

# AGENDA

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## Council Meeting

Monday, 25 May 2026

7:00 PM

Dragon Room

Civic Centre

Hurstville



### **OATH OF OFFICE OR AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE**

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their Oath of Office or Affirmation of Office made at the time of their swearing into the role of Councillor.

All Councillors are to undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the Georges River Council area and are to act faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the *Local Government Act 1993* or any other Act to the best of their ability and judgement.

### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflict of interest (perceived or otherwise) in a matter being considered by Council or at any meeting of Council.

## COUNCIL MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

### OPENING

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Council acknowledges 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.

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Nil

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Item:** CCL029-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 April 2026

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Previous Minutes

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 April 2026, be adopted.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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CCL029-26

## MINUTES

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### Council Meeting

Tuesday, 28 April 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 Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos.

### **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, Executive Assistant to General Manager – Sue Matthew, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Chief Audit Executive - Steven Baker, Manager Assets and Traffic - Sam Lindsay, Acting Coordinator Communications and Engagement, Nicoletta Vasilaras, Corporate Planning and Performance Specialist – Jo Dikkenberg, Chief Information Officer - Brendan Scott, Team Leader Technology Business Support – Mark Tadros, and Technology Services Officer Chris Stojanovski.

## **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.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ANZAC DAY**

The Mayor, Councillor Borg acknowledged the brave Australians who have served and those who have died as a result of war.

*They went with songs to the battle, they were young, Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow; they were staunch to the end against odds uncounted. They fell with their faces to the foe.*

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning. We will remember them.*

*Lest We Forget.*

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

## **PRAYER**

Pastor Andy Wallis from Revival Church offered a prayer to the meeting.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Arthur

That an apology be accepted and a leave of absence granted for Councillor Wang.

## **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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

## **REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK**

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

## **NOTICE OF WEBCASTING**

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**

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

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

**Pecuniary Interest – Mayor, Councillor Borg** disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL021-26 (ASS007-26) Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study**, for the reason as the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence or those of her direct relatives. **Mayor, Councillor Borg**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

**Pecuniary Interest – Mayor, Councillor Borg** disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL021-26 (ASS008-26) (FRMCC002-26) Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting Update on the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study**, for the reason the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence or those of her direct relatives. **Mayor, Councillor Borg**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

**Pecuniary Interest – Mayor, Councillor Borg** disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **NM023-26 Parking Concerns on Shaftesbury Street Carlton**, for the reason herself and direct relatives have interest in property in Shaftesbury Street, Carlton. **Mayor, Councillor Borg** will not be present during the consideration of this item.

**Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Mort** disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL021-26 (ASS007-26) Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study**, for the reason that the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence. **Councillor Mort**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

**Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Mort** disclosed a Pecuniary Interest in item **CCL021-26 (ASS008-26) (FRMCC002-26) Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting Update on the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study**, for the reason

that the study proposes changes to flood tagging to her principal place of residence. **Councillor Mort**, will not be present during the consideration of this item.

**Non- Significant Non – Pecuniary Interest - Councillor Jamieson** disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary interest in item **ASS007-26 Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study** for the reason that her property was previously tagged in the flood study. However, her property is no longer included in the flood study and therefore there is no longer any significant or pecuniary interest. **Councillor Jamieson** 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 **ASS008-26 Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee meeting held on 18 March 2026** for the reason that her property was previously tagged in the flood study. However, her property is no longer included in the flood study and therefore there is no longer any significant or pecuniary interest. **Councillor Jamieson** 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 **ENV013-26 Endorsement of Mortdale Local Centre Planning for Gateway Determination and DCP Amendment for Public Exhibition** for the reason she previously was required to disclose a special disclosure of interest. As there are no changes related to her property, there is no longer any pecuniary interest involved in endorsing the Master Plan and/or the DCP. **Councillor Jamieson** will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

**Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Allison** disclosed a Non-Significant, Non-Pecuniary Interest in item **QWN12-26 Status Update Council's Street Tree Planting and Native Tubestock Trial** for the reason he is a member of Oatley Flora and Fauna Conservation Society who have been consistently striving for implementation of tubestock native plantings throughout our LGA having experienced the benefits of using smaller native plants for rapid establishment. **Councillor Allison** will remain in the meeting and take part in the consideration of this item.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**CCL020-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 March 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 March 2026, 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### **CONDOLENCES**

There were no condolences for tonight's meeting.

## **ALTERNATE CHAIRPERSON**

As the Mayor, Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort declared a pecuniary interest in items ASS007-26 and FRMCC002-26 (ASS008-26) the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos acted as Chairperson for these items.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ASS007-26 BLAKEHURST AND KOGARAH BAY WARDS OVERLAND FLOW FLOOD STUDY**

(Report by Manager Assets and Traffic)

Note: Mayor Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort declared a Pecuniary Interest in this matter and left the Chambers at 7:08pm during consideration of the item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That the report and attachments be received and noted by the Committee.

#### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was seven (7) votes FOR and five (5) votes AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

### **FRMCC002-26 UPDATE ON BLAKEHURST AND KOGARAH BAY WARDS FLOOD STUDY**

(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

Note: Mayor Councillor Borg and Councillor Mort declared a Pecuniary Interest in this matter and left the Chambers at 7:08pm during consideration of the item.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee receive and note the verbal presentation on the final draft of Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Overland Flow Flood Study and provide a recommendation to Council to:

- (a) receive and adopt attached final Draft of the Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Ward Overland Flow Flood Study;
- (b) delegate authority to the General Manager to make minor modifications to any numerical, typographical, interpretation, formatting errors, if required, to the final flood study;
- (c) endorse the inclusion of the required legal notation on the 10.7 Planning Certificates for identified properties; and
- (d) publish the adopted flood study report on Council's Website.

#### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was seven (7) votes FOR and five (5) votes AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

Note: Mayor, Councillor Borg returned to the Chambers and resumed the Chair, the time 7:12pm

Note: Councillor Mort returned to the Chambers at 07:12pm

**CCL021-26 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for items ASS008-26 to ASS016-26 with the exception of ASS012-26 and ASS013-26 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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**ASS008-26 REPORT OF THE FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2026**  
(Report by Administration Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Liu

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee recommendations for items FRMCC003-26 to FRMCC005-26 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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**FRMCC003-26 UPDATE ON THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF FLOOD RISK MITIGATION OPTIONS AT THE GLOUCESTER ROAD-STONEY CREEK ROAD INTERSECTION AND THE MORGAN STREET-GLOUCESTER ROAD INTERSECTION, BEVERLY HILLS**  
(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

- (a) That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee receive and note the presentation on current progress update on the Feasibility Study of Flood Risk Mitigation Options at the Gloucester Road-Stoney Creek Road Intersection and the Morgan Street-Gloucester Road

Intersection, Beverly Hills.

- (b) That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee note the preferred options which are selected for detailed cost-benefit assessment.

**FRMCC004-26 FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE AND OUTCOME OF EOI - COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE ROLE**

(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

That the Floodplain Risk Management Committee:

- (a) Receives and notes this report on the updated Terms of Reference for the Floodplain Risk Management Committee and the recent appointment of community representatives.
- (b) Notes the resignation of former Community Representative Erin Seller and formally acknowledges Erin's contribution to the Committee.

**FRMCC005-26 UPDATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CLIMATE CHANGE, ENERGY, THE ENVIRONMENT AND WATER (DCCEEW)**

(Report by Senior Assets Engineer - Stormwater)

That the Committee receives and notes the verbal update provided by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

**ASS009-26 REPORT OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2026**

(Report by Administration Officer)

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF026-26 to LTF029-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**LTF026-26 RAILWAY PARADE, KOGARAH - PROPOSED ACCESSIBLE PARKING**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 6m of the existing time-restricted parking '1P, Mon-Fri 8:30 am-6 pm and Sat 8:30 am-12:30 pm' on the eastern side of Railway Parade, Kogarah be converted into an accessible parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

**LTF027-26 RAILWAY PARADE, KOGARAH - PROPOSED MOTORBIKE PARKING**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 3m of the existing 'Loading Zone, 8:30 am-6 pm Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm Sat' restriction on the eastern side of Railway Parade, Kogarah be converted into a motorbike parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

**LTF028-26 SANS SOUCI PARK CAR PARK, SANS SOUCI - PROPOSED 'NO STOPPING' RESTRICTIONS**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed at Sans Souci Park car park as per the plan in the report.

**LTF029-26 UPDATE TO LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM TERMS OF REFERENCE V3.0**

**IN LINE WITH TFNSW 2025 INSTRUMENT.**

(Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

That the Local Transport Forum Terms of Reference v3.0 be adopted (see attachment), replacing the previously adopted Local Transport Forum Terms of Reference v2.0.

**ASS010-26 LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM UPDATED TERMS OF REFERENCE**

(Report by Manager Assets and Traffic)

- (a) Council sub-delegates the functions set out in the Transport for NSW (2025) Authorisation and Delegation Instrument to the following position:
  - (i) 100000 - General Manager
  - (ii) 200000 – Director Assets & Infrastructure
  - (iii) 200276 – Manager Assets & Traffic
  - (iv) 200255 – Coordinator Traffic & Transport
- (b) That the Mayor be authorised to execute the Instrument of Sub-delegation on behalf of Council.

**ASS011-26 THE GREEN SPORTING AMENITY - BUDGET UPDATE**

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with The Green Sporting Amenity Construction project.
- (b) That Council approve the non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the confidential attachment, to proceed with The Green Sporting Amenity construction.

**ASS014-26 TODD PARK SPORTING FACILITY RECONSTRUCTION - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

That Council:

- (a) Endorse the two concept design options for the Todd Park Sporting Facility Reconstruction project being:
  - (i) Four-changeroom community sporting and public amenity, or
  - (ii) Four-changeroom community sporting and public amenity, and a gym primarily for the use of, and funded by, St George District Rugby League Football Club.
- (b) Endorse the progression of community engagement for the Todd Park Sporting Facility Reconstruction project presenting both options to the community.

**ASS015-26 PEAKHURST PARK ADVENTURE PLAYSPACE - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES AND CONCEPT DESIGN**

(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcome of the Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace Design community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the concept design for the Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace to proceed to

detailed design and construction.

**ASS016-26 ENDEAVOUR STREET SEAWALL RECONSTRUCTION - BUDGET UPDATE**  
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

- (a) That Council note the increase in required budget to proceed with the design of the Endeavour Street Seawall Reconstruction project.
- (b) That Council approve the additional non-budgeted capital expenditure, as outlined in the report.

**ASS012-26 WOODVILLE PARK SPATIAL FRAMEWORK**  
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Liu

- (a) Note the outcomes of the Woodville Park Spatial Framework community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the Draft Woodville Park Spatial Framework.
- (c) Includes the installation of outdoor adult fitness equipment at Timothy Reserve in the future Capital Works Program.

**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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**ASS013-26 DRAFT PENSURST TOWN CENTRE PUBLIC DOMAIN PLAN**  
(Report by Strategic Placemaking Specialist)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Jamieson

That Council recommend the Draft Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan proceed to public exhibition and community consultation for broader stakeholder and community endorsement, and that the engagement process include opportunities for face-to-face consultation such as community workshops, drop-in sessions or online webinars.

**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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**CCL022-26 Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN012-26 to FIN016-26 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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**FIN012-26 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD 27 NOVEMBER 2025 (CONFIRMED) AND 5 MARCH 2026 (UNCONFIRMED)**

(Report by Chief Audit Executive)

- (a) That the confirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 27 November 2025 be received and noted by Council.
- (b) That the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 5 March 2026 be received and noted by Council.

**FIN013-26 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2026**

(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

That the Investment Report as at 28 February 2026 be received and noted by Council.

**FIN014-26 REVISED RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE POLICY**

(Report by Coordinator Financial Management)

That Council adopt the revised Related Party Disclosure Policy as attached to this report.

**FIN015-26 QUARTERLY COMMERCIAL PROPERTY PORTFOLIO REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025**

(Report by Senior Property Officer)

That Council receive and note the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Commercial Property Portfolio, for the period ending 31 December 2025.

**FIN016-26 PROJECT UPDATE AND MILESTONE COMPLETION - CARSS PARK POOL**

(Report by General Manager)

- (a) That Council receive and note the project update on Carss Park Pool.
- (b) That Council receive and note the completion of Milestone 1 and the General Manager's approval to provide payment to NSW Office of Sport (OOS) in accordance with the Project

Funding Agreement.

- (c) That Council Acknowledge the positive progress on the project undertaken by OOS.

**CCL023-26 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for item COM013-26 to item COM016-26 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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**COM013-26 Quarterly Community Property Report - 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026**

(Report by Coordinator Community Property and Venues)

That Council receive and note the Quarterly Community Property Report for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026.

**COM014-26 Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2026-2030 for Public Exhibition**

(Report by Coordinator Community Capacity Building)

- (a) That Council endorse the draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2026-2030 to be placed on public exhibition for at least 28 days.
- (b) That Council receive a further report after the exhibition period outlining the feedback received before the DIAP is endorsed by Council to be submitted to the NSW Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) by 30 June 2026.

**COM015-26 Outgoing Sponsorship - Autism Community Network Gala Dinner**

(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$7,500 to become a Silver Sponsor of the Autism Community Network Gala Dinner, to be held on Friday 1 May 2026.

**COM016-26 INDOOR MULTISPORT STADIUM FEASIBILITY STUDY – FUNDING AND PROJECT DIRECTION**

(Report by Manager Sport, Community Facilities and Events)

That Council:

- (a) Notes that \$120,000 was allocated in the 2025/26 Financial Year (FY) operating budget, to fund the development of a feasibility study for an Indoor Multisport Stadium, co-funded equally with Basketball NSW.
- (b) Endorses the progression of Stage 1 – Strategic Business Case and approve the reallocation of additional funding, as detailed in the confidential attachment, within the

2025–26 Operating Budget from existing operational projects.

**CCL024-26 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 13 April 2026**

(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for items ENV012-26 to ENV016-26 with the exception of ENV013-26 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 Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**ENV012-26 DRAFT RIVERWOOD LOCAL CENTRE MASTER PLAN - ENDORSEMENT FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION**

(Report by Senior Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan, as included in **Attachment 1 and 2**, and the associated studies, as included in **Attachments 3 to 5** to this report, for the purposes of public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
- (b) That Council authorise the Director Environment and Planning to make minor editorial amendments, if required, prior to the commencement of the public exhibition of the Draft Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan.
- (c) That a further report be provided to Council outlining submissions received during the public exhibition period and recommending any amendments to the Draft Riverwood Local Centre Master Plan in response to submissions received.

**ENV014-26 MORTDALE VILLAGE PARKING - NM057-25**

(Report by Manager Environment Health & Regulatory Services)

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

**ENV015-26 ENDORSEMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONTRIBUTION SCHEME PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR GATEWAY DETERMINATION**

(Report by Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council forward the Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme Planning Proposal (PP2026/0003) enclosed in **Attachment 3** to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) for a Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- (b) That Council endorse to publicly exhibit the Planning Proposal in accordance with the terms of the Gateway Determination issued by the DPHI and the *Georges River Council Engagement Strategy*.
- (c) That Council authorise the Director Environment and Planning to make minor editorial

amendments to the Planning Proposal as required throughout the reporting process.

- (d) That a further report be provided to Council outlining submissions received during the public exhibition period of the Planning Proposal.
- (e) That the Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme takes effect upon gazettal of the Planning Proposal and the proposal is amended as such.
- (f) That the confidentiality relating to Attachment 4 to ENV015-26 AHCS Feasibility Assessment Report be removed and the attachment published to Council's website".

**ENV016-26 ADOPTION OF CARSS BUSH PARK AND TODD PARK MASTER PLAN AND PLAN OF MANAGEMENT**

(Report by Senior Strategic Planner)

- (a) That Council adopt the Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan (Attachment 1) and Plan of Management (Attachment 2) in accordance with section 40 of the Local Government Act 1993 and section 3.23(6) of the Crown Land Management Act 2016, subject to the following:-
  - adding an option (iv) on page 9 of the Master Plan which states 'Upgrade and retain the existing Men's Shed as a stand-alone facility at its current location.'*
- (b) That Council authorise the Director Environment and Planning to make minor editorial modifications in the finalisation of the Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan and Plan of Management.
- (c) That the adopted Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan and Plan of Management be forwarded to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) Crown Lands.
- (d) That the Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan and Plan of Management be placed on Council's website following adoption by Council.
- (e) That all individuals who provided a submission during the public exhibition of the Carss Bush Park and Todd Park Master Plan and Plan of Management be notified of Council's decision.

**ENV013-26 ENDORSEMENT OF MORTDALE LOCAL CENTRE PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR GATEWAY DETERMINATION & DCP AMENDMENT FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION**

(Report by Senior Strategic Planner)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That Council forward Planning Proposal PP2026/0001 (Mortdale Centre Master Plan Planning Proposal) enclosed in **Attachment 1** to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) for a Gateway Determination under Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- (b) That Council endorse to publicly exhibit the Planning Proposal in accordance with the terms of the Gateway Determination issued by the DPHI and the *Georges River Council Engagement Strategy*.
- (c) That Council authorise the Director Environment and Planning to make minor editorial amendments to the Planning Proposal as required throughout the reporting process.
- (d) That Council endorse draft Amendment No. 8 to the Georges River Development Control Plan 2021 (GRDCP), enclosed in **Attachment 2**, to be exhibited concurrently with the

Planning Proposal.

