second generation anticoagulant rodenticide
23	Adrian Polhill (in person)	NM014-25	Mandating the collection of Food Organics and Garden organics (FOGO) from households by July 2030
24	Candy McMaster (written submission)	NM012-25	Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Hurstville donor centre
25	Joe Vitagliano (written submission)	NM016-25	Beautification of Mortdale
26	Mark Sauvan (in person)	NM019-25	Investigation of parking on Bembridge and surrounding streets in Carlton and Kogarah
27	Mark Steed (written submission)	ASS013-25	Hurstville School Precinct Traffic Study Outcomes
28	Maria Dalamaras (in person)	NM022-25	Development Application Processing Times
29	Nicholas Christo (written submission)	NM022-25	Development Application Processing Time

Note: It was noted that Councillor Ambihaipahar left the Chambers at 08:08pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski left the Chambers at 08:09pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Ambihaipahar returned to the Chambers at 08:10pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski returned to the Chambers at 08:11pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 08:12pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the Chambers at 08:14pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 08:15pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 08:18pm

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

CCL015-25 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 February 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Landsberry

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 February 2025, be adopted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

MAYORAL MINUTE

MM005-25 Withdrawal of Development DA2024/0620 - Carss Park (D25/87123) (Councillor - Elise Borg)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Borg

That Council:

- (i) Formally withdraw Development Application DA2024/0620 for Carss Park.
- (ii) Reaffirm Council's commitment to working collaboratively with residents and stakeholders to ensure future event initiatives align with community expectations and needs.
- (iii) Considers a future Development Application for events at Carss Bush Park and Flats that aligns with the current level of use of approximately 8-12 per year.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONDOLENCES

- Councillor Dimoski expressed his condolences in the wake of the unimaginable tragedy in Macedonia, where 60 young people tragically lost their lives while attending a concert.

"I would like to express condolences to the Macedonian Community and the families of the victims.

A week ago an unimaginable tragedy occurred in Macedonia where 60 young people tragically lost their lives and 190 were injured some with severe burns due to a fire at a live concert.

Some of the victims were as young as 16, the majority being aged 16-24. Most of them died in the fire and some due to smoke inhalation or being trampled in the panic.

A 41 year old paramedic also passed away after working all night long and making multiple trips to hospitals in nearby cities to save as many young lives as possible.

This tragic event shook the Macedonian community here and abroad to the core and the pain is felt by all.

May they Rest in Peace and may God provide the families with strength to endure in this difficult time".

- Councillor Ambihaipahar also expressed her condolences to the Macedonian community.
"That Council expresses its deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of the 59 individuals who tragically lost their lives in the recent nightclub fire in Kocani, North Macedonia. Further, Council extends thoughts to all affected, including the 150 people who sustained injuries and the brave emergency responders who have worked tirelessly in response to this very devastating incident."

The Mayor, Councillor Borg asked everyone stand for a moment's silence.

Note: The Mayor called for a five minute break at 8.44pm, the meeting resumed at 8.50pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CCL016-25 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 10 March 2025
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN007-25 to FIN008-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

FIN007-25 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2025
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

That the Investment Report as at 31 January 2025 be received and noted by Council.

FIN008-25 MOBILE PHONE BLACKSPOTS
(Report by Strategic Property Officer)

That the Council receive and note the contents of this report and acknowledges that Council may, where landowner's consent is required, withhold landowner's consent to the installation of any telecommunications facilities within the Local Government Area, such as Oatley Park and Lime Kiln Bay Wetlands.

CCL017-25 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 10 March 2025
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu left the Chambers at 08:56pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Wang

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for items ASS010-25 to ASS013-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASS010-25 DRAFT GRAFFITI AND POSTERS POLICY 2025
(Report by Manager City Operational Services)

- (a) That Council endorses the draft Graffiti and Posters Policy 2025.
- (b) That Council places the draft Graffiti and Posters Policy 2025 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days for community consultation.

