

## BLACKTOWN CITY COUNCIL

### MEETING NO. 929

**MINUTES** of the **ORDINARY MEETING** of **BLACKTOWN CITY COUNCIL** held in the Council Chambers, Blacktown on Wednesday, 26 February 2020. The Mayor declared the meeting open at 6.38 pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillor A.J. Bleasdale (Mayor), and Councillors C.J. Quilkey, J.G. Diaz, M. Singh, J.M. Diaz, K.W. Gillies, J.A. Griffiths, F. Brillo, S.K. Benjamin, K.V. Collins, E.L. Santos, B.W. Bunting and P.P. Camilleri.

**OFFICERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT:** Messrs. Robinson, Rogers, Svarc and Tsakalos, and Mesdames James and Parkes. Ms. Knight and Mrs. Riddle, Minute Secretaries.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor then read the following:

Firstly, I acknowledge that the Darug people were the original custodians of the land on which we meet today.

We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and acknowledge the Aboriginal people for their custodianship of this land.

We will work together for a united city that respects this land and values the contribution to our community and culture of all people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage.

#### **MULTI-FAITH PRAYER**

The Mayor then invited Reverend Robbie Hayes, Assistant Minister at Blacktown Anglican Church, to conduct the Prayer.

#### **APOLOGIES**

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Santos)

That the apologies tendered on behalf of Cr Israel, be received and leave of absence be granted.

**CARRIED** 15154

#### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** (Cr Singh/Cr Griffiths)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and Committee of the Whole Meeting of 11 December 2019, Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of 18 December 2019 and Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of 15 January 2020, copies were circulated to each member on 21 February 2020, be confirmed. **CARRIED** 15155

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A full copy of the business paper dealt with at this meeting is attached to these Minutes.

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#### **MAYORAL MINUTES**

**AD400007 - Mayoral Minute No. 558 - Amendment to Local Government Act to allow employees to receive domestic violence provisions F19/2132**

We are leaders in local government, and we are leaders at Blacktown City.

And as media reports of recent days continue remind us of the tragic consequences of domestic violence in Australian cities and towns, I want to draw attention to an example of the positive role of local government.

This comes via an Award variation, following an application to the NSW Industrial Relations Commission by the United Services Union.

Credit to the USU, but credit also to Blacktown City Council.

The changes originate in a motion put forward at the Local Government NSW annual conference in October 2019 by Blacktown City and Ryde City Councils. In moving Council's position, Cr Griffiths, our Deputy Mayor, spoke strongly in support of those in need of support.

As she has in other forums. Coming into place this month is an amendment to the Local Government (State) Award 2017 which means people working in local government across NSW are now eligible for paid leave if impacted by family and domestic violence.

People working fulltime in local government will be able to access up to 10 days' paid leave to deal with the effects of, or to escape from, domestic or family violence such as moving house, attending court, looking after children, or seeking medical care. Casual staff will be able to take time away from work for the same purposes, without consequence.

We were the first Council in NSW to provide paid domestic violence leave to our staff. It is timely that other Councils are now following our lead. More than 45,000 people working in local government across NSW are now eligible for paid leave if they are affected by family and domestic violence.

A genuine practical benefit brought about by the leadership of this Council, to be proudly recognised by those who serve here.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Griffiths)

Council receive and note the content of Mayoral Minute No. 558. **CARRIED** 15156

**AD400008 - Mayoral Minute No. 559 - GWS Fury - 2019 Netball NSW Premier League U23 Championships F18/4**

Our Council is very proud to be a supporting partner of the GWS Fury, of the New South Wales Netball Premier League.

A franchise license was granted to Blacktown City Netball Association for the inaugural 2016 season and they are truly the pride of Blacktown City.

So we are thrilled tonight to celebrate the success of the 2019 GWS Fury U23 team.

2019 was a wonderful year for the team, being defeated only once on their way to becoming Minor Premiers and Grand Final winners.

Tonight we are joined by a group of accomplished players, coaches and club officials from the GWS Fury club.

We welcome to Council:

- Kath Tetley: Premiership Head Coach,
- Elicha Reitsma: Assistant Coach
- Carol Murphy: Manager.

They are joined by GWS Fury Board Members Bec Shaw and Alison Sheppard.

And the premiership players:

Captain Taylah Flood, with Hannah Farquhar, Shontelle Gaston, Jess Lagaa'ia, Brook Niccol and Violet Wetsteyn.

Along with 2020 Under 23s Team members:

Courtney Castle, Eliza Perkins, Emily Dunn, Sarah Okunbor, Elecia Parrot, and Lauren Woods.

We thank our guests for taking time out of their busy 2020 pre-season at Blacktown Leisure Centre Stanhope.

We are so happy they did.

I am told that preparations are now well underway, ahead of Round 1 on 29 April.

Congratulations to the GWS Fury Netball Club on a terrific 2019 season, and we wish them every success in 2020.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Griffiths)

1. Council receive and note the content of Mayoral Minute No. 559.
2. Congratulate the GWS Fury Netball Club with a Certificate of Commendation. **CARRIED**  
15157

The Mayor then invited the GWS Fury U23 team to come forward and receive a Certificate of Commendation for their outstanding achievement.

Acclamation followed.

**AD400005 - Mayoral Minute No. 560 - Passing of Gordon Blackwell, The Nurragingy Blacksmith 59-1-1/2**

It is with regret that I bring to your attention the passing of Mr Gordon Blackwell.

Gordon Blackwell retired in May 2015 after spending 23 years as Council's official blacksmith.

Gordon's retirement marked the end of 68 years of shaping metal, withstanding searing heat and, as it was said at the time; 'forging without fakery'.

Mr Blackwell began his career at Lithgow in 1947 as a 16 year old apprentice blacksmith, and a short time later was heat treating rifles at the Small Arms factory.

