

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Monday, 27 October 2025

7:00 PM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Tom Arthur, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Leon Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, and Councillor Ben Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, A/Director Assets and Infrastructure – Tom Heath, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, A/Director Community and Culture – Margaret Le, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Manager, Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, Executive Assistant – Sue Matthew, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Head of Technology – Garuthman De Silva and Team Leader Technology Business Support – Mark Tadros, Technology Services Officer Chris Stojanovski.

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

THE GENERAL MANAGER DAVID TUXFORD, OFFERED A PRAYER TO THE MEETING.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison

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

- (i) A leave of absence be granted to Councillor Peter Mahoney from 27 October 2025 to 29 November 2025 (27 October 2025 Council Meeting, 10 November 2025 Committee Meetings and 17 November 2025 Council Meeting).
- (ii) Councillor Mahoney's Councillor allowance not be paid during this period, as requested by the Councillor.

Record of Voting

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

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

That a request from Councillor Pun and Councillor Arthur to attend the meeting remotely via audio visual link be accepted.

RESOLVED: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Gao

Record of Voting

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

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

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

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CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Special Interest Disclosure - Councillor Jamieson submitted a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in **CCL095-25 ENV035-25 Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)** for the reason her principal place of residence is located within the 'Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal' proposed to reduce the lot sizes for Dual Occupancies in R2 areas to 600sqm from 650sqm. Her principal place of residence within the 650 and 600sqm so affected by this proposed change. The recommendation is to withdraw the Housing PP. Councillor Jamieson will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Special Interest Disclosure – Mayor Councillor Borg submitted a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in **CCL095-25 ENV035-25 Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)** for the reason her principal place of residence is located within the 'Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal' proposed to reduce the lot sizes for Dual Occupancies in R2 areas to 600sqm from 650sqm. Her principal place of residence and that of a close relative is within the 650 and 600sqm so affected by this proposed change. The recommendation is to withdraw the Housing PP. Mayor Councillor Borg will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Allison disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **CCL095-25 ENV035-25 Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)** for the reason his principle place of residence is located within the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. Councillor Allison will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Special Interest Disclosure - Councillor Anzellotti submitted a **Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in CCL095-25 ENV035-25 Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)** for the reason her principal place of residence is located within the LMR. Councillor Anzellotti will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Special Interest Disclosure - Councillor Anzellotti submitted a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in **NM090-25 Traffic Issues - Roberts Rd Mortdale** for the reason her Mother's primary place of residence (residential street) is directly impacted by the traffic congestion on Roberts Ave. Councillor Anzellotti will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Special Interest Disclosure - Councillor Anzellotti submitted a Special Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest in **NM097-25 – Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan**, for the reason her principal place of residence falls under the 1 in a 100 year flood study will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Hayes disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **NM089-25 Recognition and Council Support of the Riverwood Hornets Marching Band** for the reason that as he is a member of Lugarno Lions Club who are supporters of Riverwood Hornets and who engage with their food drives. Councillor Hayes will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Jamieson disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **NM090-25 Traffic Issues - Roberts Rd Mortdale** for the reason she is the Georges River College Peakhurst P&C President. Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Wang disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **NM097-25 – Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan**, for the reason that he has his residential and investment properties tagged as flood zone. Councillor Wang, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Mort disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL097-25 Application pursuant of Councillor Discretionary Fund policy October 2025** for the reason she is a former member of the swim club. Councillor Mort will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Special Interest Disclosure - Councillor Wang submitted a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in **CCL095-25 ENV035-25 Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)** for the reason his principal place of residence is located within the existing Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. Councillor Wang will partake in any deliberations on this matter and will remain in the meeting and participate in the consideration and voting on this item.

Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Dimoski disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **NM097-25 – Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan** for the reason his property is in Mortdale Ward but not tagged as a flood prone according to the map. Councillor Dimoski will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

	Name	Report No.	Report Title	For / Against
1	Janine Cannell (In person)	CCL095-25 (ENV035-25)	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting – Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)	For
2	Chris Skiladellis (In person)	CCL095-25 (ENV035-25)	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting – Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)	For
3	Anne Harvey (In person)	CCL095-25 EVN035-25	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting – Withdrawal of the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004)	For
4	Rishi Acharya (Written Submission)	NM087-25	Acknowledgement of Nepalese Community achievements and Future Opportunities	For
5	Justin Chan (Written Submission)	NM088-25	Supporting Dementia Awareness and Community Initiatives	For
6	Garry Walters (Written Submission)	NM088-25	Supporting Dementia Awareness and Community Initiatives	For
7	Kellie Sloane MP (Written Submission)	NM088-25	Supporting Dementia Awareness and Community Initiatives	For
8	Steven Ferrington (In Person)	NM090-25	Traffic Issues Roberts Avenue Mortdale	Against
9	David Thompson (Written Submission)	NM090-25	Traffic Issues-Roberts Ave Mortdale	For
10	Roy Cho (Written Submission)	NM091-25	Peakhurst West Swimming Pool	For
11	Leah Pedemont (In Person)	NM092-25	Significance of Pole Depot Park	For
12	Amy Burton (In Person)	NM092-25	Significance of Pole Depot Park	For
13	Nicky Paras (In Person)	NM092-25	Significance of Pole Depot Park	For

14	Robert Chizzoniti (In Person)	NM094-25	Traffic Issues intersection of Renn Street and Park Road Kogarah Bay	For
15	Robert Bruce Dickson (In Person)	NM094-25	Traffic Issues intersection of Renn Street and Park Road Kogarah Bay	For
16	David Eid (In Person) – Sent apologies, did not attend	NM095-25	Traffic Issues Harmer Street and Princes Highway Kogarah Bay	For
17	George Andonovski (In Person)	NM096-25	Traffic Calming Measures	For
18	Angela Dionysopoulos (Written Submission)	NM097-25	Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan	For
19	Cara Hickman (In Person)	QWN039-25	Edgbaston Road Beverly Hills Car Park	Against

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mort left the Chambers at 07:35pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mort returned to the Chambers at 07:42pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 08:04pm

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

CCL091-25 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 22 September 2025
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 22 September 2025, be adopted.

Record of Voting

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

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

CCL092-25 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 September 2025
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Landsberry

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 September 2025, be adopted.

Record of Voting

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

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

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski left the Chambers at 08:06pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS**CCL093-25 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Liu

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for item ASS036-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

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

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

ASS036-25 REPORT OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING HELD ON 1 OCTOBER 2025

(Report by Executive Assistant to Mayor and Manager, Office of the General Manager)

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF071-25 to LTF079-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

LTF075-25 STANLEY STREET, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PARKING RESTRICTIONS

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

- (a) That an existing "No Parking, St George Community Services Vehicles Excepted" restriction be relocated to the west of the vehicular driveway at 64 Stanley Street, Peakhurst, as per the plan in the report.
- (b) That an existing 'Disabled Parking' space be relocated further west along Stanley Street, as per the plan in the report.

LTF076-25 20 PEARCE AVENUE, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED 'WORKS ZONE'

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

- (a) That a 28m “Works Zone, 7am – 5pm Mon – Sat” fronting 20 Pearce Avenue, Peakhurst, be installed for a duration of 26 weeks commencing Mid-October 2025, as per the plan in the report.
- (b) That the original parking restrictions be reinstated at the completion of the ‘Works Zone’ period.

LTF077-25 PROPOSED 'NO PARKING - ELECTRIC VEHICLES EXCEPTED WHILE CHARGING' RESTRICTONS - VARIOUS LOCATIONS

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the existing ‘No Parking – Electric Vehicles Excepted’ signage be converted into ‘No Parking – Electric Vehicles Excepted While Charging’ signage at the following 8 locations as per the plans in the report:

- (a) Broadarrow Road Narwee, adjacent to Bryant Street;
- (b) Morgan Street Beverly Hills, adjacent to King Georges Road;
- (c) Treacy Street, Hurstville, adjacent to Forest Road;
- (d) Stanley Street, Peakhurst;
- (e) Letitia Street, Oatley adjacent to Frederick Street;
- (f) Cook Street, Mortdale, adjacent to Cook Street Car park;
- (g) Premier Street, Kogarah adjacent to Post Office Lane; and
- (h) Morotai Avenue, Riverwood.

LTF078-25 LUNAR NEW YEAR 2026 - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

- (a) That the proposed temporary closure of Forest Road between Queens Road and Treacy Street, Hurstville from 00.01am – 11:59pm on Saturday 21 February 2026, be approved.
- (b) That Council engage a traffic control contractor to prepare a Traffic Management Plan and obtain a Road Occupancy License for the proposed closure of Forest Road, Hurstville.
- (c) As part of the Traffic Management Plan, temporary bus zone will be placed at following locations to accommodate displaced bus stops and other facilities in Forest Road, MacMahon Street and the Bus Interchange:
 - (i) Install a 70 metre Bus Zone on the Southern side of Queens Road between Dora Street and Park Road, Hurstville.
 - (ii) Install a 60 metre Bus Zone on the Southern side of Cross Street between The Avenue and Park Road, Hurstville.
- (d) That the Traffic Management Plan and the Road Occupancy License be submitted to TMC, Police and Council for approval.
- (e) That emergency service, bus operators and St George Cabs be notified of the proposed closure of Forest Road, Hurstville for the 2026 Hurstville Lunar New Year's Street Festival.
- (f) That Bus Operators be requested to provide a ‘Bus Director’ to direct buses and passengers to the temporary bus stops allocated for the duration of the festival.
- (g) That Bus Companies be requested to advise the affected bus drivers of the proposed

closure and alternative bus stops and bus routes on Saturday 21 February 2026.

- (h) Further that all business owners along Forest Road and Queens Road be notified of the proposed closure of Forest Road and proposed changes to parking restrictions for the 2026 Hurstville Lunar New Year Street Festival.
- (i) That the Taxi Rank in Forest Road, Hurstville be relocated to Woodville Street, Hurstville for the duration of the festival. Appropriate signage be installed advising that the taxi rank has been relocated to Woodville Street, Hurstville.
- (j) That approval be granted to place four VMS boards, one on Forest Road corner of Queens Road, one on Queens Road corner of Dora Street, one on Cross Street corner of Park Road and one on Forest Road corner of Park Road seven days prior to the event.
- (k) That the event is categorised as a 'Class 3' Event.

LTF079-25 CARWAR AVENUE, CARSS PARK - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES - AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT 2026

(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

- (a) That approval be granted for the part road closure of Carwar Avenue, Carss Park, between 6.00am and 11.59pm on Monday 26 January 2026 for Council's "Australia Day" event to be held at Carss Bush Park.
- (b) That placement of VMS boards on Carwar Avenue and Princes Highway a week prior to the event, is approved.
- (c) That the event is categorised as a 'Class 3' Event.

CCL094-25 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for items COM044-25 to COM045-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

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

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

COM044-25 PLACE NAMING POLICY REVIEW

(Report by Coordinator Library Operations)

- (a) That Council endorse the revised draft Place Naming Policy.
- (b) That the revised draft Place Naming Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days to allow the community to provide feedback.
- (c) That Council receive a further report following the public exhibition period.

COM045-25 T25/006 JUBILEE STADIUM NAMING RIGHTS SPONSORSHIP

(Report by Senior Procurement and Contracts Business Partner)

- (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 T25/006 Jubilee Stadium Sponsorship and resolve to enter into negotiations with one or more parties 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 achieved a satisfactory standard. By resolving to enter into negotiations with one or more parties it is anticipated that a satisfactory outcome will be achieved on demonstrated capacity and ability to provide sponsorship services with a competitive income paid to Council.
- (c) That Council authorise the General Manager to oversee negotiations with the established negotiation Team and to execute any documentation required to give effect to the resolution.
- (d) That a further report be provided to Council at its meeting in February 2026 detailing the outcome of the negotiation process and a recommendation to award.
- (e) That Council notify all Tenderers that Council declined to accept any of the Tenders.

CCL095-25 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 08:07pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski returned to the Chambers at 08:07pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Allison, Councillor Landsberry

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for item ENV035-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

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

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

ENV035-25 WITHDRAWAL OF THE ADDITIONAL AND DIVERSE HOUSING PLANNING PROPOSAL (PP2024/0004)

(Report by Principal Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council notes the Gateway Determination issued for the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004).
- (b) That Council considers the Planning Proposal, as amended by the conditions of the Gateway Determination, now unacceptable as a replacement for the NSW Government's Low and Mid-Rise Housing (LMR) Policy.
- (c) That Council not proceed with the subject Planning Proposal as it does not meet the objectives of the Planning Proposal sought by Council, in addition to the following reasons:
 - (i) Council being unsuccessful in receiving an exemption from the LMR Policy,

- (ii) The LMR Policy unlocks a minimum theoretical capacity of 11,000 new dwellings compared to the capacity for 8,130 new dwellings created by the subject Planning Proposal,
- (iii) A cumulative capacity of more than 16,660 new dwellings will be created by a combination of the subject Planning Proposal and LMR Policy, which is likely to exacerbate the infrastructure demands arising from the unplanned population growth generated by the LMR Policy,
- (iv) The LMR Policy is better aligned with the principles of Transit-Oriented Development by concentrating new housing in areas serviced by existing train stations and town centres,
- (v) Council has several master plans underway that will facilitate future housing growth accompanied by the required local infrastructure, and
- (vi) There are no current or future budget allocations to complete the additional studies as required by the Gateway Determination Conditions.

CCL096-25 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Allison

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN038-25 to FIN040-25 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

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

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

FIN038-25 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

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

FIN039-25 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD 5 JUNE 2025 (CONFIRMED) AND 4 SEPTEMBER 2025 (UNCONFIRMED)

(Report by Chief Audit Executive)

- (a) That the confirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 5 June 2025 be received and noted by Council.
- (b) That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 4 September 2025 be received and noted by Council.

FIN040-25 GIFTS AND BENEFITS PROCEDURE REVIEW

(Report by Senior Governance Officer)

That the updated Procedures for Managing Gifts and Benefits as attached to this report (Attachment 1) be received and noted by Council.

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

CCL097-25 Application Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - October 2025 (Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

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

- CWF06/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Mort on behalf of North Ramsgate Amateur Swimming Club in the amount of \$500.

Record of Voting

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

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

ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

CCL098-25 Licence to 7-Eleven for Harold Fraser groundwater monitoring (Report by General Counsel)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That the General Manager execute the deed granting the licence at (Confidential) Attachment 1.
- (b) That the General Manager write to the immediate neighbouring resident at 274 Princes Highway as to the general nature of the licence and the purpose of the groundwater monitoring wells within 14 days of executing the licence deed.

Record of Voting

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

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

CCL099-25 Oatley Bay Memorial Boardwalk Construction - Budget Update (Report by Acting Manager City Technical Services)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with the Oatley Bay Memorial Boardwalk construction project.
- (b) That Council approve the additional non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the confidential attachment.

Record of Voting

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

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

CCL100-25 Peakhurst Park Community Centre - Budget Update (Report by Acting Manager City Technical Services)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Liu

- (a) That Council note the increase in budget required to proceed with construction of the Peakhurst Park Community Centre project.
- (b) That Council endorse the inclusion of additional works in the 2025/26 and 2026/27 Capital Works Program to upgrade the surrounding precinct and enhance connectivity of the new Community Centre to Peakhurst Park, as per the phasing outlined in this report.
- (c) That Council approve the additional non-budgeted expenditure, as outlined in the confidential attachment.

Record of Voting

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

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

NOTICES OF MOTION

PROCEDURAL MOTION – ORDER OF BUSINESS

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson

That in accordance with Clause 7.5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council alter the Order of Business of this meeting to move NM092-25 **Significance of Pole Depot Park** to be discussed as the first Notice of Motion.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM092-25 Significance of Pole Depot Park
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Recognise the significance of Pole Depot Park as a valued open space within the highly urbanised Penshurst area.
- (b) Note that Council is currently developing an LGA-wide Play Strategy to guide the appropriate management, prioritisation, and renewal of playgrounds based on their condition, function, and community value.
- (c) Undertake community engagement to better understand local demand, desired uses, and amenity expectations for the Pole Depot Park playground.
- (d) Consider a budget bid for the renewal of the play equipment at Pole Depot Park, informed by the outcomes of community consultation and taking into consideration:
 - (i) passive surveillance and safety;
 - (ii) options to increase the play capacity and play value of the equipment consolidated into one of the site's playground areas; and
 - (iii) the effective utilisation of existing park amenities to support renewed play infrastructure.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM087-25 Acknowledgement of Nepalese Community Achievements and Future Opportunities

(Report by Councillor Liu)

Note: It was noted that Jamieson left the Chambers at 08:18pm

Note: It was noted that Jamieson returned to the Chambers at 08:20pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledge the significant cultural and social contributions of the Nepalese and broader Nepalese community across Georges River and Greater Sydney.
- (b) Recognise three recent milestones:
 - (i) The announcement of the Sydney Spiritual Festival 2025 by the Greater Sydney Nepalese Multicultural Centre, held in Burwood from 29–31 August 2025, highlighting unity, diversity and fundraising efforts toward a dedicated Nepali Multicultural Centre.
 - (ii) Progress on the Peakhurst Park Community Centre redevelopment, which will provide a valuable community facility, including for use by the local Nepalese

community.

- (iii) The Dashain Tihar Mela 2025 in Hurstville Plaza on 27 September 2025, a celebration of Nepalese culture, food, entertainment and community connection.

- (c) Commend the Nepalese community for their achievements and ongoing efforts to strengthen cultural, social and intergenerational ties.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM088-25 Supporting Dementia Awareness and Community Initiatives (Report by Councillor Liu)

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Congratulate and acknowledge the success of the Georges River Memory Walk & Jog 2025 held on 20 September at Gannons Park, a Council-led fundraising event held during Dementia Action Week that raised \$22,551 for Dementia Australia.
- (b) Commend the Community Support Foundation Australia (CSFA - a local charity organisation in Riverwood) for its "Caring for Seniors with Dementia" charity series, which creatively combines theatre, health education, and a Cantonese singing competition at Sydney ICC on 11 October to raise awareness and provide warmth and support to seniors and their families. CSFA also donated \$5,000 to Dementia Australia at the event.
- (c) Recognise that both initiatives embody the spirit of Dementia Action Week 2025, under the theme "Nobody can do it alone", by fostering compassion, community solidarity, and practical care for those impacted by dementia.
- (d) Reaffirm Council's ongoing commitment to its Dementia-Friendly Action Plan and to supporting local initiatives that promote dignity, inclusion, and wellbeing for people living with dementia and their carer's in the Georges River area.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM089-25 Recognition and Council Support of the Riverwood Hornets Marching Band (Report by Councillor Hayes)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Allison left the Chambers at 08:23pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Allison returned to the Chambers at 08:25pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Hayes, Councillor Anzellotti

- (a) That Council welcomes The Riverwood Hornets Australian Cadet Corps to Narwee and endorses the donations and support made by local communities to strengthen the ongoing operation of this valuable service to the community.
- (b) That Council engages with the Commanding Officer, Chris Bailey, to ensure the Riverwood Hornets Marching Band is added to Council's events mailing list, enabling them to be notified of relevant Expressions of Interest (EOIs) and apply to participate in future Council-led community events, including opportunities to fundraise in support of the Pearl Harbour Memorial Parade in 2025 and ongoing operations.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Deputy Mayor, 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 Anzellotti, Councillor Gao

That at this time being 8.32pm Councillor Anzellotti be granted an extension of time to speak to her motion.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM090-25 Traffic Issues - Roberts Avenue, Mortdale (Report by Councillor Anzellotti)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Pun joined the Meeting at 08:43pm by audio visual link.

MOTION: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Landsberry

That Council:

- (a) Notes the longstanding concerns raised by residents regarding traffic congestion, excessive vehicle speeds, and pedestrian safety along Roberts Avenue, Mortdale.
- (b) Acknowledges that existing traffic conditions, particularly during school pick-up and drop-off periods and peak commuter times are adversely impacting the safety and amenity of the surrounding residential area.
- (c) Requests the General Manager to prepare a report investigating opportunities to improve

traffic and pedestrian safety along Roberts Avenue, Mortdale, with consideration given to:

- (i) Current traffic volumes, vehicle speeds, and crash data;
 - (ii) School-related congestion and pedestrian movements;
 - (iii) The adequacy and effectiveness of existing traffic-calming measures and parking restrictions;
 - (iv) Intersection sightlines and turning movements from adjoining “B Streets” onto Roberts Avenue; and
 - (v) The feasibility of alternative traffic configurations.
- (d) Refers this matter to the Local Traffic Forum (LTF) for further consideration, taking into account current traffic volumes, updated crash data, and feedback from local residents.
 - (e) Requests that the report identify short, medium, and long-term options for intervention, including indicative costings and assessment of potential external funding sources such as the Federal Black Spot Program or partnership opportunities with Transport for NSW.
 - (f) Considers the allocation of funding for any priority works identified in the report.
 - (g) Ensures that residents of Roberts Avenue and surrounding streets are notified of the investigation and provided with an opportunity to offer community feedback.
 - (h) Receives the final report for consideration by Council.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Allison

That Council:

- (a) Notes the longstanding concerns raised by residents regarding traffic congestion and pedestrian safety along Roberts Avenue, Mortdale, and the adjoining “B Streets” (Beatty Street, Bowman Street, Barr Street, Zela Street and Kendall Street).
- (b) Acknowledges that Council has already undertaken multiple investigations into traffic and safety issues in this area, including the report to the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC024-23, dated 7 March 2023), which resulted in the installation of regulatory 10-metre ‘No Stopping’ restrictions at key intersections along Roberts Avenue to improve sightlines, pedestrian safety, and vehicle movements.
- (c) Notes that Council has twice applied for funding under the Australian Government’s Black Spot Program — in 2022 and 2023 — for safety improvements including a roundabout at Roberts Avenue and Beatty Street, and a raised pedestrian crossing at Kendall Street. Both applications were unsuccessful due to the low crash history and low benefit–cost ratio determined by Transport for NSW.
- (d) Recognises that while crash data indicates no significant safety risk, residents continue to experience congestion and inconvenience, particularly during school pick-up/drop-off and peak commuter periods — a situation that is not unique to Roberts Avenue, but common to most school precincts across the City.
- (e) Notes that Council Officers will continue investigations into appropriate traffic management measures for Roberts Avenue and the adjoining “B Streets” as part of the broader traffic management program scheduled for the 2025/2026 financial year.
- (f) Requests that the findings of these investigations be reported to the Local Traffic Forum and that residents of Roberts Avenue and surrounding streets be notified and provided with an opportunity for feedback.
- (g) Notes that any future traffic management measures will be prioritised and implemented subject to available funding, updated crash data, and alignment with Transport for NSW

and Australian Government funding criteria.

Record of Voting

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

Against the Amendment: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

On being put to the Meeting, voting on the Amendment was seven (7) votes FOR and seven (7) votes AGAINST.

With the voting on this Amendment being equal, the Mayor exercised her casting vote and voted FOR the Amendment. The voting on the Amendment was eight (8) votes FOR and seven (7) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and became the Motion.

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Allison

That Council:

- (a) Notes the longstanding concerns raised by residents regarding traffic congestion and pedestrian safety along Roberts Avenue, Mortdale, and the adjoining "B Streets" (Beatty Street, Bowman Street, Barr Street, Zela Street and Kendall Street).
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- (G) Notes that any future traffic management measures will be prioritised and implemented subject to available funding, updated crash data, and alignment with Transport for NSW and Australian Government funding criteria.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM091-25 Peakhurst West Swimming Pool - Reopening

(Report by Councillor Liu)

Note: Councillor Liu tabled a Peakhurst West Heated Pool booklet – The History of a Community Project 1956-1991.

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Welcomes the announcement that the Peakhurst West Swimming Pool, located within Peakhurst West Public School, is scheduled to reopen on 1 November 2025 following \$1.5 million in upgrade works funded and managed by the NSW Department of Education under the Minns NSW Labor Government, in partnership with School Infrastructure NSW, to improve safety and amenities. These works include a new roof for the pool building, improved ventilation, a full deep clean of the pool structure, a new accessible bathroom, and a new pool pump.
- (b) Acknowledges the strong advocacy of the local community for the retention of this NSW Government facility, and recognises the longstanding social, recreational, and educational value the pool has provided to residents, students, and local swim clubs over many decades.
- (c) Writes to the Acting NSW Minister for Education, School Infrastructure NSW, and the Department of Education, advocating for transparent community consultation regarding any proposed changes to access arrangements for existing and long-standing swim schools and local clubs, and requesting that affordability and equitable community access remain key considerations in future operational decisions.

Record of Voting

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

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

NM093-25 Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan

(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Note: Cr Gao proposed an amendment, however, due to the lack of seconder, the Amendment LAPSED.

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mort

That Council:

- (a) Note the status, progression, and timing of the Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan (as per NM050-24).
- (b) Note the status of the lease agreement and potential transfer of land ownership from the NSW Transport Asset Holding Entity (TAHE) to Georges River Council for the park area located at the intersection of Bridge Street and Penshurst Street (as per NM025-24).

- (c) Note the status, progression, and timing to complete a detailed design to transform the TAHE land into a park and garden, as included in the 2025/26 Operational Plan (as per CCL053-25).
- (d) Note the status and timing of the internal amenities fit-out included in the 2025/26 Operational Plan (as per CCL053-25).
- (e) Note that funds will be allocated to implement the works identified in the Public Domain Plan from 2026/27 onwards (as per CCL053-25).

Record of Voting

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

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

NM094-25 Traffic Issues - Intersection of Renn Street and Park Road, Kogarah Bay (Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski left the Chambers at 09:07pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski returned to the Chambers at 09:09pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes

That Council:

- (a) Investigate traffic issues at the intersection of Renn Street and Park Road, Kogarah Bay, where cars turning right into Renn Street are blocking traffic when a vehicle is parked opposite the intersection.
- (b) Action possible solutions, including:
 - (i) Installing No Parking or No Stopping signs opposite Renn Street;
 - (ii) Changes to line markings or intersection layout; and
 - (iii) Any other options that would help ease congestion.
- (c) Review what was done at Wyee Street and Park Road, where similar changes improved traffic flow, and see if a similar approach can be used here.
- (d) Commit to undertaking this within a reasonable timeframe of 6 months.

Record of Voting

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

NM095-25 Traffic Issues - Princes Highway and Hamer Street Kogarah Bay
(Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang left the Chambers at 09:15pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang returned to the Chambers at 09:17pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Anzellotti

That Council:

- (a) Investigate and improve the visibility and clarity of traffic signage relating to the No Left Turn onto Princes Highway from Hamer Street (3:00pm – 7:00pm) restriction.
- (b) Action the following specific signage improvements as raised by residents:
 - (i) Enlargement of the existing sign at the corner of Hamer Street and Renn Street;
 - (ii) Installation of a larger, clearly visible sign for drivers turning left into Hamer Street;
 - (iii) Placement of a new sign on the pole when turning left into Hamer Street from Renn Street.
- (d) Commit to undertaking this within a reasonable timeframe of 6 months.

Record of Voting

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

NM096-25 Traffic Calming Measures - Waratah Street, Blakehurst
(Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Liu left the Chambers at 09:19pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Liu returned to the Chambers at 09:19pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes

That Council:

- (a) Reconsider its position regarding the installation of traffic calming measures on Waratah Street, Blakehurst, in light of ongoing community concerns about speeding and safety.
- (b) Undertake community engagement with residents of Waratah Street to better understand the scale and frequency of the issues being reported.
- (c) Assess suitable options such as speed humps, signage, or other traffic calming devices as appropriate.
- (d) Commit to undertaking this within a reasonable timeframe of 6 months.

Record of Voting

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

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

NM097-25 Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang disclosed a pecuniary interest and left the Chambers at 09:31pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the audio visual link at 09:32pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the audio visual link at 09:34pm

MOTION: Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes

That Council:

- (a) Commission an independent peer review of the Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan for the Hurstville, Mortdale and Peakhurst Wards (2023) to verify the study's technical accuracy, model reliability, and compliance with the NSW Floodplain Development Manual (April 2023).
- (b) Acknowledge the State Government's guidance in the NSW Floodplain Development Manual (April 2023) that: "Peer review becomes critical when studies are to inform planning instruments or development controls." Accordingly, an independent review is essential before the 2023 study informs any Local Environmental Plan (LEP), flood planning area maps, or development controls.
- (c) Note the limited engagement outcomes reported to the Floodplain Risk Management Committee on 7 February 2023 — only 17 written submissions, 2 booked sessions, and 6 phone enquiries — despite the study affecting tens of thousands of residents and businesses across three wards.
- (d) Direct the General Manager to:
 - (i) Conduct a full audit to verify whether all affected property owners and submitters were formally notified; and
 - (ii) Issue written notifications to all affected property owners (including those newly identified as flood-affected) explaining the methodology, planning implications, and available review or appeal options;
- (e) Implement enhanced community engagement measures for all future flood studies, including:
 - (i) Direct mail notification to all potentially affected properties;
 - (ii) Multilingual information materials and FAQs;
 - (iii) At least two community information sessions per ward;
 - (iv) Publication of a comprehensive "response to submissions" summary; and
 - (v) Follow-up correspondence after adoption to explain any changes or clarifications.
- (f) Following completion of the peer review and community engagement process, that Council:
 - (i) Review and amend the flood study findings and property tagging where the peer review and community engagement process identify technical errors, discrepancies, or outdated assumptions;

- (ii) Update the flood planning maps and GIS layers accordingly, ensuring the changes are reflected in all Council databases, public mapping tools, and the NSW Planning Portal; and
- (iii) Publicly report back to Council and the community on all amendments made, including a summary of how community feedback directly informed those changes.
- (g) Adopt best-practice standards including Sutherland Shire Council's flood management process, which incorporated iterative community consultation, independent verification, and formal responses to resident objections before adoption.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Pun

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was five (5) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

NM098-25 Scheduling Investigation of Drainage Works - Bibby Street Carlton (Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Wang returned to the Chambers at 10:00pm

This Motion was withdrawn by Councillor Gao.

NM099-25 Pedestrian Priority Zone - Forest Road Hurstville (Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: Council Liu tabled a document titled – Comparison: Hurstville Forest Road vs Chatswood Mall (Victoria Avenue)

MOTION: Councillor Wang, Councillor Pun

That Council:

- (a) Investigate the feasibility of establishing a designated “Walk Street” (pedestrian-priority zone) along Forest Road, Hurstville — between Woodville Street and Palm Court — with the aim of boosting local economic activity, improving pedestrian safety, and strengthening community and cultural engagement.
- (b) Prepare a report outlining:
 - (i) The feasibility of implementing a temporary or permanent pedestrianisation or shared-space model in the nominated section, including traffic and transport impacts;
 - (ii) Opportunities to leverage existing infrastructure, placemaking initiatives, and the success of annual street closures during the Lunar New Year Festival to guide design and operational planning;
 - (iii) Consultation strategies with local businesses, residents, property owners, Transport for NSW, and other key stakeholders;
 - (iv) Case studies of successful “Walk Streets” and pedestrian-friendly precincts in comparable metropolitan centres (e.g. Chatswood Mall, Parramatta’s Eat Street);
 - (v) Alignment with Council’s Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040, Economic Development Strategy, Placemaking Framework, and Hurstville City Centre Master

Plan; and

- (vi) Potential funding and partnership opportunities to support design, public realm improvements, activation programs, and event integration.
- (c) Consider a pilot or trial activation, such as a weekend or evening “Walk Street” program, in collaboration with local traders and community groups to assess community response, economic benefits, and operational logistics before pursuing a longer-term implementation.

Record of Voting

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was six (6) votes FOR and eight (8) votes AGAINST. The Motion was LOST.

FORESHADOWED MOTION

NM099-25 Hurstville City Centre Activation and Access Enhancement

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Note the strong community support for a vibrant and accessible Hurstville City Centre, consistent with the themes in the new draft Economic Development Strategy (EDS), Night Time Economy Study & associated Action Plans.
- (b) Investigate the feasibility of temporary weekend pedestrian activation in Hurstville, and other suitable locations across the Georges River LGA, for consideration as part of the Economic Development Strategy (EDS) & action plan.
- (c) Consider streetscape and safety upgrades (lighting, greening, seating, and façade improvements) to support business activity and pedestrian comfort as part of the Economic Development Strategy (EDS) & action plan.
- (d) That the title of the Motion be amended to Hurstville City Centre Activation and Access Enhancement to reflect the Motion’s intent.

Record of Voting

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

Against the Motion: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was thirteen (13) votes FOR and one (1) vote AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

QWN037-25 Projected Operating Deficits in the Council's Long Term Financial Plan (Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN038-25 Chivers Hill Shopping Centre - Installation of Public Amenity
(Report by Councillor Anzellotti)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN039-25 Edgbaston Road Beverly Hills Car Park
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos left the Chambers at 10:33pm

QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE

QNN011-25 Reconstruction of a new Aquatic Facility at Carss Park - Timeframe for Executing Project Agreement
(Report by Councillor Gao)

Answer published in the business paper.

QNN012-25 Delivery of the Low and Mid-Rise (LMR) Housing Program and the Transport Oriented Development (TOD) Program
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QNN013-25 Penshurst Town Centre and Streetscape Improvements - Bridge Street Greenspace Your Say Results
(Report by Councillor Hayes)

Answer published in the business paper.

QNN014-25 Traffic Study Options for Park Road Carlton
(Report by Councillor Gao)

Answer published in the business paper.

QNN015-25 Request - Project at the Intersection at Carrington Ave and Warwick Street Hurstville
(Report by Councillor Pun)

Answer published in the business paper.

QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE TO BE ANSWERED IN THE NEXT COUNCIL BUSINESS PAPER

ITEM	TITLE
NM097-25	Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan Question: What happens to older properties not connected to the stormwater network, when they are causing flooding issues downstream?
QNN015-25	Request - Project at the Intersection at Carrington Ave and Warwick Street Hurstville Question: Can Council please assist in providing community consultation for this project?

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 10.35pm

Chairperson