ASS011-25 DOUGLAS CROSS GARDENS OATLEY - REPURPOSING OF FOUNTAIN AREA
(Report by Manager Strategic Placemaking)

- (a) Council receive and note the options for repurposing the Douglas Cross Gardens Fountain, including cost and feasibility as outlined in this report.
- (b) Council considers an Operational Budget increase for the 25/26 financial year of \$4,900 to deliver option C, converting the upper fountain pond for additional planting and to install new planting and dry creek in lower pond, as well as an ongoing Operational Budget increase of \$1,000 to support the sites ongoing maintenance.
- (c) Council officers monitor the existing bicycle parking arrangements at Oatley Station to determine if additional parking infrastructure is required in the future.

ASS013-25 HURSTVILLE SCHOOL PRECINCT TRAFFIC STUDY OUTCOMES
(Report by Manager Strategic Placemaking)

- (a) That Council receive and note the outcomes of the Hurstville School Precinct Traffic Study.
- (b) That as required, future reports be provided to the Local Traffic Advisory Committee to progress recommendations contained in this study.

CCL018-25 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 10 March 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu returned to the Chambers at 08:58pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Wang

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for items COM005-25 to COM009-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

COM005-25 OPTIMISING COMMUNITY USE AND ACCESS TO COUNCIL'S PREMIUM FACILITIES

(Report by Manager City Life)

- (a) That Council receive and note the plan for optimising community access to Council's Premium Facilities.
- (b) That Council note short-term actions underway including the review of Council's fees and charges and the centralisation of all sports fields and facilities into Council's new online booking system.
- (c) That the draft Georges River Council Grants and Donations Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days.
- (d) That the draft Georges River Council Sports Grounds Access Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days.
- (e) That a further report be submitted to Council on the feedback received during the exhibition period, together with any recommended changes for both policies prior to adoption.

COM006-25 ADOPTION OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT POLICY 2024

(Report by Community and Engagement Lead)

That Council adopt the updated Community Engagement Policy 2024 attached to this report.

COM007-25 HURSTVILLE WEEKLY NIGHT MARKET PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY
(Report by Executive Manager City Futures)

- (a) That Council receives the outcome of the preliminary feasibility study on establishing weekly night markets in Hurstville.
- (b) That Council does not support weekly night markets in Hurstville Plaza.
- (c) That Council's Economic Development team will continue to assess the feasibility of night markets in Hurstville, and report back to Council in November 2025 with the findings.

COM008-25 MINUTES OF THE GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 13 FEBRUARY 2025
(Report by Executive Assistant to Director Community and Culture)

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Georges River Council Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on 13 February 2025 be submitted to the Community and Culture Committee for consideration and to be adopted by Council.

COM009-25 AUTISM COMMUNITY NETWORK GALA DINNER - OUTGOING SPONSORSHIP
(Report by Sponsorship Specialist)

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$7,500 to become a Silver Sponsor of the Autism Community Network Gala Dinner, to be held on Friday 16 May 2025.

CCL019-25 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 10 March 2025
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for items ENV008-25 to ENV010-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ENV008-25 DRAFT JUBILEE STADIUM PRECINCT MASTER PLAN AND PLAN OF MANAGEMENT FOR EXHIBITION
(Report by Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council endorse the draft Jubilee Stadium Precinct Master Plan and Plan of Management for public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days and allow submissions to be received up until 42 days in accordance with section 38 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, subject to the following amendments prior to exhibition:
 - (i) Removal of the long term actions to 'investigate, design and build a basement car park under Kogarah Park with access from English Street' and
 - (ii) Removal of 'additional basement parking' from the long term action 'Reconfigured

“hill” above new indoor basketball courts with amenities and additional basement parking’

- (b) That Council notify the draft Jubilee Stadium Precinct Master Plan and Plan of Management to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure, as the representative landowner of part of the land under section 39 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to obtain owner’s consent prior to public exhibition.
- (c) That Council seek written consent from the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to adopt the draft Plan of Management, in accordance with section 3.23(6) of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*.
- (d) That Council delegates authority to the General Manager to make any further amendments to the draft Jubilee Stadium Precinct Master Plan and Plan of Management to address any points raised by the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and make minor modifications to any numerical, typographical, interpretation and formatting errors if required.
- (e) That Council endorse the proposed ‘General Community Use’ categorisation for the entire precinct and hold a public hearing under section 40A of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