For 23 years, he demonstrated his trade at Nurragingy Reserve's Blacksmith Cottage, passing on his skills to trainees and demonstrating the unique magic of steel shaping to thousands of tourists.

Of his time in the blacksmith's trade, he said, there was not a day that he did not enjoy getting out of bed and going to the workshop.

He made special mention of his work at the Blacksmith's Cottage where he said it was an absolute pleasure showing thousands of people the trade.

He said there was no need for him to travel the world as he had the pleasure of meeting people from every country across the world when they visited Nurragingy.

Gordon is also fondly remembered for his years working at Hawkesbury Agricultural College.

Gordon bemoaned the increase of electric tools in his trade and the throwaway society.

He said that if you wanted to find out how good a blacksmith is? Take away his electric tools.

According to Gordon, a good smithy only needs hot steel, the right tools and a good anvil; no grinders, no oxy torches, nothing but muscles, skill and a good anvil.

Gordon died last month at the age of 90. It was my privilege to join members of his family and very wide circle of friends at his funeral at the Richmond Lawn Cemetery.

Vale Gordon Blackwell.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Benjamin)

1. That Council notes the passing of Mr Gordon Blackwell.
2. That Council writes to Mr Blackwell's family, acknowledging his contribution to the City of Blacktown and arranges a suitable presentation to be made to the family as a mark of respect to his wonderful career and lifetime achievements. **CARRIED** 15158

A painting depicting Mr Gordon Blackwell working at the anvil was shown to those present the Council Chambers this evening.

Acclamation followed.

**AD400006 - Mayoral Minute No. 561 - Retirement of John Dacey, Community Minister, Bidwill Uniting Church F18/4**

I want to record thanks and congratulations for the work of Reverend John Dacey, Community Minister at Bidwill Uniting Church.

Reverend Dacey is retiring after a decade managing at Bidwill Uniting to ensure services are available and accessible to the Bidwill community.

In 1996 he was ordained as a Deacon in the Uniting Church and he has dedicated his working and personal life to working for community and social justice.

Reverend Dacey built a deep, trusting, loving relationship with his community as he strove to help equip them with the skills to challenge the obstacles in their lives and become the people they dreamed they could be.

In his own words, "I choose to place my capacities at the service of those who miss out, so that I might contribute something to their efforts to achieve their full potential as well as to the task of building a fairer society".

Reverend Dacey and the Bidwill Uniting community have built an wonderful local support network, comprising businesses, community groups, and volunteers.

This structure has delivered Indigenous Adult Literacy classes, the 'Broadening Horizons' project for the young men of Bidwill, mentoring and support for vulnerable primary school students, and the Bidwill Christmas Carols.

A proud, creative moment in our City's recent past was the FUNPARK event, within the 2014 Sydney Festival. FUNPARK was a live art initiative developed in collaboration with the Mount Druitt community and the Leo Kelly Blacktown Arts Centre. John Dacey was a performer - running a unique walking tour of Bidwill.

Blacktown City Council thanks Reverend John Dacey for his dedication and service to the people of Bidwill. He will be much missed.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Griffiths)

Council receive and note the content of Mayoral Minute No. 561. **CARRIED** 15159

**AD400009 - Mayoral Minute No. 562 - Farewell Marjory Freeman OAM and Ken Freeman OAM** F18/4

Tonight, we farewell Kenneth and Marjory Freeman who for more than 50 years have been giving their time and effort for the betterment of their community.

Ken and Marj moved to the Blacktown area in 1966 and settled in Lalor Park. Their local community involvement began in that same year with a campaign to install lighting in their semi-rural street.

At the time, their house was surrounded by paddocks and poultry farms and now, of course, it's all houses.

Their involvement with the Blacktown community since that time spans many decades with service to countless community organisations.

Their work has included service to Blacktown Meals on Wheels from as far back as 1970 and volunteer efforts with the Probus Club of Blacktown City, which is still going on today.

Marj and Ken have always been keen supporters of Clean Up Australia Day from its very first days.

They have had an ongoing involvement with the fantastic Blacktown Relay For Life, the Cancer Council and the 'Simply Voices' Blacktown Seniors Choir.

The 'Simply Voices' choir visits local nursing homes to bring joy and happiness to others.

Ken and Marj's community work has also included creating cancer support groups and membership of Council's Arts Advisory Committee.

Marj is also a survivor of breast cancer, and I pay tribute to her for that.

She was first diagnosed at the age of 38, and the fact that she is still going strong is a testament to her determination and also to Ken's support.

They have been determined throughout times of personal trials to continue helping others and that's a true testament to their great character.

I am very proud to say that Ken and Marjory Freeman were jointly named Blacktown Citizens of the Year in 2007.

Ken and Marj were each awarded Order of Australia Medals in the 2018 Queen's Birthday Honours list for services to their local community and health professions.

Both received specific recognition for their work as consumer representatives with the Western Sydney Local Health Service.

Ken and Marj were hailed as champions for the health services consumers in Western Sydney.

The Member for Greenway, Michelle Rowland, paid tribute to Ken and Marj in a speech to Federal Parliament.

She congratulated Ken and Marj on being awarded the OAM in recognition of their dedicated, ongoing service to the Blacktown community.

Michelle Rowland told Parliament, "I think it's accurate to say that Ken and Marj live and breathe Blacktown."

Councillors, Ken and Marjory Freeman are leaving our city, relocating to the Illawarra to be closer to family.

Their achievements have touched the hearts of so many. We wish them well, we are eternally grateful and assure them they will always hold a special place in our community.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Griffiths)

1. Council receive and note the content of Mayoral Minute No. 562.
2. Councillors join with me in thanking Ken and Marjory Freeman for their magnificent contributions to the wellbeing of the Blacktown City community.
3. Mayoral letters of commendation and best wishes be sent to Ken Freeman OAM and Marjory Freeman OAM. **CARRIED** 15160

**AD400010 - Mayoral Minute No. 563 - SES Volunteers - Keeping our communities safe**  
F18/4

Over past few months we all have witnessed amazing selfless acts of courage and devotion to duty by our firefighters, both volunteers and paid members of the Rural Fire Service and New South Wales Fire and Rescue.

