

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Monday, 26 August 2024

7:00 PM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville



PRESENT

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

COUNCIL STAFF

A/General Manager – Kristie Dodd, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Andrew Latta, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, A/Director Community and Culture – Margaret Le, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Chief Information Officer – Brendan Scott, Manager Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paraskevopoulos, Executive Services Officer – Jennifer Anderson, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures - Simon Massey, Head of Technology – Garuthman De Silva and Team Leader - Mark Tadros.

OPENING

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor, Councillor Elmir 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 Aywan Suleiman from Revival Life Centre offered a prayer to the meeting.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies or requests for leave of absence.

REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Mayor, Councillor Elmir advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

Council's Code of Meeting Practice prohibits the electronic recording of meetings without the express permission of Council.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Mahoney declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in item CCL053-24 (ASS025-24), Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee for the reason that he is acquainted with one of the non-voting committee members, as he was a former work colleague. Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting and take part in consideration and voting on this item.

Councillor Mahoney declared a Non-Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in item NM074-24 Congratulations to Oatley Rugby Union for hosting the NSW Junior Rugby Union Under 10's Development Carnival for the reason that he is acquainted with one of the non-voting committee members, as he is a member of Oatley RSL. Councillor Mahoney will remain in the meeting and take part in consideration and voting on this item.

Councillor Stratikopoulos disclosed a Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item COM027-24 Greek Orthodox Patriarchal Visit to Kogarah – Event Grant for the reason that he serves on the Committee of the Greek Orthodox Parish of Kogarah. Councillor Stratikopoulos will leave the meeting and not participate in consideration and voting on this item.

Councillor Katris disclosed a Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item COM027-24 Greek Orthodox Patriarchal Visit to Kogarah – Event Grant for the reason that is involved in the Greek Orthodox Church and, from time to time, provides architectural advice. Councillor Katris will leave the meeting and not participate in consideration and voting on this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

	Name	Report No.	Report Title
1	Maria Niahos (In person)	NM075-24	Enhancing Parking Management in Hillcrest Avenue, Hurstville
2	Adrian Polhill (In person)	CCL055-24(ENV034-24)	Zero Litter to Georges River – Progress Updated 2024, Environment & Planning Committee – 12 August 2024

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

CCL052-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 July 2024
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Stratikopoulos

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 22 July 2024, be adopted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihapahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CONDOLENCES

Councillor Mort offered her condolences on the passing of a lifelong local resident, Mr Kevin Skelsey, who passed away on 27 July 2024.

Kevin was a teacher, educator, archaeology enthusiast and stage performer and was known to hundreds in the area and beyond for the valued lessons he passed on to so many. Kevin started his career at Broken Hill before becoming an industrial arts teacher at James Cook High in the early 60s and for the next two decades taught at Tempe High, Hurstville Boys High and Endeavour High School.

Throughout the 1970s he worked at Sydney Teachers' College where he trained future teachers in workshop skills and management and technology.

He married Wendy in 1964 after meeting her at the Illawarra Theatre Guild at Rockdale where they both performed in a number of productions. They have lived in Blakehurst since 1967.

Kevin always had a strong interest in Australian heritage and archaeology and served as Honorary Secretary of the Australiana Society. He also ran an old wares shop in Beverly Hills for 16 years and was a familiar face to many people.

Note: A minute's silence was observed by those present at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CCL053-24 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 12 August 2024
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Jamieson

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for items ASS020-24 to ASS026-24 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihapahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

ASS020-24 TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE - DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE
(Report by Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking)

- (a) That Council approve the Draft Terms of Reference for the Georges River Council Traffic Advisory Committee.
- (b) That Council appoint the Chairperson, and their alternate annually, in line with all other elections to Committees of Council.
- (c) That the Georges River Council Traffic Advisory Committee is no longer webcast.

ASS025-24 REPORT OF THE GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6 AUGUST 2024

(Report by Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking)

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Georges River Council Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 6 August 2024 are submitted to the Assets and Infrastructure Committee for consideration and to Council for adoption.

ASS026-24 REPORT OF THE FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 AUGUST 2024

(Report by Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking)

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting held on 1 August 2024 are submitted to the Assets and Infrastructure Committee for consideration and to Council for adoption.