ENV009-25 APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GEORGES RIVER LOCAL PLANNING PANEL

(Report by Manager Development and Building)

- (a) That Council consider the appointment of the four preferred community representatives to the Georges River Local Planning Panel contained in Confidential Attachment 3.
- (b) That community representatives are appointed for all Georges River Council Wards so that they can operate on a rotational basis throughout the year to allow flexibility and efficiency for the operation of the Georges River Local Planning Panel.
- (c) In the event a vacancy occurs the General Manager is authorised to commence a recruitment process to be reported and considered by Council at a future meeting.
- (d) In the event that a preferred candidate does not accept the position, the General Manager is delegated to approve an alternate candidate from the confidential list contained in Confidential Attachment 3.
- (e) That Council endorse that each member is to be appointed in accordance with the terms and conditions identified by the Minister for Planning and the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.
- (f) That Council endorse that the new member is to be appointed in accordance with the payment schedule for a Community Representative being \$1,000 plus GST and \$71 per hour for business undertaken outside of meetings.

ENV010-25 MOOMBA TO SYDNEY ETHANE (MSE) PIPELINE HAZARD ANALYSIS

(Report by Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council notes the Moomba to Sydney Ethane (MSE) Pipeline Hazard Analysis Report.
- (b) That Council prepares a Planning Proposal to amend the Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2021 to include properties within the LSIR-5E-07 and LSIR-1E-06 contours to the Activity Hazard Risk Map.
- (c) That Council references the MSE Pipeline Hazard Analysis report on all future Section 10.7(5) certificates for properties affected by the LSIR 5E-07 and LSIR 1E-06 contours.

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

CCL020-25 Statement of Expectations - Endorsement for Written Response and Action Plan to DPHI

(Report by Manager Development and Building)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry

That Council endorse the attached Written Response and Action Plan for submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to reduce Development Application assessment timeframes as requested in correspondence received from the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CCL021-25 Low and Mid Rise Housing Policy Stage 2

(Report by Coordinator Strategic Planning)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council receives and notes this report.
- (b) That Council receives a report containing further detailed analysis of the implications of the Stage 2 of the Low and Mid Rise Housing Policy on the Georges River LGA at an upcoming Environmental and Planning Committee meeting.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

CCL022-25 Application Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - March 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu

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

- (i) CWF10/24-25 – Application submitted by Councillor Dimoski on behalf of **The Gabriella Cup** in the amount of \$1,680.

- (ii) CWF11/24-25 – Application submitted by Councillor Mort on behalf of **St George District Athletics Club Inc** in the amount of \$2,000.
- (iii) CWF12/24-25 – Not Eligible - Application submitted by Councillor Dimoski on behalf of **Kogarah Historical Society Inc** in the amount of \$500.
- (iv) CWF13/24-25 – Not Eligible - Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of **Kogarah Historical Society Inc** in the amount of \$1,000.
- (v) CWF14/23-24 – Application submitted by Councillor Dimoski on behalf of **Lions Club of Lugarno** in the amount of \$1,578.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CCL023-25 Reconstruction of new Aquatic Facility at Carss Park - Status on February 2025 Council Resolutions

(Report by Director Business and Corporate Services)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council acknowledges the collaborative efforts of the NSW Office of Sport in working with Council officers to enhance the draft Project Agreement for the construction of the Carss Park Pool, with the revised agreement now offering stronger assurance and protection for the Council in the following key areas:
 - (i) Financial Assurance
 - (ii) Project Governance Structure
 - (iii) Indemnity and Liability
 - (iv) Project Scope
- (b) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make minor amendments to the draft Project Agreement, as contained in confidential Attachment 1, to ensure its timely finalisation.
- (c) That the Mayor and General Manager be delegated authority to execute the Project Agreement, as contained in confidential Attachment 1, incorporating any permitted minor amendments.
- (d) That Council receives and notes the sections of the Strategic Business Case, prepared by the NSW Office of Sport, as provided in Attachment 2.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