And here in this chamber we have paid tribute to them.

But tonight, I would like to pay tribute to the other body of men and women, mostly volunteers, who serve our community in times of natural disaster.

I am speaking, of course, of the SES. The State Emergency Service... And we are well served in our City by 2 SES units, namely Mount Druitt SES and Blacktown SES.

Mount Druitt SES currently has some 70 members, men and women ranging in age from 17 to 80!

They say adversity brings out the best in people and the same can be said for communities, with a significant number of new members joining our Mount Druitt SES in the last 3 months.

During the bushfires, Mount Druitt SES members assisted the RFS in non-firefighting duties in the New England area, in the Police Information and Enquiry Centre in Sydney, in RFS headquarters in Homebush Bay and at the RFS air base at Wilberforce.

With the fierce storms hitting our region this month, Mount Druitt SES swung into full operations mode responding to more than 200 calls for assistance ranging from over-flowing household gutters, through to flooding and fallen trees.

The Blacktown SES has over 130 volunteers and in a testimony to great community spirit, there is a waiting list of 40 people wanting to join.

Blacktown SES members were involved with the Bushfire information line, door knocking in the Blue Mountains, dangerous tree clearing in Batemans Bay and the Unit Commander was deployed at various times, as Recovery Centre Manager in both Ulladulla and Narooma on the south coast.

Two flood rescue teams from Blacktown SES were deployed to jobs all over Sydney during the recent storms, dealing with multiple flood rescues and evacuations of people and animals.

At the same time, other volunteers from the unit dealt with 330 storm related jobs throughout Blacktown City and parts of the Hawkesbury.

Councillors, we owe a huge debt of gratitude to the many unsung heroes of the SES.

They stand up and protect our communities in the face of the worst nature can throw at our community.

**MOTION** (Cr Bleasdale/Cr Gillies)

1. Council acknowledges the outstanding contributions from Mount Druitt SES and Blacktown SES during the recent bushfires and storms.
2. Mayoral letters of commendation and best wishes be sent to Mount Druitt SES and Blacktown SES. **CARRIED** 15161

**PUBLIC FORUM**

1. Mr Graham Blackman  
Re: DP11543 - Planning proposal for 2-16 Alpha Street and part of lots 24 and 25 in Blacktown (PD3.3-PD390043)
2. Mr Matthew Coombes  
Re: Submission to the Geographical Names Board in regards to subdivision 7, Schofields (PD3.7-PD390053)
3. Mr Grant Ennew  
Re: Apology to the Aboriginal community and to all pensioners of the Blacktown community
4. Mr James Platter  
Re: Bulldozing of property at 93 Lucas Road, Seven Hills
5. Mr Craig Foster  
Re: Climate emergency declaration (PS3.1-CL400010)

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Collins)

That Standing Orders be suspended so that the matter relating to PS3.1 – CL400010 – Climate Change Petition to Blacktown City Council, be brought forward as a matter of public interest.

**CARRIED** (at 7.38pm) 15162

The Mayor then delivered a statement on Climate change

The Mayor said that Climate change is real and Climate scientists tell us that the earth's average surface temperature is increasing. They believe that it is extremely likely that the dominant cause of the increase is human activity – especially the burning of fossil fuels - coal, oil and gas. The burning of fossil fuels - along with changes in land use that remove trees - causes an increase in the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere – especially carbon dioxide. This is what is known as the 'enhanced greenhouse effect' or 'anthropogenic climate change'

Sea levels are rising, as glaciers and ice sheets melt. The ocean surface is warming. Our earth is warmer and it is drier.

Carbon dioxide is being added to the atmosphere faster than it can be removed by other parts of the carbon cycle. Carbon dioxide is the largest single contributor to human-induced climate change. While other factors contribute to Earth's greenhouse effect, carbon dioxide is the main greenhouse gas that humans can control in the atmosphere.



## **Western Sydney**

Western Sydney has always been hotter than other parts of Sydney. Western Sydney already experiences 20 very hot days (above 35 degrees) on average every year, and it is predicted that there will be 5 to 10 more very hot days per year by 2039. This trend will be added to by the rapid urban development in Blacktown City. The associated removal of trees and vegetation contributes directly to higher local temperatures. The combined temperature increases from climate change and land-use change can have a negative public health impact, particularly when there are prolonged periods higher maximum and minimum (overnight) temperatures.

We know that heatwaves increase the incidence of illness and death – particularly among older people, and those with a pre-existing medical condition or disability.

## **Emergency declaration**

We are in a state of Climate Change Emergency and I have no hesitation in making this declaration.

## **Leadership**

Our primary commitments are to address climate change by seeking to reduce emissions in our day-to-day operations and throughout the community, provide refuge from extreme heat for our residents and ensure our planning controls and policies reduce urban heat.

He asked the Council to commit to a 100 per cent renewable electricity for all Council operations by 2025. Because we must lead. Because we can make a difference. Let me be clear, it is vital that we work with our industry partners and the community to ensure a clear understanding is built.

But that is what leaders should do. It must be clear that there will be no fundamental impacts on business or employment. Blacktown City Council has been a leader in urban environmental planning for decades. We are in a strong position to deliver a serious plan at a time when those in Canberra and Macquarie Street are giving us little but uncertainty. We want them to lead and we want them to help us do what we seek to do.

He said that he has a letter already written. A letter to Premier Berejiklian seeking a 1 per cent increase in our Council's permitted annual rates charge. This increase would enable us to immediately increase our use of renewables. To advance our target to be carbon neutral and to show what can be done to combat climate change.

