

MINUTES

Council Meeting

Monday, 23 February 2026

7:00 PM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville

UNCONFIRMED



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

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 Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Leon Pun, and Councillor Ben Wang.

COUNCIL STAFF

General Manager – David Tuxford, Director Assets and Infrastructure – Bryce Spelta, Director Environment and Planning – Joseph Hill, Director Community and Culture – Kristie Dodd, Director Business and Corporate Services – Danielle Parker, Manager, Office of the General Manager – Vicki McKinley, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Team Leader and Technology Business Support – Mark Tadros, Technology Services Officer - Lee Fermor.

OPENING

The Mayor, Councillor Borg, opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

PRAYER

Pastor Darren Cambey from the Revival Life Centre offered a prayer to the meeting.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

That an apology be accepted for Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos.

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Dimoski

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 Mahoney, Councillor Pun, 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 Mort to attend the meeting remotely via audio visual link be accepted due to unforeseen caring responsibilities.

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

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 Mahoney, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

Note: Councillor Mort joined the meeting via audio visual link at 7:05pm.

NOTICE OF WEBCASTING

The Mayor, Councillor Borg 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

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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Mahoney disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL003-26 (COM002-26) Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025** for the reason that he is a member of the Kogarah Bay Progress Association. Councillor Mahoney 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 **CCL003-26 (COM003-26) T25/011 Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre – Management Agreement** for the reason she went to school with the sister of the current Ken Rosewall management team. Councillor Jamieson will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Wang disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **NM006-26 Beverly Hills Master Plan** for the reason this motion mentioned the flood study whereas his home and investment property are tagged for flooding zone. The flood study affects thousands of households so he submits this for public interest. Councillor Wang will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Gao disclosed a Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL003-26 (COM003-26) T25/011 Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre – Management Agreement** for the reason he had learned to play tennis with Sandor Plathy who had coached him in group sessions between 2008 to 2010. He signed a widely circulated online petition supporting the current tenants when it was first circulated in November 2025. Councillor Gao will leave the chambers and not partake in the consideration of this item.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

CCL001-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 December 2025

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 December 2025, be adopted.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

MAYORAL MINUTE

MM001-26 Georges River Seeks to Protect Heritage

(Report by The Mayor, Councillor Borg)

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Borg

That Council:

- (a) Endorse the commencement of a broader heritage study to identify properties within the Georges River Local Government Area that may warrant further heritage assessment and potential inclusion on the heritage register.
- (b) Request that the General Manager prepare a report to Council outlining the scope, methodology, timeframes and resourcing required to undertake the broader heritage study.
- (c) Note that the findings of the heritage study will be reported to Council for consideration of any future amendments to heritage listings or planning controls.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

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

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

CONDOLENCES

Councillor Mahoney offered his condolences on the passing of Heather Goodall.

Heather Goodall, AM sadly left us on 29 January 2026, in the presence of her family.

Heather was an accomplished historian, author and environmentalist who grew up in Padstow, attended St George Girls High School, graduated from Sydney University in 1975 having won the Medal in History, and who maintained strong ties with our LGA.

She gained her doctorate in 1982 for her comprehensive research into NSW aboriginal communities and attained the title of Emeritus Professor at University of Technology, Sydney's Faculty of Arts and Social Science in 2016. Heather was generous with sharing her extensive knowledge of Indigenous culture, and history and geography (notably oceans and rivers), and advocated strongly for a variety of better outcomes for the environment and the Indigenous, in Australia and overseas.

Heather was a prolific author whose works included "Invasion to Embassy: Land in Aboriginal Politics in New South Wales, 1770-1972" (which won the 1997 Premier's Prize for Australian History). Of local significance are "Rivers and Resistance: Aboriginal People on Sydney's Georges River" (with Alison Cadzow) and "Georges River Blues: Swamps, Mangroves and Resident Action 1945-1980".

Heather co-authored other books, e.g., "The Many Lives of an Extraordinary Aboriginal Woman" (awarded the Magarey Medal for biography in 2005); "Beyond Borders: Australians and the Indonesian Revolution"; "Making Change Happen"; and "Teacher for Justice". She also contributed to several auspicious journals such as "Conservation and Society".

Cr Mort and I were honoured to first meet Heather at a History Week event at Hurstville Library in 2022 where she was guest speaker. In 2023, along with other councillors, I was fortunate to catch up with her again at a Friends of Glenlee event in Lugarno, where she put forward compelling arguments in favour of preserving the estate. In 2024, Heather was awarded the Member of the Order of Australia medal for her extensive contributions to tertiary education and to the Indigenous community. Later that year she was guest speaker at Council's "Historical Georges River" cruise.