CCL054-24 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 12 August 2024

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Konjarski

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for items COM026-24 to COM031-24, with the exception of COM027-24, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

COM026-24 GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL LIBRARY USE AND MEMBERSHIP POLICY

(Report by Coordinator Library Customer Experience)

- (a) That Council approve the revised draft Georges River Council Library Use and Membership Policy (the Policy) to be placed on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days.
- (b) That a further report be submitted to Council on the feedback received during the exhibition period, together with any recommended changes to the revised draft Policy prior to adoption.

COM028-24 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT LOCAL APPROVALS POLICY - USE OF PUBLIC LAND

(Report by Manager City Life)

- (a) That Council adopts the draft Local Approvals Policy - Use of Public Land (the Policy) following the public exhibition period.
- (b) That a further General Manager be delegated authority to update Appendix G of the Policy, *Designated Areas for Activities on Public Land*, pending the assessment of

proposed locations by Council's Traffic Management team.

- (c) That the Council repeal the Street Performance Policy, as its contents are now incorporated into the draft Local Approvals Policy - Use of Public Land.
- (d) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make minor administrative changes to the Policy, if required.

COM029-24 LUGARNO PROGRESS ASSOCIATION - EVENT GRANT
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

That Council approves the event grant request of \$10,960 (\$9,750 financial and \$1,210 in-kind value) to support the Music in the Park Event hosted by the Lugarno Progress Association on Sunday 10 November 2024.

COM030-24 LUGARNO LIONS COMMUNITY FESTIVAL - EVENT GRANT
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

That Council approves the event grant request of \$19,260.00 (\$16,215.00 financial and \$3,045.00 in-kind value) to support the 'Lugarno Lions Community Festival' on Sunday 15 September 2024.

COM031-24 KINGSWAY CARE FUNDRAISING DINNER - OUTGOING SPONSORSHIP
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$5,000 to become a sponsor of the Kingsway Care Fundraising Dinner, Thursday 24 October 2024.

COM027-24 GREEK ORTHODOX PATRIARCHAL VISIT TO KOGARAH – EVENT GRANT
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Katris left the Chambers at 07:20pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos left the Chambers at 07:20pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Liu, Councillor Konjarski

That Council approves the event grant of \$17,000, to support the 'Greek Orthodox Patriarchal visit to Kogarah' on Wednesday 9 October 2024.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihapahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

Note: It was noted that Councillor Stratikopoulos returned to the Chambers 7:21pm

CCL055-24 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 12 August 2024

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for items ENV032-24 to ENV037-24 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihapahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

ENV032-24 INVESTIGATION OF MISSED WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES AND APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO RESOLVE

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

That Council receive and note this report on missed waste bin collection services in the local government area.

ENV033-24 REVIEW OF E - WASTE EVENTS AND FUTURE COMMUNITY RECYCLING EVENTS

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

- (a) That Council acknowledge the increasing demand for community recycling events and the pressure that it is placing on the Carlton Depot.
- (b) That Council rescind the decision to alternate community recycling events between Carlton and Mortdale Depots.
- (c) That Council delegate to the General Manager to determine the most suitable location to host community recycling events based on their expected demand.

ENV034-24 ZERO LITTER TO GEORGES RIVER - PROGRESS UPDATE REPORT 2024

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

- (a) That Council note the progress made towards Councils target of zero litter to Georges River originating from terrestrial locations above the high-water mark within the Georges River Local Government Area by 2030.
- (b) That Council note a litter target update report will continue to be provided every two years in line with Council's resolution dated 22 June 2020.

ENV035-24 DRAFT PRINCIPAL CERTIFIER COMPLAINTS POLICY 2024 - OUTCOME OF PUBLIC EXHIBITION

(Report by Business Improvement Officer)

That this item be deferred to the ordinary Council meeting scheduled for 26 August 2024 to seek clarification on item 2.3.4 of the Draft Policy.

ENV036-24 DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING Q4 METRICS REPORT
(Report by Manager Development and Building)

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Development and Building Section Functions and Services Metrics Report for the period April to June 2024.