## **Our record**

In 2011, Council adopted a Blacktown (Climate change) Action and Adaptation Plan 2011-2015. In July 2018 Council endorsed a policy and strategy response to climate change with a commitment to reduce our operational greenhouse gas emissions and to help our community deal with climate change impacts, especially increasing urban heat.

Blacktown City Council already has a zero-net emissions target by 2030 for its operational electricity, fuel and gas use. Council has a number of community tree planting programs aimed at reducing urban heat and is currently trialling heat reduced pavement reconstruction. Ours was the first council to introduce free electric vehicle charging stations and is increasing its own all electric and hybrid vehicle fleet.

Now we must build on our existing commitments. Our context Councillors, Blacktown City has a population of more than 395,000 and that figure is predicted to reach exceed 500 – perhaps 600 thousand people. We are racing past even the most recent official predictions. Massive residential development has produced a 'furnace of urban heat' with hectares of concrete and asphalt replacing bushland and open fields. The policies and planning controls covering those developments have over the years been taken away from Council. Those planning instruments

have to be updated to ensure that any future developments are sustainable and ensure the reduction of urban heat.

The NSW and Federal governments need to fund the strategies to reduce urban heat impacts in Western Sydney. Without urgent action the urban heat impact on our communities will be catastrophic.

### **Our action plan**

Blacktown City Council will continue working to reduce the impacts of heat and help the community cope.

In the short and medium term Council will:

- use Council's regular media and marketing communication channels to promote heat safety messages to our community
- continue working with the University of New South Wales to provide an evidence base for designing cooler public spaces
- continue developing a heat refuge network to ensure that vulnerable members of the community can access shelter from extreme heat and heatwaves

There will also be longer term impacts through tree-planting and urban planning. Council was successful in obtaining a \$1 million grant through the NSW Government's Five Million Trees for Greater Sydney Program. We are planting more trees in parks and streets with low canopy cover.

Thanks to funding partnership with NRMA Insurance, we are planting more trees in 10 of our playgrounds. We are also working on further street-planting in a Cool Streets© program. Cool Streets© allows local communities to collaborate on the design of street trees to provide shade, maximise cooling and reduce urban heat. This project even quantifies the potential reductions in the need for air conditioning, which can reduce energy costs.

Under our agreed climate change policy settings, Council is preparing a low carbon development strategy for Blacktown City. This strategy will guide our urban planning to maximise emissions reductions and reduce urban heat. We will do this through further greening, using water in the landscape and building design and materials requirements.

Concluding the Mayor advised that he recognised the speakers and petitioners from November last year and referred to what he had said then, I value your passion and I value your commitment to the vital policy question of climate change. There is a climate change emergency and we must act.

We must act.

Australia must have a strong national policy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. We must be part of an international program. But the time has long passed to wait for Canberra top catch up. We know what we must do. Tonight, we are making a declaration. A clear, unequivocal statement.

We have taken up the fight. Because we can all make a difference. Local government can lead the way. Just as businesses can. Just as each household in Blacktown can. Just as individuals here and everywhere can. We want to lead. The science is clear. We are in a state of climate emergency requiring a call to arms by all levels of government, industry and our communities. I call on all Councillors to support the recommendation before them in the business paper.

### **PS3.1 - CL400010 – Climate Change Petition to Blacktown City Council**

#### **MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Collins)

1. Declare that we are in a state of climate emergency requiring immediate action by all levels of government.
2. Endorse the Responding to climate change policy (P000532.1) update (attachment 1) to include commitments to:
  - a target of 100% renewable electricity for Council operations by 2025
  - an aspirational target of net zero carbon emissions for the community by 2040
  
  - continuing to encourage other western Sydney councils to join us in working to achieve these targets.
3. Continue to update our Responding to climate change strategy annually and report our progress to Council.
4. Set aside \$100,000 annually for a climate change emergency fund that we can draw on to implement climate change initiatives not currently funded that respond to our Responding to climate change policy, including offsetting our carbon emissions.
5. The Mayor write to the NSW Government requesting that the annual rate cap be increased by 1% to allow councils to start funding initiatives such as increased use of renewables, to accelerate carbon neutrality and adapt to climate change impacts, especially urban heat.

**AN AMENDMENT** moved by Cr JG Diaz and seconded by Cr Camilleri – Adoption of PS3.1 with the amendment to paragraph 1. to read -

1. Declare that we are in a state of climate priority requiring immediate action by all levels of government.

#### **MOTION** (Cr Griffiths)

That the motion be put.

#### **MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Bunting)

That the Motion be put. **CARRIED** 15163

**THE AMENDMENT** was, on being put to the meeting, declared **LOST**.

Cr Griffiths, Deputy Mayor, then delivered a statement on climate change.

Cr Griffiths stated that the ladies and gentlemen in the public gallery understand why this motion is important. We know that Western Sydney has always been hotter than other parts of Sydney and we know this trend is becoming more acute. It is stating the bleeding obvious that clearing land and interrupting the natural environment to accommodate Sydney's vast planned growth in the north west growth areas will only add to this trend. We must act.

Mayor Bleasdale has laid the case before you clearly. Now we come to vote.

When we last spoke of climate change in late November we were reeling from bush fires which threatened to engulf most of Australia's Eastern Coast. As we now know, things only got worse. Of course, Australia has experienced terrible fires before, but never for such a prolonged period, and never so many, nor with such ferocity.

Let me share what people in Sydney said when 1,800 residents across NSW were polled by our long-time partners, Micromex Research this month. The message is crystal clear. Concern in our community about climate change is real. The top 4 issues of community concern were: Drought,

Bushfires, Cost of living, and Climate change. 85 per cent of respondents believe they will be affected by climate change.

Most people think it will increase their cost of living, make it harder to find fresh food, and that climate change will impact negatively on the health of their families. I note that the people reported their levels of concern have increased dramatically from 12 months ago. 70 per cent of people want their government to respond with increased investment in renewable energy. 65 per cent want more investment in solar panels. 63 per cent want them to reduce Australia's dependency on fossil fuels.