Heather also participated in campaigns against environmental destruction with the Sydney Knitting Nannas, and continued her work up to the time she became ill with motor neurone disease, having begun research for yet another book (on swamps along the Georges River), which made reference to the efforts of Oatley West resident and fellow activist Dr Sharyn Cullis.

Heather's loss has left a huge void. However her legacy has set an example for present and future generations, who will fight for meaningful and decisive action on serious environmental matters and Indigenous welfare.

Heather's funeral was held on 5 February and was attended by Cr Allison, myself and other Oatley residents.

Note: A minute's silence was observed by all present.

PROCEDURAL MOTION:

RESOLVED: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson

That Council alter the Order of Business to allow items of business to be considered in bulk as recommended.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

ITEMS RESOLVED IN BULK

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

That Council resolve to adopt the officer recommendations for items as listed below in bulk with no discussion or alteration thereto.

CCL002-26	Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026
ASS002-26	T25/013 Tom Ugly's Point Reserve Construction
ASS003-26	Embankment Reconstruction - Bridge Street, Penshurst - Budget Update
CCL003-26	Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026
COM002-26	Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025
COM004-26	Place Naming Policy Review - Results of Community Consultation
CCL004-26	Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026
ENV002-26	Enforcement of Trailer Parking Regulations and Addressing Resident Concerns
ENV003-26	Review of Domestic Waste Management Service Charges Applied to Property Owners Since Amalgamation
CCL005-26	Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026
FIN002-26	Investment Report as at 30 November 2025
FIN003-26	Investment Report as at 31 December 2025
FIN004-26	Quarterly Budget Review Report for Period Ending 31 December 2025
FIN005-26	Property Matter - Request for Owner's Consent - 6 Dora Street, Hurstville
FIN006-26	Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy for Adoption
FIN007-26	Property Matter - Carss Park Cafe - Assignment of Lease
FIN006A-26	Property Matter - Open Space Acquisition - 30 Culwulla Street South Hurstville
CCL007-26	Report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (Period up to and including 31 December 2025)
CCL008-26	Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - February 2026
CCL012-26	Amendment to the Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025/26
CCL011-26	T25/006 Jubilee Stadium Naming Rights Sponsorship

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CCL002-26 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for items ASS002-26 to ASS003-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

ASS002-26 T25/013 TOM UGLY'S POINT RESERVE CONSTRUCTION

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That in accordance with Section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, Council accepts the Tender that is recommended for T25/013 Tom Ugly's Point Reserve Construction, as outlined in the confidential attachments.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to execute the Contract with the successful Contractor on behalf of Council, subject to a satisfactory financial assessment.
- (c) That Council inform the unsuccessful Tenderers of the resolution.

ASS003-26 EMBANKMENT RECONSTRUCTION - BRIDGE STREET, PENSHURST - BUDGET UPDATE

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with the Embankment Reconstruction - Bridge Street, Penshurst project.
- (b) That Council approve the additional non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the confidential attachment.

CCL003-26 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for items COM002-26 and COM004-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

COM002-26 QUARTERLY COMMUNITY PROPERTY REPORT - 1 OCTOBER 2025 TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

(Report by Coordinator Community Property and Venues)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Community Property Report for the period 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025.

COM004-26 PLACE NAMING POLICY REVIEW - RESULTS OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

(Report by Manager, Cultural Engagement and Library Services)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council acknowledge the results of the community consultation for the revised draft Place Naming Policy.
- (b) That Council endorse the minor changes that have been made to the revised draft Place Naming Policy based on the results of the community consultation.
- (c) That point 2.5.2. b) of the draft Policy be updated as follows: *The name is considered offensive, discriminatory, derogatory or brings Council into disrepute.*
- (c) That Council adopts the revised draft Place Naming Policy.

CCL004-26 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for items ENV002-26 to ENV003-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

ENV002-26 ENFORCEMENT OF TRAILER PARKING REGULATIONS AND ADDRESSING RESIDENT CONCERNS

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That Council receive and note the information contained within this report.

ENV003-26 REVIEW OF DOMESTIC WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGES APPLIED TO PROPERTY OWNERS SINCE AMALGAMATION

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the information in this report is received and noted.

CCL005-26 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 9 February 2026

(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN002-26 to FIN006A-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

FIN002-26 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2025

(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the Investment Report as at 30 November 2025 be received and noted by Council.