- (e) That Council authorise the Director of Environment and Planning to make minor editorial amendments to the draft GRDCP, if required, in preparation for the public exhibition.
- (f) That a further report be provided to Council outlining submissions received during the public exhibition period of the Planning Proposal and draft Amendment No.8 to the GRDCP.

**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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE**

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Mahoney

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

CCL025-26	Report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (Period up to and including March 2026)
CCL026-26	Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy – April 2026
CCL027-26	Half Year Progress Report: July 2025 – December 2025
CCL028-26	Draft 2026/27 Operational Plan, 2025-2029 Delivery Program and Updated Resourcing Strategy

**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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**CCL025-26 Report on Outstanding Council Resolutions (Period up to and including March 2026)**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RESOLVED:** Unanimously

That Council receive and note the report.

**CCL026-26 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - April 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) CWF21/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Anzellotti on behalf of Lugarno Progress Association Inc in the amount of \$167.
- (b) CWF22/25-26 – Application submitted by Mayor, Councillor Borg on behalf of Dress for Success NSW and ACT in the amount of \$750.
- (c) CWF 23/25-26 - Application submitted by Councillor Allison on behalf of Lugarno Progress Association Inc in the amount of \$167.
- (d) CWF24/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Allison on behalf of Oatley Rugby Club in the amount of \$1,000.
- (e) CWF25/25-26 – Cancelled - Application submitted by Councillor Hayes on behalf of Riverwood Hornets Australia Inc in the amount of \$2,000.
- (f) CWF26/25-26 Application submitted by Councillor Gao on behalf of Carlton South Public School P&C Association in the amount of \$2,000.
- (g) CWF27/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Dimoski on behalf of One Meal It Makes a Difference Inc in the amount of \$500.
- (h) CWF28/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Gao on behalf of Nicholas Giourgis in the amount \$500.
- (i) CWF29/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Dimoski on behalf of the Nepalese Penshurst Committee Incorporated in the amount of \$1,000.

**CCL027-26 Half Year Progress Report: July 2025 - December 2025**

(Report by Corporate Planning and Performance Specialist)

**RESOLVED:** Unanimously

- (a) That Council receive and note the Half Year Progress Report July 2025 – December 2025 (Attachment 1) of performance made towards Georges River Council's Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2026/27.
- (b) That a copy of the Half Year Progress Report July 2025 – December 2025 be published on Council's website and a link provided to the Office of Local Government.

**CCL028-26 Draft 2026/27 Operational Plan, 2025-2029 Delivery Program and Updated Resourcing Strategy**

(Report by Corporate Planning and Performance Specialist)

**RESOLVED:** Unanimously

- (a) That Council endorse for the purposes of public exhibition the attached Draft Integrated Planning and Reporting documents:
  - (i) Draft Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2026/27, including:
    - Budget 2026/27
    - Fees and Charges 2026/27

- (ii) Draft Resourcing Strategy 2026/27
  - (iii) Supporting detail of the 4-year capital works program
  - (iv) Supporting detail of the operating budget and proposed fees and charges.
- (b) That the Draft Integrated Planning and Reporting documents be approved for public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
- (c) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make formatting and minor editorial adjustments to the Draft Integrated Planning and Reporting documents.
- (d) That submissions received as part of the public exhibition of the Draft Integrated Planning and Reporting documents be reported to the June 2026 Council meeting, for consideration as part of the adoption of these documents.

### NOTICES OF MOTION

#### **NM017-26 Removal of Palm Trees on King Georges Road Beverly Hills** (Report by Councillor Wang)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski left the Chambers at 07:30pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Dimoski returned to the Chambers at 07:31pm

**MOTION:** Councillor Pun, Councillor Arthur

That Council resolves to:

- (a) Acknowledge the Significance of the Palms: Formally recognise the historical and cultural significance of the iconic palm trees along King Georges Road, which have defined the distinctive character and identity of Beverly Hills for over 40 years.
- (b) Acknowledge the Necessary Removal: Acknowledge that the removal of the four diseased Phoenix palms is a necessary and urgent measure to protect public safety and prevent the spread of the fatal Fusarium wilt.
- (c) Commit to a Collaborative Median Upgrade and Replacement Plantings: Acknowledge that the central median is subject to a maintenance agreement with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and that any new plantings require their approval. Council commits to working collaboratively with TfNSW on a potential upgrade to the median island to restore iconic, suitable, and disease-resistant trees—such as fungus-resistant dwarf palms or native Australian palms—to maintain the suburb's visual heritage.
- (d) Fix Retaining Walls: As part of the median upgrade and in collaboration with TfNSW assess and repair or replace the structurally compromised garden retaining walls to safely support the new root growth of the replacement trees and prevent deterioration onto the roadway.
- (e) Collaborate with TfNSW for Short-Term Replacement: Start immediately to collaborate with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to secure the necessary approvals and funding for a short-term replacement of the removed palm trees. This interim measure will help keep the iconic Beverly Hills palm tree identity alive while future, long-term median upgrades and funding are being designed and negotiated.
- (f) Revitalise Beverly Hills: Address the community's concerns of neglect by immediately expediting the stalled Beverly Hills Master Plan to support struggling local businesses and restore the area's economic vitality.

**AMENDMENT:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison

That Council:

- (a) Notes the Canary Island Date Palms (*Phoenix Canariensis*) planted within the King Georges Rd, Beverly Hills median strip were planted in 1997 and that this species is classified as an environmental weed in NSW.
- (b) Acknowledges that the removal of four diseased Phoenix palms due to Fusarium Wilt (a highly contagious and incurable disease) to was to prevent its spread to surrounding Phoenix palms and reduce the risk of tree failure.
- (c) Notes Council is undertaking offset planting of 92 trees within the local area, including Beverly Hills, Kingsgrove and across Hurstville ward, to be completed within this financial year.
- (d) Notes Council has an agreement with the former Department of Main Roads (DMR) accepting responsibility for maintaining the current landscaping and planting undertaken in the median island on King Georges Rd, and that maintenance including weeding, hedging and mulching was completed within the last three weeks.
- (e) Writes to the Hon. Jenny Aitchison, MP, Minister for Roads requesting that:
  - (i) Transport for NSW (TfNSW) undertakes and funds the necessary works to rectify the deteriorating retaining walls situated along the King Georges Rd median strip; and
  - (ii) Upon completion of the rectification works, and to keep the iconic Beverly Hills palm tree identity alive, that Grant funding be provided to replace each of the removed exotic species with an appropriate native species such as the Australian Cabbage Palm (*Livistona Australis*), of a similar size to the palms which have been removed.

### Record of Voting

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was nine (9) votes FOR and five (5) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and became the Motion.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison

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### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### NM018-26 Autism Awareness Month (Report by Councillor Dimoski)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Liu

That Council:

- (a) Recognises April as Autism Awareness (Acceptance) Month and acknowledges World Autism Awareness Day on 2 April 2026.
- (b) Recognises and commends the Autism Community Network and Ms Vanessa Gauci for the outstanding contribution they have made over many years, fostering inclusive communities where autistic individuals, together with their families and carers, are supported to live full, rich, and rewarding lives.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### NM019-26 Acknowledgement of the Magnificals Chamber Orchestra - Gala '26 (Report by Councillor Liu)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledge and congratulate The Magnificals Chamber Orchestra on the successful presentation of Gala '26.
- (b) Recognise the leadership and vision of Founder and Artistic Director Anna Damayanti in establishing and developing this innovative, first-of-its-kind local initiative.
- (c) Commend all participating musicians, performers, and community groups for their dedication, talent, and collaborative spirit.

- (d) Acknowledge the broader social and cultural impact of the initiative, particularly in:
  - (v) improving access to participation in the arts;
  - (vi) supporting musicians at different life and career stages; and
  - (vii) fostering diversity, inclusion, and community connection
- (e) Note Council's support through community grant programs and reaffirm its ongoing commitment to enabling community-led arts and cultural initiatives that play a vital role in shaping a vibrant, diverse, and inclusive local arts ecosystem.
- (f) Request that a letter of congratulations be sent to Anna Damayanti and The Magnificals Chamber Orchestra on behalf of Council.

Note: Councillor Liu tabled the Magnificals Orchestra Gala 26 Program.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### NM020-26 Accelerated Implementation Framework for Public EV Charging Infrastructure (Report by Councillor Liu)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Note that:
  - (i) In 2022, Council adopted Motion NM093-22 "Electric Vehicle Strategy", establishing a strategic direction for supporting the transition to electric vehicles and facilitating EV charging infrastructure across the LGA.
  - (ii) In 2024, Council further adopted Motion NM019-24, endorsing the rollout of EV charging infrastructure in key public locations.
- (b) Support the accelerated development of a Public EV Charging Infrastructure Implementation Framework, to be progressed in parallel with the finalisation of Council's EV Strategy, and to operationalise its outcomes.
- (c) Develop a targeted implementation section with the EV Strategy to:
  - (i) Identify priority locations for public EV charging stations, including high-density residential areas, commercial centres, public car parks, and key community facilities and that this process takes into account the higher demand for charging stations which will be generated by growth in E.V. sales and exacerbated by the NSW Government's Low and Mid Rise Housing Policy and State Significant Development projects.
  - (ii) Prepare a staged rollout plan with clear and achievable milestones:
    - a) Stage 1: Strategic planning and site assessment (target: within 6 months of Strategy finalisation);
    - b) Stage 2: Initial rollout of EV charging infrastructure (subject to funding and

- approvals); and
- c) Stage 3: Expansion based on demand and feasibility.
- (iii) Identify and prepare for public-private partnerships and external funding opportunities, to enable timely application and delivery in alignment with emerging State and Federal funding opportunities upon finalisation of the EV Strategy.
- (iv) Develop planning controls and guidelines, including consideration within the Development Control Plan (DCP), to encourage EV-ready infrastructure in new developments.
- (v) Monitor implementation progress and report to Council on a quarterly basis.
- (d) Include as part of the EV Strategy reporting estimated budget requirements for each stage of the Public EV Charging Infrastructure Implementation Plan, including opportunities for seed funding to leverage external co-investment, and to consider incorporating these progressively into future annual budget processes, subject to Council approval.
- (e) Prefers majority of capital expenditure to be sourced through external grants, private partnerships, and other non-Council funding streams.
- (f) Is advised on progress and any additional budget requirements as part of the annual budget review.
- (g) That Council include \$60,000 for the development of the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy and Implementation Framework in the 2026/2027 budget to be funded from Development Contributions Reserve and that the strategy be added to the 2026/2027 Delivery Plan so the strategy can be commenced immediately.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### NM021-26 Georges River Council Rates (Report by Councillor Gao)

**MOTION:** Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun

That Council:

- (a) Notes that while residents and ratepayers are facing a serious cost of living crisis, Georges River Residents are paying some of the highest rates in New South Wales.
- (b) Notes strong community concern that Council services are not being delivered to a standard that reflects the rates being paid.
- (c) Resolves that there will be no rate rise at all in the 2026-27 financial year.
- (d) In preparation of the 2026/27 Operational Plan, and related plan, prioritise the improvement of service delivery, basic infrastructure upgrades including traffic matters and DA related matters, and provide a report to Council outlining KPIs and plans for improvement.

**AMENDMENT:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the cost of living pressures facing residents within the Local Government Area (LGA), and notes the support available through eligible pensioner rebates, interest-free payment plans, and deferral options.
- (b) Notes the broader local government governance and financial sustainability reforms currently being progressed by the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig, and affirms Council's ongoing advocacy for a rating framework that promotes sustainability, equity, and transparency.
- (c) Notes that Georges River Council's average residential rates and rates per capita are broadly within the mid-range when compared with similar sized metropolitan councils.
- (d) Acknowledges Council's obligations under the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* to ensure responsible long-term financial planning and prudent financial management, and supports seeking community input on the Draft 2026/27 Operational Plan, 2025–2029 Delivery Program, and updated Resourcing Strategy to enable informed decision-making that balances service delivery, infrastructure needs, and financial sustainability for current and future generations.

#### Record of Voting

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

Against the Amendment: Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Arthur, Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Pun, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the cost of living pressures facing residents within the Local Government Area (LGA), and notes the support available through eligible pensioner rebates, interest-free payment plans, and deferral options.
- (b) Notes the broader local government governance and financial sustainability reforms currently being progressed by the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig, and affirms Council's ongoing advocacy for a rating framework that promotes sustainability, equity, and transparency.
- (c) Notes that Georges River Council's average residential rates and rates per capita are broadly within the mid-range when compared with similar sized metropolitan councils.
- (d) Acknowledges Council's obligations under the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* to ensure responsible long-term financial planning and prudent financial management, and supports seeking community input on the Draft 2026/27 Operational Plan, 2025–2029 Delivery Program, and updated Resourcing Strategy to enable informed decision-making that balances service delivery, infrastructure needs, and financial sustainability for current and future generations.

#### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor

## Stratikopoulos

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

**NM022-26 Pensioner Council Rates Rebate**  
(Report by Councillor Gao)

**MOTION:** Councillor Gao, Councillor Hayes

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the significant and rising cost of living pressures facing pensioners across the Georges River LGA, and that many pensioners live on fixed incomes.
- (b) Notes that a Council funded pensioner rebate was previously available but was removed with no proper explanation provided to the community.
- (c) Recognises that reinstating this rebate would provide practical relief to older residents and ratepayers in our community.
- (d) Resolves to reinstate the pensioner rebate for eligible ratepayers from the start of the 2026/27 Financial Year.

**AMENDMENT:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the increasing cost of living pressures faced by vulnerable residents within the Local Government Area, particularly those on fixed incomes.
- (b) Notes the broader local government governance and financial sustainability reforms currently being progressed by the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig.
- (c) Notes that, under Section 575 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), eligible pensioners are entitled to a mandatory rebate of up to \$250 per annum on ordinary rates and domestic waste charges, and that this amount has not increased in line with inflation.
- (d) Requests that the General Manager write to the Hon. Ron Hoenig seeking a review of the adequacy of the statutory pensioner rebate, including consideration of:
  - (i) indexation in line with CPI; or
  - (ii) an increase to a percentage-based rebate model, consistent with other states.
- (e) Recognises the importance of ensuring that the legislative framework governing councils enables adequate long-term financial planning and provides certainty and support for vulnerable members of the community.

**Record of Voting**

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was nine (9) votes FOR and five (5) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was CARRIED and became the Motion.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledges the increasing cost of living pressures faced by vulnerable residents within the Local Government Area, particularly those on fixed incomes.
- (b) Notes the broader local government governance and financial sustainability reforms currently being progressed by the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Ron Hoenig.
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  - (i) indexation in line with CPI; or
  - (ii) an increase to a percentage-based rebate model, consistent with other states.
- (e) Recognises the importance of ensuring that the legislative framework governing councils enables adequate long-term financial planning and provides certainty and support for vulnerable members of the community.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### ALTERNATE CHAIRPERSON

As the Mayor, Councillor Borg declared a pecuniary interest in this item NM023-26 the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos acted as Chairperson for this item.

### NM023-26 Parking Concerns on Shaftesbury Street Carlton (Report by Councillor Gao)

Note: Mayor Councillor Borg declared a Pecuniary Interest in this matter and left the Chambers at 8:24pm during consideration of the item.

**MOTION:** Councillor Gao, Councillor Pun

That Council:

- (a) Notes concerns raised by residents of Shaftesbury Street and surrounding in Carlton about increasing pressure on street parking and the difficulty this creates for residents.
- (b) Requests that Council undertake a review of parking conditions in Shaftesbury Street, Carlton.
- (c) Requests that the review consider measures to improve parking outcomes for residents, including resident parking permit schemes, and changes to parking layout or configuration to increase the number of available parking spaces.
- (d) Requests that, as part of this review, Council consider whether changes near Bembridge Street, including parallel parking arrangements, may assist in creating additional parking capacity.
- (e) Requests that Council consult with affected residents and report back to Council with the outcome of the review and any recommendations.

**AMENDMENT:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Notes concerns raised by residents of Shaftesbury Street and surrounding areas in Carlton regarding increasing pressure on street parking and the resulting difficulties for residents.
- (b) Notes that this pressure is likely to worsen under the NSW Government's Low and Mid-Rise Housing reforms, which apply to land within an 800-metre walking distance of Kogarah Station and town centre—including Shaftesbury Street, Carlton—and permit residential flat buildings of up to six storeys with reduced minimum on-site parking requirements, thereby increasing reliance on already constrained on-street parking.
- (c) Notes that Council's Traffic Engineers are currently investigating the feasibility of angle parking in Shaftesbury Street, Carlton in response to an existing request, and that should the investigation determine the changes are feasible and result in an increase in parking supply, affected residents will be consulted and the matter will be reported to the Local Transport Forum in accordance with standard practice.
- (d) Notes that eligibility for the introduction of a Resident Parking Scheme, in accordance with Transport for NSW guidelines, cannot be met for Shaftesbury Street.