CCL024-25 Off-Leash Dog Parks

(Report by Director, Assets and Infrastructure)

MOTION: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That Council receive and note contents of this report including the community consultation results.
- (b) That Council resolves the following:
 - (i) Hurstville Park, Hurstville proceed with final concept design as attached to this report.
 - (ii) Hogben Park, Kogarah proceed with Option B, as attached to the report.
 - (iii) Removal of off-leash dog park located at Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Gao, Councillor Arthur

- (a) That Council receive and note contents of this report including the community consultation results.
- (b) That Council resolves the following:
 - (i) Hurstville Park, Hurstville proceed with final concept design as attached to this report.
 - (ii) Hogben Park, Kogarah to proceed with the design amended to relocate from the proposed location in Option B to the area adjacent to the existing basketball court and amend the layout in line with the new placement.
 - (iii) Removal of off-leash dog park located at Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills.

Record of Voting

For the Amendment: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was six (6) votes FOR and nine (9) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was LOST.

AMENDMENT - Councillor Gao, Councillor Ambihaipahar

- (a) That Council receive and note contents of this report including the community consultation results.
- (b) That Council resolves the following:
 - (i) Hurstville Park, Hurstville proceed with final concept design as attached to this report.
 - (ii) That Council continue community consultation on the proposed dog park location at Hogben Park and specifically at the location directly adjacent to the basketball court.
 - (iii) Removal of off-leash dog park located at Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills.

Record of Voting

For the Amendment: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was six (6) votes FOR and nine (9) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was LOST.

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That Council receive and note contents of this report including the community consultation results.
- (b) That Council resolves the following:
 - (i) Hurstville Park, Hurstville proceed with final concept design as attached to this report.
 - (ii) Hogben Park, Kogarah proceed with Option B, as attached to the report.
 - (iii) Removal of off-leash dog park located at Merv Lynch Reserve, Beverly Hills.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was fourteen (14) votes FOR and one (1) vote AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

NOTICES OF MOTION

NM011-25 **Installation of Footpath on Gold Street, Blakehurst**
(Report by Councillor Landsberry)

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

That Council investigate the installation of a footpath on Gold Street, between Castle Street and Stuart Street, Blakehurst.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM012-25 **Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Hurstville Donor Centre**

(Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu)

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (i) Send a letter of congratulations to Candy McMaster on the opening of the Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Hurstville Donor Centre.
- (ii) Express Appreciation for the dedication and efforts of advocates who have supported blood donation initiatives.
- (iii) Enhance Collaboration between the Council, Australian Red Cross Lifeblood, and the local community by:
 - a. Promoting Blood Donation Awareness through campaigns, events, and community engagement.
 - b. Improving accessibility and Infrastructure by installing directional signs to donor centres in public spaces and including Lifeblood in Council directories.
 - c. Advocating for policy support by formally recognising blood donation as a vital community health initiative and integrating it into health and wellness programs.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM013-25 Upgrade/Renewal of Outdoor Fitness Equipment

(Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 10:03pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 10:03pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Anzellotti left the Chambers at 10:04pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 10:07pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Anzellotti returned to the Chambers at 10:07pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the Chambers at 10:07pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos left the Chambers at 10:09pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos returned to the Chambers at 10:10pm

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

- (a) That Council investigates the upgrade and/or renewal of the existing outdoor fitness equipment and facilities at Timothy Reserve Park and Woodville Park, Hurstville for inclusion in a future Capital Works Program *in line with current Master Plan & Plan of Management*.
- (b) That these investigations consider, but are not limited to, the condition of the soft – fall ground at Timothy Reserve Park and the design and installation of new soft - fall ground

at Woodville Park in line with current Master Plan & Plan of Management.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM014-25 Mandating the collection of Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) from households by July 2030 (Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Landsberry left the Chambers at 10:14pm