FIN003-26 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

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

FIN004-26 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025
(Report by Head of Financial Planning and Analysis)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council receives and notes the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ending 31 December 2025.
- (b) That Council adopt the proposed amendments to the 2025/26 Budget as outlined in attachment 1.
- (c) That Council note the supporting information outlined in attachment 3 and approve the write-off of debts totalling \$51,278, where all reasonable recovery actions have been undertaken and no further practical avenues for collection remain.

FIN005-26 PROPERTY MATTER - REQUEST FOR OWNER'S CONSENT - 6 DORA STREET, HURSTVILLE
(Report by Head of Strategic Property)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That the General Manager be authorised to provide landowner's consent on behalf of Council to the proposed minor works at 6 Dora Street, Hurstville as generally detailed in this report.

FIN006-26 COUNCILLOR INDUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY FOR ADOPTION
(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council note the one submission received during the public exhibition of the Draft Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy.
- (b) That Council adopts the Draft Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy (Attached).

FIN007-26 PROPERTY MATTER - CARSS PARK CAFE - ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE
(Report by Senior Property Officer)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council consent to the assignment of the lease for Carss Park Kiosk from By the Bay Café Pty Ltd and Grill to Adrian and Marina Peronace.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to sign all lease documentation associated with

the proposed assignment.

FIN006A-26 PROPERTY MATTER - OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION - 30 CULWULLA STREET SOUTH HURSTVILLE
(Report by Senior Property Officer)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council purchase the property at 30 Culwulla Street, South Hurstville being Lot 27 in Deposited Plan 4607 on the terms outlined within this report.
- (b) That Council authorises the General Manager to execute the Contract for Sale, Transfer Document and all other associated documentation to complete the purchase of 30 Culwulla Street, South Hurstville (Lot 27 in Deposited Plan 4607).
- (c) That in accordance with Section 31 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993, the land be classified as Community Land following settlement.
- (d) That the Council endorse the proposed increase to budget as outlined in the report.

CCL012-26 Amendment to the Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025/26
(Report by Manager Office of the General Manager)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That Council endorse the amendment to the Council and Committee Meeting Schedule 2025/26.

CCL007-26 Report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (Period up to and including 31 December 2025)
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

That Council receive and note the report.

CCL008-26 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - February 2026
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

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

- (a) CWF11/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Wang on behalf of Tai Chi Association of Australia in the amount of \$800.
- (b) CWF12/25-26 – Application submitted by the Mayor, Councillor Borg on behalf of Sans Souci Sea Devils in the amount of \$1,000.
- (c) CWF 13/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Jamieson on behalf of St George Creative Art and Craft Centre in the amount of \$1,000.
- (d) CWF 14/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Allison on behalf of St George

Creative Art and Craft Centre in the amount of \$1,199.

CCL011-26 T25/006 Jubilee Stadium Naming Rights Sponsorship
(Report by Senior Procurement and Contracts Business Partner)

RESOLVED: Unanimously

- (a) That Council accepts the commercial offering from St. George Leagues Club Ltd (ABN: 92 641 772 910) for T25/006 Jubilee Stadium Sponsorship for the annual commercial sum of \$200,000.00 (excluding GST), for initial term of three (3) years with the option to extend for a further three (3) years, at Council sole discretion.
- (b) That the General Manager be authorised to sign the Contracts with the preferred Contractor on behalf of Council.
- (c) That Council inform the unsuccessful parties to the negotiation process of the resolution.

COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

COM003-26 T25/011 Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre - Management Agreement
(Report by Head of Procurement and Contracts)

Note: Councillor Gao declared a Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest and left the Chambers at 07:27pm.

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That in accordance with Section 178 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 (NSW)*, Council accepts the Tender from the current service provider Evolution Sports Pty Limited for T25/011 Ken Rosewall Tennis Centre - Management Agreement for the management fee detailed in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report.
- (b) That in accordance with section 178(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, Council note that the tender evaluation did not demonstrate a material benefit in transitioning to an alternative service provider.
- (c) That the General Manager be authorised to execute the Contract with Evolution Sports Pty Limited on behalf of Council.
- (d) That the unsuccessful tenderer(s) be advised of Council's decision.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

CCL135-25 Deferred From The 8 December 2025 Council Meeting - Closed Circuit Television In Georges River
(Report by Coordinator Community Capacity Building)

Note: Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers 7:40pm.

RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Jamieson

That Council:

- (a) Receive and note the suite of community safety initiatives, including the Community Safety Education Program, environmental design and Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV), that are ongoing and responsive to evolving community needs, enhancing actual and perceived sense of safety in the community.
- (b) Maintain, but not increase, the existing provision of CCTV in Mortdale, Narwee, Penshurst and Oatley Park, based on local crime data and consultation with St George Police Area Command (PAC), and in response to NM095-22 and NM021-24.
- (c) Endorse the CCTV Assessment Tool (Attachment 2) for the evaluation of future requests for CCTV in public spaces.
- (d) Note that if funding became available for additional CCTV, Hurstville and Kogarah City Centres should be prioritised based on the CCTV Assessment Tool.
- (e) Note that new and upgraded CCTV infrastructure requires funding sought through operational budget bids or grant applications, covering initial asset purchase and installation costs, ongoing maintenance costs, and replacement or upgrade of CCTV assets at end of life.
- (f) Endorse the Draft Closed Circuit Television Operations Policy (draft Policy) to go on public exhibition for a period of no less than 28 days.
- (g) Note that a future report will come to Council with the outcome of the community consultation regarding the draft Policy.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

CCL006-26 Endorsement of Council Submission to the draft Sydney Plan, Industrial Lands Policy and A New Approach to Strategic Planning: Discussion Paper
(Report by Principal Strategic Planner)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 07:39pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council endorse the Georges River Council submission to the NSW Government on the draft *Sydney Plan* (**Attachment 1**), draft *Statewide Industrial Lands Policy* (**Attachment 2**), and *A New Approach to Strategic Planning: Discussion Paper* (**Attachment 3**).
- (b) That Council authorise the Director, Planning & Environment to finalise and submit the endorsed submission, including any minor amendments that do not alter the substantive intent.

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 Mahoney,
Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

CCL009-26 Carss Park Pool - Project Variation (Report by General Counsel)

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

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That the General Manager be delegated authority to execute a Deed of Variation to the existing Project Agreement (Confidential Attachment 1, Version 2).

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

CCL010-26 Chivers Hill Shopping Centre Lugarno - Public Amenities Location near the Carpark Exit Feasibility Report (Report by Strategic Placemaking Specialist)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mort, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) That Council receive and note the Feasibility Report findings for the Chivers Hill Shopping Centre Lugarno Public Amenities Location near the Carpark Exit.
- (b) That Council does not proceed with the construction of an amenities building at Chivers Hill Shopping Centre because of the constraints highlighted in this report.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

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

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

NOTICES OF MOTION

NM001-26 Active Transport (Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That the General Manager investigate and report on opportunities to strengthen active transport connections between schools, open spaces and key destinations across the Local Government Area, having regard to Council's adopted strategic commitments under the Georges River Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040 and the Georges River Transport Strategy 2021.
- (b) That the investigation considers the existing actions within these documents relating to improved pedestrian, cycling and broader active transport networks, and outline the current progress of implementation, identify any gaps, and recommend options to enhance delivery—particularly where active transport linkages between educational facilities, centres and neighbourhoods can be prioritised.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

NM002-26 State Significant Developments (Report by Councillor Jamieson)

RESOLVED: Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) That Council write to the Minister requesting enhanced and meaningful Council involvement in the assessment of State Significant Developments, particularly where proposals of up to 20 storeys are located within or adjoining the Georges River Local Government Area and are likely to seek concurrent rezoning.
- (b) That the request includes consultation timeframes extending beyond the current two-week notification period, to allow Council adequate time to assess strategic planning impacts, infrastructure capacity, community implications, and cumulative effects on surrounding areas.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

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

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

NM003-26 Traffic Calming Devices Waratah Street Blakehurst (Report by Councillor Dimoski)

MOTION: Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry

That Council calls for a report for the consideration of the Council on the installation of appropriate traffic-calming devices on Waratah Street, specifically from the corner of Merriman Street to Mooney Avenue.

AMENDMENT: Councillor Gao, Councillor Arthur

That Council install appropriate traffic-calming devices on Waratah Street, specifically from the corner of Merriman Street to Mooney Avenue.