**Record of Voting**

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

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

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

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Dimoski

That Council:

- (a) Notes concerns raised by residents of Shaftesbury Street and surrounding areas in Carlton regarding increasing pressure on street parking and the resulting difficulties for residents.
- (b) Notes that this pressure is likely to worsen under the NSW Government's Low and Mid-Rise Housing reforms, which apply to land within an 800-metre walking distance of Kogarah Station and town centre—including Shaftesbury Street, Carlton—and permit residential flat buildings of up to six storeys with reduced minimum on-site parking requirements, thereby increasing reliance on already constrained on-street parking.
- (c) Notes that Council's Traffic Engineers are currently investigating the feasibility of angle parking in Shaftesbury Street, Carlton in response to an existing request, and that should the investigation determine the changes are feasible and result in an increase in parking supply, affected residents will be consulted and the matter will be reported to the Local Transport Forum in accordance with standard practice.
- (d) Notes that eligibility for the introduction of a Resident Parking Scheme, in accordance with Transport for NSW guidelines, cannot be met for Shaftesbury Street.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

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

Note: Mayor, Councillor Borg resumed the Chair, the time being 8:35pm

**NM024-26 NSW Model Code of Meeting Practice**  
(Report by Councillor Landsberry)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council notes:
- (i) The introduction of the revised NSW Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils as at 1 January 2026, has made significant changes to how Council meetings and briefings are conducted.
  - (ii) That a Disallowance Motion was moved in the New South Wales Legislative Council on 25 October 2025 by Dr Amanda Cohn MLC, *Local Government (General) Amendment (Model Code of Meeting Practice), Regulation 2025* and that debate on this matter remains ongoing.
  - (iii) That while aspects of the Code seek to improve transparency and consistency, several provisions have created unintended operational and governance challenges for councils and councillors.
- (b) That Council acknowledges:
- (i) The importance of transparency, accountability and public access in local government decision-making.
  - (ii) That effective governance also relies on councillors being properly briefed, informed and able to fully participate in meetings.
  - (iii) That modern working arrangements, caring responsibilities, illness, and unforeseen circumstances can affect councillors' ability to attend meetings in person.
- (c) That Council expresses concern that the current Code:
- (i) Effectively prohibits councillors from attending meetings remotely, limiting participation and potentially disenfranchising both elected representatives and their communities.
  - (ii) Prevents the holding of councillor briefings, which have historically played an important role in ensuring councillors are well-informed prior to public decision-making.
  - (iii) Requires the public forum to be held separately from the Council meeting, which may reduce accessibility and community engagement rather than enhance it.
- (d) That Council supports targeted amendments to the Code that would:
- (i) Allow councillors to attend meetings via audio-visual link in defined circumstances, including the introduction of a reasonable annual cap to maintain integrity while enabling flexibility.
  - (ii) Reinstates the ability for councils to conduct councillor briefings, with appropriate safeguards to ensure transparency and compliance with legislative requirements.
  - (iii) Provide councils with more discretion regarding the timing and format of public forums, including the option to hold them within the Ordinary Council Meeting where

appropriate.

- (e) That Council does not support the wholesale disallowance of the Code, noting that many elements of the Code are appropriate and beneficial, and the preferred approach is targeted amendment rather than complete repeal.
- (f) That Council requests the Mayor write to the NSW Minister for Local Government outlining Council's position and advocating for the above amendments.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### NM025-26 Gambling Losses in NSW (Report by Councillor Landsberry)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur left the Chambers at 08:46pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Arthur returned to the Chambers at 08:48pm

**MOTION:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) That Council notes:
  - (i) The alarming scale of gambling losses across New South Wales, with billions lost annually on poker machines, equating to approximately \$1.1 million per hour.
  - (ii) That these losses are not abstract figures, but represent real harm to individuals, families and communities, including within the Georges River local government area.
  - (iii) Evidence that gambling harm contributes to financial distress, relationship breakdown, mental health impacts, housing stress and domestic and family violence.
  - (iv) That communities across southern and south-western Sydney like Georges River are disproportionately exposed to poker machine density and associated harm.
  - (v) Ongoing public concern that the pace and scale of reform by the NSW Government has not matched the severity of the problem.
- (b) That Council acknowledges:
  - (i) That Georges River Council is not immune to the impacts of gambling harm, which are experienced by local residents, families and support services.
  - (ii) That local government is often left to respond to the social consequences of gambling losses without having the legislative power to regulate the industry.
  - (iii) The strong and growing community expectation that governments take meaningful action to reduce gambling harm.
- (c) That Council calls on the NSW Labor Government to move beyond incremental change and urgently implement comprehensive, evidence-based gambling reform, including:
  - (i) A mandatory, universal cashless gaming system with enforceable pre-commitment limits to reduce harm.
  - (ii) Reduced operating hours for poker machines, including mandatory shutdown periods

overnight.

- (iii) Stronger caps on poker machine numbers, particularly in communities already experiencing high levels of socio-economic disadvantage.
  - (iv) A significant increase in funding for local, community-based gambling harm prevention, counselling and support services.
  - (v) Clear, transparent and measurable targets for reducing gambling losses and harm across NSW.
- (d) That Council further calls on the NSW Government to:
- (i) Respond to all outstanding recommendations from independent inquiries, panels and audits into gambling reform.
  - (ii) Demonstrate genuine leadership in addressing what is increasingly recognised as a major public health issue.
- (e) That Council requests that the Mayor write to the Premier, the Minister for Gaming and Racing, and local State Members for the Georges River area outlining Council's position; Council considers the current level of gambling harm in New South Wales to constitute a significant public health issue requiring urgent and decisive government intervention.

**AMENDMENT:** Councillor Pun, Councillor Anzellotti

- (a) That Council notes:
- (i) The alarming scale of gambling losses across New South Wales, with billions lost annually on poker machines, equating to approximately \$1.1 million per hour.
  - (ii) That these losses are not abstract figures, but represent real harm to individuals, families and communities, including within the Georges River local government area.
  - (iii) Evidence that gambling harm contributes to financial distress, relationship breakdown, mental health impacts, housing stress and domestic and family violence.
  - (iv) That communities across southern and south-western Sydney like Georges River are disproportionately exposed to poker machine density and associated harm.
  - (v) The NSW Government has commenced significant gambling harm reduction reforms, while acknowledging continued community concern and the importance of ongoing evidence-based reform.
  - (vi) That reforms introduced by the NSW Government to date include - but are not limited to: banning external gambling signage, reducing the cash input limit on new gaming machines from \$5,000 to \$500, lowering the statewide cap on poker machine entitlements by more than 3,000, restoring mandatory shutdown hours, and strengthening responsible gambling measures in venues.
- (b) That Council acknowledges:
- (i) That Georges River Council is not immune to the impacts of gambling harm, which are experienced by local residents, families and support services.
  - (ii) That local government is often left to respond to the social consequences of gambling losses without having the legislative power to regulate the industry.
  - (iii) The strong and growing community expectation that governments take meaningful action to reduce gambling harm.
- (c) That Council calls on the NSW Labor Government to move beyond incremental change and urgently implement comprehensive, evidence-based gambling reform, including:

- (i) A mandatory, universal cashless gaming system with enforceable pre-commitment limits to reduce harm.
  - (ii) Reduced operating hours for poker machines, including mandatory shutdown periods overnight.
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### Record of Voting

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

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

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Amendment was five (5) votes FOR and nine (9) votes AGAINST. The Amendment was LOST.

### RESOLVED: Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Mahoney

- (a) That Council notes:
- (i) The alarming scale of gambling losses across New South Wales, with billions lost annually on poker machines, equating to approximately \$1.1 million per hour.
  - (ii) That these losses are not abstract figures, but represent real harm to individuals, families and communities, including within the Georges River local government area.
  - (iii) Evidence that gambling harm contributes to financial distress, relationship breakdown, mental health impacts, housing stress and domestic and family violence.
  - (iv) That communities across southern and south-western Sydney like Georges River are disproportionately exposed to poker machine density and associated harm.
  - (v) Ongoing public concern that the pace and scale of reform by the NSW Government has not matched the severity of the problem.
- (b) That Council acknowledges:
- (i) That Georges River Council is not immune to the impacts of gambling harm, which

are experienced by local residents, families and support services.

- (ii) That local government is often left to respond to the social consequences of gambling losses without having the legislative power to regulate the industry.
  - (iii) The strong and growing community expectation that governments take meaningful action to reduce gambling harm.
- (c) That Council calls on the NSW Labor Government to move beyond incremental change and urgently implement comprehensive, evidence-based gambling reform, including:
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  - (ii) Reduced operating hours for poker machines, including mandatory shutdown periods overnight.
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### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### **NM026-26 Road Safety Concerns - Kingsway and Maluka Place, Kingsgrove** (Report by Councillor Pun)

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Pun, Councillor Gao

That Council:

- (a) Notes the resident petition raising serious safety concerns at the Kingsway and Maluka Place intersection, including repeated near misses, poor visibility, and unsafe driving behaviour, including the recent accidents in 2026, 2024 and 2022.
- (b) Undertake an urgent traffic and safety assessment of the intersection, including crash history and a consideration of unreported incidents, traffic volumes and speeds, and

sightline constraints, and investigate the feasibility of a roundabout as a long-term solution, with engagement of affected residents.

- (c) Implements immediate safety improvements where possible, including signage, line marking and parking adjustments, and report back to Council within three months with findings, costings and recommended actions.

### 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos

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

### QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

**QWN009-26 Mortdale Streetscape Improvement Upgrades**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Note: It was noted that Deputy Mayor, Councillor Stratikopoulos left the Chambers at 09:13pm

Note: It was noted that Councillor Allison left the Chambers at 09:13pm

Answer published in the business paper.

**QWN010-26 Update on the Narwee Project**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**QWN011-26 Revenue Queries Regarding Reinstating of Free One Hour Parking**  
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

**QWN012-26 Status Update Council's Street Tree Planting and Native Tubestock Trial**  
(Report by Councillor Allison)

Answer published in the business paper.

### QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE

**QNN005-26 NM013-26 Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Issues - Hurstville**  
(Report by Councillor Wang)

Answer published in the business paper.

### COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

**CQR015-26 Update on Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study - Beach Street Blakehurst**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**CQR016-26 Update on Blakehurst and Kogarah Bay Wards Flood Study - Wisdom Street Connells Point**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**CQR017-26 Draft Penshurst Town Centre Public Domain Plan**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**CQR018-26 Road Safety Concerns - Kingsway and Maluka Place, Beverly Hills**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**CQR019-26 Removal of Palm Trees on King Georges Road, Beverly Hills**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

**CQR020-26 Draft 2026/27 Operational Plan, 2025-29 Delivery Program and Updated Resourcing Strategy**  
(Report by Councillor Jamieson)

Answer published in the business paper.

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

QWN	<b>NM026-26: Road Safety Concerns – Kingsway and Maluka Place Kingsgrove</b>
	Question: Has Council received the petition signed by the residents on this matter?

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 9:13pm

Chairperson

## **MAYORAL MINUTE**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Item:** CCL030-26 Report of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

CCL030-26

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Assets and Infrastructure Committee recommendations for items ASS018-26 to ASS021-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The following Committee recommendations for items ASS018-26 to ASS021-26 are submitted to Council for determination.

The recommendations were made by the Assets and Infrastructure Committee at its meeting on 11 May 2026.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**ASS018-26 MORTDALE STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENT INVESTIGATION**  
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

That Council:

- (a) Receive and note this report outlining the outcomes of the investigation and the installation of enhancements to the Mortdale streetscape.
- (b) Approves the inclusion of non-budgeted capital expenditure of \$90,000 in the 2026/27 Financial Year.

**ASS019-26 DRAFT VERGE MANAGEMENT POLICY**  
(Report by Executive Manager City Presentation & Operational Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Verge Management Policy to go on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days to allow feedback from residents, stakeholders and experts in environmental sustainability.
- (b) That Council receive a further report after the public exhibition period has concluded to adopt the policy after considering the feedback received.

**ASS020-26 CARSS BUSH PARK PLAYSPACE UPGRADE (STAGE 2) - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OUTCOMES AND CONCEPT DESIGN**  
(Report by Manager City Technical Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcome of the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 design community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the concept design for the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 to proceed to detailed design and construction.

**ASS021-26      REPORT OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING HELD ON 29  
APRIL 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF031-26 to LTF040-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/132608

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment [↓](#)1      Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

## MINUTES

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### Assets and Infrastructure Committee

Monday, 11 May 2026

6:00 PM

Dragon Room

Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

## **PRESENT**

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Natalie Mort (Chair), Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, 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 Chief Information Officer – Brendan Scott, Chief Finance Officer – Scott Henwood, Manager – Head of Strategic Property – Bernard Morabito, Vicki McKinley, Manager Strategic Planning – Luke Oste, Manager Development and Building – Kristy Griffiths, Chief Audit Officer – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, Manager Community Impact – Estelle Marque, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Technology Services Officer Brendan Thorpe.

### **OPENING**

The Chairperson, Councillor Mort, opened the meeting at 6:03pm.

### **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.

### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest made.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**ASS017-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026, be confirmed.

### **Record of Voting**

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

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

CARRIED.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **ASS018-26 Mortdale Streetscape Enhancement Investigation** (Report by Manager City Technical Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Liu

That Council:

- (a) Receive and note this report outlining the outcomes of the investigation and the installation of enhancements to the Mortdale streetscape.
- (b) Approves the inclusion of non-budgeted capital expenditure of \$90,000 in the 2026/27 Financial Year.

#### **Record of Voting**

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

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

#### **ASS019-26 Draft Verge Management Policy** (Report by Executive Manager City Presentation & Operational Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Jamieson

- (a) That Council endorse the Draft Verge Management Policy to go on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days to allow feedback from residents, stakeholders and experts in environmental sustainability.
- (b) That Council receive a further report after the public exhibition period has concluded to adopt the policy after considering the feedback received.

#### **Record of Voting**

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

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

#### **ASS020-26 Carss Bush Park Playspace Upgrade (Stage 2) - Community Engagement Outcomes and Concept Design** (Report by Manager City Technical Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Landsberry, Councillor Allison

That Council:

- (a) Note the outcome of the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 design community engagement.
- (b) Endorses the concept design for the Carss Bush Park Playspace Stage 2 to proceed to detailed design and construction.

### Record of Voting

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

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

### **ASS021-26 Report of the Local Transport Forum meeting held on 29 April 2026** (Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Landsberry

That the Local Transport Forum recommendations for items LTF031-26 to LTF040-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

### Record of Voting

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

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

### **LTF031-26 BAUMANS ROAD AND MEADOWLAND ROAD, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED 'NO STOPPING ZONES' & '1/2P' RESTRICTONS AT THE INTERSECTION.** (Report by Traffic Engineer)

- (a) That 'No Stopping' restrictions be introduced at the intersection of Baumans Road and Meadowland Road, Peakhurst, as per the plan attached in the report.
- (b) That '1/2P, 8:30am–6:00pm Mon–Fri & 8:30am–12:30pm Sat' parking restrictions be implemented on southern side of Meadowland Road near the intersection with Baumans Road.

### **LTF032-26 GLENWALL STREET, KINGSGROVE - FORMALISATION OF AN EXISTING 'BUS ZONE'** (Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the existing 'Bus Zone' on the western side of Glenwall Street, Kingsgrove, south of the driveway to No. 34, be formalised as per the plan in the report.

### **LTF033-26 TRAFALGAR STREET, PEAKHURST - PROPOSED "BUS ZONE" EXTENSION** (Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the existing 'Bus Zone' on the southern side of Trafalgar Street, fronting No. 69, be extended 4m east as shown on the plan attached to the report.

### **LTF034-26 HILLCREST AVENUE, HURSTVILLE - PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING PERMIT SCHEME** (Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

That the 'Existing Resident Parking Permit Scheme Area 6' be extended to include Hillcrest Avenue between King Georges Road and Woniora Road, Hurstville as per the plan in the report.

**LTF035-26 WEST STREET, BLAKEHURST - PROPOSED RELCOATION OF THE 'NO STOPPING' SIGN**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the 'No Stopping' sign on the southern side of West Street, Blakehurst, be relocated 3.4m to the west as per the plan in the report.

**LTF036-26 JUNCTION ROAD, BEVERLY HILLS - PROPOSED RELOCATION OF 'BUS ZONE' RESTRICTION**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the existing 'Bus Zone' restriction on the southern side of Junction Road, Beverly Hills, be relocated east, as per the plan in the report.

**LTF037-26 DEPOT ROAD, MORTDALE - PROPOSED TEMPORARY CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

(a) That a temporary 'No Parking' restriction be installed on Depot Road, Mortdale, as per the plan in the report, during the following period to facilitate a waste drop-off event:

Friday 23 October 2026 to Monday 26 October 2026

(b) That the 'No Parking' restriction and associated signage be removed between each waste drop-off event.

**LTF038-26 PITT STREET, MORTDALE - PROPOSED ACCESSIBLE PARKING**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That 6m of the existing time-restricted parking '2P, Mon-Fri 8:30 am-6 pm and Sat 8:30 am-12:30 pm' on the southern side of Pitt Street, Mortdale be converted into an accessible parking zone, as per the plan in the report.

**LTF039-26 BURGESS STREET AND TARGO ROAD INTERSECTION - PROPOSED INTERSECTION CHANGES**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

That the priority at the Burgess Street and Targo Road intersection be modified, as per the plan in the report.

**LTF040-26 WOODLANDS AVENUE, LUGARNO - PROPOSED CHANGES TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

(a) That the 'No Parking' restrictions on Woodlands Avenue, east of the intersection with Boronia Parade, be converted to 'No Stopping' restrictions, as per the plan in the report.

(b) That the 'No Stopping' restrictions, fronting No. 93 Woodlands Avenue, be extended by approximately 2m, as per the plan in the report.

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 6:20pm.

Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

**Item:** CCL031-26 **Report of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026**

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Finance and Governance Committee recommendations for items FIN018-26 to FIN021-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The following Committee recommendations for items FIN018-26 to FIN021-26 are submitted to Council for determination.

The recommendations were made by the Finance and Governance Committee at its meeting on 11 May 2026.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**FIN018-26 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2026**  
(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the Investment Report as at 31 March 2026 be received and noted by Council.

**FIN019-26 DRAFT GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) POLICY**  
(Report by Chief Information Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council endorse the newly developed draft Georges River Council Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy for public consultation.
- (b) That the draft Artificial Intelligence (AI) 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.

**FIN020-26 QUARTERLY STRATEGIC PROPERTY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 2026**  
(Report by Senior Property Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Allison, Councillor Landsberry

That Council receive and note the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Commercial Property Portfolio, for the period ending 31 March 2026.

**FIN021-26 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 31**

**MARCH 2026**

(Report by Head of Financial Planning and Analysis)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

That this item be deferred for consideration at the 25 May 2026 Ordinary Council Meeting.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/132619

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment [↓](#)1 Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

CCL031-26

## MINUTES

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### Finance and Governance Committee

Monday, 11 May 2026

Dragon Room  
Georges River Civic Centre  
Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

## PRESENT

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Christina Jamieson (Chair), Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, 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 Chief Information Officer – Brendan Scott, Chief Finance Officer – Scott Henwood, Manager – Head of Strategic Property – Bernard Morabito, Vicki McKinley, Manager Strategic Planning – Luke Oste, Manager Development and Building – Kristy Griffiths, Chief Audit Officer – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, Manager Community Impact – Estelle Marque, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, Technology Services Officer Brendan Thorpe.

### OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Jamieson, opened the meeting at 6.21pm.

### APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**MOTION:** Councillor Anzellotti Councillor Mahoney

That an apology and leave of absence be accepted for Councillor Arthur and Councillor Pun.

### Record of Voting

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Mort

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was 12 votes For and 1 vote Against. The Motion was CARRIED.

### REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest made.

### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**FIN017-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Mahoney

That the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026, be confirmed.

### Record of Voting

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

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FIN018-26 Investment Report as at 31 March 2026

(Report by Senior Financial Accountant - Reporting)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 06:25pm

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Liu

That the Investment Report as at 31 March 2026 be received and noted by Council.

### Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, 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.

### FIN019-26 Draft Georges River Council Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy

(Report by Chief Information Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Landsberry

- (a) That Council endorse the newly developed draft Georges River Council Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy for public consultation.
- (b) That the draft Artificial Intelligence (AI) 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.

### Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, 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.

### FIN020-26 Quarterly Strategic Property Report for Period Ending 31 March 2026

(Report by Senior Property Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Allison, Councillor Landsberry

That Council receive and note the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Commercial

Property Portfolio, for the period ending 31 March 2026.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Anzellotti, Councillor Allison, Councillor Dimoski, Councillor Hayes, Councillor Mahoney, 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.

**FIN021-26 Quarterly Budget Review Report for Period Ending 31 March 2026**  
(Report by Head of Financial Planning and Analysis)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao returned to the Chambers at 06:31pm

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Mort

That this item be deferred for consideration at the 25 May 2026 Ordinary Council Meeting.

**Record of Voting**

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

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 6:33pm.

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Chairperson

**Item:** CCL032-26 Report of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Community and Culture Committee recommendations for items COM018-26 to COM019-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The following Committee recommendations for items COM018-26 to COM019-26 are submitted to Council for determination.

The recommendations were made by the Community and Culture Committee at its meeting on 11 May 2026.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**COM018-26 COMMUNITY GRANTS 2025-2026 ROUND 2**  
(Report by Grants and Project Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison

That Council adopts the funding recommendations resulting from Georges River Council Community Grants 2025-2026 Round 2, as detailed in Attachment 1 of this report.

**COM019-26 OUTGOING SPONSORSHIP - KINGSWAY COMMUNITY CARE FUNDRAISING DINNER 2026**  
(Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Jamieson

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$10,000 to become a sponsor of the Kingsway Community Care Fundraising Dinner being held on 18 June 2026.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/132611

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment [1](#) Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

## MINUTES

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### Community and Culture Committee

Monday, 11 May 2026

Dragon Room  
Georges River Civic Centre  
Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

## **PRESENT**

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Kathryn Landsberry (Chair), Councillor Matthew Allison, Councillor Elaina Anzellotti, Councillor Oliver Dimoski, Councillor Thomas Gao, Councillor Gerard Hayes, Councillor Christina Jamieson, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Peter Mahoney, Councillor Natalie Mort, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, 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, Manager Development and Building – Kristy Griffiths, Manager Strategic Planning – Luke Oste, Chief Audit Officer – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, and Technology Services Officer Brendan Thorpe.

## **OPENING**

The Chairperson, Councillor Landsberry, opened the meeting at 6:35pm.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**MOTION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Gao

That an apology and leave of absence be accepted for Councillor Arthur and Councillor Pun.

### **Record of Voting**

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Mort

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was 12 votes For and 1 vote Against. The Motion was CARRIED.

## **REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK**

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest made.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**COM017-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Liu

That the Minutes of the Community and Culture Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026, be confirmed.

### Record of Voting

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

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

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### COM018-26 Community Grants 2025-2026 Round 2 (Report by Grants and Project Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison

That Council adopts the funding recommendations resulting from Georges River Council Community Grants 2025-2026 Round 2, as detailed in Attachment 1 of this report.

### Record of Voting

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

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

#### COM019-26 Outgoing Sponsorship - Kingsway Community Care Fundraising Dinner 2026 (Report by Coordinator Events and Sponsorship)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Jamieson

That Council approves the Outgoing Sponsorship request of \$10,000 to become a sponsor of the Kingsway Community Care Fundraising Dinner being held on 18 June 2026.

### Record of Voting

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

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

### CONCLUSION

The Meeting was closed at 6:45pm.

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Chairperson

**Item:** CCL033-26 Report of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Environment and Planning Committee recommendations for items ENV018-26 to ENV019-26 as detailed below, be adopted by Council.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The following Committee recommendations for items ENV018-26 to ENV019-26 are submitted to Council for determination.

The recommendations were made by the Environment and Planning Committee at its meeting on 11 May 2026.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**ENV018-26 DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING Q3 METRICS REPORT**  
(Report by Manager Development and Building)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison

That Council note the Quarterly Development and Building Team Functions and Services Metrics Report for the period January to March 2026.

**ENV019-26 ENDORSEMENT OF COUNCIL SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT STATEWIDE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PLAN**  
(Report by Manager Strategic Planning)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council endorse the Georges River Council submission to the NSW Government on the draft Statewide Community Participation Plan (**Attachment 1**).
- (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.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/132614

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment [↓](#)1 Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 11 May 2026

## MINUTES

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### Environment and Planning Committee

Monday, 11 May 2026

Dragon Room  
Georges River Civic Centre,  
Hurstville

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GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

## PRESENT

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Mayor, Councillor Elise Borg, Councillor Peter Mahoney (Chair), 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, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos, 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, Manager Development and Building – Kristy Griffiths, Manager Strategic Planning – Luke Oste, Chief Audit Officer – Steven Baker, Executive Services Officer – Marisa Severino, Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paras, General Counsel - James Fan, Executive Manager City Futures – Kent Stroud, and Technology Services Officer Brendan Thorpe.

### OPENING

The Chairperson, Councillor Mahoney, opened the meeting at 6:46pm.

### APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**MOTION:** Councillor Gao and Councillor Anzellotti

That an apology and leave of absence be accepted for Councillor Arthur and Councillor Pun.

### Record of Voting

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Mort

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was twelve (12) votes FOR and one (1) vote AGAINST. The Motion was CARRIED.

### REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest made.

### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**ENV017-26 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Allison, Councillor Landsberry

That the Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 13 April 2026,

be confirmed.

### Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mahoney, 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.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ENV018-26 Development and Building Q3 Metrics Report (Report by Manager Development and Building)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Councillor Allison

That Council note the Quarterly Development and Building Team Functions and Services Metrics Report for the period January to March 2026.

### Record of Voting

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, 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.

### ENV019-26 Endorsement of Council Submission to the draft Statewide Community Participation Plan (Report by Manager Strategic Planning)

Note: It was noted that Councillor Gao left the Chambers at 07:04pm

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort

- (a) That Council endorse the Georges River Council submission to the NSW Government on the draft Statewide Community Participation Plan (**Attachment 1**).
- (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: Mayor, Councillor Borg, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor Allison, Councillor Anzellotti, 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.

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 7:06pm.

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Chairperson

UNCONFIRMED

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE**

**Item:** CCL034-26 Applications Pursuant to Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy - May 2026

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Finance and Governance

CCL034-26

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

CWF30/25-26 – Application submitted by Councillor Landsberry on behalf of Autism Community Network in the amount of \$1,500.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. The Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy provides a framework which enables Councillors to provide minor financial support to individuals and community groups within wards which will complement Council’s existing grants, sponsorship, and donations framework.
2. This report includes details of applications which have been assessed against the funds eligibility criteria and determined to qualify for funding.

**BACKGROUND**

3. The Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy stipulates two categories for applications of funds, those by an individual or community group.
4. At the 23 June 2025 Council Meeting, Council adopted the Operational Plan, including the 2025/26 budget. For the 2025/26 financial year, \$37,500 has been allocated for Councillors as part of the Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund.
5. In keeping with ensuring accountability and transparency, details have been included below regarding applications that are now listed for consideration and their demonstrated ability to satisfy the eligibility criteria of the Fund.
6. In addition to these measures, details of funds awarded are available on Council’s website and are included in Council’s Annual Report as is required regarding the allocation of funds through Section 356 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. All application details can be found in the attachment to this report. Funds of \$37,500 have been allocated in the 2025/26 Operational Plan.

<b>Non-Capital Funds</b> (\$2,500/Councillor)	<b>Funds Allocated to date including this report</b>	<b>Remaining Balance</b>
Councillor Allison	\$2,366	\$134
Councillor Anzellotti	\$167	\$2,333

Councillor Arthur	\$0	\$2,500
Mayor, Councillor Borg	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Dimoski	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Gao	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Hayes	\$0	\$2,500
Councillor Jamieson	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Landsberry	\$2,500	\$0
Deputy Mayor, Councillor Liu	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Mahoney	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Mort	\$2,500	\$0
Councillor Pun	\$0	\$2,500
Councillor Stratikopoulos	\$0	\$2,500
Councillor Wang	\$2,500	\$0

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### RISK IMPLICATIONS

8. The Enterprise Risk Management Strategy contains two relevant actions regarding the provision of an open, accessible, and transparent decision making and meeting process.
9. The adopted process for the allocation of funds through the Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy is one of many strategies that have been implemented to ensure that these actions are achieved.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

10. Community engagement was conducted prior to approval of the Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund Policy.

### FILE REFERENCE

D26/105502

### ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment [1](#) Councillor Ward Discretionary Funds - Attachment 1 Summary
- Attachment [2](#) Councillor Ward Discretionary Funds - Attachment 2 ABN Numbers - Copy

Form Code	Councillor Name requesting funding	Class of application	Legal name	Trading name	ABN	ACNC Registered	Incorporated Entity	Registered for GST	Intended purpose of funding	Event project date	Amount of funding requested	Declaration of conflict of interest	Community Group	Does the recipient meet the eligibility requirements	History of previous application
CWF 30/25-26	Kathryn Landberry	Community Group (Max \$2,000)	Autism Community Network	Autism Community Network	6410962335	Yes		Yes	Month day and lunch meeting in GRC LGA for autistic individuals and their carers	30-05-2026	1500	No conflict of interest	Autism Community Network's vision is to foster inclusive communities where autistic individuals, their families, and carers can live full, rich and rewarding lives. ACN supports the wellbeing of autistic individuals and their families by creating a welcoming community where everyone is seen, heard, and valued; facilitating peer-to-peer connections to share knowledge and experiences; and representing the autistic community to educate and inform.	We all enjoy a fun and healthy life connected by a diverse and vibrant cultural community with a strong sense of belonging and heritage.	

## Nickie Paraskevopoulos

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**From:** eForms  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 5 May 2026 1:10 PM  
**To:** Claudine Pfeiffer; Jodie Cassidy; Marisa Severino; Nickie Paraskevopoulos; Sue Matthew; Vicki McKinley; Georges River Council Mail  
**Subject:** Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund - Kathryn Landsberry  
**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Hi Office of General Manager,

Councillor Ward Discretionary Fund you submitted was successfully sent for review.

Details of the Fund is shown as below.

1. **Code: CWF 30/25-26**
2. **Name of Councillor Requesting funding: Kathryn Landsberry**
3. **Name of Councillors in support of Ward funding (if applicable):**
4. **Class of application: Community Group (Max \$2,000)**
5. **Legal Name: Autism Community Network**
6. **Trading name: Autism Community Network**
7. **Registered for GST: Yes**
8. **ACNC Registered: Yes**
9. **ABN: 64103662535**
10. **Incorporated Entity:**
11. **Intended purpose of funding: Movie day and lunch outing in GRC LGA for autistic individuals and their carers**
12. **Event/project date: 30-05-2026**
13. **Amount of funding requested (Max \$2,000): 1500**
14. **Contact Name: Vanessa Gauci, CEO**
15. **Phone number: 421462842**
16. **Mobile: 421462842**

**17. Email: Vanessa.Gauci@acnaustralia.org.au**

**18. Website: www.acnaustralia.org.au**

**19. Street: 285A Crown Street**

**20. Suburb: Surry Hills**

**21. State: New South Wales**

**22. Postcode: 2010**

**23. Please enter Postal address:**

**24. Declaration of conflict of interest: No conflict of interest**

**25. Community Group: Autism Community Network's vision is to foster inclusive communities where autistic individuals, their families, and carers can live full, rich, and rewarding lives. ACN supports the wellbeing of autistic individuals and their families by creating a welcoming community where everyone is seen, heard, and valued; facilitating peer-to-peer connections to share knowledge and experiences; and representing the autistic community to educate and inform**



## ABN Lookup

### Current details for ABN 64 103 662 535

#### ABN details

Entity name:	AUTISM COMMUNITY NETWORK LIMITED
ABN status:	Active from 14 Sep 2011
Entity type:	Australian Public Company
Goods & Services Tax (GST):	Registered from 01 Aug 2013
Main business location:	NSW 2010

#### Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC)

AUTISM COMMUNITY NETWORK LIMITED is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) as follows:

ACNC registration	From
Registered as a charity <a href="#">view ACNC registration</a>	03 Dec 2012

#### ASIC registration - ACN or ARBN or ARSN or ARFN

655 020 483 [View record on the ASIC website](#)


#### Charity tax concession status

AUTISM COMMUNITY NETWORK LIMITED is a Charity endorsed to access the following tax concessions:

Tax concession	From
GST Concession	20 Jan 2012
Income Tax Exemption	20 Jan 2012
FBT Rebate	20 Jan 2012

#### Deductible gift recipient status

AUTISM COMMUNITY NETWORK LIMITED is endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) from 20 Jan 2012. It is covered by [Item 1](#) of the table in section 30-15 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

 **Important**

Please read [Deductible Gift Recipient \(DGR\)](#) information before making a gift.

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# Autism Community Network Limited

✔ Charity is registered.

✔ Charity reporting is up to date.

## Charity details

**ABN:**

[64103662535](#)

**Address:**

285A Crown St  
Surry Hills  
NSW, 2010, Australia

**Email:**

[info@acnaustralia.org.au](mailto:info@acnaustralia.org.au)

**Address For Service email:**

[info@acnaustralia.org.au](mailto:info@acnaustralia.org.au)

**Website:**

[acnaustralia.org.au](http://acnaustralia.org.au)

**Phone:**

02 9543 9036

**Charity Size:**

Medium

**Who the charity helps:**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people  
Adults - aged 25 to under 65  
Children - aged 6 to under 15  
Early childhood - aged under 6  
Families  
Females  
Financially disadvantaged people  
General community in Australia  
Males  
People from a culturally and linguistically diverse background  
People in rural/regional/remote communities  
People with disabilities  
Youth - 15 to under 25

**Date established:**

1 January 2011

**Last reported:**

23 January 2026

**Next report due:**

31 December 2026

**Financial year end:**

30/06

## Summary of activities

ACN strives to make a difference through its peer support group for carers, activity groups for kids and social groups for autistic adults. These activities help families tackle the challenges posed by transitioning to complex social environments and break down the scourge of self-imposed isolation.

## Charity programs

PEER SUPPORT GROUP  
Community service organisations

Social and Skills clubs  
Community organising

Online Social and Support groups  
Community organising

## Where the charity operates

**States:**

New South Wales

**Countries:**

Australia

**Using the information on the Register**

Information on the Charity Register has been provided to the ACNC by charities. If information is not shown, this may be because it has not yet been provided. The ACNC may also approve information be withheld from the Charity Register in certain circumstances. [Read more about information on the Charity Register.](#)

## People

### Responsible People

The role of a 'Responsible Person' is an important one for registered charities. Generally, a charity's Responsible People are its board or committee members, or trustees.

**Charbel Abouraad**

**Role:** Secretary

[Associated charities](#) →

**Christopher Doherty**

**Role:** Director

[Associated charities](#) →

**James Koulouris**

**Role:** Director

[Associated charities](#) →

**Nicholas Smerdely**

**Role:** Director

[Associated charities](#) →

**Reika Phung**

**Role:** Chairperson

[Associated charities](#) →






















**Sophie Halias**

**Role:** Director

[Associated charities](#) →

## Documents

### Annual reporting

Title	Due date	Date received	Download
Annual Information Statement 2027	31 December 2027	Not yet submitted	—
Financial Report 2027	31 December 2027	Pending	—
Annual Information Statement 2026	31 December 2026	Not yet submitted	—
Financial Report 2026	31 December 2026	Pending	—
Annual Information Statement 2025	31 January 2026	23 January 2026	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2025	31 January 2026	23 January 2026	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2024	31 January 2025	7 March 2025	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2024	31 January 2025	7 March 2025	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2023	31 January 2024	23 January 2024	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2023	31 January 2024	23 January 2024	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2022	31 January 2023	15 February 2023	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2022	31 January 2023	15 February 2023	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2021	31 January 2022	7 April 2022	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2021	No due date	Not required - small	—
Annual Information Statement 2020	31 January 2021	30 June 2021	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2020	31 January 2021	30 June 2021	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2019	31 January 2020	20 April 2020	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2019	31 January 2020	20 April 2020	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2018	31 March 2019	31 January 2019	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2018	31 March 2019	31 January 2019	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2017	31 January 2018	1 January 2018	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2017	31 January 2018	1 January 2018	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Information Statement 2016	31 January 2017	27 October 2016	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2016	No due date	Not required	—
Annual Information Statement 2015	31 January 2016	8 September 2016	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2015	No due date	Not required	—
Annual Information Statement 2014	31 January 2015	27 January 2015	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2014	No due date	Not required	—
Annual Information Statement 2013	31 March 2014	27 March 2014	 <a href="#">View AIS</a>
Financial Report 2013	No due date	Not required	—

### Documents

Title	Date	Reporting year	Download
Governing Document	31 July 2023	—	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Report	20 April 2020	2019	 <a href="#">Download</a>
Annual Report	31 January 2019	2018	 <a href="#">Download</a>

## History

### The charity's subtype history

Purpose	Start date	End date
2012 Another purpose beneficial to the community	3 December 2012	31 December 2013

### Registration status history

Effective date	Status
3 December 2012	Registered

**Item:** CCL035-26 FIN021-26 Quarterly Budget Review Report for Period Ending 31 March 2026 - Deferred from Finance and Governance Committee held on 11 May 2026

**Author:** Head of Financial Planning and Analysis

**Directorate:** Business and Corporate Services

**Matter Type:** Finance and Governance

CCL035-26

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council receives and notes the contents of this report in relation to the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ending 31 March 2026.
- (b) That Council adopt the proposed amendments to the 2025/26 Budget as outlined in attachment 1.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. This report outlines Council's financial performance as at 31 March 2026 compared to the 2025/26 budget. It also explains proposed budget changes based on expected results for the rest of the financial year.
2. As at 31 March 2026, the proposed changes to the 2025/26 Budget increases the Operating Budget Surplus by \$508,000, raising it from \$2.3 million to \$2.8 million.
3. The proposed changes to the Capital Program result in a revised four-year Capital Works Program of \$167.6 million for 2025/26 to 2028/29, comprising:
  - \$43.4 million in 2025/26
  - \$46.0 million in 2026/27
  - \$39.4 million in 2027/28
  - \$38.9 million in 2028/29
4. Attachment 1 provides a full summary of all budget adjustments and other financial information, in compliance with the QBRS guidelines. This includes:
  - Income and Expenditure Budget Review Statement
  - Detailed Operational Budget Variations
  - Capital Program Budget Review Statement Summary
  - Detailed Capital Program Variations
  - Capital Program Phasing – Expenditure Forecast
  - Cash and Investment Budget Review Statement
  - Developer Contribution Summary
5. Attachment 2 provides the Detailed Capital Program by Project

**BACKGROUND**

6. Section 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires that a Quarterly Budget Review be considered by Council that shows current estimates for income and expenditure for the year; indicates whether Council's financial position is satisfactory and makes recommendations for remedial action, if required.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. Council's 2025/26 Budget marks the fourth consecutive year it is forecast to record an operating surplus, reflecting improved financial stability. Achieving this outcome requires careful prioritisation of services, projects and programs to support long-term sustainability and meet Council's legislative obligations.
8. As at 31 March 2026, Council's year-to-date financial performance shows a strong operating surplus of \$4.8 million. This result is driven by income of \$142.2 million, which is slightly above budget, and expenses of \$137.4 million, which are below budget. The favourable position is mainly due to lower spending on employee costs and materials and services, as well as higher-than-expected income from interest, user fees and charges, and operating grants. The budget adjustments do not reflect this trend as prior historical trends highlight a shift in Q4.
9. The Quarter 3 budget review proposes amendments that improve the adopted Operating Budget Surplus by \$508,000. Key changes include increased income from the sale of the Ocean Street Early Learning site and higher St George Venues Jubilee Stadium revenues, partly offset by reduced parking fine income. Expense changes reflect essential repairs, event costs, and employee underspend.

	Original Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	Q1 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Q2 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Q3 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Revised Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	YTD Actuals (\$'000)	YTD Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	YTD Variance (\$'000)
Total Income	188,894	1,173	493		190,560	142,184	141,791	393
Total Expenses	186,639	1,150	517		188,305	137,416	139,691	(2,275)
<b>Operating Result before Capital Revenue – Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>2,255</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>(24)</b>		<b>2,255</b>	<b>4,768</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>2,668</b>
Capital Grants & Contributions	18,310	300	305		18,915	8,537	14,111	(5,574)

10. The proposed increase of \$1.5 million to the Capital Program results in a revised 4-year Capital Program Budget of \$167.6 million. The main changes being proposed at Q3 for the Capital Program have been an increase in the construction costs for The Green Sporting Amenities Building.
11. After the proposed changes, the current year program has reduced to \$43.4 million, which is largely due to the rephasing of \$4.9 million of projects into 2026/27.
12. Capital expenditure to 31 March 2026 was \$13.3 million, with material expenditure occurring on the:
  - Road Re-sheet Program \$3.2 million
  - Donnelly Park Foreshore Protection and Enhancement \$2.3 million
  - Hedley Street Community Facility \$1.9 million
  - Fleet Passenger Vehicle Purchases \$653,000
  - Olds Park Sporting and Community Facility \$528,000

Capital Program by Asset Class	Adopted 2025/26 Capital Budget \$'000	2024/25 Carry Over \$'000	Q1 Variation \$'000	Q2 Variation \$'000	Q3 Variation \$'000	Q2 2025/26 Capital Budget \$'000	YTD Actuals \$'000	YTD Budget \$'000	YTD Variance \$'000
New Assets	10,210	3,804	1,703	(37)		15,680	5,023	8,982	(3,959)

Renewal of Assets	26,685	2,291	1,638	401		<b>31,015</b>	7,049	20,202	(13,153)
Capitalised Project Salaries	1,650	0	0	0		<b>1,650</b>	1,213	910	303
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,545</b>	<b>6,095</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>364</b>		<b>48,345</b>	<b>13,285</b>	<b>30,094</b>	<b>(16,809)</b>

13. Table 6 of the attachment (summarised below) shows the timing of expenditure for the revised Capital Budget from 2025/26 to 2028/29.

Capital Program Phasing Expenditure Forecast	Original Adopted Capital Program					Revised Capital Program (After Previously Approved Carryovers and Q3 Recommended Changes for Council Resolution)				
	FY26 Budget \$'000	FY27 Budget \$'000	FY28 Budget \$'000	FY29 Budget \$'000	Total FY26-29 \$'000	FY26 Budget \$'000	FY27 Budget \$'000	FY28 Budget \$'000	FY29 Budget \$'000	Total FY26-29 \$'000
New Assets	10,210	8,750	9,900	11,400	40,260	15,806	6,430	6,270	6,830	35,336
Renewal of Assets	26,685	28,390	25,770	23,200	104,045	25,901	37,916	31,470	30,400	125,687
Capitalised Project Salaries	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,545</b>	<b>38,790</b>	<b>37,320</b>	<b>36,250</b>	<b>150,905</b>	<b>43,357</b>	<b>45,996</b>	<b>39,390</b>	<b>38,880</b>	<b>167,623</b>

## RISK IMPLICATIONS

14. While the year-to-date result is favourable, a significant portion of this outcome relates to externally restricted operations (waste) and interest income from externally restricted funds. As these amounts are set aside for specific purposes, they are not truly reflective of Council's core operating position. When these items are excluded, Council's financial performance as at 31 March 2026 reflects a deficit of approximately \$1.5 million. Cash levels remain strong, providing an important indicator of short to medium term financial sustainability despite underlying operating pressures.
15. Financial Sustainability is Council's number one strategic risk, which is Council's failure to implement appropriate financial strategies and controls to ensure financial sustainability. This requirement may be impacted by Council's failure to deliver the Long-Term Financial Plan and inability to meet emerging risks and delivery of Council's Community Strategic Plan as well as absorbing additional financial obligations without adequate resourcing.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

16. No community consultation is required because of this report.

## FILE REFERENCE

D26/131720

## ATTACHMENTS

Attachment [↓1](#) Quarterly Budget Review Report - Q3 March 2026

Attachment [↓2](#) QBRS Q3 Report CWP Report by Project



# BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT

## for the Quarter ended 31 March 2026

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**Report by Responsible Accounting Officer**

In accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, it is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Georges River Council for the quarter ended 31 March 2026 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30 June 2026 will be satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

**Danielle Parker**  
**Director Business & Corporate Services**  
*Responsible Accounting Officer*  
29 May 2026

**Appendices**

**Table 1: QBRs Overview (Mandatory Information)**

Description		Previous Year Actual 2024/25	Original Budget 2025/26	Qtr 1 Budget Variation	Qtr 2 Budget Variation	Qtr 3 Budget Variation	Revised Budget 2025/26	Recommended Changes for Council Resolution	Projected Yr End Result 2025/26	Variance Original v Projected Yr End 2025/26	YTD Actuals
		(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	General Fund	5,455	2,256	23	(24)		2,255	508	2,763	507	4,769
	Water Fund			0	0		0	0	0	0	0
	Sewer Fund			0	0		0	0	0	0	0
	Consolidated	5,455	2,256	23	(24)		2,255	508	2,763	507	4,769
Operating Result from continuing operations (with capital grants and contributions) excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets	Consolidated	49,710	52,908	323	281		53,512	598	54,110	1,202	37,718
Borrowings	Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Liquidity	External Restrictions	148,147	142,546	2,827	501		145,873	2,297	148,170	5,625	150,696
	Internal Allocations	86,132	93,833	-4,260	8		89,581	11,880	101,461	7,628	92,250
	Unallocated	28,327	30,039	2,037	(432)		31,644	(6,699)	24,945	(5,094)	57,187
	Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	262,606	266,417	604	77		267,098	7,478	274,576	8,159	300,133
Capital	Capital Funding	32,418	44,640*	3,342	364		48,345	(4,988)	43,357	(1,283)	13,285
	Capital Expenditure	32,418	44,640*	3,342	364		48,345	(4,988)	43,357	(1,283)	13,285
	Net Capital	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0

\*Including Capital Carryovers

Description		Opening Balance as at 1 July 2025	Total Cash Contributions Received as at this Quarter	Total Interest Earned as at this Quarter	Total Expended as at this Quarter	Total Internal Borrowings (to)/from as at this Quarter	Held as Restricted Asset as at this Quarter	Cumulative Balance of Internal Borrowings (to)/from as at this Quarter
		(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Developer Contributions	Total Developer Contributions	118,211	6,279	4,261	2,658	0	126,093	0

**Table 2: Income & Expenditure Budget Review Statement (Mandatory Information)**

<b>Consolidated Fund</b>	<b>Previous Year Actual 2024/25</b>	<b>Original Budget 2025/26</b>	<b>Qtr 1 Budget Variation</b>	<b>Qtr 2 Budget Variation</b>	<b>Qtr 3 Budget Variation</b>	<b>Revised Budget 2025/26</b>	<b>Recommended Changes for Council Resolution</b>	<b>Projected Yr End Result 2025/26</b>	<b>Variance Original v Projected Yr End 2025/26</b>	<b>YTD Actuals</b>
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
<b>Income</b>										
Rates and Annual Charges	129,116	134,044		0		134,044	0	134,044	0	100,464
User Charges & Fees	21,179	21,403	(201)	0		21,202	146	21,348	(55)	15,912
Other Revenues from Ordinary Activities	19,189	14,831	87	0		14,918	(425)	14,493	(338)	10,736
Grants and Contributions - Operating	7,653	8,177	(413)	0		7,764	394	8,158	(19)	4,846
Grants and Contributions – Capital	13,482	18,310	300	305		18,915	90	19,005	695	8,537
Interest	13,078	10,830	2,200	700		13,730	0	13,730	2,900	10,500
Other Income	669	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Net Gain from disposal of assets	0	(390)	(500)	(207)		(1,097)	1,200	103	493	(274)
<b>Total Income from Continuing Operations</b>	<b>204,366</b>	<b>207,205</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>798</b>		<b>209,476</b>	<b>1,405</b>	<b>210,881</b>	<b>3,676</b>	<b>150,721</b>
<b>Expense</b>										
Employee Costs	70,638	74,591	466	77		75,134	(512)	74,622	31	55,000
Materials & Services	76,904	75,204	758	440		76,402	1,239	77,641	2,437	54,953
Borrowing Costs Expense	0	1	0	0		1	0	1	0	0
Other Expenses	4,973	4,501	(74)	0		4,427	80	4,507	6	3,050
Net Loss from disposal of assets	2,141	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenses from Continuing Operations (excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets)</b>	<b>154,656</b>	<b>154,297</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>517</b>		<b>155,964</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>156,771</b>	<b>2,474</b>	<b>113,003</b>
<b>Operating Result from Continuing Operations – Surplus/(Deficit) (excluding depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets)</b>	<b>49,710</b>	<b>52,908</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>281</b>		<b>53,512</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>54,110</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>37,718</b>
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets	30,773	32,342	0	0		32,342	0	32,342	0	24,412
Operating Result from Continuing Operations	18,937	20,566	323	281		21,170	598	21,768	1,202	13,306
<b>Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes</b>	<b>5,455</b>	<b>2,256</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>(24)</b>		<b>2,255</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>2,763</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>4,769</b>

**Table 3: Detailed Operational Budget Variations (Supplementary Information)**

Project Description	Directorate	Major Account Category	Reason	Funding Source	Budget Variations (\$'000)
Parks Income - Jubilee Stadium	C&C	User Charges & Fees	Unbudgeted Event - AFC Women's A Level	General Revenue	218
Ticketek - NRL Preseason Income Sale of tickets	C&C	User Charges & Fees	Unbudgeted Event Preseason NRL games	General Revenue	78
Hoardings Income Reduction	E&P	User Charges & Fees	Reduction in hoardings income arising from a downturn in larger development activity seen in the LGA	General Revenue	(150)
Total User Fees & Charges					146
Jubilee Stadium Sponsorship	C&C	Other Revenue	Sponsorship agreement signed with \$200k to be billed annually each April	General Revenue	125
Regulatory Fine Income	E&P	Other Revenue	Reduction in income from carparking fines due to changes to ticketless parking legislation	General Revenue	(550)
Total Other Revenue					(425)
RMS Traffic Block Grant	A&I	Operating Grants	Funding no longer required Carrington Traffic Capital Project. Repurposing back to operational spend and offset by expenditure below – nil impact	Grant	200
Enhancing Accessibility	C&C	Operating Grants	Recognition of Grant income in line with spending - nil impact	Grant	111
Health and Development Participation Grant	C&C	Operating Grants	Grants received and to be spent in financial year - nil impact	Grant	38
Illegal Dumping Prevention Grant Income	E&P	Operating Grants	Grants received and to be spent in financial year – nil impact	Grant	45
Total Operating Grants					394
RMS Traffic Grant	A&I	Capital Grants	Repurposing grant income back to operational traffic spend	Capital Grant	(200)
Enhancing Accessibility	C&C	Capital Grants	Portion of Grand funding used to Purchase capital equipment - 4 trailers	Grant	110
Total Capital Grants					(90)

Project Description	Directorate	Major Account Category	Reason	Funding Source	Budget Variations (\$'000)
Sale of Ocean St	C&C	Net Gain/(Loss) on Disposal	Net gain on the sale of Ocean St Early Learning Facility	Childcare Reserve	1,200
<b>Total Income</b>					<b>1,405</b>
Defined Benefits Superannuation	All	Employee Costs	Reduction in cost due to the cessation of the Defined Benefits top up scheme	General Revenue	(352)
Temporary Agency Staff	E&P	Employee Costs	Reduced spending required in Q4 for Temporary agency staff in Development and Building team	General Revenue	(160)
Total Employee Costs					(512)
RMS Traffic Operational Spend	A&I	Materials & Services	Operational Spend of RMS Grant transferred back from Capital Grants - nil Impact	Grant	200
Kogarah Town Centre Lift Renewal	BACS	Materials & Services	Unforeseen operating repairs to lift	Commercial Property Reserve	367
River Rd Oatley Aged Centre Ex Bowling - WIP Costs to be expensed	BACS	Materials & Services	Consultancy work for ex Oatley Bowling club site.	General Revenue	51
Sensory Garden - costs to be expensed	C&C	Materials & Services	The project was abandoned due to structural concerns, and as a result, previously capitalised expenses have been reclassified to operating expenses.	General Revenue	132
Enhancing Accessibility	C&C	Materials & Services	Spend relating to Enhancing Accessibility Grant - nil impact	Grant	111
Costs associated with Unbudgeted Events held at Jubilee Stadium in Q3	C&C	Materials & Services	Unbudgeted Event Costs- AFC Women's A Level & NRL Pre Season games	General Revenue	67
Jubilee Preventative Maintenance - Annual Flood Light Assessment and associated repairs	C&C	Materials & Services	Preventative and Unforeseen Maintenance costs for Jubilee Stadium (flood lighting; Video maintenance; Ceiling Works; Goal Posts)	General Revenue	92
Penshurst Park Maintenance	C&C	Materials & Services	Penshurst Park -Unforeseen Maintenance required including replacement of globes	General Revenue	46

Project Description	Directorate	Major Account Category	Reason	Funding Source	Budget Variations (\$'000)
San Souci Swimming Pool Maintenance	C&C	Materials & Services	Significant Unforeseen maintenance works at SSL, including mechanical and tiling works	General Revenue	91
Health and Development Participation Grant	C&C	Materials & Services	Spend of Health and Development Participation Grant - nil Impact	Grant	38
Illegal Dumping Prevention Grant	E&P	Materials & Services	Spend of Illegal Dumping Grant received in 2024/25 - nil Impact	Grant	45
Venue Hires attached to Leased Premises	C&C	Other Expenses	Correction to Venue Hire Grant expenditure for leased properties for the associated income that was adjusted up as part of the Q2 QBRS review changes.	General Revenue	80
Total Materials & Services and Other Expenses					1,319
<b>Total Expenses</b>					<b>807</b>
<b>Net change of variations Surplus / (Deficit)</b>					<b>598</b>
<b>Net change of variations Surplus / (Deficit) excluding Capital Grants</b>					<b>508</b>

**Table 4: Capital Program Budget Review Statement Summary (Mandatory Information)**

Description	Previous Year Actual 2024/25 (\$'000)	Original Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	Carryovers Approved in September 2025 (\$'000)	Qtr 1 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Qtr 2 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Qtr 3 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Revised Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	Recommended Changes for Council Resolution (\$'000)	Projected Yr End Result 2025/26 (\$'000)	Variance to Original incl Carryover v Projected Yr End 2025/26 (\$'000)	YTD Actuals (\$'000)
<b>CAPITAL FUNDING</b>											
Rates & Other Untied Funding	11,460	998	3,065	(451)	802		4,414	(423)	3,991	(72)	4,486
Capital Grants & Contributions	5,799	7,515	371	100	305		8,291	110	8,401	515	2,657
Reserves – External Restrictions	6,266	10,734	2,546	1,757	0		15,037	(2,486)	12,551	(729)	353
Reserves – Internally Allocated	8,208	18,798	113	1,935	(743)		20,103	(2,189)	17,914	(997)	5,789
New Loans	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
Proceeds From Sale of Assets	685	500	0	0	0		500	0	500	0	0
<i>Other – specify</i>	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Capital Funding</b>	<b>32,418</b>	<b>38,545</b>	<b>6,095</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>364</b>		<b>48,345</b>	<b>(4,988)</b>	<b>43,357</b>	<b>(1,283)</b>	<b>13,285</b>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>											
WIP	14,105	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0
New Assets	5,408	10,210	3,804	1,703	(37)		15,680	126	15,806	1,792	5,023
Asset Renewal	11,866	26,685	2,291	1,638	401		31,015	(5,114)	25,901	(3,075)	7,049
<i>Other – capitalised salaries</i>	1,038	1,650	0	0	0		1,650	0	1,650	0	1,213
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>32,418</b>	<b>38,545</b>	<b>6,095</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>364</b>		<b>48,345</b>	<b>(4,988)</b>	<b>43,357</b>	<b>(1,283)</b>	<b>13,285</b>
Net Capital Funding – Surplus / (Deficit)	0	0	0	0	0		0		0	0	0

**Table 5: Detailed Capital Program Variations (Supplementary Information)**

Project Description	Directorate	Major Account Category	Reason	Funding Source	Budget Variations (\$'000)
Endeavor St Seawall	A&I	Capital	April 2026 A&I Committee Meeting Report D26/69002	Asset Management Reserve	50
30 Culwulla St, South Hurstville- Land Acquisition	BACS	Capital	Additional \$140,000 to owner and \$60,000 for demolition	Developer Contributions	200
Sensory Garden Project Reallocate to Operational	C&C	Capital	The project was abandoned due to structural concerns, and as a result, previously capitalised expenses have been reclassified to operating expenses	General Revenue	(223)
Traffic Program - Carrington & Warwick	A&I	Capital	Budget increase of \$100,000 funded from Road Program.	Asset Management Reserve	100
Roads Program	A&I	Capital	Budget increase of \$100,000 transferred to Carrington & Warwick, \$200,000 repurposed to operational traffic spend	Asset Management Reserve	(300)
Enhancing Accessibility	C&C	Capital	Portion of Grand funding used to Purchase capital equipment - 4 trailers	Grant	110
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>					<b>(63)</b>
Accessways - Oatley Bay Memorial Boardwalk	A&I	Capital	Delay in contractor engagement reducing capacity for work execution in FY26	Developer Contributions	(781)
Tom Ugly's Pt Marine Asset Renewal	A&I	Capital	Multi-year project. Projected spend identifies greater spend in FY27	Developer Contributions	(1,055)
Endeavor St Seawall	A&I	Capital	Site investigation predicted to be executed in FY26 with design to be completed in FY27. Proposed construction to also be completed in FY27.	Asset Management Reserve	(150)
Quarry Reserve North Tennis Courts & Amenities Refurbishment	A&I	Capital	Delay in contractor engagement reducing capacity for work execution in FY26.	Developer Contributions	(150)
Turf Sporting Fields Upgrade - Riverwood	A&I	Capital		Developer Contributions	(500)

Project Description	Directorate	Major Account Category	Reason	Funding Source	Budget Variations (\$'000)
Penshurst Park Fencing	A&I	Capital	Delay in contractor engagement reducing capacity for work execution in FY26. Likely contractor engagement in June therefore there is no spend.	Asset Management Reserve	(517)
Peakhurst Park Community Centre Car Park and Landscaping	A&I	Capital	Multi-year November budget inclusion. Site investigations to be undertaken FY26 with final design and subsequent construction FY27.	General Revenue	(200)
Vanessa Street Bridge (Road Asset)	A&I	Capital	Rephased to FY27 based on project execution pathways.	Asset Management Reserve	(230)
Retaining Walls - Penshurst Lane / Bridge St	A&I	Capital	The commencement of construction and project delivery timeframe has been adjusted to align with extended design development and associated procurement processes, ensuring appropriate planning, engagement, and delivery outcomes.	Asset Management Reserve	(1,017)
Forest St - Forest Road Traffic Works	A&I	Capital	Rephased to FY27 based on project execution pathways	Asset Management Reserve	(325)
<b>Total Capital Rephasing from 2025/26</b>					<b>(4,925)</b>
<b>Total Capital Works Program expenditure change to 2025/26 Budget</b>					<b>(4,988)</b>

<b>Capital Works Program expenditure change to Future Year Budgets</b>					
Retaining Walls - Penshurst Lane / Bridge St	A&I	Capital	RESOLUTION - ASS003-26 Budget increase	Asset Management Reserve	350
The Green Sporting Amenity Construction	A&I	Capital	Funding approved at April A&I Committee Meeting	Developer Contributions	1,250
<b>Total Capital Works Program expenditure change to Future Year Budgets</b>					<b>1,600</b>

<b>Total Capital Works Program expenditure change to 4 Year Program</b>					<b>1,537</b>
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**Table 6: Capital Program Phasing – Expenditure Forecast (Supplementary Information)**

Asset Class	Original Adopted Capital Program					Revised Capital Program (After Previously Approved Carryovers and Q2 Recommended Changes for Council Resolution)				
	FY26 Budget \$'000	FY27 Budget \$'000	FY28 Budget \$'000	FY29 Budget \$'000	Total FY26-29 \$'000	FY26 Budget \$'000	FY27 Budget \$'000	FY28 Budget \$'000	FY29 Budget \$'000	Total FY26-29 \$'000
<b>New Assets</b>										
Buildings - Non Specialised	5,915	4,600	4,400	1,500	16,415	8,313	5,500	4,400	1,500	19,713
Footpaths	500		1,500	3,000	5,000	500	0	1,000	4,500	6,000
Open Space/Recreational	2,970	2,900	2,500	3,400	11,770	6,625	380	70	30	7,105
Plant and Equipment		250	500	500	1,250	68	250	500	500	1,318
Roads	825	1,000	1,000	3,000	5,825	300	300	300	300	1,200
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>10,210</b>	<b>8,750</b>	<b>9,900</b>	<b>11,400</b>	<b>40,260</b>	<b>15,806</b>	<b>6,430</b>	<b>6,270</b>	<b>6,830</b>	<b>35,336</b>
<b>Renewal of Assets</b>										
Buildings - Non Specialised	7,005	4,050	1,270	1,950	14,275	6,358	6,220	3,570	8,950	25,098
Stormwater & Drainage	1,490	2,020	3,650	2,000	9,160	1,935	2,000	3,500	2,000	9,435
Footpaths	550	550	550	550	2,200	675	550	550	550	2,325
Library	460	460	460	460	1,840	460	460	460	460	1,840
Office Equipment	420	420	420	420	1,680	635	420	420	420	1,895
Open Space/ Recreational	6,500	7,085	5,560	3,960	23,105	5,419	16,445	10,410	5,460	37,734
Plant & Equipment	2,000	2,455	2,910	2,910	10,275	2,849	2,416	2,910	2,910	11,085
Roads	8,260	11,350	10,950	10,950	41,510	7,570	9,405	9,650	9,650	36,275
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>26,685</b>	<b>28,390</b>	<b>25,770</b>	<b>23,200</b>	<b>104,045</b>	<b>25,901</b>	<b>37,916</b>	<b>31,470</b>	<b>30,400</b>	<b>125,687</b>
Capitalised Project Salaries	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,545</b>	<b>38,790</b>	<b>37,320</b>	<b>36,250</b>	<b>150,905</b>	<b>43,357</b>	<b>45,996</b>	<b>39,390</b>	<b>38,880</b>	<b>167,623</b>

**Table 7: Cash and Investments Budget Review Statement (Mandatory Information)**

Description	Previous Year Actual 2024/25 (\$'000)	Original Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	Qtr 1 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Qtr 2 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Qtr 3 Budget Variation (\$'000)	Revised Budget 2025/26 (\$'000)	Recommended Changes for Council Resolution (\$'000)	Projected Yr End Result 2025/26 (\$'000)	Variance Original v Projected Yr End 2025/26 (\$'000)	YTD Actuals (\$'000)
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents & Investments	262,606	266,417	604	77		267,098	7,478	274,576	8,159	300,133
<b>EXTERNALLY RESTRICTED</b>										
Developer Contributions	118,211	116,481	(2,131)	21		114,371	(253)	114,118	(2,363)	118,211
Domestic Waste Management Reserve	19,225	16,393	3,984	480		20,857	2,550	23,407	7,014	21,775
Environment & Stormwater Management	3,261	1,901	1,177	0		3,078	0	3,078	1,177	3,168
Other (Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants; Town Improvement Levy Funds; Infrastructure Plus)	7,450	7,770	(203)	0		7,567	0	7,567	(203)	7,542
<b>Total Externally Restricted Balances</b>	<b>148,147</b>	<b>142,546</b>	<b>2,827</b>	<b>501</b>		<b>145,873</b>	<b>2,297</b>	<b>148,170</b>	<b>5,625</b>	<b>150,696</b>
<b>Cash, cash equivalents &amp; investments not subject to external restrictions</b>	<b>114,459</b>	<b>123,872</b>	<b>(2,223)</b>	<b>(424)</b>		<b>121,225</b>	<b>5,181</b>	<b>126,406</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>149,437</b>
<b>INTERNALLY RESTRICTED</b>										
Employee entitlements	6,779	7,686	(127)	0		7,559	0	7,559	(127)	6,779
Asset Roads & Infrastructure Management	20,727	29,366	(5,748)	(256)		23,362	3,727	27,089	(2,277)	20,728
Commercial Property	17,943	14,591	1,994	88		16,673	(367)	16,306	1,715	17,943
Co-Contributions Reserve	8,975	10,850	(575)	0		10,275	1,149	11,424	574	8,975
Strategic Centres Reserve	5,743	5,743	0	0		5,743	0	5,743	0	5,743
Carrs Park Aquatic Facility Construction Contribution Reserve	3,000	3,000	0	0		3,000	8,670	11,670	8,670	11,670
Other (all other Internally Restricted Reserves)	22,965	22,597	196	176		22,969	(1,299)	21,670	(927)	20,412
<b>Total Internally Restricted Balances</b>	<b>86,132</b>	<b>93,833</b>	<b>(4,260)</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>89,581</b>	<b>11,880</b>	<b>101,461</b>	<b>7,628</b>	<b>92,250</b>
<b>Unrestricted Cash Balance Forecast</b>	<b>28,327</b>	<b>30,039</b>	<b>2,037</b>	<b>(432)</b>		<b>31,644</b>	<b>(6,699)</b>	<b>24,945</b>	<b>(5,094)</b>	<b>57,187</b>

**Table 8: Developer Contribution Summary (Mandatory Information)**

Purpose	Opening Balance as at July 1 2026 (\$'000)	Contributions Received			Total Actual Interest Earned as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Total Amounts Expensed as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Total Internal Borrowings (to)/from as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Held as Restricted Asset as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Cumulative Balance of Internal Borrowings (to)/From as at Q3 26 (\$'000)
		Total Actual Cash as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Total Actual Non-Cash Land as at Q3 26 (\$'000)	Total Actual Non-Cash Other as at Q3 26 (\$'000)					
Drainage	187	0	0	0	7	0	0	194	0
Roads	790	16	0	0	28	0	0	834	0
Traffic facilities	3,262	49	0	0	117	0	0	3,428	0
Parking	1,091	0	0	0	39	0	0	1,130	0
Open space	52,796	3,393	0	0	1,902	509	0	57,582	0
Community facilities	11,069	346	0	0	390	1,250	0	10,555	0
Other	23,493	627	0	0	839	894	0	24,065	0
<b>Total S7.11 Under Plans</b>	<b>92,688</b>	<b>4,431</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,322</b>	<b>2,653</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>97,788</b>	<b>0</b>
S7.11 Not under plans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S7.12 Levies	11,280	1,848	0	0	433	5	0	13,556	0
S7.4 Planning agreements	13,817	0	0	0	491	0	0	14,305	0
S64 Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	426	0	0	0	15	0	0	441	0
<b>Total Developer Contributions</b>	<b>118,211</b>	<b>6,279</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,261</b>	<b>2,658</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>126,093</b>	<b>0</b>

Georges River Council - Capital Projects Program as at 28-Apr-2026

Description	26PJACT - Period 09						Qty Proposed Capital Works Program					Total 4 year Program
	26PJBUA	26PJBUDA	26PJBUDC	26PJQ1	26PJQ2	26PJQ3	26PJQ3	26PJB2	26PJB3	26PJB4	Total 4 year Program	
	Actuals	Adopted	Carry Overs	Q1 Adjustments	Q2 Adjustments	Q3 Adjustments	Proposed	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total 4 year Program	
<b>Building General Infrastructure</b>	2,427	7,260	148	936	0	39	8,383	6,450	4,900	2,000	21,733	
General Building Enhancements	66	115	0	0	0	0	115	700	0	0	815	
Blackshaw Gould Community Room Audio Visual	38	45	0	0	0	0	45	0	0	0	45	
Oatley Community Hall – Lower Level Meeting Rooms at 61 Oat	28	70	0	0	0	0	70	700	0	0	770	
<b>Olds Park Premium Sporting Facility Development</b>	475	5,600	0	0	0	0	5,600	3,900	0	0	9,500	
Olds Park Premium Sporting and Community Facility	475	5,600	0	0	0	0	5,600	3,900	0	0	9,500	
<b>OTHER</b>	0	0	0	0	0	39	39	0	0	0	39	
Empress Lane Ticketless Conversion	0	0	0	0	0	39	39	0	0	0	39	
<b>Peakhurst Park Community Centre</b>	1,829	1,345	115	909	0	0	2,369	0	0	0	2,369	
Hedley Street Community Facility Design	1,829	1,345	115	909	0	0	2,369	0	0	0	2,369	
<b>Solar Installation Program</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	500	500	1,250	
Long Term Solar Installation Plan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	500	500	1,250	
<b>Sporting Amenities Renewal Program</b>	6	200	0	0	0	0	200	1,100	400	0	1,700	
Gifford Park Permanent Sporting, Amenities and Storage	6	200	0	0	0	0	200	1,100	400	0	1,700	
<b>Todd Park Sporting Amenities</b>	51	0	33	27	0	0	60	500	4,000	1,500	6,060	
Todd Park Sporting Centre of Excellence	51	0	33	27	0	0	60	500	4,000	1,500	6,060	
Todd Park Sporting Amenities Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Building Renewals</b>	977	5,859	1,162	194	-336	-352	6,527	6,136	4,680	10,060	27,403	
<b>Aquatic Facilities Renewal Program</b>	77	200	0	39	0	0	239	516	200	200	1,155	
HALC Gym Equipment Replacement and Minor Works	0	100	0	0	0	0	100	100	100	100	400	
HALC - Chemical Storage and Dosing Unit Replacement	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
HALC - Mechanical and Electrical Renewal Works	17	100	0	0	0	0	100	100	100	100	400	
HALC-Spa Filter Replacement	39	0	0	39	0	0	39	316	0	0	355	
<b>Building Design</b>	0	150	0	0	0	0	150	750	0	0	900	
Design for critical renewal of key building assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mortdale Depot & Waste Management Facility	0	150	0	0	0	0	150	750	0	0	900	
<b>Minor Building Renewals</b>	0	200	292	-79	360	-90	683	200	200	200	1,283	
Sewer System at HV Evatt Park replacement	0	0	0	50	0	0	50	0	0	0	50	
Fire Compliance Works	0	0	0	0	360	0	360	0	0	0	360	
Minor Building Renewals	0	200	0	-50	0	-90	60	200	200	200	660	
Penshurst Park Power Rectification	0	0	79	-79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Electrical Switchboard Replacement	0	0	213	0	0	0	213	0	0	0	213	
<b>Childcare Centre Building Renewal Program</b>	151	780	33	17	-163	0	667	550	0	0	1,217	
Jack High Child Care Centre - Outdoor & Building Improvement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	0	0	200	
Penshurst Long Day Care-Kitchen, Bathrooms,Nappy Change	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	150	
Oatley West Childcare - Rectification Works	34	450	0	0	0	0	450	200	0	0	650	
Oatley West Childcare - Passenger Lift Replacement	117	130	33	17	-63	0	117	0	0	0	117	
Repair of subflooring at South Hurstville Kindergarten	0	200	0	0	-100	0	100	0	0	0	100	
<b>Commercial Properties Minor Renewals</b>	-324	200	25	8	0	-39	194	200	200	1,600	2,194	
Refurbishments Works - 2 Belgrave St (additional)	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial Property Minor Building Works	3	200	0	0	0	-39	161	200	200	1,600	2,161	
Kogarah Town Square Lift Renewal	-359	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	
Belgrave Street Foyer Upgrade	25	0	25	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	25	
<b>Depot Building Renewal</b>	7	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10	
Mortdale and Carlton Depot Toilet Upgrade	7	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10	

Description	26PJACT -	26PJBUDA	26PJBUDC	26PJQ1	26PJQ2	26PJQ3	26PJQ3	26PJB2	26PJB3	26PJB4	Total 4 year
	Period 09	Adopted	Carry Overs	Q1 Adjustments	Q2 Adjustments	Q3 Adjustments	Proposed	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total 4 year Program
Hurstville Civic Centre Renewal Program	714	1,725	108	146	-455	0	1,524	170	1,480	910	4,084
Hurstville Entertainment Centre New Chairs	114	50	0	75	0	0	125	0	0	0	125
HEC Fire System Upgrade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hurstville Entertainment Centre Renewal	484	1,420	42	31	-200	0	1,293	0	0	0	1,293
Hurstville Civic Centre - Mechanical Renewal Works	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	910	910	1,920
Hurstville Civic Centre - Roof Waterproofing Replacement	90	0	66	0	0	0	66	0	0	0	66
Hurstville Entertainment Centre - Goods Lift Replacement	0	255	0	0	-255	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hurstville Museum & Gallery - Replace Shed and Shelter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	420	0	470
Hurstville Museum and Gallery - External Restoration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hurstville Senior Citizens Sewer Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	150	0	170
E&P Flooring Rectification works	26	0	0	40	0	0	40	0	0	0	40
Hurstville House Renewal Program	168	1,100	13	20	0	0	1,133	450	0	0	1,583
Hurstville House Aircon Upgrade	168	1,100	13	20	0	0	1,133	450	0	0	1,583
Jubilee Stadium Renewal Program	53	220	112	38	0	0	370	1,000	2,000	0	3,370
Jubilee Stadium - Eastern Toilet Block Replacement	53	0	112	38	0	0	150	1,000	2,000	0	3,150
Jubilee Stadium Flooring Replacement and Minor Works Project	0	220	0	0	0	0	220	0	0	0	220
Branch Libraries Improvement Program	38	384	427	0	0	-223	588	150	150	150	1,038
Sensory Garden	-115	0	223	0	0	-223	0	0	0	0	0
Kogarah Library Air-Conditioning Chiller unit replacement	153	0	160	0	0	0	160	0	0	0	160
Hurstville Library Fire Safety and Building Defect Upgrades	0	234	44	0	0	0	278	0	0	0	278
Branch Libraries Compliance and Ongoing Renewals	0	150	0	0	0	0	150	150	150	150	600
Sporting Amenities Renewal Program	93	900	142	5	-78	0	969	2,150	450	7,000	10,569
Green Kyle Bay Sporting and Public Amenities Construction	0	900	0	0	-200	-700	0	0	0	0	0
The Green Kyle Bay Sporting Amenities Invest Des Consult	82	0	115	5	0	700	820	1,750	0	0	2,570
Olds Park Amenity Building - Roof Investigation & Design	11	0	27	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	27
Beverley Hills- Sporting Amenities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	3,000	3,250
Cars Park Flats Precinct Upgrade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	200	4,000	4,600
Olds Park Roof Replacement Construction	0	0	0	0	122	0	122	0	0	0	122
IMT & Library Resources Renewal Total	453	880	215	0	0	0	1,095	880	880	880	3,735
Information Technology Upgrades and Renewals	217	420	215	0	0	0	635	420	420	420	1,895
IT Computer Hardware	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Information technology equipment	215	420	0	0	0	0	420	420	420	420	1,680
Council Chambers Broadcasting Equipment Refresh	0	0	140	0	0	0	140	0	0	0	140
UPS Replacement at Hurstville and Kogarah Data Centres	0	0	75	0	0	0	75	0	0	0	75
Library Resource Renewal	236	460	0	0	0	0	460	460	460	460	1,840
Audio Visual Library Asset Account	21	31	0	0	0	0	31	31	31	31	124
Non Fiction standing Orders - Library - Asset Account	31	52	0	0	0	0	52	52	52	52	208
Audio Visual - Junior - Library	2	8	0	0	0	0	8	8	8	8	33
English Learning - Library Asset Account	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
Large Print - Library Asset Account	4	21	0	0	0	0	21	21	21	21	83
Reference - Library Asset account	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
Junior Fiction - Library Asset Account	81	145	0	0	0	0	145	145	145	145	580
Local History - Library asset Account	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
Adult Fiction - Library asset Account	52	85	0	0	0	0	85	85	85	85	340
Community Language- Library asset Account	0	16	0	0	0	0	16	16	16	16	64
Chinese Language- Library Asset Account	11	28	0	0	0	0	28	28	28	28	112
Toys and Equipment - Library Asset Account	20	31	0	0	0	0	31	31	31	31	124
Special Collections	15	40	0	0	0	0	40	40	40	40	160
Master Plan & LEP Program	496	350	682	50	73	0	1,155	30	70	30	1,285
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Beverly Hills Centre Masterplan	88	0	99	0	73	0	172	0	0	0	172
Jubilee Stadium Precinct Master Plan	6	0	193	0	0	0	193	0	0	0	193
Kogarah Strategic Centre Master Plan	90	175	0	0	0	0	175	0	0	0	175
Mortdale Master Plan Implementation - Prep of DCP	42	0	117	0	0	0	117	0	0	0	117

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	Period 09	Adopted	Carry Overs	Q1 Adjustments	Q2 Adjustments	Q3 Adjustments	Proposed	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Program
Riverwood Master Plan Stage 1	269	175	273	0	0	0	448	0	0	0	448
Hogben Park Master Plan	0	0	0	50	0	0	50	30	0	0	80
Transform Oatley Bowling Club site Masterplan works	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	30	100
Not Applicable	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Childcare Centre Building Renewal Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cars Park Narani Waterproofing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sporting Amenities Renewal Program	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oatley Park Baths Amenities Block Design	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Open Space Renewals	799	5,680	914	818	137	-3,513	4,036	11,768	8,510	4,610	28,924
Accessway Renewals and Refurbishment Program	104	390	25	743	0	-781	377	1,271	485	485	2,618
Accessway Design and Upgrade Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	485	485	1,070
Accessways - Oatley Bay Memorial Boardwalk	28	300	25	683	0	-781	227	781	0	0	1,008
Accessways - Gnarbo Lane	36	40	0	60	0	0	100	140	0	0	240
Accessways - Terry St	41	50	0	0	0	0	50	250	0	0	300
Fence Renewal Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	150	100	300
Fence Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	150	100	300
Marine Assets Renewal Program	34	1,500	28	361	0	-1,120	769	3,205	750	400	5,124
Claydon Reserve Fishing Platform	0	0	0	0	0	35	35	0	0	0	35
Tom Ugly's Pt Marine Asset Renewal	34	1,300	28	361	0	-1,055	634	2,855	0	0	3,489
Marine Infrastructure - Asset Management Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	400
Marine Infrastructure Northcote	0	200	0	-200	0	0	0	200	750	0	950
Endeavor St Seawall	0	0	0	200	0	-100	100	150	0	0	250
Minor Open Space Capital Renewal	0	150	0	-30	-85	-35	0	150	150	150	450
Minor Open Space Capital Renewal	0	150	0	-30	-85	-35	0	150	150	150	450
Non Turf Sporting Surface Renewal Program	0	0	0	200	0	-150	50	1,300	1,200	400	2,950
Quarry Reserve North Tennis Courts & Amenities Refurbishment	0	0	0	200	0	-150	50	1,150	400	0	1,600
Vanessa Street Multi-Sport Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	800	400	1,350
Open Space Lighting Renewal Program	186	680	69	189	0	0	938	875	875	875	3,563
Solar Light Replacement at Harold Fraser Oval	0	0	0	30	0	0	30	0	0	0	30
Poulton Park Sports Light Replacement	54	0	65	-11	0	0	54	0	0	0	54
Sportsfields Lighting Upgrade	132	0	0	0	150	0	150	500	500	500	1,650
Open Space Lighting Renewal Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	375	375	375	1,125
Sportsfields Lighting Upgrade- CLOSED	0	0	0	150	-150	0	0	0	0	0	0
Olds Park Shared Path and Pedestrian Lighting Upgrade	0	680	4	20	0	0	704	0	0	0	704
OTHER	0	300	0	-300	0	0	0	300	1,500	400	2,200
San Souci Master Plan - Stage 1 and Stage 2	0	300	0	-300	0	0	0	300	1,500	400	2,200
Playground and Playspace Renewal Program	312	0	675	-345	-18	0	312	0	0	0	312
Playground replacement program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kempt Field Playspace Relocation	312	0	675	-345	-18	0	312	0	0	0	312
Retaining Wall Renewals	115	660	117	0	240	-1,017	0	3,127	1,000	1,000	5,127
Retaining Walls - Penshurst Lane / Bridge St (Design)	91	0	117	0	0	-117	0	0	0	0	0
Retaining Walls Renewal Program	24	160	0	0	-160	0	0	1,760	1,000	1,000	3,760
Retaining Walls - Penshurst Lane / Bridge St	0	500	0	0	400	-900	0	1,367	0	0	1,367
Synthetic Sportsfield resurfacing program	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	0	0	90
Vanessa Street Synthetic Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	0	0	90
Turf Sporting Field Renewal Program	48	2,000	0	0	0	-500	1,500	1,490	2,400	800	6,190
Turf Sporting Fields Upgrade Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	800	800	1,600
Turf Sporting Fields Upgrade - Riverwood	48	2,000	0	0	0	-500	1,500	1,490	0	0	2,990

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Peakhurst Sports Field Playing Fields 3 &4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,600	0	1,600
Open Space General Infrastructure	2,442	3,950	2,751	537	-60	-517	6,661	5,027	1,900	850	14,438
Fence Renewal Program	15	580	0	0	100	-517	163	867	0	0	1,030
Penshurst Park Fencing	15	530	0	0	0	-517	13	517	0	0	530
Oatley Park Security Measures ( Oatley Park Fence)	0	50	0	0	100	0	150	350	0	0	500
Land Acquisitions	13	0	2,298	200	0	200	2,698	0	0	0	2,698
30 Culwulla St, South Hurstville- Land Acquisition	10	0	2,298	0	0	200	2,498	0	0	0	2,498
13 & 15 Keith St, Demolition	3	0	0	200	0	0	200	0	0	0	200
Non Turf Sporting Surface Renewal Program	5	0	5	63	0	0	68	0	0	0	68
Football (Soccer) Goals for Council's Synthetic Field	5	0	5	63	0	0	68	0	0	0	68
Open Space Remediation	2,231	2,000	448	24	0	0	2,472	0	0	0	2,472
Donnelly Park Foreshore Protection and Enhancement	2,231	2,000	448	24	0	0	2,472	0	0	0	2,472
OTHER	29	0	0	0	40	0	40	0	0	0	40
Sans Souci Leisure Centre Public Entrance Improvement	29	0	0	0	40	0	40	0	0	0	40
Peakhurst Park Community Centre	0	0	0	250	0	-200	50	1,400	0	0	1,450
Peakhurst Park Community Centre Car Park and Landscaping	0	0	0	250	0	-200	50	1,400	0	0	1,450
Playground and Playspace Renewal Program	150	1,370	0	0	-200	0	1,170	2,760	1,900	850	6,680
Carsr Bush Park Playspace Upgrade stage 2	35	350	0	0	-200	0	150	1,650	0	0	1,800
Peakhurst Park Adventure Playspace	115	220	0	0	0	0	220	1,000	500	0	1,720
Playspace Rejuvenation Program - Bridgeview Reserve	0	200	0	0	0	0	200	0	0	0	200
Playspace Rejuvenation Program - Croot	0	600	0	0	0	0	600	0	0	0	600
Playspace Rejuvenation Program - Ruby wing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	550	0	600
PlaySpace Rejuvenation Program - HV Evatt Design and constru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	850	0	910
Playspace Strategy Implementation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	850	850
Plant & Vehicle	787	1,800	0	810	0	110	2,720	1,800	1,800	1,800	8,120
Not Applicable	111	0	0	0	0	110	110	0	0	0	110
Enhancing Accessibility - Capital Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trailers -Enhancing Accessibility – Capital	111	0	0	0	0	110	110	0	0	0	110
Heavy Vehicle & Mobile Plant Replacement Program	676	1,800	0	810	0	0	2,610	1,800	1,800	1,800	8,010
Passenger Vehicle purchases	653	800	0	810	0	0	1,610	800	800	800	4,010
Purchase of Mobile Plant - City Works	23	1,000	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	4,000
Stormwater General Infrastructure	0	390	0	0	305	0	695	0	0	0	695
Stormwater Improvements	0	390	0	0	305	0	695	0	0	0	695
Beverly Park Water Sensitive Urban Design Implementation	0	390	0	0	305	0	695	0	0	0	695
Stormwater Renewals	353	1,100	223	-83	0	0	1,240	2,000	3,500	2,000	8,740
Stormwater Improvements	353	1,100	223	-83	0	0	1,240	2,000	3,500	2,000	8,740
Lime Kiln Bay WSUD DO NOT USE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stormwater Renewals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stormwater Improvement Works Program	179	1,000	0	0	0	46	1,046	1,000	2,000	2,000	6,046
Lime Kiln Bay Wetland Renewal	120	0	123	17	0	0	140	1,000	1,500	0	2,640
Park Rd Kogarah Bay Drainage Works	54	100	0	0	0	-46	54	0	0	0	54
Park Rd Kogarah Bay Drainage Works	0	0	100	-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport General Infrastructure	69	500	0	80	45	0	625	0	1,000	4,500	6,125
Active Transport Pathway Program	0	500	0	0	0	0	500	0	500	0	1,000
Hurstville Active Transport Design	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Footpath New Construction	0	500	0	0	0	0	500	0	500	0	1,000

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	Period 09	Adopted	Carry Overs	Q1 Adjustments	Q2 Adjustments	Q3 Adjustments	Proposed	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total 4 year Program
Footpath Renewal Program	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Footpath Gloucester Rd-Morgan to StoneyCk Even	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Streetscape Upgrade and Renewal	35	0	0	80	45	0	125	0	500	4,500	5,125
Streetscape Program - Mortdale Town Centre Stage 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Streetscape Program - Kogarah North Public Domain Project	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	4,500	5,000
Mortdale Streetscape Embellishment	35	0	0	80	0	0	80	0	0	0	80
Installation of seating within the Mortdale town centre	0	0	0	0	45	0	45	0	0	0	45
Transport Facilities Program	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverwood High Pedestrian Activity Area (HPAA) Works	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport Renewal Program	3,321	9,125	0	0	200	-755	8,570	10,255	10,500	10,500	39,825
Active Transport Pathway Program	184	550	0	0	0	0	550	550	550	550	2,200
Footpath Renewals	184	550	0	0	0	0	550	550	550	550	2,200
Bus Stop Compliance Program	0	300	0	0	0	0	300	300	300	300	1,200
Bus Stop Upgrade Program	0	300	0	0	0	0	300	300	300	300	1,200
Kerb and Gutter Rehabilitation Program	0	500	0	0	0	0	500	500	500	500	2,000
Kerb and Gutter Program	0	500	0	0	0	0	500	500	500	500	2,000
Road Safety Renewal Program	31	70	0	0	0	0	70	250	250	250	820
Renewal and refurbishment of Road Safety Barriers	31	70	0	0	0	0	70	250	250	250	820
Roads Program	3,101	6,700	0	0	0	-300	6,400	6,700	6,700	6,700	26,500
Road Resheet - Resheet program	3,101	6,000	0	0	0	-300	5,700	6,000	6,000	6,000	23,700
Roads to Recovery Resheet program R2R	0	700	0	0	0	0	700	700	700	700	2,800
Sign Replacement Program	5	150	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	0	150
Streetsign Replacement - Capital	5	150	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	0	150
Transport Facilities Program	0	855	0	0	200	-455	600	1,955	2,200	2,200	6,955
TINSW Other Traffic Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rose St - Forest Road Traffic Works	0	325	0	0	0	-325	0	325	0	0	325
Traffic Program Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,400	2,200	2,200	5,800
Traffic Program - Carrington & Warwick	0	500	0	0	0	100	600	0	0	0	600
Vanessa Street Bridge (Road Asset)	0	30	0	0	200	-230	0	230	0	0	230
Capitalised Project Salaries	1,213	1,650	0	0	0	0	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600
<b>Total Capital Program</b>	<b>13,285</b>	<b>38,544</b>	<b>6,095</b>	<b>3,342</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>-4,988</b>	<b>43,357</b>	<b>45,996</b>	<b>39,390</b>	<b>38,880</b>	<b>167,623</b>

**NOTICES OF MOTION****Item: NM027-26 Sporting Recognition Framework****Councillor:** Councillor Dimoski**MOTION:**

That Council:

(a) That Council:

- (i) Acknowledges that many local athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers have achieved excellence and made significant contributions to sport at local, regional, state, national and international levels.
- (ii) Recognise the important role that sporting achievement plays in fostering community pride, inspiring participation in sport and physical activity, and contributing to the social and cultural life of the Georges River community.

(b) That the General Manager prepares a report to Council outlining options for a structured sporting recognition framework for the Georges River community.

**DIRECTOR'S COMMENT:**

This Motion is consistent with Georges River Council's Community Strategic Plan 2022-2032:

- Pillar 1: Our Community – *Goal 1.7 Provide programs and events that promote, support and celebrate local heritage and history.*

Council acknowledges that many local sport athletes have achieved excellence in their chosen sport at varying levels resulting in a positive impact on community pride, participation in sport and physical activity, and the social and cultural life of the Georges River community.

Should the Motion be supported, the preparation of the requested report will enable Council to consider how existing programs and policies could support the recognition of sporting achievement, alongside new or enhanced approaches. This will include benchmarking how other councils recognise and celebrate sporting excellence within their local government areas and assessing options for a structured recognition framework. Options may include both physical and digital recognition methods, such as a Sports Hall of Fame, exhibitions, naming opportunities, and integration with existing awards programs.

The Sports Advisory Committee will play a key role in informing and promoting any future recognition program, including encouraging nominations and ensuring broad community representation.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Should Council resolve to support this Motion, the financial implications will be provided in a future report.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/130562

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**Item: NM028-26 Peakhurst West Public School Swimming Pool****Councillor:** Councillor Liu**MOTION:**

That Council:

- (a) Acknowledge that access to affordable and appropriate community sporting facilities is essential to community wellbeing.
- (b) Note that:
  - (i) The transfer of the pool to a private operator and a commercialised mode of operation has reportedly resulted in increased fees and reduced access for community users, including local swimming clubs;
  - (ii) Proposed changes, including a reduction in 25-metre pool depth from 2.0 metres to 1.35/1.4 metres, represent a downgrade of the facility and impact its suitability for training, community programs, and typical competition use; and
  - (iii) This matter has been raised with Council since December 2024, including a 2025 resolution regarding the reopening of the facility (NM091-25), and key concerns relating to affordability, access, and proposed changes remain unresolved.
- (c) Write to the NSW Government to:
  - (i) Express Council's and the community's concerns regarding affordability, access, and proposed facility changes;
  - (ii) Seek a review to ensure the facility remains accessible and appropriate for community use; and
  - (iii) Request clarification on proposed changes, including pool depth and their impact on users.

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**DIRECTOR'S COMMENT:**

This Motion is consistent with Georges River Council's Community Strategic Plan 2025-2035:

- *Pillar 1: Our Community* - Provide a range of services, programs and facilities that address the needs of local people of all ages, and through all stages of life.

The Peakhurst West Public School Swimming Pool is owned and managed by the NSW Department of Education. Historically, the pool has supported a mix of school-based use and broader community access, including learn-to-swim programs, recreational swimming, and use by local swimming clubs.

The NSW Department of Education has recently confirmed the appointment of Fit XP as the new operator of the facility, with responsibility for management, programming and further upgrades.

As part of this new operational model, the Department has also confirmed a further stage of refurbishment works, including:

- Reduction in the depth of the 25-metre pool;
- Upgrades to the infants' pool, change rooms and internal facilities; and

- Installation of new plant and energy infrastructure.

These arrangements reflect a transition to an operator-led model in which both design and operational matters, including access, pricing and programming, are determined by the NSW Department of Education and its appointed provider.

While Council does not have authority over the operation or design of the facility, Council officers will write to the NSW Government, should this motion be supported, to seek clarification and advocate for the ongoing accessibility, affordability and suitability of the facility.

Council will also continue to promote the use of its aquatic facilities, including Hurstville Aquatic Leisure Centre and Sans Souci Leisure Centre, to support community access to aquatic recreation within the Georges River local government area.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

No financial/budget impact for this recommendation.

### **FILE REFERENCE**

D26/122987

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**Item: NM029-26 Beverly Hills Master Plan****Councillor:** Councillor Wang**MOTION:**

That Council:

**(a) Acknowledges the shifting planning landscape:**

Notes that the vast majority of the Beverly Hills Commercial Business Area is now subject to State-led planning pathways, specifically the State Significant Development (SSD) application at 447-453 King Georges Road (former cinema site) and the State-Assessed Rezoning Proposal (SARP) for 407-511 King Georges Road. There could be more SSD submissions in the pipeline.

**(b) Recognises overlapping State jurisdictions:**

Notes that the management of the Moomba to Sydney pipeline risk has effectively been referred to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI). In November 2025, Council resolved to submit a Planning Proposal to State Planning seeking to impose a 200-metre Activity Hazard Risk Map. Given DPHI is assessing these risk controls alongside the precinct's Low- and Mid-Rise (LMR) housing policy, the State is already the primary authority.

**(c) Acknowledges the lack of a delivery timeline:**

Notes with concern that despite nearly a decade of delays, Council cannot provide a definite timeline for the completion of the Beverly Hills Master Plan.

**(d) Formally requests a State takeover based on proven precedents:**

Writes to the Honourable Paul Scully MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI), formally requesting the State Government assume full planning control of the Beverly Hills Master Plan. Council requests the State apply a model similar to the recently finalised Sydney Olympic Park Master Plan 2050—potentially through designation as a State Significant Precinct (SSP) under a State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP)—to ensure a holistic, cohesive precinct design and avoid fragmented, "siloes" development.

**(e) Protects ratepayer funds:**

Resolves to immediately cease all further expenditure of Council funds on external consultants and technical studies for the Beverly Hills Master Plan, preventing costly coordination friction and the duplication of planning efforts.

**DIRECTOR'S COMMENT:**

The Motion is inconsistent with previous Council resolutions dated 25 May 2020 ([ENV012-20](#)), 24 April 2023 ([ENV007-23](#)) and 24 February ([ENV003-25](#)) which are to continue with a Council-led Beverly Hills Local Centre Master Plan.

The role of a master plan is to provide a long-term spatial framework for land use planning over the next 20 years that guides future growth and decisions about development, infrastructure, land use and public spaces.

Further commentary is provided below in relation to each of the five points of the NOM.

**a) Shifting planning landscape:**

While some sites have been subject to State-led processes, the [SSD](#) at 447–453 King Georges Road has been [revoked](#) by the Minister Planning and Public Spaces for not progressing in accordance with specified timeframes. Additionally, the State-Assessed Rezoning Proposal ([SARP](#)) for 407–511 King Georges Road has not progressed since declaration as a SARP on 14 May 2025.

There is currently no active coordinated State-led precinct framework, so a Council-led strategic planning process remains to be the most suitable process for driving the revitalisation of the Beverly Hills Local Centre over the next 20 years.

**b) Overlapping State jurisdictions:**

Council acknowledges that the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) has a statutory role in the assessment of hazard risks (including gas pipeline risk) and in the implementation of State housing policies such as the Low and Mid-Rise Housing Policy. It should be noted that Council at its meeting held 23 March 2026 resolved to implement the recommendations of the Hazard Analysis Report by forwarding the Planning Proposal PP2026/0002 to the DPHI seeking a Gateway Determination in accordance with Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

This is a requirement under the Act and does not remove Council's responsibility to undertake strategic and place-based planning. Council's role is to integrate State-imposed constraints and policies such as pipeline risk, flood risk and housing policies into a coherent, centre-based Master Plan that can guide outcomes across multiple sites and ownerships. The Beverly Hills Master Plan performs this integrating function and does not duplicate or override State regulatory processes.

**c) Delivery timeline:**

The draft Master Plan is being finalised, with reporting to Committee/Council expected in the coming months to enable public exhibition. [NM006-26](#) Beverly Hills Master Plan dated 23 February 2026 explains the adjusted project timeframes caused by the flood analysis requirements and the recently completed Moomba to Sydney Ethane Pipeline Hazard Analysis Report.

**d) State takeover and State Significant Precinct model:**

Council does not support seeking a State takeover or State Significant Precinct (SSP) designation. Beverly Hills does not have the characteristics of SSPs (such as Sydney Olympic Park), and a Council-led approach is considered most appropriate as it enables the master plan to be informed by Council's adopted priorities including the Community Strategic Plan, works program and delivery strategies.

**e) Protection of ratepayer funds:**

Consultant expenditure is within approved budgets and focused on completing the Master Plan. Halting work now would undermine prior investment and increase long-term planning risk by jeopardising the potential for coordinated renewal of the Local Centre and immediate surrounds.

Completing a Council-led, place-based Master Plan that aligns with State policies is the most appropriate, cost-effective, and defensible approach for guiding future development in Beverly Hills.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Master Plan is within existing budget allocations with sufficient funds available to finalise the project.

**FILE REFERENCE**

D26/124997

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**Item: NM030-26 Poisoning of Trees - Boundary Road Reserve Peakhurst****Councillor:** Councillor Mahoney**MOTION:**

That Council:

- (a) Recognises that three (3) *Syncarpia glomulifera* (Turpentine) trees and one (1) *Eucalyptus microcorys* (Tallowwood) tree located in Boundary Reserve, Peakhurst have been killed by poisoning.
- (b) Notes that *Syncarpia glomulifera* forms part of the Turpentine–Ironbark Forest within the Sydney Basin Bioregion (which was listed by the Commonwealth Government in 2014 as critically endangered under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act 1999).
- (c) Condemns this act of vandalism, which has adversely impacted a highly vulnerable and protected ecological system.
- (d) Continues its investigations into the matter in order to identify the culprit, and seeks the assistance of the Commander, St George Police Area Command in this regard.
- (e) Explores the possibility of incorporating all *Syncarpia glomulifera* growing in Council's parks, reserves and streets into the Significant Tree Register.
- (f) Conducts an extensive media campaign in order to publicise this act of vandalism, highlighting the penalties applicable to such crimes.
- (g) Erects appropriate signage as a further preventative and educational measure.
- (h) Notes that the damage has been registered in Council's Public Tree Vandalism Database.
- (i) Extensively replants the affected area with more specimens of *Syncarpia glomulifera* and other species from the same endangered ecological community.
- (j) Installs necessary security measures (such as surveillance camera equipment and lighting) to deter further acts of vandalism within Boundary Reserve.

NM030-26

**DIRECTOR'S COMMENT:**

This Motion is consistent with Georges River Council's Community Strategic Plan 2025-2035:

- Pillar 2: Our Green Environment

*2.6A Provide appropriate and responsive management of current and future tree assets within the Georges River Local Government Area.*

Council officers are continuing to investigate the malicious damage of these trees and a letterbox drop of the surrounding residences calling for any witnesses or information has been completed. An incident report regarding the suspected malicious damage to a critically endangered ecological community has been lodged with NSW Police.

Trees that are nominated for consideration to be included on Councils Significant Tree Register require a detailed assessment of each tree and how they meet the criteria under the following categories: visual, botanical, ecological and historical, commemorative, cultural or social significance. Trees considered for inclusion within the Significant Tree Register must satisfy a minimum of two (2) sub-criteria within each category.

All nominations must be made via Councils YourSay page:

<https://yoursay.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/georges-river-council-s-significant-tree-register> and is then thoroughly assessed by an independent qualified consultant against the assessment criteria using the information provided. Further, trees to be considered for the register can be located on public land (Council owned or managed) or private land (nominated by the registered landowners with approval from all parties). All trees on the Register are managed in accordance with Councils Tree Management Policy.

Therefore, any nominations of *Syncarpia Glomulifera* in the local government area for consideration on the Register must follow the nomination process as outlined on Councils YourSay page.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Options for security measures within the park are currently being investigated. Should Council resolve to support this Motion, and the investigations determine additional budget is required, the financial implications will be provided in a future report.

### **FILE REFERENCE**

D26/125064

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE****Item:** QWN013-26 Tree Vandalism**Author:** Councillor Allison**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager**Matter Type:** Questions with Notice**COUNCILLOR QUESTION**

1. Can the number of mature trees lost due to vandalism in Georges River LGA be quantified and the sites identified;
2. Would a preventative education program for residents and applicants covering the benefits of trees and penalties for vandalism be effective;
3. Is the information in the Tree Vandalism register publicly available

**OFFICER RESPONSE**

1. Public tree vandalism is managed by Council's Tree Management team within the Assets and Infrastructure Directorate. For trees located on Council-managed land, Council maintains a Public Tree Vandalism Database, as per part 4.8 of Council's Tree Management Policy. Current records indicate 33 public trees have been or are suspected to have been vandalised. Twenty four (24) of the listed trees were classified as mature prior to their demise.

The image included below shows all public trees listed on Council's Public Tree Vandalism Database.



Councils' current customer request system is used to request investigation into illegal tree removals on private properties. The request system logs alleged illegal tree removal, illegal tree poisoning, unauthorised tree pruning, non-compliance with development consent relating to trees and non-compliance with tree permit under the same category - Tree Vandalism/Damage (including poisoning) on Private land. Each of these specific types of tree vandalism are not recorded individually and would require a time-consuming manual process to review all requests to identify trees lost to vandalism. Even if this process was conducted, only those sites where evidence was beyond reasonable doubt that the tree had been lost due to vandalism could, for liability reasons, be published. Such situations would most likely result in Court action, which is within the public realm. It should be noted that while fines can be issued for tree vandalism, the payment of the fine is not an admission of guilt. Further, this list would not record all sites where trees were lost to vandalism as unnotified tree losses are not included.

2. A preventative education program may have limited effectiveness in preventing deliberate tree vandalism, particularly where actions are intentional. However, it could assist in improving community awareness and deterring unintentional damage. Clearly outlining the applicable fines and maximum penalties for illegal tree removal or damage, explaining how community members can report suspected illegal activity to Council, and advising what types of evidence are most helpful (such as photos, dates, locations, and vehicle or other relevant details), may provide an additional deterrent. Providing this information can enable residents to assist with compliance efforts, reinforce community expectations around tree protection, and support enforcement action.
3. Council currently does not have an overall (public and private) Tree Vandalism register and in effect, as outlined above, if one were made available it would be a tree prosecution register.

Answer published in the business paper.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**Item:** QWN014-26 Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal

**Author:** Councillor Wang

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Questions with Notice

### COUNCILLOR QUESTION

To ensure transparency and accountability regarding the expenditure of ratepayer funds, could the General Manager please provide the following information:

(a) Total Expenditure:

What was the exact total cost incurred by Georges River Council in developing the "Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal" from its inception until its withdrawal in October 2025, including both external consultancy fees and dedicated internal staff resources?

(b) Cost Breakdown of Withdrawn Studies:

Can Council provide an itemized breakdown of with the required studies for this proposal? Specifically, what technical reports, urban design testing, or consultancy services were commissioned and paid for?

(c) Given that the proposal targeted additional dwellings in R2 and R3 zones to meet housing targets, can any of the commissioned technical work or data from this expenditure be legally or practically repurposed for other active strategic planning projects (such as the Beverly Hills or Mortdale Master Plans), or is this entirely a sunk cost to ratepayers?

(d) Mitigating Financial Waste:

Moving forward, what governance and financial controls is Council implementing to ensure that ratepayer funds are not repeatedly wasted on commissioning external reports and planning proposals that are ultimately withdrawn or abandoned?

### OFFICER RESPONSE

(a) Council at its meeting held 27 October 2025 resolved to not proceed with the Additional and Diverse Housing Planning Proposal (PP2024/0004, known as the Housing PP). The subject PP was prepared by Council staff under budget allocations for general employee costs. No external consultants were engaged for the preparation of the Housing PP.

(b) There was no expenditure on studies or technical reports.

(c) There was no expenditure on studies or technical reports.

(d) Council, as the governing body, is the determining authority on whether or not to proceed on matters that they call for a report on.

Council resolved to prepare the Housing PP as a viable alternative to the LMR Policy within existing budget allocations.

The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) issued a Gateway Determination for the Housing PP on 12 September 2025 which required additional studies to be prepared as detailed in **Item ENV035-25** at a cost of approximately \$500,000 in additional non-budgeted funds.

Staff reported this development to Council, recommending not to proceed further as it would not represent an appropriate use ratepayer funds, nor would it achieve the intent of the original Planning Proposal as Council desired.

The current suite of governance and financial controls, as applied in this instance, has proven more than adequate to guide appropriate decision making by Councillors.

Answer published in the business paper.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

QWN014-26

**QUESTIONS WITH NO NOTICE**

**Item:** QNN006-26 NM026-26: Road Safety Concerns - Kingsway and Maluka Place Kingsgrove

**Author:** Councillor Pun

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Questions with no Notice

QNN006-26

**COUNCILLOR QUESTION**

Can Council officers advise whether they have received the petition signed by the residents on this issue?

**OFFICER RESPONSE**

The Manager of Assets and Traffic advises that the petition was received by Council in July 2025. Since its receipt, Council officers have been liaising with the residents' representative, Mr Peter Crawford.

Answer published in the business paper.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil

**COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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