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu left the Chambers at 10:15pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Ambihaipahar left the Chambers at 10:15pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Landsberry returned to the Chambers at 10:17pm

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu returned to the Chambers at 10:18pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Ambihaipahar returned to the Chambers at 10:19pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Wang, Councillor Allison

That the General Manager provide a report to Council on the feasibility of Council developing and implementing an accelerated FOGO Action Plan for Businesses and Institutions which includes as a minimum:

- (i) Communication and Education: Provision of accessible information on the FOGO mandate and its local implications. The report is to consider the best options for dissemination of this information including via Council's website, social media channels, and direct outreach to local businesses and institutions.
- (ii) Funding: Allocate appropriate funding within Council's operational waste budget to support local FOGO initiatives. This may include new sustainable waste initiatives and subsidising existing projects (e.g., local composting, worm farming, bokashi bins, Bin Trim).
- (iii) Management: Consider the need for a committee or task force to oversee the implementation of the FOGO Action Plan. Where a committee is considered necessary the report is to include recommended representatives from Council, local businesses, and community organizations, including partners like Ethnic Communities' Council of NSW.
- (iv) Timeline: Formulate a detailed timeline for meeting the FOGO mandate for businesses and institutions starting from July 2026. The report should outline milestones for infrastructure upgrades, community engagement initiatives, and performance monitoring mechanisms.
- (v) Legislation: Liaison with the NSW EPA to obtain updates on the regulatory framework, enforcement measures, and infrastructure planning for FOGO. This will ensure that local efforts are aligned with state requirements and that the work done by the Council is recognized as a model for sustainable, local waste management solutions.

- (vi) Development: Develop and execute a comprehensive plan to introduce FOGO collection services in all council-managed buildings, venues, facilities, and childcare centres ahead of the July 2026 deadline. This action is to inspire and encourage broader community participation in effective organic waste management practices.
- (vii) Review: Provide a timeframe for regular updates to Council on the progress of the FOGO Action Plan, including key performance indicators and financial outcomes. These reports should be made publicly available to ensure transparency and accountability.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM015-25 Glenlee (Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 10:20pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun left the Chambers at 10:22pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 10:22pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun returned to the Chambers at 10:23pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the Chambers at 10:23pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison

- (a) That the General Manager writes to the Prime Minister, the Hon Anthony Albanese MP and to the Leader of the Opposition, the Hon Peter Dutton MP to seek their positions on:
 - (i) Funding towards the purchase, restoration, embellishment and future maintenance of Glenlee; and
 - (ii) Whether they would support Australian National Heritage listing of the property.
- (b) That the General Manager writes to Senator the Hon Katy Gallagher, Minister for Finance, to ascertain the Federal Government's criteria applicable to:
 - (i) Land acquisitions; and
 - (ii) The provision of grants to the NSW Government for land acquisitions.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM016-25 Beautification of Mortdale Streetscape
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 10:24pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council includes a budget bid in the 2025/26 budget for streetscape enhancements in Mortdale Village, specifically:
- (i) Installing timber cladding on the concrete seating surrounding the large trees at Morts Road and Pitt Street and Morts Road and Macquarie Place intersections to improve comfort and aesthetics.
 - (ii) Introducing additional greenery through planter boxes and trees in suitable locations, including outside Chemist Warehouse on Cook Street, to mitigate the identified heat spot and enhance the urban canopy.
 - (iii) Investigating the installation of appropriate bench seating adjacent to the pedestrian crossing on Cook Street at Morts Road to support pedestrian amenity.
 - (iv) Installing street tree lighting to activate the centre and improve nighttime vibrancy and safety.
 - (v) Installing Christmas lighting and decorations for Christmas 2025 to create a festive atmosphere and support local businesses.
 - (vi) Removing or replacing the existing tree stump to improve aesthetics and pedestrian accessibility.
 - (vii) Investigating alternative bollard designs to replace the existing silver bollards, which currently reflect sunlight into vehicles and pedestrian pathways, creating a safety hazard.
- (b) That, should a budget bid be supported in the 2025/2026 budget, a report is provided to Council outlining the feasibility, cost estimates and implementation timeline for these enhancements.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM017-25 Reduction in Tree Canopy Cover
(Report by Councillor Allison)