Record of Voting

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

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

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

RESOLVED: Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Landsberry

That Council calls for a report for the consideration of the Council on the installation of appropriate traffic-calming devices on Waratah Street, specifically from the corner of Merriman Street to Mooney Avenue.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

NM004-26 Cooks River Alliance
(Report by Councillor Allison)**RESOLVED:** Councillor Allison, Councillor Mahoney

That the General Manager prepares a report to be presented to a future meeting of Council to consider:

- (a) The history of Council's previous involvement with Cooks River Alliance, and Georges River Council's current relationship with the Cooks River, including the fact that a vast proportion (23%) of the Georges River LGA drains into the Cooks River catchment
- (b) The rationale for, and environmental benefits to Georges River Council and neighbouring LGA's arising from Council rejoining the organisation
- (c) The timing, feasibility and approximate cost of Council potentially resuming its membership, including internal and external funding sources and State and Federal grants.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

NM005-26 Regulation and Safety of E-Bikes
(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

RESOLVED: Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison

- (a) That Council notes:
- (i) The rapid increase in the use of e-bikes across New South Wales, with estimates suggesting more than 600,000 households now own an e-bike.
 - (ii) Growing community concern regarding the safety impacts of non-compliant e-bikes, including devices that exceed permitted power outputs or speeds, or that can be operated without pedalling.
 - (iii) That enforcement powers in relation to e-bike compliance, registration or licensing require coordinated State and Federal Government action.
 - (iv) The Australian Government's recent announcement to reinstate the European standard EN15194 for imported e-bikes, including:
 - a. A maximum power output of 250W;
 - b. Motor assistance cutting out at 25km/h; and
 - c. A requirement for pedal-assist rather than throttle-only operation.
 - (v) The NSW Government's confirmation that NSW will align with these national standards.
- (b) That Council:
- (i) Acknowledges that the safety risks associated with non-compliant e-bikes cannot be addressed by Police alone, and that stronger regulation at the point of import and sale, combined with education, infrastructure and rider accountability, is essential.
 - (ii) Calls on the Federal Government, in partnership with State Governments, to:
 - a. Ensure robust enforcement of national import standards for e-bikes and associated components;
 - b. Prevent the sale of non-compliant e-bikes and conversion kits in Australia; and
 - c. Work with states and territories to address online and retail sales that enable non-compliance.
 - (iii) Calls on the NSW Government to:
 - a. Strengthen regulatory oversight of e-bikes sold in NSW to ensure full compliance with State and Federal law;
 - b. Take prompt action to implement measures recently announced by the NSW Roads Minister for Police to conduct dynamometer testing and seize non-compliant e-bikes;
 - c. Investigate measures to deter and penalise the modification of compliant e-bikes into non-compliant vehicles;
 - d. Consider a trade-in or amnesty scheme, jointly funded with the Federal Government, allowing owners of non-compliant e-bikes to exchange them for compliant models at no additional cost;
 - e. Provide clear, consistent and widely communicated rules regarding where e-bikes may be legally ridden, including on roads, shared paths and footpaths; and
 - f. Consider the introduction of a registration and licensing framework for e-bike

riders, similar to existing arrangements for boating licences, to improve rider education, accountability and safety.

- g. Widely distribute detailed Information about the safety risks involved with the use of e-bike batteries and battery chargers, detailing safe and environmentally-friendly methods of disposal of these items.

(iv) Advocates for:

- a. Increased investment by State and Federal Governments in cycling and micromobility infrastructure, including safe cycleways; and
- b. Education programs, including in schools, focused on safe and lawful use of e-bikes and other micromobility devices.

(v) Requests that the General Manager write to:

- a. The Prime Minister and relevant Federal Ministers responsible for transport, infrastructure and consumer safety; and
- b. The Premier of NSW and relevant NSW Ministers, including Transport, Police, and Fair-Trading outlining Council's concerns, the community impacts being experienced locally, and seeking urgent coordinated action as outlined above.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

NM006-26 Beverly Hills Master Plan (Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mahoney left the Chambers at 08:48pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Mahoney returned to the Chambers at 08:50pm

RESOLVED: Councillor Wang, Councillor Pun

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the critical need for revitalisation: Notes with concern that the Beverly Hills Master Plan has been delayed for over a decade, contributing to a "clear and continuing decline" in the local town centre, including the cessation of trading for nine local businesses and increased vacancies.
- (b) Updates planning controls to reflect material changes in infrastructure: Notes the advice received on 19 May 2025 from the Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure (DPHI) confirming the Moomba to Sydney Ethane Pipeline has been repurposed to Natural Gas (NG), a material change that significantly reduces the infrastructure's risk profile compared to the previous Ethane usage.
- (c) Refines risk management controls to unlock housing supply: To align with the updated Arriscar risk assessment and the revised natural gas profile:
 - (i) Reviews and refines the protective restriction to apply strictly to "Sensitive Land Uses" (strictly defined as hospitals, schools, and child-care facilities) within the 200-

metre corridor, consistent with the safety intent of the November 2025 resolution.

- (ii) Removes the previous "Activity Hazard Risk Map" density caps and height restrictions for general residential and commercial development within the 200-metre to 400-metre zone, noting that the updated risk profile for natural gas supports high-density housing in these locations without requiring the "buffer" previously associated with ethane.
 - (iii) Reinstates properties into the town centre core that were previously excluded or down-zoned based on the obsolete Ethane risk data.
- (d) Addresses Disputed Flood Tagging and Aligns flood risk management with state standards:
- (iv) Notes the widespread community dispute regarding the accuracy of the 2023 Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study as it applies to Beverly Hills—an area not historically known to flood—and acknowledges the severe financial impact these disputable reports are having on residents' 10.7 zoning certificates and property values.
 - (v) Directs the General Manager to publish and distribute clear, accessible, and step-by-step instructions detailing the process for affected residents to formally dispute the flood risk designation and successfully remove the flood tagging from their properties' 10.7 zoning certificates.
 - (vi) Resolves to adopt the NSW Government's standard approval principles for flood risk management regarding the Overland Flow Floodplain Risk Management Study. Council directs that development controls (such as finished floor levels) must align strictly with the advice of the Department of Environment and Heritage (EHG) and State Emergency Services (SES) to ensure mitigation measures enable, rather than prohibit, the density envisioned in the Master Plan.
- (e) Accelerates Delivery: Requests the General Manager to incorporate these technical updates immediately and present the finalised Beverly Hills Master Plan for public exhibition no later than the [May 2026] Council Meeting, ensuring it meets the state's housing targets and utilises the "low and mid-rise housing" reforms to revitalise the precinct.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort

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

NM007-26 Public Notice development application status, Carlton - DA2019/0644

(Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: It was noted, the time being 9.28pm, Councillor Liu tabled three documents: a Chinese social media article "*Staying on Duty and Carrying the Baton on Lunar New Year's Eve*", a letter to the President of Georges River Association (Mr Ben Wang) from GRC General Manager "*Deferral of DA for Place of Public Worship by Georges River Local Planning Panel*" and a printed copy containing public donations made to Georges River Association between 14 February 2020 and 4 August 2022.

RESOLVED: Councillor Wang, Councillor Pun

That a Public Notice be published on Council's website in relation to DA2019/0644 at 90 Botany Street, Carlton, detailing:

- (i) the history of the development consent issued for the site;
- (ii) the history of construction certificate applications associated with the site;
- (iii) the outcomes of Council's enforcement actions in response to any non-compliance with the development consent; and
- (iv) an overview of the general statutory and administrative pathways by which a development consent progresses to the construction stage.

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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Councillor Wang

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

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**QWN001-26 Beverly Hills Commuter Car Park**
(Report by Councillor Liu)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN002-26 2025 LGNSW Annual Conference - GRC Motions and Decisions
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN003-26 Exercise Equipment at Hurstville
(Report by Councillor Liu)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN004-26 Update of Bridge Street Park TAHE
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN005-26 Penshurst Public Domain Upgrade
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

QWN006-26 DA2019/0644 Place of Public Worship
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE**QNN001-26 Further Question to QNN020-25 - Repurpose of Moomba to Sydney Ethane Pipeline Hazard Analysis**

(Report by Councillor Anzellotti)

Answer published in the business paper.

QNN002-26 Quarterly Budget Review Report - Kempt Field

(Report by Councillor Mahoney)

Answer published in the business paper.

COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS**CQR001-26 Beverly Hills Master Plan**

(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

CQR002-26 Public Notice Development Application Status

(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

CQR003-26 State Significant Developments

(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

CQR004-26 Closed Circuit Television in Georges River

(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE TO BE ANSWERED IN THE NEXT COUNCIL BUSINESS PAPER**QWN Title: Chivers Hill Shopping Centre Lugarno – Public Amenities Location near the Carpark Exit Feasibility Report**

Question: Councillor Landsberry asked the Director of Assets and Infrastructure “can you provide the breakdown costs of the public amenities?”.

QWN Title: Cooks River Alliance

Question: Councillor Gao asked the Director of Business and Corporate Services, “how much do you estimate the cost of membership to the Cooks River Alliance” to be.

QWN Title: Cooks River Alliance

Question: Councillor Wang asked the Director of Assets and Infrastructure, “is there an overlap with the Flood Study?”.

CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 9:37PM

Chairperson

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