Our Director of City Living can tell you that this Council has been working on climate-related initiatives since 2001. I'm proud of that and I'm proud that we at this Council have built and built on this work for nearly 20 years now. That we are replacing 12,657 mercury vapour streetlamps with LED – reducing our current electricity consumption by 12.8 per cent. That we are adding more solar generation to Council roofs through a power purchase agreement. We are collaborating with other organisations across Sydney. At a regional level, our Council is working with the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils to implement cooling strategies. We are also collaborating with the councils of Parramatta and Campbelltown to pilot the CoolSeal pavement technology here in our city. This group are the first councils in NSW to trial this product. CoolSeal, which is lighter in colour - like concrete in appearance. Cool Seal is expected to reduce road temperatures up to 5 degrees Celsius at night. Blacktown City Council is also a member of Resilient Sydney, with all 33 Sydney metropolitan Councils.

We are working together to plan ways of dealing with potential shocks, including the impacts of extreme heat, on Sydney's energy, health, transport, housing and water systems. So, let's get on with it.

Concluding, Cr Griffiths said that climate change is real. It is real at the melting polar ice caps and it is real in the burning Amazon rainforest. After the summer we have had, it is very, very real in Australia. People know it, and people want us to act on their concerns. I'm proud of our record at Blacktown City, but I want us to do more. Our residents want us to do more. I commend this motion in the strongest possible terms.

**THE MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Collins) was, on being put to the meeting, declared **CARRIED**.  
15164

A Division having been called for was recorded as follows:

Supported: Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths, Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins,  
Cr Bunting and Cr Bleasdale.

Opposed: Cr JG Diaz, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Brillo, Cr Santos and Cr Camilleri.

Absent: Cr Israel.

## **RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Collins)

That Standing Orders be resumed, was on being put to the meeting, declared **CARRIED**.  
(at 8.59 pm) 15165

## **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

In accordance with Council's policy, the Mayor declared an adjournment of the Ordinary Meeting. (at 8.59 pm)

It be noted that Cr Brillo left the meeting (at 8.59 pm).

### **RESUMPTION OF MEETING**

The Mayor declared that the Ordinary Meeting of Council be resumed to continue the business of Council. (at 9.20 pm)

### **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

**ORD11.1 - CS390236 Decisions made under delegated authority over the Christmas 2019 and New Year 2020 period 16-1-1**

**MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Quilkey)

Receive and note the contents of this report. **CARRIED** 15166

**ORD11.2 - CA400001 - Local Traffic Committee minutes - meeting 505 F14/633-02**

**MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Quilkey)

Council receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting No.505 held on 11 February 2020. **CARRIED** 15167

**ORD11.3 - CL400015 - Sister City secondment opportunity 87-14-4**

**MOTION** (Cr Benjamin/Cr Bunting)

Approve the secondment opportunity. **CARRIED** 15168

**PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, HISTORICAL & ASSETS COMMITTEE REPORTS - MEETING HELD 12 FEBRUARY 2020 (PD3.1 to PD3.9 and PD3.1A)**

**MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

That the contents of the report be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of the Committee meeting, the decisions made by virtue of the authority delegated to the Committee under Section 355 be noted and the recommendations, with the exception of PD3.1, PD3.2, PD3.3, PD3.4 and PD3.5 be adopted, it being noted that PD3.1, PD3.2, PD3.3, PD3.4 and PD3.5 require Divisions to be recorded and it be noted that PD3.1A, would be dealt with in Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED** 15169

**FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORTS - MEETING HELD 12 FEBRUARY 2020 (FR3.1 to FR3.7 and FR3.1A to FR3.9A)**

**MOTION** (Cr Bunting/Cr Quilkey)

That the contents of the report be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of the Committee meeting, the decisions made by virtue of the authority delegated to the Committee under Section 355 be noted and the recommendations, with the exception of FR3.1, FR3.2 and FR3.5 be adopted, it being noted that FR3.1 and FR3.2 require Divisions to be recorded and it being noted that FR3.1A to FR3.9A inclusive, would be dealt with in Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED** 15170

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORTS - MEETING HELD 12 FEBRUARY 2020 (CS3.1 to CS3.9 and CS3.1A)**

**MOTION** (Cr Benjamin/Cr Singh)

That the contents of the report be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of the Committee meeting, the decisions made by virtue of the authority delegated to the Committee under Section 355 be noted and the recommendations, with the exception of CS3.2 be adopted and it be noted that CS3.1A would be dealt with in the Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED** 15171

**POLICY & STRATEGY COMMITTEE REPORTS - MEETING HELD 12 FEBRUARY 2020 (PS3.1 to PS3.8 and PS3.1A)**

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Collins)

That the contents of the report be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of the Committee meeting, the decisions made by virtue of the authority delegated to the Committee under Section 355 be noted and the recommendations, with the exception of PS3.1 and PS3.4, it being noted that PS3.1 was dealt with earlier in this meeting, be adopted and it be noted that PS3.1A would be dealt with in the Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED** 15172

## **PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, HISTORICAL & ASSETS COMMITTEE'S REPORT – ITEMS EXCEPTED**

### **PD3.1 - PD390036 - Post exhibition determination of a Planning Proposal at Sundew Parade and Elara Boulevard, Marden Park LEP-18-0008**

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

3. Adopt the draft amendments to State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006 as shown at Attachment 2.
4. Forward the adopted Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and request that the Minister make the plan.
5. No longer proceed with the draft amendments to State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006 as shown at Attachment 3.
6. Council officers be congratulated on the inclusion of environmentally sensitive raingardens within the Precinct Plan. **CARRIED** 15173

#### **COUNCIL DIVISION:**

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

### **PD3.2 - PD390047 - Harpers Bush Planning Proposal F18/2389**

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

1. Adopt the Harpers Bush Planning Proposal as exhibited and forward it to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to request that the Minister make the plan.
2. That the Director City Assets be requested to investigate the provision of signalised crossing.  
**CARRIED** 15174