ENV037-24 PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR GATEWAY DETERMINATION - 84D ROBERTS AVENUE MORTDALE
(Report by Strategic Planner/Information Management)

- (a) Support the proposed amendment to Schedule 1 of the *Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2021*;
- (b) Endorse the forwarding of the Planning Proposal to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to request a Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* for an amendment to the *Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2021* by introducing medical centre as an additional permitted use on the land at 84D Roberts Avenue, Mortdale (Lot 21, DP 542051).

CCL056-24 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 12 August 2024
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN030-24 to FIN031-24 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

FIN030-24 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2024
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

That the Investment Report as at 30 June 2024 be received and noted by Council.

FIN031-24 2023-24 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM CARRYOVERS
(Report by Senior Business Performance Accountant)

- (a) That Council receives and notes the contents of this report in relation to the proposed carryover of budgets from the 2023/24 Capital Works Program to be added to the 2024/25 Capital Works Program budget.
- (b) That Council adopt the revised 2024/25 Capital Works Program budget, including the carryovers from 2023/24, as outlined in Attachment 1.

Note: It was noted that Councillor Katris returned to the Chambers 7:22pm

PROCEDURAL MOTION**ORDER OF BUSINESS****RESOLVED:** Mayor Councillor Elmir

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

- **CCL063-24: Audit, Risk an Improvement Committee and Internal Audit Annual Report to Council 2023-2024**

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CCL063-24 Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee and Internal Audit Annual Report to Council 2023-2024

(Report by Chief Audit Executive)

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson

That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee and Internal Audit Annual Report for the period 2023-2024 be received and noted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING**CCL057-24 DEFERRED REPORT ENV035-24 Draft Principal Certifier Complaints Policy 2024 - Outcome of Public Exhibition**

(Report by Business Improvement Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Jamieson

- That Council adopt the Draft Principal Certifier and Council Responsibilities Policy 2024 as attached to this report.
- That the General Manager be delegated authority to amend the Policy to incorporate Paragraph 26 of the report after Clause 2.3.4 of the Policy.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris,

Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

CCL058-24 Report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (Period up to and including 30 June 2024).

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That the report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (period up to and including 30 June 2024) be received and noted.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CCL059-24 Review of Mayor and Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy 2024 - Minor Amendments

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris

- (a) That Council note the minor amendments to the Mayor and Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy 2022.
- (b) That Council adopt the draft Mayor and Councillors' Expenses and Facilities Policy (2024) with the minor amendments highlighted in the Attachment.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CCL060-24 Code of Meeting Practice 2024 - Minor Amendments

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg,

- (a) That Council note the recommended minor amendments made to the Code of Meeting Practice 2022.
- (b) That Council adopt the draft Code of Meeting Practice 2024 with the below minor

amendments:

- (i) Remove reference to Advisory Committees on pages 2, 6 and 23 of the Code of Meeting Practice 2022; and
 - (ii) Remove Schedule 4 of the Code of Meeting Practice 2022 as it references Advisory Committees.
- (c) That the Terms of Reference for the Floodplain Risk Management Committee and Sports Advisory Committee be updated to remove reference to the Code of Meeting Practice as their membership contains members other than Councillors.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CCL061-24 Revised Georges River Council Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy (Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That Council endorse the Draft Georges River Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy 2024 as attached to this report.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

CCL062-24 Unaudited General Purpose Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2024

(Report by Chief Financial Officer)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris

- (a) That Council note the ongoing improvement in Council's financial results while recognising that continued efforts are needed to achieve a positive operating performance ratio in future years.
- (b) That in accordance with clause 215 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* and Section 413(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act (NSW) 1993 (Act)*, it is the opinion of Council that:
 - (i) The Draft General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 have been drawn up in accordance with:
 - a. the Local Government Act 1993 and the Regulations;
 - b. the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Asset Accounting

Manual; and

c. the Australian Accounting Standards.

- (ii) The reports present fairly the Council's financial position and operating result for the year.
 - (iii) The Statements are in accordance with the Council's accounting and other records.
 - (iv) The Council is unaware of anything that would make the financial reports false or misleading in any way.
- (c) That in accordance with clause 215 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* and Section 413(2)(c) of the Act, Council authorises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer to sign Council's General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.
- (d) That in accordance with Section 418(1)(a) of the Act, Council will present Council's Audited General Purpose Financial Statements together with the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2024 at a scheduled Council meeting immediately after receipt of the Auditors Report and public notice in accordance with Section 418(1)(b), 418(2) and (3) of the Act.
- (e) That Council's Audited General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024, together with the Auditor's Reports are placed on public exhibition as per Section 418(4) of the Act and the necessary notice in the required form be published on Council's website and in the local newspapers and any submissions shall be dealt with as per Section 420 of the Act.
- (f) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to authorise the year end accounts for issue immediately upon receipt of the Auditor's Report, a copy of the Audited General Purpose Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2024 to the Office of Local Government, subject to there being no material audit changes or audit issues, in accordance with AASB 110.
- (g) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make formatting and minor editorial adjustments to the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihapahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NOTICES OF MOTION

NM073-24 Upgrade to Streetscapes of Narwee Shops
(Report by Councillor Smerdely)

RESOLVED: Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Konjarski

That Council collaborate with Canterbury Bankstown Council to upgrade the streetscapes of Narwee shops.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor

Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NM074-24 Congratulations to Oatley Rugby Union for hosting the NSW Junior Rugby Union Under 10's Development Carnival
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council congratulate Oatley Rugby Union on the successful NSW Junior Rugby Union's under 10's Development Carnival, their valuable contribution to the Georges River community and to the sport of Rugby Union in general.
- (b) That Council congratulates the Oatley RSL sub-branch on its 80-year milestone anniversary which was founded on 23 August 1944.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NM075-24 Enhancing Parking Management in Hillcrest Avenue, Hurstville
(Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg)

RESOLVED: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council investigates the current parking conditions along Hillcrest Avenue, Hurstville, between Woniora Road and Alma Street. This investigation will assess proposed improvements to lessen the impact of illegal parking on residents, including, but not limited to:
 - (i) Implementing morning Clearways on both sides of Hillcrest Avenue.
 - (ii) Expanding the Residential Parking Permit Area, which currently covers all neighbouring streets, to include Hillcrest Avenue.
 - (iii) Installing line markings on both sides of Hillcrest Avenue to clearly delineate parking zones and prevent vehicles from obstructing residential driveway access.
- (b) That any recommendations arising from the investigation will be reported to a future Georges River Council Traffic Advisory Committee for consideration.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: Councillor Konjarski

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

NM076-24 Traffic Matters - Peakhurst
(Report by Councillor Ambihaipahar)

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Smerdely

- (a) That Council investigates the following issues raised by residents in Hearne Street, Barry Street, Anderson Road, Blackshaw Avenue, Oates Road, Zela St, and Kendall St in Peakhurst/Mortdale:
- (i) Car speeding and burnouts
 - (ii) Truck activities occurring very early in the morning and late at night
 - (iii) Noise disturbances from a gym playing loud music
 - (iv) Lack of street lighting
 - (v) Lack of footpaths
- (b) That any recommendations arising from this investigation are reported to Council, through the Traffic Advisory Committee as required, for future action. These actions may include:
- (i) Installing speed calming measures such as speed humps and increased signage to deter speeding and burnouts.
 - (ii) Implementing and monitoring restrictions on truck activities during early morning and late-night hours to reduce noise and disturbance.
 - (iii) Engaging with the gym management and other relevant businesses to ensure compliance with noise regulations and consider soundproofing measures.
 - (iv) Work closely with enforcement such as the Local Police to help ensure local businesses are complying.
 - (v) Increasing the number of streetlights in the affected areas to improve safety and visibility.
 - (vi) Planning and constructing footpaths where needed to ensure pedestrian safety and accessibility.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: Councillor Konjarski

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

NM077-24 Peakhurst Park Adventure Play Space
(Report by Councillor Ambihaipahar)

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Smerdely

That Council write to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Minister Paul Scully, thanking him for the funding of \$110,000 for Peakhurst Park Adventure Play Space.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NM078-24 Narwee Shopping Centre Economic Activation
(Report by Councillor Ambihaipahar)

RESOLVED: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Jamieson

That Council develops a plan that includes opportunities to collaborate with Narwee Public School, local businesses and Canterbury-Bankstown Council to explore joint initiatives for economic activation.

The plan could include but not limited to:

- (i) Strategies to attract and support local businesses, including façade improvements and economic incentives.
- (ii) Community engagement activities and events to increase foot traffic and foster a sense of community.
- (iii) Trialling markets and other pop-up events to bring more visitors to the area and provide a platform for local producers, small businesses and artisans.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NM079-24 St George Police Area Command - Speed Enforcement in Peakhurst
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That the General Manager writes to the Commander, St George Police Area Command, to request that increased speed enforcement patrols be implemented along:
 - (i) Forest Rd, Peshurst and Peakhurst;

- (ii) Belmore Rd and Isaac St, Peakhurst; and
 - (iii) Henry Lawson Drive, Peakhurst. and
- (b) That the data relating to speeding offences in these locations be provided to the Georges River Council Traffic Advisory Committee in General Business.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: Councillor Konjarski

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

NM080-24 Congratulations Bridget Clark and Bienne Terita (Report by Councillor Konjarski)

RESOLVED: Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Smerdely

That Council congratulate local athletes Bridget Clark and Bienne Terita for representing Australia in the Rugby Sevens at the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

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

NM081-24 Reconstruction of new Facility at Carss Park - Options for Funding (Report by Councillor Landsberry)

MOTION: Councillor Landsberry, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg

That, at the first Ordinary Meeting of the new term of Council, the General Manager provide a report to Councillors with options for delivering \$10 million in funding over the next three (3) financial years towards the reconstruction of the new aquatic facility at Carss Park, in support of the NSW Government's commitment to rebuild the pool at its existing site.

These options should include but are not limited to:

- (i) the re-prioritisation of existing capital works funding; and
- (ii) allocation of additional capital works funding towards this project.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Katris, Councillor Ficarra

That, on receipt of the detailed Business Case, costings, and commitment to co-fund from the NSW State Government and/or Federal Government, the General Manager provide a report to Councillors with options for delivering \$10 million in funding over the next three (3) financial years towards the construction of the new aquatic facility at Carss Park.

The report should include but not limited to:

- (i) Options for the re-prioritisation of existing capital works funding
- (ii) Options for the allocation of additional capital works funding towards this project.
- (iii) Impact on the Long-Term Financial Plan (LFTP) and any associated service delivery funding implications
- (iv) Financial Governance requirements for a contribution above the capital expenditure guidelines threshold.

Record of Voting

For the Amendment: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Liu, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

Against the Amendment: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Wang

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was eight (8) votes FOR and seven (7) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and become the MOTION.

RESOLVED: Councillor Katris, Councillor Ficarra

That, on receipt of the detailed Business Case, costings, and commitment to co-fund from the NSW State Government and/or Federal Government, the General Manager provide a report to Councillors with options for delivering \$10 million in funding over the next three (3) financial years towards the construction of the new aquatic facility at Carss Park.

The report should include but not limited to:

- (i) Options for the re-prioritisation of existing capital works funding
- (ii) Options for the allocation of additional capital works funding towards this project.
- (iii) Impact on the Long-Term Financial Plan (LFTP) and any associated service delivery funding implications
- (iv) Financial Governance requirements for a contribution above the capital expenditure guidelines threshold.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Katris, Councillor Konjarski, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington, Councillor Wang

Against the Motion: Councillor Ambihaipahar, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was twelve (12) votes FOR and three (3) votes AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

QWN023-24 Status of Transport Safety Review for Hurstville Education Precinct
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN024-24 Enforcement Procedures - Hillcrest Avenue Hurstville
(Report by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Borg)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN025-24 Status of Beverly Hills Master Plan and Planning Proposal for 407-511 King Georges Road Beverly Hills
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN026-24 Unauthorised Selling of Goods on Council's Footpath
(Report by Councillor Liu)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN027-24 Roles and Responsibilities for Bus Stops within the LGA
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE

QNN004-24 Questions asked at the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 12 August 2024
(Report by Councillor Symington)

Answer published in the business paper.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 8:32pm

Chairperson