RESOLVED: Councillor Allison, Councillor Mahoney

That Council writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Mr Paul Scully MP, requesting the recommencement of the Greening Our City Grants Program, which last provided funding in 2022. This program is vital for addressing canopy deficits by supporting tree planting initiatives in suburbs with low canopy cover and increased exposure to heat.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao,

Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM018-25 E-bikes and E-scooters
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu

- (a) That Council conducts a publicity campaign via its website, print and social media channels in order to heighten awareness about the safety risks arising from, and the legal issues governing, the use of e-scooters and e-bikes, to incorporate:
 - (i) The current legal constraints around operating these devices in public spaces such as roads, footpaths, parks and carparks, to include speed limits and helmet-wearing; and
 - (ii) Information about the safety risks involved with the use of associated batteries and battery chargers, to cover safe methods of disposal of these items.
- (b) That the General Manager writes to the relevant NSW State Government Departments requesting an update on the e-scooter trials.
- (c) Once the General Manager receives a response, a further report be provided to Council highlighting the feedback and results of the e-scooter trial in order for Council to determine next steps for the local government area.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM019-25 Investigation of Parking on Bembridge and surrounding Streets in Carlton and Kogarah
(Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Allison left the Chambers at 10.41pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Allison returned to the Chambers at 10.42pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Gao, Councillor Ambihaipahar

That Council:

- (i) Considers a budget bid of \$10,000 in the 2025/2026 operating budget to conduct a comprehensive parking assessment of Bembridge Street, Carlton to reconfigure parking to increase capacity. The assessment should consider:
 - a. key factors and constraints in accordance with relevant standards and guidelines, namely AS2890.5:2020 Parking Facilities – Part 5: On-street Parking, and the NSW Road Rules

- b. the length of parking spaces, required safety buffer zones, minimum lane widths required to accommodate reconfiguration, necessary clearances from intersections and driveways, sightlines, and traffic volumes
- (ii) Provide a report to a future Georges River Traffic Advisory Committee for consideration on the outcome of the assessment, should a budget bid be supported

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM020-25 Investigation of Garbage Collection after the Waste Bin Changes (Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Anzellotti left the Chambers at 11:09pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Anzellotti returned to the Chambers at 11:10pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Ambihaipahar

That Council:

- (i) Acknowledges the recent significant waste collection failures across the LGA, including but not limited to repeated missed collection services, failure to notify residents of changing collection days, roadblocks to residents accessing missed collection services, and breakdown in communications with residents and strata managers
- (ii) Acknowledges that residents of units and strata complexes have been disproportionately affected, especially those in Kogarah, Carlton, Allawah, and Hurstville
- (iii) Provide a report to Council on the contractual penalties that can be enforced and timeline for their enforcement.
- (iv) Conduct an investigation into these failures and provide a report to Council detailing:
 - a. The cause of failures
 - b. Which entity (council, contractor, etc.) is responsible
 - c. What actions are being undertaken to rectify in the short term, and
 - d. What actions are being undertaken to prevent a recurrence in the long term.
- (v) Prepares a report containing preliminary findings of staff on the feasibility of bringing waste collection services back in-house.
- (vi) Prepares a report on options to provide rate relief or other financial compensation as an act of grace payment to residents affected by repeated missed waste services.
- (vii) That these reports be presented to the Council prior to the April Council meeting.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski,

Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and nine (9) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - EXTENSION OF TIME

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry

That at this time being 11.07pm an extension of time be granted up until 12:00am.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM021-25 Installation of a Safety fence on Railway Parade Allawah (Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun left the Chambers at 11:30pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun returned to the Chambers at 11:31pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Ambihaipahar