#### **COUNCIL DIVISION:**

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

### **PD3.3 - PD390043 - Planning Proposal for 2 - 16 Alpha Street and part of Lots 24 and 25 in DP 11543, Blacktown F19/1124**

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

1. That this matter be deferred to the Planning, Development, Historical & Assets Committee meeting in March.

#### **AN ADDENDUM** suggested by Cr JM Diaz –

2. That the submitters be notified of Council's decision.
3. That Council consult with the landowners.

**WAS ACCEPTED FOR INCLUSION WITH THE MOTION** with consent of the mover and seconder.

**THE MOTION (WITH ADDENDUM)** was, on being put to the meeting, declared **CARRIED**.  
15175

COUNCIL DIVISION:

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

**PD3.4 - PD390052 - Planning Proposal at 115 Crown Street, Riverstone - rezone land from school to residential LEP-18-0006**

**MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

1. Forward the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requesting a Gateway Determination to amend State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006 as described in this report.
2. Amend the Indicative Layout Plan (ILP) in the Blacktown Growth Centre Precincts Development Control Plan to reflect the change in use of the site from school to low density residential. **CARRIED** 15176

COUNCIL DIVISION:

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

**PD3.5 - PD390049 - Public consultation and finalisation of the Dexter Place, Plumpton Planning Proposals F19/822 and MA2016/0010**

**MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Griffiths)

Adopt the Dexter Place Planning Proposals (Amendment 28 and Amendment 29) as exhibited and forward both of them to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and request that the Minister make the plans. **CARRIED** 15177

COUNCIL DIVISION:

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

**FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE'S REPORT – ITEMS EXCEPTED**

**FR3.1 - CS390238 - Altrove Planning Agreement F15/1430**

**MOTION** (Cr Quilkey/Cr Singh)

1. Endorse the Altrove Planning Agreement.
2. Approve the agreed values presented in paragraphs 3.c and 4.b of Key reasons of this report.
3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Altrove Planning Agreement under Power of Attorney. **CARRIED** 15178

COUNCIL DIVISION:

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.



**FR3.2 - CS390237 - 6 Honeman Close, Huntingwood Planning Agreement**  
DA-17-01780

**MOTION** (Cr Bunting/Cr Quilkey)

1. Endorse the 6 Honeman Close, Huntingwood Planning Agreement.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute the 6 Honeman Close, Huntingwood Planning Agreement under Power of Attorney. **CARRIED** 15179

**COUNCIL DIVISION:**

Supported: Cr JG Diaz, Cr Quilkey, Cr Singh, Cr JM Diaz, Cr Gillies, Cr Griffiths,  
Cr Benjamin, Cr Collins, Cr Santos, Cr Bunting, Cr Camilleri and Cr Bleasdale.  
Absent: Cr Israel and Cr Brillo.

**FR3.5 - CS400006 - Support for 2020 Filipino Fiesta Thanksgiving celebration to St Joseph** 44-672-1/2

**MOTION** (Cr Bunting/Cr Griffiths)

1. Council allocate the sum of \$1,500 to assist with various costs supporting the Filipino Fiesta Thanksgiving celebration to St Joseph to be held at Nagle College Blacktown on 15 March 2020.
2. This allocation be equally funded from all five Ward Councillors budget contingency votes. **CARRIED** 15180

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE'S REPORT – ITEMS EXCEPTED**

**CS3.2 - CL400005 - Draft submission – Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety** F18/414

**MOTION** (Cr Benjamin/Cr Singh)

1. Approve the draft submission – Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety.
2. Council invite the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety to consult with stakeholders in Blacktown City as part of its evidence gathering. **CARRIED** 15181

**POLICY & STRATEGY COMMITTEE'S REPORT – ITEMS EXCEPTED**

**PS3.4 - CL400009 - Draft Multiculturalism policy** F18/1584

**MOTION** (Cr Benjamin/Cr Singh)

Approve the draft Multiculturalism policy, Multicultural strategy and action plan 2019 -2023.  
**CARRIED** 15182

**QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

**ORD14.1 – AD400003 - Questions With Notice arising from Ordinary Meeting of 11 December 2019** 133-3-1; 156-54-1/2; 6-8-579/9; F17/1593; 127-55-76/21; R529-03; F14/1774; 127-51-33/2

That the Questions with Notice arising from the Ordinary Meeting of 11 December 2019 were noted.

**QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING**

**Cr Bunting:**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Can we report somebody that throws a cigarette butt outside a car? I know that there are processes to do that. What I am asking is, can we get a report in regard to dobbing in someone who parks in disabled spot who is not disabled? It is a bugbear of mine that when you see it in carparks and when you see it in different facilities, somebody parks in a disabled spot and a lot of the times, we only have a few in our little shopping centres, they are obviously not disabled people. I have seen one at Blacktown International Sports Park, parked in a disabled spot. A sportsperson who got out and went out on the track and trained. So, I do not know whether we can ask for a report in regard to whether we can get out and take photos on our camera?

**Director City Living:** Thank you Mr Mayor, the problem is knowing who the person was who was driving the vehicle at the time. They might have a permit at home but in that situation my preference would be that we would just increase our patrols around those areas. There is no system at the moment where you can send in photos but we could certainly send warnings.

**Cr Bunting:** Thank you but what I see is that at a lot of the times it is hard to catch them because they are in and out of these small shopping centres and people with a disability really need these spots. It is also places like 'No Stopping' as well. People park in 'No Stopping' zones and then just go shopping, etc.

**Mayor:** Yes, it is a difficult question and a difficult problem.

**Chief Executive Officer:** Mr Mayor, it may be helpful that we do bring a report back in relation to that because an outcome of that report may be that we write to the Minister responsible asking for them to take action and change certain rules or make provision for people to make complaints in that way.

**Cr Collins:** With regard to people flicking their cigarette butts and you are driving behind that person doing that and you cannot write down a number or remember their number. Not only did the driver flick one out but the passenger did the same thing. This happened at the triangle going down to Wallpark Avenue. Would it be acceptable if we knew how to manage Siri to actually to pass on a message that the number plate driver was tossing out cigarette butts, can we do that?

**Director City Living:** Do you mean for Siri to record the number as that would be totally acceptable? We should not be taking photographs and we cannot write it down necessarily so the only way is if Siri will record the number plate for you and then you pass that information on that would be acceptable.

**Chief Executive Officer:** Or Cr Collins you could ask Siri to send a message, an SMS, to Director City Living to pass on the message.

**Cr Camilleri:**

Thank you Mr Mayor. So, I actually just want to go back to the Questions With Notice from Ordinary Meeting of 11 December 2019. The answer to my question from last time is that there was a report considered at the Policy & Strategy Committee on 12 February 2020. The questions that I asked were in relation to the costs associated with the implementation. So apart from the \$100,000 per year that was contained within that report, we actually have no costings. The report that I had asked for was what are the costs going to be of the policy that we have now introduced? I was

hoping to have those numbers before the policy but I think that it is still valuable afterwards.

**Chief Executive Officer:** Thank you Mr Mayor. We will provide those costs as soon as they are available to us.

## **URGENT BUSINESS**

### **Funds to assist the Seven Hills Festival F20/274; 53-3-1/13**

Cr Collins advised that she wished to move a motion for the allocation of the sum of \$12,000 from the Ward 3 Councillors ward contingency vote to assist with the preparations for the Seven Hills Festival.

This matter is urgent as the Seven Hills Festival will be held next month and funds are required to assist with the preparations for the event.

The Mayor **RULED THE MATTER** Urgent Business.

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Benjamin)

That the business proposed to be transacted at this meeting is urgent, declared **CARRIED**. 15183

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Benjamin)

That the sum of \$12,000 be allocated from the Ward 3 Councillors ward contingency vote to assist with the Seven Hills Festival. **CARRIED** 15184

### **Rooty Hill Multicultural Carers Support Group – Donation F20/43; 53-3-1/3**

Cr Collins on behalf of Cr Israel, advised that she wished to move a motion calling for a report on assistance to the Rooty Hill Multicultural Carers Support Group to allow it to host a Diabetes Health Workshop.

This matter is urgent as it is intended that the Diabetes Health Workshop will be held shortly and funds are required to assist with the preparations for the event.

The Mayor **RULED THE MATTER** Urgent Business.

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Bunting)

That the business proposed to be transacted at this meeting is urgent, declared **CARRIED**. 15185

#### **MOTION** (Cr Collins/Cr Bunting)

That a report be prepared on assistance to the Rooty Hill Multicultural Carers Support Group to allow it to host a Diabetes Health Workshop. **CARRIED** 15186

## **SUBMISSIONS & ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED COUNCIL (9.46 pm)**

**ORD17.1 – AD400004 - Submissions by members of the public regarding Confidential Items for Debate**

The Mayor asked the Chief Executive Officer if he had any written representations from the members of the public seeking to remove the Confidentiality of the reports listed in the Committee of the Whole Agenda.

When advised in the negative by the Chief Executive Officer, the Mayor then addressed the Public Gallery and asked if there were any members of the public who wished to make submissions pursuant to Section 10A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended, seeking the lifting of the Confidentiality tag of the reports listed in the Committee of the Whole Agenda.

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Quilkey)

1. That Council adjourn into closed Council to consider business identified, together with any late reports tabled at the meeting.
2. That pursuant to Section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of Section 10A as set out in the Confidential reports.
3. That the correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by Section 11 of the Local Government Act 1993.

**CARRIED** 15187

**ORDER OF BUSINESS RESUMED** (at 10.27pm)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE INDEX**

Exclusion of Press and Public

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**Secure Confidential Recommendations from Reports from Officers**

**ORD7.1A**

**CEO400002 - Confidential - Chief Executive Officer's Performance Review - July 2018 to June 2019** F13/1250

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(a) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. Council note the outcome of the minutes from the Chief Executive Officer's performance review.
2. A review of Council's methods and methodology for approval processes in general be conducted with a view to ensuring a more co-ordinated approach.

**ORD7.2A**

**CEO400003 - Confidential - Directors' performance reviews 2018/2019**

138-134-1; F13/886; F13/921; F13/880; F13/1142

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(a) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the contents of report CEO400003 be received and noted.

### **Confidential Recommendations from Planning, Development, Historical & Assets Committee**

#### **PD3.1A**

##### **CA400000 – Confidential – Tender 35/2019 – construction of amenities building at William Lawson Reserve, Prospect**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Award Contract 35/2020 to Mercon Group Pty.
2. Authorise Director City Assets to negotiate extending the scope of work to include a larger sport store building and concrete pavement from amenities building to sports field to a maximum contract price as referred at paragraph 1e in the Key reasons section of this report.
3. Authorise Director City Assets to execute the final contract and act as the superintendent on behalf of the Principal under the terms of the contract.

### **Confidential Recommendations from Finance & Resources Committee**

#### **FR3.1A**

##### **CT400001 - Confidential - RFT C37/2019 Construction Planning and Programming Services Tender for the Transformational Projects Program F19/1963**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the appointment of the 20 tenderers to the services panel as set out at attachment 1, under contract C37/2019 Transformational Projects Programming Services Panel for a period of 3 years with 2 year options in Council's favour.

#### **FR3.2A**

##### **CT390041 - Confidential - Transformational Projects Program - monthly update no.10 - as at 30 November 2019 F17/1394**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council note the attached Transformational Projects Program monthly update no.10 – as at 30 November 2019, noting that the updates will be reported to Council on a 3 monthly basis in future.

#### **FR3.3A**

##### **CT390044 - Confidential - Transformational Projects Program - monthly update no.11 - as at 31 December 2019 F17/1394**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial

advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council note the attached Transformational Projects Program monthly update no.11 – as at 31 December 2019, noting that the updates will be reported to Council on a 3 monthly basis in future.

#### **FR3.4A**

##### **CT390045 - Confidential - Transformational Projects Program - monthly update no.12 - as at 31 January 2020 F17/1394**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Council note the attached Transformational Projects Program monthly update no.12 – as at 31 January 2020, noting that the updates will be reported to Council on a 3 monthly basis in future.

#### **FR3.5A**

##### **CL400008 - Confidential - Blacktown Venue Management Ltd - appointment of Director F13/1058**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(a) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Re-appoint Mr Daryl Clout as an independent director of Blacktown Venue Management Ltd for a further period of 2 years.

#### **FR3.6A**

##### **CS400008 - Confidential - Proposed Acquisition of Lot 13 in DP 1219982, Bligh Street, Riverstone F14/260**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Council proceed with the acquisition of Lot 13 in DP 1219982 to facilitate the construction of the Brighton Street basin, in accordance with paragraph 3 under key reasons of the report.
2. That all documents necessary to finalise this matter be completed by the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate.
3. In accordance with Section 34 of *The Local Government Act 1993*, advertising be undertaken of the intention to classify the land as 'operational' in accordance with Section 31 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. A further report will be presented to the Council, if any submission is received.

#### **FR3.7A**

##### **CS400000 - Confidential - Proposed acquisition of properties required for Brighton Street Basin F15/518 (AQ-864), F15/514 (AQ-860), F15/513 (AQ-859), F15/512 (AQ-858), F15/516 (AQ-862), F14/1227 (AQ-809), F15/520 (AQ-866), F14/260 (AQ-781), F15/511- (AQ-857)**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Council proceed with compulsory acquisition of Part of Lot 8 Section F in DP 712, Lot 435 DP 1234263, Lot 4 DP 223895, Lot 1 DP 1207670, Lots 2 & 3 DP 1207669, Lot 13 DP 1219982, Lot 196 DP 1007, Lot 197 DP 1007, Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 DP 1219982 for the purpose of drainage infrastructure, in accordance with paragraph 4 under key reasons of the report.
2. That all documents necessary to finalise these matters be completed by the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate.
3. In accordance with Section 34 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, advertising be undertaken of the intention to classify the land as 'operational' in accordance with Section 31 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. A further report will be presented to the Council, if any submission is received.

### **FR3.8A**

#### **CS400001 - Confidential - Proposed compulsory acquisition of properties required for Regent Street Basin F16/2330 AQ967, F19/933 AQ1073, F19/936 AQ1076, F19/937 AQ1077**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Council proceed with compulsory acquisition of lot 100 in DP 1216455 (being previously part of 145 Regent Street, Riverstone), lots 70-73 in Plan of Acquisition DP1224329 (being part of lots 7-9 Section N DP712 known as 163 Regent Street, Riverstone), lot 10 Section N DP712 (known as 3 Clarke Street, Riverstone) and lot 11 Section N DP712 (known as 1 Clarke Street, Riverstone) for the purpose of drainage infrastructure and public recreation, in accordance with paragraph 4 under key reasons of the report.
2. That all documents necessary to finalise these matters be completed by the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate.
3. In accordance with Section 34 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, advertising be undertaken of the intention to classify the land as "operational" in accordance with Section 31 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. A further report will be presented to Council if any submissions are received.

### **FR3.9A**

#### **CS390174 - Confidential - proposed acquisition of proposed lots 14 and 15 in DP 1226411, 73 - 77 Hambleton Road, Schofields F19/1828**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(d) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed: (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or (iii) reveal a trade secret.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Council proceed with the acquisition of proposed lots 14 and 15 in Deposited Plan 1226411 for the purpose of drainage infrastructure, in accordance with paragraph 4 under key reasons of the report.
2. That all documents necessary to finalise the matter be completed by the Chief Executive Officer or his delegate.
3. In accordance with Section 34 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, advertising be undertaken of the intention to classify the land as "operational" in accordance with Section 31 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. A further report will be presented to Council if any submissions are received.

## **Confidential Recommendations from Community Services Committee**

### **CS3.1A**

**CL400011 - Confidential - Blacktown Venue Management Ltd Board of Directors minutes  
F15/540**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(c) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Receive the minutes of the Blacktown Venue Management Ltd Board meetings held on 24 October 2019.

**Confidential Recommendations from Policy & Strategy Committee**

**PS3.1A**

**CS390149 - Confidential - Better Practice Reviews - Final determination of the Arts and Cultural Development review F14/1021**

Confidential Reason Section 10A(2)(a) – It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as amended as it relates to personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

**RECOMMENDATION**

Endorse the final outcomes of the Arts and Cultural Development services Better Practice Review following staff consultation, in accordance with the proposed final recommendations in attachment 1 to this report.

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**Public Submission re Confidential Items**

The Mayor then addressed those present, noting that there are no members of the public present and said that he had been advised by the Chief Executive Officer that details of the decisions will be made to the public upon request in accordance with the resolutions made.

**MOTION** (Cr Griffiths/Cr Quilkey)

That the Committee of the Whole Agenda and Confidential Recommendations from the Reports from Officers, Confidential Recommendations from the Planning, Development, Historical & Assets Committee, Confidential Recommendations from the Finance & Resources Committee, Confidential Recommendations from Community Services Committee and Confidential Recommendations from the Policy & Strategy Committee, be received and the decisions (Minute Nos. 8678 & 8679) be noted and the recommendations (Minute Nos. 8680 to 8686 inclusive) be adopted. **CARRIED** 15188

This concluded business and the meeting then closed at 10.28pm.

**CONFIRMED** on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

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