That Council:

- (i) Allocate funding in the 2025-2026 financial year for the installation of a safety railing or barrier on Railway Parade at the intersection of Lily Street and Elizabeth Street, Allawah, to enhance pedestrian and resident safety outside local cafes and businesses.
- (ii) Prioritises this installation as a matter of urgency in the 2025-2026 financial year due to the significant safety risks posed to the community.
- (iii) Request the General Manager to report back to the elected Council with a clear timeline for the completion of these works in the 2025-2026 financial year.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager

- (i) Investigate the demand and feasibility of the installation of a safety fence at Railway Parade at the intersection of Lily Street, and Elizabeth Street in Allawah.
- (ii) Provide a report back to Council once the investigation is completed.

Record of Voting

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos

Against the Amendment: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was nine (9) votes FOR and six (6)

votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and became the Motion.

MOTION: Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager:

- (i) Investigate the demand and feasibility of the installation of a safety fence at Railway Parade at the intersection of Lily Street, and Elizabeth Street in Allawah.
- (ii) Provide a report back to Council once the investigation is completed.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Gao, Councillor Ambihaipahar

That the General Manager:

- (i) Investigate the demand and feasibility of the installation of a safety fence at Railway Parade at the intersection of Lily Street, and Elizabeth Street in Allawah and provide the report back to the Council by September 2025, given the urgency at that intersection.
- (ii) Provide a report back to Council once the investigation is completed.

Record of Voting

For the Amendment: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was six (6) votes FOR and nine (9) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was LOST.

RESOLVED: Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager:

- (i) Investigate the demand and feasibility of the installation of a safety fence at Railway Parade at the intersection of Lily Street, and Elizabeth Street in Allawah.
- (ii) Provide a report back to Council once the investigation is completed.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM022-25 Development Application Processing Times (Report by Councillor Anzellotti)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mahoney left the Chambers at 11:57pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mahoney returned to the Chambers at 11:59pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos left the Chambers at 12:01am

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos returned to the Chambers at 12:02am

RESOLVED: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur

That Council:

- (i) Include the information below in the next Development and Building Quarterly Metrics Report:
 - a. Current strategies and resources dedicated to minimising DA approval times.
 - b. Specific barriers contributing to delays in meeting the NSW Government's 40-day target.
 - c. An action plan for further reducing the average processing time to align with community and state expectations.
- (ii) Commit to transparency and accountability by publishing quarterly updates on DA processing times and steps taken to improve efficiency.
- (iii) Investigate and implement best-practice strategies used by other councils, such as:
 - a. Fast-track assessment pathways for low-risk applications.
 - b. Pre-lodgement advisory services to reduce errors and resubmissions.
 - c. Increased use of technology to automate administrative processes and enhance assessment efficiency.
- (iv) Engage with state government and relevant stakeholders to seek support, if necessary, in reducing DA backlogs.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

PROCEDURAL MOTION - EXTENSION OF TIME

RESOLVED: Councillor Wang

That at this time being 12.00am an extension of time be granted up until 12:30am.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM023-25 Council Related Development Application Policy (Report by Councillor Landsberry)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun left the Chambers at 12:08am and did not return.

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 12:08am

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

That further to the adoption of the Council Related Development Application Policy at the 24 February 2025 meeting of Georges River Council:

- (i) Council notes that the purpose of this Policy is to provide a framework to manage potential conflicts of interest for Council related development applications when Council is the landowner, lessee, licensee, or has a commercial interest in the land that is subject of the application.
- (ii) That when a potential conflict of interest has been identified under the Policy, the application will be assessed by an external independent consultant or planner.
- (iii) In these circumstances, Council resolves that when future development applications are assessed by an external independent consultant or planner who is then identified as the DA Officer for DA notification purposes, that Councillors will be included within the DA notification process, for their reference and information.
- (iv) That for future Council-led development applications assessed as medium or high risk under the Policy, Councillors are provided with a briefing on the DA prior to it being forwarded for assessment to an external independent consultant or planner.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

NM024-25 Parking issues in Kogarah and Carlton (Report by Councillor Gao)

MOTION: This item was deferred to the 28 April 2025 Council Meeting.

That Council:

- (i) Notes the severe lack of parking in Kogarah and Carlton, which continues to impact residents and businesses.
- (ii) Recognises the widespread illegal parking issues, particularly on Bembridge Street and Browns Road, where double parallel parking is prevalent due to the raised level of designated parking spots.
- (iii) Develops and implements a plan to immediately increase ranger patrols in these high-risk areas to enforce parking regulations and improve safety.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

QWN005-25 Community Involvement with Australia Day Honours (Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN006-25 Update of Bocce Court

(Report by Councillor Pun)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN007-25 Facilities to improve Traffic and Pedestrian Movement and Safety
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN008-25 Use of Second Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticide
(Report by Councillor Allison)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN009-25 Patrols of Carss Bush Park
(Report by Councillor Landsberry)

Answer published in the business paper.

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 12:10am

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 12:10am

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the Chambers at 12:11am

PROCEDURAL MOTION
MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry

At this stage of the meeting being 12:11am the Mayor advised that the meeting would move into a Committee of the Whole to allow consideration of a matter in Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A of The Local Government Act 1993. Accordingly, members of the press and public are excluded from the closed session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the closed session will be withheld.

This action was taken to allow discussion of the following item(s):

CCL008A-25 Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata

(Report by General Counsel)

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (c) (d(i)) (g) it is considered the information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it; AND contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND concerns commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed prejudice the position of a person who supplied it; AND contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

CCL009A-25 General Manager's Performance Review

(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Borg)

THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (a) it is considered the matter deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

The Mayor asked the General Manager if any representations had been received from the public that the item should not be discussed in closed session.

The General Manager replied that no representations had been received to the item in closed session.

The Mayor asked if there were any members of the public gallery who would like to speak on the reasons Council proposes to consider the items in Closed Session.

There were none.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**CLOSED CONFIDENTIAL SESSION
CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS****CCL008A-25 Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata**
(Report by General Counsel)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang left the Chambers at 12:15am

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang returned to the Chambers at 12:17am

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council receive and note the McGrath Nicol report into Netstrata dated 25 February 2025.
- (b) That the General Manager terminate the naming rights agreement with Netstrata for Jubilee Stadium.
- (c) That the General Manager conduct a tender process for the naming rights associated with the Jubilee Stadium and prepare an evaluation report for the Council's consideration.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CCL009A-25 General Manager's Performance Review
(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Borg)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Receive and note the process for setting out the performance agreement and review of the General Manager's performance as outlined in this Mayoral Minute.
- (b) Appoint a review panel comprising:
 - i. The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg
 - ii. Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos
 - iii. Councillor Kathryn Landsberry
- (c) Delegates to the review panel:
 - i. The authority to undertake performance reviews of the General Manager with the assistance of external facilitator Christian Morris, Manager, Local Government Management Solutions.
 - ii. The Review Panel and the General Manager will appoint Mr Morris to develop a new performance agreement and facilitate the performance review process.
 - iii. This delegation is to be exercised in accordance with:
 - a. the requirements of the Act and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 (NSW);
 - b. the requirements of any other relevant act, law or regulation; and
 - c. any relevant resolution or policy of Council.
 - iv. This delegation is effective from the date of the Council resolution adopting this procedure to the completion of the delegated performance management tasks at the end of this term of Council.

Review Panel members will receive training in conducting a performance review of the General Manager prior to being required to conduct a Performance Review.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

PROCEDURAL MOTION
OPEN SESSION

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Stratikopoulos

That the meeting revert to Open Session time being 12.35am.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

OPEN SESSION

CONFIRMATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That the Committee of the Whole recommendations from the Closed Session in relation to **CCL008A-25 Naming Rights Agreement with Netstrata** and **CCL009A-25 General Manager's Performance Review** be received and noted as a resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 12.40am

Chairperson

Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg