

# AGENDA

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# INNER WEST COUNCIL

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY 11 JUNE 2019**

**6.30pm**

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Reports appearing in this section of the Business Paper are confidential in their entirety or contain confidential information in attachments.

The confidential information has been circulated separately.

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The reason for dealing with the report confidentially is that it contains commercial information of a confidential nature (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

C0619(1) Item 13 Tender for Online Booking Management System

**Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting 28 May 2019****Meeting commenced at 6.34pm****Present:**

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Victor Macri	Deputy Mayor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Lucille McKenna OAM	Councillor
Colin Hesse	Councillor
Sam Iskandar	Councillor
Tom Kiat	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Julie Passas	Councillor
Rochelle Porteous	Councillor (6.37pm)
Vittoria Raciti	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Louise Steer	Councillor
Anna York	Councillor
Michael Deegan	Chief Executive Officer
Elizabeth Richardson	Deputy General Manager Assets and Environment
Michael Tzimoulas	Deputy General Manager Chief Financial and Administration Officer
Nellette Kettle	Group Manager Customer Service, Business Excellence and Civic Governance
Harjeet Atwal	Group Manager Development Assessment and Regulatory Services
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Group Manager Trees, Parks and Streetscapes
Wal Petschler	Group Manager Footpaths, Roads, Traffic and Stormwater
Ian Naylor	Manager Civic Governance

**APOLOGIES:**

Nil.

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:**

Councillor Lockie declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary conflict of interest in Item 3 – Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel Report: DA201800173: 3-7 & 13-17 Regent Street, 287-309 Trafalgar Street & 16-20 Fisher Street, Petersham, as she is a member of the Petersham RSL Club.

**Motion: (Kiat/Stamolis)**

That the Disclosure of Interest be received and noted.

**Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York**Against Motion:** Nil**Absent:** Cr Porteous

Clr Lockie made a statement about the comments published on her Facebook page.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****Motion: (Passas/Da Cruz)**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 14 May 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Porteous

Clr Porteous entered the Meeting 6.37pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

6.39pm The Mayor, Clr Byrne adjourned the Meeting for a short recess.

6.41pm The Mayor, resumed the Meeting.

**C0519(2) Item 9 Mayoral Minute: Dogs Off-Leash in Callan Park****Motion: (Byrne)****THAT Council:**

- 1. Write to the State Government requesting reversal of the ban on off-leash dog walking in Callan Park and the commencement of consultation with Council, the community and park users about management of companion animals in Callan Park;**
- 2. Note it has no jurisdiction to enforce the off-leash ban in areas that Council does not control in Callan Park and will not be doing so.**
- 3. Receive a report after discussions with State Agencies about solutions to the problems.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Cr Da Cruz

**C0519(2) Item 10 Mayoral Minute: CEO Performance Review Panel****Motion: (Byrne)**

**THAT Council appoint the Mayor, Cr Darcy Byrne, Cr Rochelle Porteous, Cr Vittoria Raciti, Cr John Stamolis and Cr Anna York to the Chief Executive Officer's Performance Review Panel.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Cr Passas

**PUBLIC FORUM**

The registered speakers were asked to address the meeting. The list of speakers are available on the last page of the minutes.

**C0519(2) Item 1 Increasing Sporting Participation and Capacity through Synthetic Turf Field Development****Motion: (Byrne/Passas)****THAT Council:**

- 1. Endorse Tempe Reserve as the preferred site for synthetic sports surface upgrade and proceed to community engagement and detailed design in 2018-2019 and construction in Summer 2020-2021;**
- 2. Proceed with concept designs and costings for a synthetic sports surface at Leichhardt Oval #2 suitable for future grant funding applications and community engagement as part of the Draft Plan of Management for Leichhardt Park;**
- 3. Staff review priorities for the other shortlisted sites together with the Recreation Needs Strategy sports field renewal program preparation in 2019-2020; and**
- 4. Continues to explore opportunities for partnerships with schools and private development for synthetic surface recreation facilities provision.**

**Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Raciti, Stamolis and York**Against Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Porteous and Steer**Foreshadowed Motion (Kiat/Porteous)****That Council defer the decision pending a report being brought to a Council meeting which addresses the following issues, noting that this information has not yet been provided to Councillors:**

- 1. Competing unfunded priority projects arising from the Recreation Needs Study. Comparative analysis to include initial capital costs, depreciation/renewal and ongoing costs of synthetic turf compared to major competing priority projects that Council will have the opportunity to pursue within the current Delivery Program period.**
- 2. Council's Climate Emergency commitment and other environmental impacts, noting that a review of available scientific evidence by the WA Department of Local Government, Sporting and Cultural Industries indicates that synthetic turf has adverse environmental impacts including on local water systems, biodiversity, soil health, removes carbon sinking capacity and increases carbon emissions compared to natural turf, and end of life disposal.**
- 3. Receive a report on options on increasing the allocation of sports grounds to Women's and Girl's teams.**
- 4. The Feasibility Study be provided to Councillors.**

**The Foreshadowed Motion lapsed.**

Clr Passas retired from the Meeting at 8.17pm

Clr Iskandar left the Meeting at 8.21pm

Clr Iskandar returned to the Meeting at 8.27pm

**C0519(2) Item 2 Weed Management Policy****Motion: (Drury/McKenna OAM )****THAT Council:**

1. Adopts the final Inner West Weed Management Policy and Pesticide Notification Plan;
2. Rescind the Weed Control Policy of the former Marrickville Council;
3. Rescind the Weed Policy of the former Leichhardt Council;
4. Rescind the Noxious Weeds Policy of the former Ashfield Council; and
5. Rescind the respective Pesticide Notification Plans of the former Marrickville, Leichhardt and Ashfield Councils.
6. Only use glyphosate as a matter of last resort where other methods cannot be applied and spot control of persistent weeds that resist other treatments occur. Any use glyphosate must be done in a way that avoids it running off into stormwater drains and our waterways. The Council will continue to monitor the science regarding Glyphosates and review as needed.

**Motion Tied****For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Macri, McKenna OAM, Raciti and York**Against Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer**Absent:** Cr PassasThe Chairperson used his Casting Vote and the **MOTION** was **CARRIED****Foreshadowed Motion: (Kiat/Porteous)**

1. That Council note that the General Secretary of the United Services Union, the industrial body representing Council's staff, has written to Councillors to notify Council that the USU has recently engaged with Safework NSW to further discuss the potential risks of Glyphosate to their workers.
2. That Council defer adoption of the new policy until the USU has completed discussions with Safework NSW and advise us of its position.
3. That Council note there have been recently published studies from the University of Washington and the University of California, San Diego, that indicate a link between Glyphosate and cancer.

The Foreshadowed Motion lapsed.

**C0519(2) Item 3 Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel Report: DA201800173: 3-7 & 13-17 Regent Street, 287-309 Trafalgar Street & 16-20 Fisher Street, Petersham****Motion: (Byrne/ Macri)****That Council make a submission to the City Eastern City Planning Panel in regards to Application 2018ECI013 DA (Petersham RSL redevelopment) stating that:****Inner West Councillors believe that some of the proposed conditions with regards to Application 2018ECI013 contradict adopted Council policy positions and objectives**



including:

- The proposal to ban live music within the Club or to limit it to prior to 10:00pm. This proposal is at odds with the adopted Council policy to promote and support live music and to protect the existing use rights of live music venues. The amenity of residents above the club can be protected by requiring the highest standard of noise insulation, allowing live music to continue. Inner West Councillors request that the Panel impose a condition requiring noise insulation that will allow the Club to continue to host live music to the extent it does currently.
- The proposed reduction in hours of operation. To impose an entirely unanticipated reduction in operating hours at the final step in the approval process risks making the development financial unviable in a commercial and a risk management sense. Council in support of the night time economy. As such an attempt to reduce the existing hours of use of the club is contradictory to this strongly supported policy position. Inner West Councillors instead call for the highest standards of noise insulation to be required as a condition instead, so that residential amenity can be upheld whilst allowing the Club to operate.

#### **Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and York

**Against Motion:** Crs Hesse and Steer

**Absent:** Cr Passas

#### **Amendment (Kiat/Da Cruz)**

That Council's submission to the Panel include a focus on the opportunity for the RSL development to include at least 15% of the residential development as rent-controlled, secure and affordable housing, prioritising homeless veterans, inviting partnership with Council and/or RSL Life Care or other services targeted at assisting homeless veterans.

#### **Motion Lost**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Porteous and Steer

**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Macri, McKenna OAM, Raciti, Stamolis and York

**Absent:** Cr Passas

#### **Amendment (Porteous/Steer)**

That Council's submission to the Panel convey Council's position that the extended hours of operation should not apply to gambling operations.

#### **Motion Tied**

**For Motion:** Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer

**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Macri, McKenna OAM, Raciti and York

**Absent:** Cr Passas

The Chairperson used his Casting Vote and the **MOTION** was LOST.

#### **C0519(2) Item 4 Draft Impounding Policy and Protocol (Shopping Trolleys)**

**Motion: (Drury/ McKenna OAM)**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Adopt the Impounding Policy (Shopping Trolleys);**
- 2. Rescind the former Ashfield Council Shopping Trolley Policy; and**
- 3. Receive and note the Impounding Protocol (Shopping Trolleys).**
- 4. That in the case of Council being able to identify shops or shopping centres from where trollies are persistently abandoned that the CEO/Mayor convene a meeting with the owners of the owners of the trollies to express community concern and seek commitments to comply.**
- 5. Develop target timeframes for taking the steps listed in the Impounding Protocol, to be published on Council's website and communicated where possible to those reporting abandoned trollies.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Passas

Clr Kiat left the Meeting at 9.01pm

**C0519(2) Item 5 Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 6 May 2019**

**Motion: (Macri/Stamolis)**

**THAT the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 6 May 2019 be received and the recommendations be adopted.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Crs Kiat and Passas

**C0519(2) Item 6 Investment Report as at 30 April 2019**

**Motion: (Drury/Stamolis)**

**THAT the report be received and noted.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Crs Kiat and Passas

Clr Kiat returned to the Meeting at 9.03pm

**C0519(2) Item 7 Notice of Motion: Policy for Increased Transparency and Probity for Inner West Council**

**Motion: (McKenna OAM/ Drury)**

**THAT Council calls on the CEO to recommend a policy for increased transparency and**

probity for the IWC. In developing the policy the CEO should:

- a. Use the existing disclosure, conflict of interest and requirements of the Local Government Act as a minimum baseline;
- b. Assess all recommendations from the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption and the NSW Auditor General (as they pertain to local government) and the Office of Local Government, that are relevant to improving probity; and
- c. Consider establishing a lobbyist register to ensure transparency regarding advocacy on behalf of commercial and corporate interests relating to Council approvals, policy decisions and appointments.
- d. Uphold the right of local residents to contact and seek assistance from Councillors in relation to Council business.
- e. When establishing the register consideration be given to implementing the provisions of the Lobbying of Government Officials Act 2011 as far as they can be applied to local government.

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Passas

**C0519(2) Item 8 Notice of Motion: Good Neighbour Policy**

**Motion: (Byrne/ McKenna OAM)**

**THAT Council expand the Good Neighbour policy to cover the entire Inner West Council local government area, to ensure Council Officers work with licensed venues, live music providers and local residents to find a solution to amenity-related complaints prior to taking any formal regulatory action.**

**Motion Carried**

**For Motion:** Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis, Steer and York

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Passas

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

**CHAIRPERSON**

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

<b>Item #</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Suburb</b>
<b>Item 1:</b>	Sharon Laura	Haberfield
	Ruby Bruce	Leichhardt
	Liza Schaeper	Annandale
	Mackenzie Hughes	Leichhardt
	Leonie Sinclair	Marrickville
<b>Item 4:</b>	Anton Jarvis	Ashfield
	Orlagh Healy	Ashfield

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 1

**Subject:** 2019 COMMUNITY-LED CELEBRATION DAY (MULTICULTURAL) GRANTS

**Prepared By:** Tess Newton-Palmer - Community Resourcing and Research Supervisor,

**Authorised By:** Erla Ronan - Group Manager Community Services and Culture

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council award grant funding to 10 applicants to the amount of \$43,795 under the 2019 Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants Program as outlined in Attachment 1.**

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## **DISCUSSION**

The 2019 Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants Program was advertised in May. It was promoted via Council's website and through targeted community networks. Community members were provided with application support through over the phone conversations and at one-on-one meetings. Twelve grant submissions were received and individually assessed by Council's Grants Officer and two members of the Community Wellbeing Team (who served as subject matter experts). The grant proposals were discussed at an Assessment Panel Meeting held on 27 May 2019 with an Industry representative in attendance from TAFE NSW. Of these, ten grant applications are recommended for funding. The two submissions are not recommended for funding as they do not meet the requirements of the eligibility criteria in the guidelines.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

That the amount of \$43,795 be awarded to 10 applicants under the 2019 Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants Program budget.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. [↓](#) 2019 Multicultural Grants Funding Recommendations

**Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants 2019**

Organisation Name	Project Title	Brief Project Description	Target groups	Total \$ Requested	Total \$ Recommended
The Red Rattler Theatre	UHAMBO - A journey to Africa	UHAMBO, A Journey to Africa presented by Thuba Ndibali. A collaboration with the Dancey Dance Time group for the screening of a short film directed by Thuba Ndibali followed by a talk and cultural exchange about the Ndebele Tribe of Zimbabwe and multicultural dance showcase.	General public	\$5,000	\$5,000
Inner West Vietnamese Community Language School	Parents and Children Festival for all Community Language Schools in Inner West	We, Inner West Vietnamese Community Language School would like some help for funding to open the Moon Festival Event end of term 3/2019 (Saturday 21/09/2019). For others Community Language Schools involve to celebrate all in one living in Australia.	Children and families	\$5,000	\$5,000
Ethnic Community Services Co-operative	Celebrating Portuguese Day	The Portuguese Day will showcase a sense of senior Portuguese community contributing to Inner West Council's cultural and linguistic diversity. On the day, participants will attend in their traditional costumes and participate in music, dances and share lunch. Some of the participants will exhibit artifacts representing their stories and heritage.	Older people (over 55 years old), People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$5,000	\$5,000
Heartdancers	Sounds of Latin America	The project consists in to develop a free live music show at the Addison Road Community Centre commemorating the indigenous cultures from Latin America before the arrival of the Spanish crown.	General public, People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$5,000	\$5,000
Addison Road Community Centre Organisation	Cultures, community and childcare - celebrating the Addi Road childcare centre and its multicultural history	Opened by Bob Hawke in 1988, the childcare centre at Addison Road Community Centre has provided the CALD community of Marrickville and beyond with support, recognition and social connection for more than 30 years! This special day brings together families, educators, community workers and neighbours to celebrate multiculturalism in action.	Children and families, People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, Youth	\$5,000	\$5,000

**Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants 2019**

Metro Assist	Mid-Autumn Festival (Chinese Moon Festival)	Mid-Autumn festival is a community led festival with the aim of developing social capital through promoting social interaction, relationship building and social networks. The community friendly event will deliver variety of fun activities that will include lantern and kite making workshops with lion and dragon dancing promoting positive Chinese culture.	General public, People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$4,995	\$4,995
Stepping Out Housing Programme	Celebrating Child Sexual Abuse Survivors Cultural Food	Arrange a series of multicultural lunches to celebrate the diverse group of child sexual abuse survivors who attend the Stepping Out social Inclusion Group every Friday. Each different culture representative will have an opportunity to represent their traditional foods and music. Stepping Out will provide all financial and organisational support to ensure success	People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, Women	\$4,780	\$4,500
Chinese Australian Services Society	Inner West Chinese Culture Day 2019	A year end celebration and exhibition of Chinese paintings will be held in Ashfield to celebrate the end of 2019. Year end is traditionally a time for celebration. People will show their joy in singing and dancing. This project will provide an opportunity to celebrate and to showcase Chinese culture.	People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$4,300	\$4,300
Ashfield Seniors Eden	Celebration Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival	To share the history of the Chinese mid_ autumn festival which has been celebrated for over 2000 years in Asia yearly at harvest time on the night of the full moon. We'll eat moon cake, coffee and tea. We'll showcase the history with visuals, performances, singing, dancing, recitals and music.	General public, People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$2,500	\$2,500

**Community-Led Celebration Day (Multicultural) Grants 2019**

Greek Orthodox Community of NSW Child Care Centre	Celebrating 40 years Greek Orthodox Community of NSW Child Care Centre 1979-2019	The 40 year celebration will be an opportunity to celebrate the low cost, culturally/linguistically relevant quality child care provided to low income families by the centre ensuring equity of access to children from disadvantaged backgrounds and part of a fundraiser for all families in the area Sunday 4th August 2019.	Children and families, General public	\$5,000	\$2,500
Latin Dance Pop-Ups	Inner West Fiesta	The Inner West Fiesta is a Community Festival created to celebrate the diversity of the Latin American Culture in Sydney. Come and experience the best of the Latin American Street Food, Live Music, Dance, Arts and Crafts, with plenty of fun activities for kids of all ages.	Children and families, General public, People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities	\$5,000	\$0
Australian Nepalese Football Association	Equipment & Strategy Support For Australian Nepalese Football Association	Our goal is to further create an inclusive environment through soccer and encourage members of our Nepalese community to lead a healthy and active lifestyle. We are seeking funding to purchase much needed equipment and conduct a strategy workshop, which will significantly reduce financial burden placed on our Nepalese community.	People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, Women, Youth	\$5,000	\$0
				<b>\$56,575</b>	<b>\$43,795</b>

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 2

**Subject:** **GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT POLICY**

**Prepared By:** Brooke Martin - Group Manager Properties, Major Building Projects and Facilities

**Authorised By:** Elizabeth Richardson - Deputy General Manager Assets and Environment

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Adopt the Graffiti Management Policy.**
- 2. Rescind the former Leichhardt Council Graffiti Management Policy and the former Ashfield Council Graffiti Control/ Bill Poster Policy.**

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## **DISCUSSION**

The draft Graffiti Management Policy was placed on public exhibition between 17 April 2019 and 15 May 2019. The draft Policy is now presented to Council for adoption.

During public exhibition, Council received six (6) submissions in support of the Policy, some of which sought clarification about the scope and operation of graffiti management within the local government area.

Following adoption of the Policy, Council staff will proceed to procurement of consolidated graffiti management services for the local government area.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The draft 2019/20 budget for Graffiti Management is \$847,000, which is consistent with existing expenditure and budget.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1.** [↓](#) Graffiti Management Policy





## Graffiti Management Policy

### DOCUMENT PROFILE

<b>Title</b>	Graffiti Management Policy
<b>Summary</b>	This policy provides a summary of Council's legislative obligations for graffiti and bill poster control.
<b>Background</b>	
<b>Document Type</b>	Policy
<b>Relevant Council References</b>	Draft Community Strategic Plan: <i>Creating Our Communities: Creating Our Inner West 2036</i> ; Public Arts Policies;
<b>Applicable Delegation Of Authority</b>	As per delegations' register
<b>Other External References</b>	Graffiti Control Act 2008
<b>Attachments</b>	
<b>Record Notes</b>	Internal or External available document
<b>Version Control</b>	See last page

<b>Document:</b>	Graffiti Management Policy	<i>Uncontrolled Copy When Printed</i>	
<b>Custodian:</b>	Facilities Manager	<b>Version #</b>	Version #1
<b>Approved By:</b>	Group Manager Brooke Martin	<b>TRIM Ref #</b>	N/A
<b>Adopted By:</b>	Council	<b>Publish Location</b>	Intranet/ Internet
<b>Adopted Date and Minute #:</b>		<b>Next Review Date</b>	

**1 PURPOSE**

The Inner West Council (IWC) aims to minimise the incidents of unwanted tagging / graffiti through quick removal, whilst still providing avenues for legitimate social, community and public art programs.

**2 OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES**

1. To promote, support and encourage community and social arts programs that aid in preserving cultural heritage and street art culture.
2. To encourage local tourism through the promotion and celebration of art in public places.
3. To enhance the built and natural environment by reducing the incidence and canvases for unwanted tagging / graffiti.
4. To remove unwanted tagging / graffiti as quickly as practicable as a deterrent.
5. To encourage community support and participation in graffiti removal and prevention.
6. To work closely with New South Wales (NSW) Police and relevant agencies to record, monitor and report incidents.

**3 3 DEFINITIONS**

Term	Meaning
Unwanted tagging / graffiti	Any unauthorized inscription, word, figure or word design that is marked, etched, scratched, drawn, sprayed, painted, pasted, applied or otherwise affixed to a surface or an asset, including posters, notices, bill posters and remnants such as adhesives, glues and tape present after removal.
Offensive Graffiti	Graffiti as per the meaning above where the graffiti has the intent to be rude, insulting, derogatory, hurtful, discriminative or vilify, which results in a person or members of the community feeling disrespected, resentful, upset or annoyed.
Graffiti Register	The register that is required to be developed and maintained in accordance with Section 13 of the Graffiti Control Act 2008
Street Art	Art expression created in a public space that incorporates a devotion to social activism whilst playing a role in shaping and constructing cultural discourses.
Public Art	Artworks that are situated in spaces or on buildings accessible either physically or visually to the general public.
Paste-Ups	Artworks on paper prepared off-site and then quickly glued on-site.
Legal Art Wall / Permission Walls	Authorised canvas spaces self-managed by street art creators functioning as a living, constantly rotating museum.
Owner's Consent	The consent required from the owner/occupant in order to remove graffiti from non-accessible property in accordance with Section 11 of the Graffiti Control Act 2008.
Private Property	Property assets which Council requires Owner's consent to enter the property in order to carry out the graffiti removal works.
Advertising or signage	Any form of media that advertises a commercial product, Company or service.

#### **4 SCOPE**

##### **4.1 Council**

Council commits to remove unwanted graffiti on Council assets and identified hotspots within the Inner West Council LGA, both reported and observed, subject to the following:

- Removal is based on a priority table established for road and park assets based on previous reports, operational knowledge and the relative impact of graffiti on the community amenity.
- Removal is further prioritized based on the nature of the incident, with precedence given to any offensive, racist or defamatory graffiti and/or prominent sites or sites of significance within the community.
- Graffiti will not be removed from any location where a risk assessment determines that the Work Health and Safety of Council staff/contractor is placed at an unacceptable risk.
- Extra precaution is taken in the removal of graffiti from areas which are environmentally sensitive, of heritage significance, where Council is of the opinion that any removal could damage the property works will cease.
- Assessing the potential public art or cultural value of the work with relevant stakeholders

##### **4.2 Private Property**

Council's graffiti removal program also considers graffiti which occurs on private property which is reported to both Council and the local police. Approval of graffiti removal is subject to available resources, location and the nature of the graffiti, applications will be considered if:

- It is visible from a public road, footpath, park or other land the general public uses.
- Removal can be safely undertaken without the use of scaffolding, specialized equipment or traffic control.
- The private property is free from any hazards such as unleashed dogs or unsafe structures.
- The property owners/ occupiers consent to removal in accordance with sections 11 and 12 of the Graffiti Control Act 2008.
- A claim for compensation under Section 12 (5) of the Graffiti Control Act 2008, is to be in accordance with Section 730 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- The site is registered as part of Council's Public Art and Street Art Register (e.g. maintaining an artwork created through Council's street art initiatives such as Perfect Match or Wall2Wall or art and cultural programs)

#### 4.3 Community and Arts Posters or Notices

Community and Arts Posters and Notices include those with social, political and environmental comment or those that relate to events such as schools, markets, garage sales, missing persons/animals or promotion of arts (live music, exhibitions or performances at local venues).

In order to allow the community to display community posters and notices, a number of “character precincts” have been established.

Character precincts allow for extended display of notices and posters in the community interest, whilst also profiling our unique neighborhoods and center’s for creative innovation and talent. Generally unwanted graffiti is removed to the schedules described above in these areas, whilst community and arts related posters and notices are removed once a week. Character precincts in the Inner West LGA include:

- Newtown: King Street
- Parramatta Road

Inner West Council also provides community noticeboards in its libraries and community centres. These noticeboards are managed by each facility and are available for the community to display posters and notices of a community interest.

#### 4.4 Poster Pillars & Paste-Ups

Council has installed poster pillars on popular city streets to provide legal sites for the community to place posters. Poster pillars operate on a first come, first served basis, with posters removed weekly. There are currently two pillars located across the Inner West Council LGA in the following locations:

- Newtown: Newtown Square, corner King Street and Australia Street
- Enmore: Corner Enmore Road and Liberty Street

#### 4.5 Resident Removal Kits

Council, where possible, will provide guidance to property owners on where to purchase low cost graffiti removal kits and seek advice regarding removal techniques.

#### 4.6 Registers

Council will maintain registers for both the removal of unwanted tagging/graffiti and the legal locations of all street and public art. Unwanted tagging/graffiti carried out on both public and private property will be registered in accordance with the Graffiti Control Act 2008. The register must:

- Specify the nature of the work carried out
- Detail the location address, and
- Detail the costs to Council for completing the works
- Be made available to NSW police.

Legal street and public art will be detailed in Council managed registers including;

- Key street art works
- Legal art walls
- Murals

#### 4.7 Graffiti Prevention

Council participates in programs such as the NSW Department of Juvenile Justice community service program. This program supports young people who have been sentenced to a Community Service Order to participate in graffiti removal and repairing of work in their communities. Council also offers educational, arts and cultural programs that foster creative expression as alternatives to illegal and anti-social behaviour.

### **5 GRAFFITI REMOVAL SCHEDULES**

#### 1. Road "Hot Spots"

Routine hot spots include streets subject to high pedestrian traffic and tend to be main arterial roads and thoroughfares. The areas in question are inspected every 1 – 2 weeks.

#### 2. Park "Hot Spots"

Council provides for the removal of graffiti from the parks "hot spot" locations in accordance with a four tier scheduled ranging from two weekly to an "on demand" service.

### 3. Emergency Removal

Racist, defamatory, offensive graffiti on Council assets, private property or prominent/highly visible locations will be removed within 48 hours of notification.

### 4. Ad hoc Removal

Reported incidents within Council's graffiti "hot spot" locations received outside of the routine schedules will be removed within 5 working days of notification.

## **6 PUBLIC ART, EDUCATION AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS**

### 6.1 Murals

Council recognizes the ongoing interest in murals and street art from artists, community members and businesses and will endeavor to play a facilitating role to enable private commissions in strategic locations through programs such as "Perfect Match".

Council will initiate plans to commission murals, and to improve open space amenity and streetscapes through;

- Formalizing a process to ensure works are commissioned in a considered manner whilst enabling timely response;
- Communicating with, residents, business owners and property owners who are interested in commissioning street art or a mural;
- Providing advice on the approval process and how to search for artists and opportunities; and
- Liaising with utility providers to form joint initiatives in preventing unwanted tagging/graffiti on public utility services.
- Proposals for murals/street art that include product placement, company logos and slogans are considered commercial advertising and as such will require a DA.

### 6.2 Public Art, Placemaking & Street Art

Council is supportive of planned public art as a source of inspiration, pride and enhancement of community and public domain for the whole community. In contrast to unwanted graffiti/tagging, placemaking through public art is a proven means of improving neighbourhood amenity, and creating a personality, embracing the heritage, look and feel of a particular domain.

The inner west is home to one of Australia's most impressive collections of street art – reflecting the inner west's unique neighbourhoods, heritage and culture. Council's removal program is complemented and supported by Public Art programs whereby Council's Community Services and

Culture deliver a range of multifaceted strategies and initiatives involving creatives and community in fostering alternative forms of creative expression and art in public places.

For further details on public art in the Inner West Local Government Area, go to:

<https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/art-events/arts-and-culture/public-art>

## **7 COMMUNITY EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT**

### **7.1 Informing the Community**

Council will educate the public on options for reducing the likelihood of attracting graffiti. This will include:

- Posting relevant information on the Council's website

Council will educate potential offenders on the legal implications of illegal graffiti by:

- Encouraging and facilitating partnerships with local learning agencies to communicate the risks to offenders associated with trying to mark hard-to-reach locations and potential chemical exposure.
- Fostering skill development and positive street art through the promotion of legal art walls.
- Partnering with Juvenile Justice for the removal of graffiti by young people serving community service orders.
- Posting links to legal websites via the Council website.

### **7.2 Involving the Community**

Council actively encourages the participation of the community in graffiti management by:

1. Consulting with street artist's to further understand the culture behind street art and provide artists the opportunities to participate in Council programs.
2. Facilitate partnerships with education, arts and cultural sectors to develop programs that engage community members in creative and cultural expression.
3. Promoting involvement in and support of Graffiti Removal Day, a state-wide removal and prevention day run by Rotary Down Under with support from community organisations
4. Requiring the community to report occurrences of graffiti to the Police Assistance Line prior to Council actioning requests for removal or access to a graffiti removal kit



## **8 Planning and design**

### **8.1 Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)**

Council promotes design strategies that reduce opportunities for graffiti on public and private assets. By incorporating CPTED principles into the IWC LGA Council aims to minimize unwanted tagging/graffiti before it happens.

CPTED principles include initiatives such as:

- Utilizing landscaping as anti-graffiti device ie. Planting vines against walls that might otherwise be tagged.
- Creating spaces which are well lit, well utilized and feel safe.
- Increasing natural surveillance by designing adequate sightlines into public space.
- Attracting the community to public spaces which receive low level usage by introducing "activity generators" such as community art, cafes and play equipment.

### **8.2 Council Planners**

- Council planners will impose a condition of consent that blank walls in graffiti hot spots have anti-graffiti coating
- In order to assist Council in maintaining the amenity of the LGA Council planners will impose a condition of consent that building sites must maintain hoarding/fencing surrounding the site to ensure it is free of any graffiti and bill posters of any kind or hosts authorized artworks.
- It is acknowledged that independent to this policy, Council may assess and approve applications that give consent for commercial advertising on major walls on a both a short and long term basis

## **9 REPORTING**

Council employees and contractors are encouraged to report graffiti to the Customer Service Centre or relevant Manager.

<https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/community/for-residents/getting-around/roads-and-footpaths/graffiti-management>

## **10 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

Graffiti Control Act 2008

Local Government Act 1993

Commercial Arbitration Act 2010

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**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 3

**Subject:** **COMMERCIAL FITNESS TRAINERS POLICY**

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Adopts the Inner West Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy;**
  - 2. Rescind the Commercial Fitness Training Policy (2016) of the former Marrickville Council; and**
  - 3. Rescind the Policy Use of Council Open Space by Commercial Fitness Trainers of the former Leichhardt Council.**
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## **DISCUSSION**

The draft Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy has been placed on public exhibition and is now presented to Council for endorsement. Council received 14 submissions, of which two supported the policy, eight supported the policy with changes and four did not support the policy. The Policy has been updated to reflect community feedback.

The purpose of this policy is to assist Commercial Fitness Trainers by guiding them through the approval process for commercial training that take place in parks and sporting grounds in the Inner West local government area.

Council encourages the appropriate use of parks and sporting grounds for training as it helps contribute to the health, wellbeing and liveability of the Inner West. It is Council's objective to ensure that commercial training in parks is suitable and managed in a manner which is safe and which is appropriate to the local environment and surrounding community.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Policy can be administered with existing staff resources. Permits for commercial fitness trainers attract a fee, which is outlined in Council's fees and charges.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- [1.↓ Inner West Council Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy](#)



## Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy



June 2019

## Commercial Fitness Trainers

### DOCUMENT PROFILE

<b>Title</b>	Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy
<b>Summary</b>	The purpose of this policy is to assist Commercial Fitness Trainers by guiding them through the approval process for commercial training that take place in parks and sporting grounds in the Inner West Council.
<b>Background</b>	Council encourages the use of appropriate parks and sporting grounds for training as they help contribute to the health, wellbeing and liveability of the Inner West. It is Council's objective to ensure that commercial fitness training is suitable and managed in a manner which is safe and which is appropriate to the local environment and surrounding community.
<b>Policy Type</b>	Council
<b>Relevant Strategic Plan Objective</b>	Strategic direction 4: Caring, happy, healthy communities Outcome 4.1 Everyone feels welcome and connected to the community 1. Foster inclusive communities where everyone can participate in community life  Outcome 4.3 The community is healthy and people have a sense of wellbeing: 1. Provide the facilities, spaces and programs that support wellbeing and healthy communities
<b>Relevant Council References</b>	Events in Parks Guidelines Sporting Grounds Allocations Policy Park Plans of Management
<b>Main Legislative Or Regulatory Reference</b>	Local Government Act Crown Lands Act
<b>Applicable Delegation Of Authority</b>	As per Delegations Register
<b>Record Notes</b>	External available document
<b>Version Control</b>	See last page

<b>Document:</b>	Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy	<i>Uncontrolled Copy When Printed</i>	
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## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to assist Commercial Fitness Trainers by guiding them through the approval process for commercial training that take place in parks and sporting grounds in the Inner West Council.

## 2. Objective

Council is responsible for the management of all activities within parks, reserves, sporting grounds and public open space. There is an ongoing high demand for open space resources within the Inner West, particularly with increasing densities. Council must actively manage access to the parks.

Commercial Fitness training can be fun and it provides opportunities for small groups to exercise in an attractive outdoor setting. Commercial fitness training in parks is growing in popularity.

Council encourages the appropriate use of parks and sporting grounds for training as it helps contribute to the health, wellbeing and liveability of the Inner West. It is Council's objective to ensure that commercial training in parks is suitable and managed in a manner which is safe and which is appropriate to the local environment and surrounding community.

## 3. Scope

### 3.1. In scope

This policy applies to all Commercial Fitness Trainers, including commercial running clubs, yoga groups, pilates groups and well-being groups operating in the Inner West.

Commercial fitness training may only occur in the parks outlined in 6.2 Permitted Sporting Grounds and Parks.

### 3.2. Out of scope

Commercial fitness training may **not** occur in any area other than those listed in 6.2 Permitted Sporting Grounds and Parks.

This Policy does not apply to non-Commercial groups, including walking groups

#### **Sporting Grounds Allocation Policy**

This Policy does not apply to seasonal bookings for training and games on sporting grounds, usually hired by sporting clubs, tertiary organisations and schools.

#### **Parks Managed by the State Government**

This Policy does not apply to parks owned and managed by the State Government, including Callan Park (all areas outside of the sporting grounds, Balmain Road, Glover Street and Waterfront Drive, which are licenced to Council) and Ballast Point Park.

## 4. Definitions

**Commercial Fitness Trainers** are trainers which charge a fee to participate in a sporting activity. This includes commercial running clubs, yoga groups, pilates groups and well-being groups. It

includes organisations that require participants to purchase substantial equipment or clothing in order to participate in the training.

## 5. Policy Statement

Council encourages the use of appropriate parks and sporting grounds for training as they help contribute to the health, wellbeing and liveability of the Inner West. It is Council's objective to ensure that commercial fitness training is suitable and managed in a manner which is safe and which is appropriate to the local environment and surrounding community.

This policy is to assist Commercial Fitness Trainers by guiding them through the approval process for training that take place in parks in the Inner West Council.

## 6. Policy

### 6.1. Application

All Commercial Fitness Trainers must submit an application for a Commercial Fitness Training Permit.

To be eligible to submit an application for a Permit, applicants must satisfy the following criteria:

- Submit to Council a completed and accurate Commercial Fitness Training Permit Application Form/s; and
- Have no outstanding debt with Council; and
- Provide a current photograph of the trainer;
- Provide a Certificate of Currency for public liability insurance of a minimum of \$20 million. The policy must indicate that Inner West Council is noted as an Interested Party (Principal Indemnity Endorsement), and that the Business Activity shown on the Certificate of Currency must be appropriate and include functions such as sporting training or personal fitness; and
- Provide a copy of professional indemnity insurance of a minimum of \$5 million; and
- Provide a current First Aid Certificate; and
- Provide a copy of the applicant's current CPR Certificate; and
- Provide a copy of the applicant's professional qualifications (eg. being registered with Fitness Australia or equivalent);
- Provide evidence that the applicant is utilising the Adult Pre-Exercise Screening System (APSS); and
- Provide a copy of the applicant's working with children check if training children under 16 year's old.

### 6.2. Permitted Sporting Grounds and Parks

Council will only grant a Commercial Fitness Training Permit for the locations and hours listed in the table below:

Location	Permitted Hours for Training
Sporting Grounds	Monday to Friday*
Algie Park	5:30am - 3pm
Ashfield Park	5:30am - 3pm
Birchgrove Park	6am - 3pm
Blackmore Oval	5:30am - 3pm
Callan Park - Balmain Road	5:30am - 3pm
Callan Park - Glover Street	5:30am - 3pm

Location	Permitted Hours for Training
Callan Park – Waterfront Drive	5:30am - 3pm
Camdenville Park	5:30am - 3pm
Camperdown Park	5:30am - 3pm
Centenary Park	5:30am - 3pm
Cohen Park	6:30am - 3pm
Easton Park	6am - 3pm
Hammond Park	5:30am - 3pm
King George Park	6am - 3pm
Leichhardt #2	5:30am - 3pm
Leichhardt #3	5:30am - 3pm
Mackey Park	5:30am - 3pm
Mahoney Reserve	5:30am - 3pm
Marrickville Park	5:30am - 3pm
Petersham Park	6am - 3pm
Steel Park	5:30am - 3pm
Tempe Reserve	5:30am - 3pm
<b>Parks</b>	<b>Monday to Saturday*</b>
36th Battalion Park	6:30am - 8pm
Bridgewater Park	6:30am - 8pm
Birchgrove Park (outside sporting ground area)	6am – 8pm
Elkington Park	6:30am - 8pm
Enmore Park	6am - 8pm
Illoura Reserve	6am - 8pm
Johnson Park	6am - 8pm
Leichhardt Park – Peace Park	6am - 8pm
Marrickville Park (outside sporting ground area)	5:30 am – 8pm
McNeilly Park	6:30am - 8pm
Mort Bay Park	6:30am - 8pm
O'Dea Reserve	6:30am - 8pm
Richard Murden Reserve	6:30am - 8pm
Robson Park	6:30am - 8pm
Sydenham Green	6:30am - 8pm
Tempe Lands - Village Green	5:30am - 8pm
Tillman Park	6:30am - 8pm
War Memorial Park	6:30am - 8pm
Wicks Park	6:30am - 8pm

\* Sporting grounds are rested on Mondays. On Mondays, the peripheries of sporting grounds may be used. Sporting grounds are not available for commercial fitness training on Saturdays due to sporting club bookings. Training is not permitted on Sundays in sporting grounds or parks.

### 6.3. Permissible Activities

The following activities are permissible under the Commercial Fitness Trainers Permit:

- Gym sessions (with or without weights, fitballs, skipping ropes, etc);
- Boxing and pad training;
- Organised aerobic activity;
- Resistance training;
- Circuit training;
- Tai Chi, yoga, pilates classes, well-being classes and similar activities;
- A combination of any of the above; and
- Restricted boot camps



The Commercial Fitness Trainers Permit authorises the Commercial Fitness Trainer to undertake training in the relevant park or sporting ground. It does not give the Commercial Fitness Trainer exclusive access to the park or sporting ground. Access must be maintained for the community and other park and sporting ground users.

#### 6.4. Approval Process

Where only one applicant is requesting access to a location as listed in 6.2 Permitted Sporting Grounds and Parks, in general this will be made available to them.

In having regard as to whether to issue a Commercial Fitness Training Permit, Council staff will give consideration to the following:

Consideration	Principles
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Usage demand, intensity of use of the area and times requested</li> <li>Number of approved trainers already using the area</li> <li>Other activities (passive and active) being undertaken in the area</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To mitigate the impacts on adjacent residents of having multiple uses at the location and throughout the day.</li> <li>To mitigate congestion and possible user conflict in the areas requested.</li> <li>Permits will be allocated to a maximum of two trainers per designated park or sporting ground at any one time.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proximity of neighbouring residents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To mitigate the impacts on adjacent residents of having multiple uses at the location and throughout the day.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Historical use of parks or sporting grounds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council will recognise applicants with a history of use at particular park or sporting ground</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tenancy records</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council recognises the social and cultural importance of an applicant having a good relationship with Council, other park users and the local community. A history of compliance with all terms and conditions of permits is essential.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access &amp; Equity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensuring the opportunity for participation of a broad mix of training groups.</li> <li>Council considers relevant the applicant's access to alternative facilities (particularly as an alternative to the use of public open space).</li> </ul>

Commercial Fitness Training Permits will be issued for a maximum of one year.

#### 6.5. Fees

Commercial Fitness Trainer fees will apply. Further information is available on Council's website in the Inner West Fees & Charges document.

Permit fees are non-refundable regardless of circumstances.

#### 6.6. Fee Waivers

Council will not issue fee waivers for Commercial Fitness Trainers (commercial organisations or sole traders). Council will not issue fee waivers for regular, organised sporting activities/ events carried out by clubs, sporting groups or associations.

#### **6.7. Damages and Breaches**

Any Commercial Fitness Trainer using a sporting ground or park which is in breach of the Conditions of Commercial Fitness Training Permit outlined in Annexure 1 as attached may be subject to the following:

- Exclusion from future Permit approvals; and
- Monetary penalty.

#### **6.8. Warnings**

Where it is alleged that a hirer has breached the Allocation conditions, the following will be undertaken:

- On the first alleged breach, Council staff will investigate the breach and make an assessment. If upheld, the hirer will be provided with the breach assessment and a first written warning.
- On the second alleged breach, Council staff will investigate the breach and make an assessment. If upheld, the hirer will be provided with the breach assessment and a second written warning.
- On the third alleged breach, Council staff will investigate the breach and make an assessment. If upheld, the hirer will be provided with the breach assessment and a **final** written warning. At this point, at its absolute discretion, Council may cancel the Permit.

#### **6.9. Community Complaints**

Community complaints regarding Commercial Fitness Trainers and their use of a park or sporting ground should be reported to Council on 02 9392 5000 or [council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au).

### **7. Risk & Insurance**

Commercial Fitness Trainers must satisfy all workplace health and safety legislation and regulations and ensure at all times that the requirements of the Work Health & Safety Act 2011 and the regulations made under that Act are fully observed.

Council shall not be liable for any damage or loss that any trainer and their clients may suffer by the act, default, omission or neglect of any other person or by reason of the Council, its members agents and contractors failing to do something on or to the public space used.

At all times when training on Council land, Commercial Fitness Trainers are required to be covered by a minimum of \$20 million public liability and \$5 million professional indemnity insurance. Certificates of currency are to be provided at the time of application.

All Commercial Fitness Trainers must maintain current accreditation and registration with Fitness Australia or other approved industry associations and maintain accreditation and registration throughout the duration of the permit.

### **8. Council**

The elected Councillors may only overturn a staff Commercial Fitness Training Permit application determination through a resolution of Council via a Notice of Motion to Council.

## 9. Responsibilities

Trees, Parks & Streetscapes staff are responsible for the following:

- Reviewing and approving applications in accordance with the Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy;
- Providing advice and assistance to Commercial Fitness Trainers; and
- Reviewing and revising this Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy when required. Substantive changes must go to Council for approval (this does not include minor administrative updates).

Customer Service staff are responsible for processing Commercial Fitness Trainers fees and damage bonds.

Approval of any Permit which is not in accordance with the Commercial Fitness Trainers Policy will require approval through a Council resolution.

## 10. Related Legislation, Policies and Procedures

The following are related legislation, policies and procedures:

- Inner West Council Events in Parks Guidelines
- Inner West Council Sporting Grounds Allocation Policy
- Inner West Council Fees & Charges
- Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)

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## **Annexure 1 – Conditions of Commercial Fitness Training Permit**

By submitting a Commercial Fitness Training Permit Application, applicants and Commercial Fitness Trainers are agreeing to the Conditions of Commercial Fitness Training Permit outlined below.

### **1. Ground Closures**

Council reserves the right to close any park, sporting ground and/ or facility due to inclement weather, to protect the playing surface and other assets, due to safety concerns, to reduce risk to the public or to allow the completion of capital and maintenance works. This decision is not negotiable. It is the hirer's responsibility to seek confirmation on the availability of the park or sporting grounds.

Information is available as follows:

On Council's website ([www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/explore/parks-sport-and-recreation/sporting-ground-status](http://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/explore/parks-sport-and-recreation/sporting-ground-status))

Call the wet weather line on 02 9367 9190

Follow Council on Twitter @IWCsportgrounds

Check the signage at the grounds (where available)

All Commercial Fitness Training Commercial Fitness Trainers must comply with park and ground closures.

Council staff inspect the parks and sporting grounds regularly, as part of ongoing maintenance. Commercial Fitness Trainers are also required to conduct pre-training ground assessments and address any hazards.

Council will not be held responsible for relocating or finding alternative park and sporting grounds for Commercial Fitness Trainers. Council will not be held responsible for any costs incurred by a Commercial Fitness Trainer relocating to an alternative venue due to park and sporting ground closures.

No refunds will be provided for closures associated with inclement weather. It is noted that Council heavily subsidises the management and maintenance of access to sporting grounds and parks for community access.

### **2. Damage**

If the Commercial Fitness Trainer becomes aware of any damage to the grounds, particularly where it may impact on people's safety, the Commercial Fitness Trainer is responsible for reporting this promptly to Council. Where possible, the area should be isolated.

When undertaking training, Commercial Fitness Trainers are encouraged to rotate their training/ drill areas within the sporting grounds or park to reduce wear and tear. This minimises damage to the grounds and potential risk of injury to people participating in training.

### **3. Permit Identification Card**

Approved Commercial Fitness Trainers will be issued with an identification card. This identification card must be carried at all times when conducting training in parks. This identification card must be produced and shown to Council Rangers and other Council officers, on request.

### **4. Participant Numbers**

The Commercial Fitness Trainer must only train the maximum number of participants that is shown on their permit. Subject to approval, the maximum number of participants which may attend any Commercial Fitness Training class is 16 people to one Trainer on sporting grounds and 10 people to one trainer in parks.

#### **5. Participant Behaviour**

The Commercial Fitness Trainer is responsible for the satisfactory conduct of all participants and persons attending their training. The Commercial Fitness Trainer shall ensure that the amenity of property owners adjoining parks is not disturbed by excessive noise, offensive language, poor behaviour or any other activity likely to cause unreasonable disturbance.

#### **6. Noise**

Commercial Fitness Trainers and their participants must be mindful of residents and limit noise.

Commercial Fitness Trainers may not utilise a public address (PA) system, amplified music, amplified audio equipment or any electronically operated sound equipment.

Commercial Fitness Trainers may not use excessive and ongoing loud yelling (eg. militant boot camp styles). Commercial Fitness Trainers may not use whistles. Noise levels of the activity at the boundaries of the park are not to exceed 10 dBA above ambient noise levels, at any time.

#### **7. First Aid**

All Commercial Fitness Trainers must have a fully equipped first aid kit and ice present at all times when undertaking training.

#### **8. Car Parking**

Car parking is restricted to designated car parks only. At no times are cars allowed on parks or sporting grounds without the approval of Council. Commercial Fitness Trainers are responsible for the conduct of their participants in this regard. It is the Commercial Fitness Trainer's responsibility to monitor and control car parking.

#### **9. Waste**

Council provides bins at sporting grounds and parks. All Commercial Fitness Trainers are responsible for waste generated from their respective training activities. Commercial Fitness Trainers are responsible for ensuring that the sporting grounds and parks are left in a clean state. At no time are Commercial Fitness Trainers permitted to store or stack waste next to bins. Commercial Fitness Trainers found to have left waste behind will be charged for the removal and disposal of such waste by Council.

#### **10. Smoking**

Smoking is prohibited on all Council sporting grounds. All Commercial Fitness Trainers are responsible for informing their participants that sporting grounds are smoke free.

In addition, smoking is not permitted in the following areas:

- Within any structures;
- Within 10 metres of children's play equipment in outdoor public places;
- Spectator areas at sports grounds or other recreational areas used for organised sporting events; and
- Within 10 metres of a food fair stall/ kiosk/ canteen.

#### **11. Good Sports**

All Commercial Fitness Trainers must demonstrate respect towards each other, other park users and towards Council staff.

#### **12. Dogs**

Some of the sporting grounds are off-leash for dogs when there is no organised, approved hiring of the sporting grounds. Signage will be in place onsite to indicate if the sporting grounds are off-leash for dogs.

The following sporting grounds are off-leash for dogs when there are no approved bookings:

- Balmain Road Sporting Ground;
- Blackmore Oval;
- Cohen Park;
- Easton Park;
- Glover Street Sporting Ground;
- HJ Mahoney Reserve;
- King George Park;
- Leichhardt #2;
- Leichhardt #3; and
- Waterfront Drive Sporting Ground.

Commercial Fitness Trainers and their participants may not bring dogs to training sessions.

If there are any issues with dogs off leash, Commercial Fitness Trainers are asked to contact Council Rangers on 02 9392 5000.

#### **13. Storage Allocation and Containers**

Commercial Fitness Trainers are not entitled to storage space.

#### **14. Activities Requiring Approval**

The following activities require an approval from Council in writing:

- Filming (commercial);
- Installing any structure, screen, awning, sign, enclosure, equipment, stalls or amusement devices;
- Exhibiting or distributing advertisements or handbills;
- Any use that brings in a third party supplier, including formal catering, etc.;
- Utilise Council's energy and water without prior consent in writing; and
- Construct marquees or tents without prior consent in writing.

#### **15. Prohibited Activities**

The following activities are not permitted within any park or sporting ground:

- Tree pruning;
- Trench digging;
- Attaching signs or structures to trees or Council signage; and
- Archery; golf; go karting (or using other motorised equipment); paintball; laser tag; riding horses; driving of model cars; sale or use of glass receptacles; camping or lodging overnight; possession or utilisation of any firearms; coal BBQs; lighting candles; and lighting fires (this excludes utilising the Council provided BBQs).

Council discourages the use of balloons, plastic straws, glitter, party poppers and confetti in parks and discourage Colour Run events.

Commercial Fitness Trainers may not do the following within any park or sporting ground:

- Train on Sundays;
- Sell goods (including clothing, equipment, refreshments, etc.);
- Aggressive and intimidating activities which isolate other park users, including combat training;
- Display advertising, sponsorship signage, banners or "A" frame signs;
- Make alterations, additions or deletions to any Council assets, including land or buildings.
- Linemark the grounds;
- Fence or block off areas of the grounds, to the exclusion of the general public;
- Utilise sporting ground flood lights;
- Prevent other community members and park users from accessing the park and sporting grounds;
- Interfere with any Council approved or booked activity (eg. sporting club bookings, events or casual bookings). Seasonal, casual and school sporting ground bookings take priority over trainer usage;
- Dominate, monopolise or obstruct any stairways or pathways;
- Exclusively utilise public outdoor fitness equipment in parks;
- Step on, walk on, or utilise in any way as part of an exercise program, BBQs, picnic tables, picnic shelters, rotundas, seats, walls, fences, buildings, statues, public art, trees, garden beds, water features, water courses, wetlands or other structures;
- Suspend any equipment (eg. boxing bags, ropes, straps, harnesses, suspension lines) from trees and/ or other structures; and
- Bring in heavy equipment to the sporting grounds and parks, including fitness and weight benches.

Within an approved sporting ground or park, Commercial Fitness Trainers may not operate in the following specific areas:

- Within 10 metres of a memorial or cenotaph;
- Within 10 metres of a playground or play equipment;
- Within 10 metres of a toilet, change room or canteen;
- Within 20 metres from a neighbouring residential property; and
- On a sporting ground, where a club or other group has a booking

Council reserves the right to exclude other specific areas from fitness training, as it sees fit.

#### **16. Management Plans**

Council may require the Commercial Fitness Trainer to prepare and implement management plans. The size and nature of the activities being held on the sporting ground will determine if the Commercial Fitness Trainer must prepare the following, for approval by Council:

- Prepare and implement a Traffic Management Plan;
- Prepare and implement a Risk Assessment and Management Plan; and
- Undertake community notification of the activities.

#### **17. Additional Conditions**

In consideration of the Commercial Fitness Trainer's proposed activities, Council at its sole discretion may apply additional conditions of approval, as deemed necessary.

#### **18. Permit Cancellation**

Council may at its sole discretion cancel a Commercial Fitness Training Permit if they are in breach of any of the Conditions of Approval above.



**Item No: C0619(1) Item 4**
**Subject: LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3 JUNE 2019**
**Prepared By: John Stephens - Traffic and Transport Services Manager**
**Authorised By: Wal Petschler - Group Manager Footpaths, Roads, Traffic and Stormwater**
**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 3 June 2019 be received and the recommendations be adopted.**

**ITEMS BY WARD**

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Baludarri (Balmain)	Wharf Road, Birchgrove - 10km/h Shared Zone and Footpath Parking proposal
	Mullens, Beattie and Montague Streets, Balmain - Proposed Intersection Treatments
	Piper Lane, Annandale - Proposed 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' zones
	Report back on Mainstreet meter switch off at 7pm in Balmain, Rozelle and Leichhardt
	Goodsir Street, Rozelle - Proposed removal of existing 'No Parking, 8AM-6PM Mon-Fri' Zone
Gulgadya (Leichhardt)	Crescent Street and Boomerang Street, Haberfield - Proposed Refuge Island and Speed Cushion
	Croydon Road, Croydon – Proposed removal of parking on the eastern side between Parramatta Road and West Street
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	Bruce Street, Stanmore - Proposed Permit Parking Area M17
	Edgeware Road, Enmore - Proposed Permit Parking
	Pedestrian refuge on Stanmore Road, Petersham
	Petition to review M3 Permit Parking Area
	Request for 'No Stopping' zone on Cambridge Street adjacent to Stanmore Public School carpark
Djarrawunang (Ashfield)	Blackwood Lane, Dulwich Hill - Proposed section of 'No Parking'
	Queen Street, Ashfield – Proposed 'No Stopping' in Queen Street at

	intersection with Harland Street
All Wards	Minor Traffic Facilities
	Code of Conduct for Council Committee Members, Delegates of Council and Council Advisers
	Outstanding matters Local Traffic Committee

**DISCUSSION**

Meeting of the Inner West Council Local Traffic Committee was held on 3 June 2019 at Petersham. The minutes of the meeting are shown at **ATTACHMENT 1**.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Projects proposed for implementation in 2018/19 are funded within existing budget allocations.

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

Specific projects have undergone public consultation as indicated in the respective reports to the Traffic Committee. Members of the public attended the meeting to address the Committee on specific items.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. [↓](#) Minutes LTC 3rd July 2019

**Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting  
Held at Petersham Service Centre on 3 June 2019****Meeting commenced at 10.02am****ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY BY CHAIRPERSON**

*I acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation on whose country we are meeting today, and their elders past and present.*

**COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT**

Clr Victor Macri	Councillor – Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward (Chair)
Bill Holliday	Representative for Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain
Chris Woods	Representative for Ron Hoenig MP, Member for Heffron
Cathy Peters	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
Sgt John Micallef	NSW Police – Burwood Police Area Command
LSC Marina Nestoriaros	NSW Police – Leichhardt Police Area Command
Ryan Horne	Roads and Maritime Services

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Asith Nagodavithane	Transit Systems – Inner West Bus Services
Colin Jones	Inner West Bicycle Coalition
Clr Marghanita da Cruz	Councillor – Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward
Wal Petschler	IWC's Group Manager Roads, Traffic and Stormwater
John Stephens	IWC's Traffic and Transport Services Manager
George Tsaprounis	IWC's Coordinator Traffic and Parking Services (South)
Manod Wickramasinghe	IWC's Coordinator Traffic and Parking Services (North)
Jenny Adams	IWC's Engineer – Traffic and Parking Services
Boris Muha	IWC's Engineer – Traffic and Parking Services
David Yu	IWC's Engineer – Traffic and Parking Services
Mary Bailey	IWC's Parking Planner
Mohammed Islam	IWC's Civil Engineer
Christina Ip	IWC's Business Administration Officer

**VISITORS**

Janette Sullivan	Item 1 – Resident
Jantje Korringa	Item 1 – Resident
Peter Miller	Item 1 – Resident
Michael Garder	Item 1 – Resident
Diana Garder	Item 1 – Resident
Yvonne Frost	Item 3 – Resident
Tim Frost	Item 3 – Resident

**APOLOGIES:**

Sgt Paul Vlachos	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command
SC Tony Kenny	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command
Jo Haylen MP	Member for Summer Hill
Sarina Foulstone	Representative for the Member for Summer Hill

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

The representative for the Member for Newtown advised that she has a non-pecuniary interest in Item 24 as she is a resident.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on Monday, 6 May 2019 were confirmed.

### **MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION OF MINUTES**

The Local Traffic Committee recommendations of its meeting held on 6 May 2019 were adopted at Council's meeting held on 28 May 2019.

### **LTC0619 Item 1 Wharf Road, Birchgrove - 10km/h Shared Zone and Footpath Parking proposal (Baludarri-Balmain Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

#### **SUMMARY**

In response to concerns raised by residents regarding parking conditions in Wharf Road, Council is proposing to provide a 10km/h Shared Zone and Footpath Parking Scheme in Wharf Road between Lemm Street and Grove Street, Birchgrove. Wharf Road was previously listed in the former Leichhardt Council's 'narrow streets program' and was identified as having a high demand for on-street parking.

#### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT a '10km/h Shared Zone' and footpath parking scheme be installed in Wharf Road, Birchgrove between Grove Street and Lemm Street as per Attachment 1, subject to RMS approval.

#### **DISCUSSION**

*Public speakers: Jantje Korringa and Peter Miller attended at 10.04am.*

Ms Korringa supported the proposal as it improves safety in the street and noted that Council is reviewing the parking space in between No.20 and 22 Wharf Road which is obstructed by a powerpole.

Mr Miller supported the proposal as it addresses his concerns with safety in Wharf Road; however, requested the reintroduction of midblock speed calming treatments into the concept plan. Mr Miller stated that there should be no footpath parking around the bend of Wharf Road, in front of his property as suggested in the resident comments.

*(Ms Korringa and Mr Miller left at 10.09am)*

*Public speakers: Janette Sullivan, D. Garder and M. Garder attended at 10.11 am*

Ms Sullivan, Ms Garder and Mr Garder did not support the proposal as they believe the speed humps and signage will diminish the heritage characteristics of the street. They stated that Wharf Road is already self-enforcing and that there have not been accidents or issues with vehicle access in the street and so this proposal is unnecessary.

*(Ms Sullivan, Ms Garder and Mr Garder left at 10.27am)*

The RMS representative confirmed that the '10km/h Shared Zone' and associated regulatory signage requires RMS approval and signage would be installed by RMS.

Council Officers clarified that there was an error on the concept plan and there are no speed humps proposed in Wharf Road.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT:**

- 1. the treatments associated with the proposed '10km/h Shared Zone' and footpath parking scheme in Wharf Road, Birchgrove between Grove Street and Lemm Street be endorsed;**
- 2. the proposal be submitted to RMS for approval of the 'Shared Zone' and regulatory signage.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 2 Mullens, Beattie and Montague Streets, Balmain - Proposed Intersection Treatments (Baludarri-Balmain Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

The roundabout at the intersection of Mullens Street, Beattie Street and Montague Street, Balmain has been identified as a location that requires traffic calming measures to improve safety at the intersection.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the detailed design plan for the speed cushions and associated signs and line marking on approach to the roundabout at Mullens Street, Beattie Street and Montague Street, Balmain (as per Design Plan No.10075) be APPROVED.

**DISCUSSION**

Potential noise issues associated with the proposed speed cushions was noted. The RMS representative stated that because the roundabout is not effective at slowing down traffic due to its size and lack of deflection, the speed humps are an appropriate traffic calming treatment at the proposed location.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the detailed design plan for the speed cushions and associated signs and line marking on approach to the roundabout at Mullens Street, Beattie Street and Montague Street, Balmain (as per Design Plan No.10075) be APPROVED.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 3 Crescent Street and Boomerang Street, Haberfield - Proposed Refuge**

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**Island and Speed Cushion (Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward/ Summer Hill  
Electorate/ Burwood PAC)****Item 5****SUMMARY**

As part of the 2019/20 Traffic Facilities (LATM) Capital Works Program, Council is proposing to construct a pedestrian refuge island in Crescent Street at Boomerang Street and install speed cushions in Boomerang Street, north of Crescent Street, Haberfield to improve safety and calm traffic in the street.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the detailed design plan for the kerb blister islands, speed cushions and associated signposting and linemarking in Crescent Street and Boomerang Street, Haberfield (as per the attached plan No. 10074) be approved.

**DISCUSSION**

*Public speakers: Yvonne Frost and Tim Frost attended at 10.36am.*

Ms and Mr Frost did not support the proposal due to the loss of two parking spaces and they believe pedestrian traffic is too low to justify the proposed refuge treatment in Crescent Street. Ms and Mr Frost also commented that:

- A pedestrian refuge on Boomerang Street would be more suitable due to pedestrian activity between Robson Park and surrounding streets. They stated that this would also assist to reduce the speed of traffic in Boomerang Street.
- The blister island on the south side of Crescent Street would be more appropriate in Boomerang Street to narrow the road.
- The proposed street light on Crescent Street is not preferable as bedrooms are typically situated at the front of properties.
- The Boomerang Street frontage does not allow parking due to an existing Bus Stop.

*(Ms and Mr Frost left at 10.48am)*

Officers advised that the speed cushions address the speed of vehicles along Boomerang Street and the pedestrian refuge both assists pedestrian movements across Crescent Street and reduces the speed of vehicles entering Crescent Street from Boomerang Street.

In light of the issues raised, the Committee members agreed to defer the item for further investigation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT improvements to the intersection be deferred for further investigation of potential treatments in the Boomerang Street approach.**

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 4 Centennial Street, Marrickville – Temporary Road Closure For Special Event at Henson Park – Beer, Footy and Food Festival on Saturday 27 July 2019 (Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Inner**

**West PAC)****SUMMARY**

A S68 Application (201900002) has been received from the Music & Booze Company together with the Newtown Rugby League Football Club to hold the Beer, Footy and Food Festival 2019 on Saturday 27 July 2019 at Henson Park Oval and on Centennial Street, Marrickville between Sydenham Road and the entrance gate to Henson Park Oval.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Centennial Street, Marrickville between Sydenham Road and the entrance gate to Henson Park Oval on Saturday 27 July 2019 between 8.00am and 8.00pm (weather permitting) or Saturday 24 August 2019 between 8.00am and 8.00pm, for the holding of the Beer, Footy & Food Festival 2019 at Henson Park Oval, be APPROVED, subject to the approval of the S68 Application and the applicant complying with, but not limited to, the following conditions:

1. A Road Occupancy License application be obtained by the applicant from the Transport Management Centre;
2. All affected residents and businesses, including NSW Police Local Area Commander, Transit Systems, Fire and Rescue NSW and NSW Ambulance Services, shall be notified in writing by the applicant of the proposed temporary road closure at least 7 days prior to the event, with the applicant making reasonable provision for residents and businesses;
3. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed; and
4. The applicant be advised in terms of this report and that all costs for the event and implementation of the road closure are to be borne by the applicant.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Centennial Street, Marrickville between Sydenham Road and the entrance gate to Henson Park Oval on Saturday 27 July 2019 between 8.00am and 8.00pm (weather permitting) or Saturday 24 August 2019 between 8.00am and 8.00pm, for the holding of the Beer, Footy & Food Festival 2019 at Henson Park Oval, be APPROVED, subject to the approval of the S68 Application and the applicant complying with, but not limited to, the following conditions:**

- 1. A Road Occupancy License application be obtained by the applicant from the Transport Management Centre;**
- 2. All affected residents and businesses, including NSW Police Local Area Commander, Transit Systems, Fire and Rescue NSW and NSW Ambulance Services, shall be notified in writing by the applicant of the proposed temporary road closure at least 7 days prior to the event, with the applicant making reasonable provision for residents and businesses;**
- 3. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed.; and**

4. The applicant be advised in terms of this report and that all costs for the event and implementation of the road closure are to be borne by the applicant.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 5 Burrows Avenue and Hogan Avenue, Sydenham – Sydney Metro Sydenham Station and Junction (SSJ) Works – Temporary traffic control arrangements (Midjuburi Ward / Heffron Electorate / Inner West PAC)**

### **SUMMARY**

Sydney Metro have engaged John Holland Pty Ltd and Laing O'Rourke Australia Construction Pty Ltd (JHLORJV) to undertake the Sydenham Station and Junction works to facilitate the new Sydney Metro line and part of these works involve the construction of a new concourse and plaza. These works necessitate that pedestrians are (temporarily) crossed over from the Station side of Burrows Ave to take them away from construction activities for the new Southern Plaza.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the design of the temporary traffic control arrangements in Burrows Avenue and temporary pedestrian refuge and associated signs and line markings in Hogan Avenue, Sydenham (as per attached design plans prepared by Bitzios and dated 10 May 2019) be approved, subject to additional controls at the intersection of Hogan Avenue and Burrows Road being further investigated by JHLORJV and necessary treatments provided to satisfy the issues raised in the Road Safety Audit.

### **DISCUSSION**

The representative for the Member for Heffron requested that a temporary pedestrian crossing on Burrows Avenue and Bolton Street be investigated due to the Sydney Metro construction. Council Officers indicated that this request will be raised with Sydney Metro.

Council Officers advised that the roundabout signs on the plans are an error and 'Give Way' signs should be denoted instead.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation with the addition of a recommendation to investigate temporary pedestrian crossings on Burrows Avenue and Bolton Street.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the design of the temporary traffic control arrangements in Burrows Avenue and the temporary pedestrian refuge in Hogan Avenue, Sydenham (as per design plans prepared by Bitzios dated 10 May 2019) be approved subject to:**

- **additional controls at the intersection of Hogan Avenue and Burrows Avenue being further investigated and necessary treatments provided to satisfy issues raised in the Road Safety Audit;**
- **consideration of the provision of a marked pedestrian crossing at the proposed and existing pedestrian refuge facilities;**
- **Consideration of the provision of kerb blisters at the proposed pedestrian refuge on Burrows Avenue and at the intersection of Bolton Street.**



For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 6 Toothill Street at Victoria Street, Lewisham – Concept plan for Raised Pedestrian crossing with kerb extensions on all approaches of intersection (Damum - Stanmore Ward/ Summer Hill Electorate/ Inner West PAC)**

### **SUMMARY**

Residents have raised concerns about the safety of pedestrians using the pedestrian zebra crossing on Toothill Street adjacent to its intersection with Victoria Street, Lewisham. A concept plan showing potential improvements at the intersection was distributed locally to get feedback on a proposal to raise the existing pedestrian zebra crossing and construct kerb blister extensions on all approaches of the intersection in order to improve pedestrian safety, especially for school children at the location.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

1. The concept proposal to raise the existing pedestrian zebra crossing on Toothill Street at its intersection with Victoria Street, Lewisham and construct kerb blister extensions on all approaches of the intersection in order to improve pedestrian safety, especially school children, at the location be supported in principle and listed within Council's Forward Capital Works Program; and
2. Responding residents be advised in terms of this report.

### **DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT:

1. **The concept proposal to raise the existing pedestrian zebra crossing on Toothill Street at its intersection with Victoria Street, Lewisham and construct kerb blister extensions on all approaches of the intersection in order to improve pedestrian safety, especially school children, at the location be supported in principle and listed within Council's Forward Capital Works Program; and**
2. Responding residents be advised in terms of this report.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 7 Minor Traffic Facilities (All Wards/All Electorates/All PACs)**

### **SUMMARY**

This report considers minor traffic facility applications by Inner West Council, and includes 'Disabled Parking' and 'Works Zone' requests.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

1. A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed in front of No.3 Merton Street, Stanmore;
2. A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed opposite No.16 Prospect Street, Leichhardt and the resident parking restrictions be reinstated;
3. A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed in front of No.92 Denison Road, Lewisham and the resident parking restrictions be reinstated;
4. A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be installed in front of No.4 Queen Street, Marrickville;
5. A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be installed in front of No.13 Reuss Street, Leichhardt.

### **DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT:

1. **A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed in front of No.3 Merton Street, Stanmore;**
2. **A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed opposite No.16 Prospect Street, Leichhardt and the resident parking restrictions be reinstated;**
3. **A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be removed in front of No.92 Denison Road, Lewisham and the resident parking restrictions be reinstated;**
4. **A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be installed in front of No.4 Queen Street, Marrickville;**
5. **A 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be installed in front of No.13 Reuss Street, Leichhardt.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

### **LTC0619 Item 8 Bruce Street, Stanmore - Proposed Permit Parking Area M17 (Damun-Stanmore Ward/Newtown Electorate/Inner West PAC)**

### **SUMMARY**

Following receipt of a petition from residents, Council carried out resident and parking surveys to determine whether permit parking should be considered for the section of Bruce Street, Stanmore, between Temple Street and Douglas Street in order to provide additional parking opportunities for residents.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

- Implementation of '2P Permit Holders Excepted 8am-10pm Mon-Fri Area M17' restrictions in Bruce Street between Douglas Street and Temple Street (western side);
- Implementation of 10m Statutory 'No Stopping' restrictions in Bruce Street, north of Douglas Street (western side); and
- Implementation of 10m Statutory 'No Stopping' restrictions in Bruce Street, south of

Temple Street (western side); be approved.

### **DISCUSSION**

It was noted that the recommendation for the 10m 'No Stopping' zone is intended to reinforce the existing road rule for 'No Stopping' at intersections.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation with an amendment to part 2 and 3 of the recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT:**

- Installation of '2P Permit Holders Excepted 8am-10pm Mon-Fri Area M17' restrictions in Bruce Street between Douglas Street and Temple Street (western side);
- 'No Stopping' signage be installed in Bruce Street, north of Douglas Street (west side) and south of Temple Street (west side) to reinforce the statutory 10m 'No Stopping' distance at intersections.

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 9 Piper Lane, Annandale - Proposed 'No Stopping' and 'No Parking' zones (Baludarri-Balmain Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

### **SUMMARY**

Council has received concerns from residents of Annandale Street regarding vehicles parking on the eastern side of Piper Lane, Annandale and subsequently obstructing rear driveway access for properties Nos.301–305 Annandale Street.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT a 10m statutory 'No Stopping' zone and subsequent 39.4m 'No Parking' zone be installed on the eastern side of Piper Lane, Annandale, north of Rose Street.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** signage be installed on the eastern side of Piper Lane, Annadale, north of Rose Street to:

- Reinforce the statutory 10m 'No Stopping' distance at intersections; and
- Provide a subsequent 39.4m 'No Parking' zone.

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 10 Blackwood Lane, Dulwich Hill - Proposed section of 'No Parking' (Djarrawunang-Ashfield Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Inner West)**

PAC)

### **SUMMARY**

Following representations from a resident, Council is proposing to introduce a section of 'No Parking' in Blackwood Lane, Dulwich Hill, in order to improve access to off-street parking and the lane thoroughfare. Since Blackwood Lane has been made one-way, the resident reports it is now more difficult to enter and exit their garage as there are fewer options for manoeuvring.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT implementation of 'No Parking' in Blackwood Lane, Dulwich Hill for a 5m section immediately south from the driveway of No.13 Blackwood Avenue (northern side); be approved.

### **DISCUSSION**

Council Officers tabled a late submission from a resident who supported the recommendation.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT installation of a 'No Parking' zone in Blackwood Lane, Dulwich Hill for a 5m section immediately south from the driveway of No.13 Blackwood Avenue (northern side); be approved.**

**For motion:** Unanimous

## **LTC0619 Item 11 Mitchell Lane, Marrickville - Proposed parking restrictions (Midjuburi- Marrickville Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Inner West PAC)**

### **SUMMARY**

Following representation from the community, Council is proposing parking restrictions in Mitchell Lane, Marrickville in order to address safety and access issues.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

1. Implementation of 10m 'No Stopping' in Mitchell Lane (western side) at its intersection with Mitchell Street;
2. Implementation of 'No Parking' in Mitchell Lane (western side) from proposed 10m 'No Stopping' zone to driveway of loading dock at rear of No.2 Mitchell Street;
3. Implementation of 'No Parking' in Mitchell Lane (eastern side) from driveway rear of Property No. 157 Victoria Road to driveway rear of Nos.165-169 Victoria Road; be approved.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT:

1. Signage be installed in Mitchell Lane (west side) to reinforce the statutory 10m

- 'No Stopping' zone at its intersection with Mitchell Street;**
- 2. Installation of 'No Parking' signposting in Mitchell Lane (western side) from proposed 10m 'No Stopping' zone to driveway of loading dock at rear of No.2 Mitchell Street;**
  - 3. Installation of 'No Parking' signposting in Mitchell Lane (eastern side) from driveway rear of Property No. 157 Victoria Road to driveway rear of Nos.165-169 Victoria Road; be approved.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 12 Edgware Road, Enmore - Proposed Permit Parking (Stanmore - Damun Ward/Newtown Electorate/Inner West PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Following representation from the community, Council is proposing to install permit parking in a short section of Edgware Road between Darley Street and Lord Street to provide opportunity for residents to park in an area where there is a high demand for parking due to workers from construction projects in the area, residents from nearby parking-restricted streets; and workers from nearby commercial and industrial premises. This proposal seeks to increase the amount of parking available for residents of Edgware Road on the eastern side of the road.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT implementation of '2P Permit Holders Excepted 8am-10pm Area M14' – Edgware Road between the existing 'No Stopping' zones at Darley Street and Lord Street; be approved.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT installation of '2P Permit Holders Excepted 8am-10pm Area M14' signage – Edgware Road between the existing 'No Stopping' zones at Darley Street and Lord Street; be approved.

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 13 Goodsir Street, Rozelle - Proposed removal of existing 'No Parking, 8AM-6PM Mon-Fri' Zone (Baludarri-Balmain Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

A number of residents in Goodsir Street, Rozelle have requested a review of the existing 'No Parking, 8am-6pm Mon-Fri' zone in Goodsir Street, outside Goodsir Street Reserve (opposite Moore Street).

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the existing 'No Parking, 8am-6pm Mon-Fri' zone in Goodsir Street, outside Goodsir Street Reserve, Rozelle be removed.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the existing 'No Parking, 8am-6pm Mon-Fri' zone in Goodsir Street, outside Goodsir Street Reserve, Rozelle be removed.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 14 Queen Street, Ashfield – Proposed 'No Stopping' in Queen Street at intersection with Harland Street (Djarrawunang – Ashfield Ward/ Summer Hill Electorate/ Burwood PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

A request has been received to install 'No Stopping' signage on the eastern corner of Queen Street, at Harland Street, Ashfield to improve both sight lines to and from the driveway access for No.228 Queen Street as well as improving traffic manoeuvrability at the intersection of Harland Street.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT 12.7 metres of 'No Stopping' be placed on the eastern corner of Queen Street south of the intersection with Harland Street, Ashfield.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT 12.7 metres of 'No Stopping' signposting be placed on the eastern corner of Queen Street south of the intersection with Harland Street, Ashfield.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 15 Croydon Road, Croydon – Proposed removal of parking on the eastern side between Parramatta Road and West Street (Gulgadya–Leichhardt Ward /Strathfield Electorate/ Burwood PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Council has received complaints from Transit Systems (operating government buses) and the general public regarding the difficulty of buses turning right from Parramatta Road into Croydon Road, Croydon and traffic passing parked vehicles on the eastern side of Croydon Road between Parramatta Road and West Street. Subsequently, Transit Systems have requested that the parking be removed along the eastern side of Croydon Road between Parramatta Road and West Street.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

1. The existing 'No Stopping' restriction on the eastern side of Croydon Road be extended from 12m to 20m south of the Parramatta Road property boundary line;
2. A 'No Parking' restriction be installed on the eastern side of Croydon Road approximately from 20m to 40m south of Parramatta Road; and
3. The existing 'Bus Zone' on the eastern side of Croydon Road from 40m to 62m south of Parramatta Road be retained.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT:

1. **The existing 'No Stopping' signposting on the eastern side of Croydon Road be extended from 12m to 20m south of the Parramatta Road property boundary line;**
2. **A 'No Parking' zone be installed on the eastern side of Croydon Road approximately from 20m to 40m south of Parramatta Road; and**
3. **The existing 'Bus Zone' on the eastern side of Croydon Road from 40m to 62m south of Parramatta Road be retained.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0619 Item 16 Code of Conduct for Council Committee Members, Delegates of Council and Council Advisers (All Wards / All Electorates / All PACs)**

**SUMMARY**

Council's Civic Governance Manager has advised that in March 2019, Council adopted a Code of Conduct for Council Committee Members, Delegates of Council and Council Advisers. The Code of Conduct is applicable to all Councillors, staff and members of Council Committees (which are not advisory in nature).

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT this report be received and noted.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT this report be received and noted.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 17 Report back on Mainstreet meter switch off at 7pm in Balmain, Rozelle and Leichhardt (Baludarri-Balmain; Gulgadya-Leichhardt Wards/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Following a previous Council resolution, the parking meters and regulatory signage in Leichhardt, Rozelle and Balmain were updated to cease parking meter operations on the mainstreets at 7pm instead of 10pm. This equates to a reduction in operating hours from 14 hours to 11 hours.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT this report be received and noted.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT this report be received and noted.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0619 Item 18 Sydenham Road, Sydenham - Permanent Pedestrian mid-block signalised pedestrian crossing (Temporary configuration) – Sydney Metro City & Southwest (Midjuburi- Marrickville Ward / Heffron Electorate / Inner West PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Council has been notified by Sydney Metro SSJ of the temporary configuration for the Sydenham Road permanent crossing (mid-block signalised pedestrian crossing). The works are part of Sydney Metro City & Southwest and Sydenham Station and Junction works.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT this report be received and noted.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

THAT this report be received and noted.



For motion: Unanimous

**General Business**

**LTC0619 Item 19 Request for a mobility parking space at Edwin Street, Croydon**

Clr Macri tabled a request from a resident to investigate installing a mobility parking space in Edwin Street, Croydon, near the post office.

**LTC0619 Item 20 Outstanding matters Local Traffic Committee**

Clr Macri requested for a report on matters outstanding arising from Committee recommendations adopted by Council.

**LTC0619 Item 21 Pedestrian refuge on Stanmore Road, Petersham**

The representative for the Member for Newtown stated that residents have raised safety concerns with the pedestrian refuge on Stanmore Road near Maundrell Park where motorists have been observed crossing over the refuge islands. The RMS representative will investigate.

**LTC0619 Item 22 Petition to review M3 Permit Parking Area**

The representative for the Member for Newtown tabled a petition from residents requesting for a review of the current M3 resident parking zone, allocation of motorbike parking and statutory 'No Stopping' signage at intersections in the M3 zone. The representative was advised that Council Officers have received the petition and are investigating.

**LTC0619 Item 23 Request for 'No Stopping' zone on Cambridge Street adjacent to Stanmore Public School carpark**

The representative for the Member for Newtown tabled a request from Stanmore Public School P & C to investigate implementing a 'No Stopping' zone and blister islands on Cambridge Street to improve sight lines for vehicles exiting the school's car park.

**LTC0619 Item 24 Road safety at the intersection of Edgware Road, Unwins Bridge Road and May Street, St Peters**

The representative for the Member for Newtown stated that a resident has made a complaint about the traffic congestion and aggressive driving on Edgware Road, Unwins Bridge Road and May Street caused by WestConnex, Sydney Metro and Marrickville Metro construction.

**LTC0619 Item 25 Buses detouring in Booth Street, Annandale**

Clr da Cruz raised an issue with buses detouring off of Booth Street, Annandale into the local roads. The Transit Systems representative advised that Transit Systems is aware of the issue and will follow up.

Meeting closed at 11.21am.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 5  
**Subject:** REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PROCESSES  
**Prepared By:** Harjeet Atwal - Group Manager Development Assessment & Regulatory Services  
**Authorised By:** Elizabeth Richardson - Deputy General Manager Assets and Environment

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council's Development Assessment policies and processes be amended to reflect the process improvements detailed in this report.**

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**DISCUSSION**

Inner West Council has been working with the three legacy development assessment systems across the local government area since May 2016.

A review of the development assessment processes has been undertaken. While Council still has technology issues (under the implementation of Technology One Property & Rating), the following improvements are being implemented:-

- Quality processes for simple applications targeted for determination within 28 days of lodgement (currently 90-120 days);
- 21 days, rather than 14 days, allowed for changes or improvements by the applicant, with a streamlined process for such amendments;
- Restructured procedures for efficient internal referral bodies to provide feedback within the development assessment process;
- Where appropriate, one planner for Pre-Development Applications and Development Application assessment/determination, so applicants are dealing with the one person until completion;
- Common customer service standards and workflow timeframes, this includes refining the Duty Planning Service within each service centre;
- The holding of half-yearly industry workshops with planners, architects etc to review business practices/procedures and consider improvements;
- Regularly liaising with other Councils on best practice in development assessment; and
- The harmonisation of Property and Rating systems, together with on-line application tracking and lodgement portals is a work in progress and is due for completion this calendar year

An analysis of current workloads has highlighted the need for additional Development Engineers (1 x permanent and 1 x temporary role), in order to facilitate timely internal referrals for the development assessment process. These additional resources will be funded from within the existing Footpaths, Roads, Traffic and Stormwater Group budget.

Quarterly reporting of team performance will be provided to Councillors.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The financial implications (of additional engineering resourcing) have been discussed above.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 6  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: INDIGENOUS RANGERS  
**From:** Councillor Marghanita Da Cruz

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council seek to establish an Indigenous Ranger Program and approach Federal Government for funding.**

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**Background**

Indigenous Rangers are specialists whose work would relate to our bushcare programs and sites of Indigenous Significance in the Inner West. We don't currently have rangers or specialist indigenous knowledge in the bushcare-biodiversity area. Cr Dominic Wy Kanak chair of the ERLGATSIF is supportive and the forum could be used to progress this across all the member councils (Waverley, Woolahra, Bayside, Randwick, City of Sydney and Inner West Council). According to the Prime Minister and Cabinet website, "the Indigenous ranger projects were first funded in 2007 through the former Working on Country Program and create meaningful employment, training and career pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in land and sea management. Indigenous ranger funding has created more than 2200 full-time, part-time and casual jobs for First Australians around the country." <https://www.pmc.gov.au/indigenousaffairs/environment/indigenous-rangers-working-country>

According to AIATSIS: "In the 1970s and 1980s, recognition of land rights in the Northern Territory highlighted nationally the importance of land management by Indigenous people on Indigenous land. The term 'caring for country' became popularised to describe this land management. The description of caring for country as 'Indigenous peoples land and sea management' logically draws attention to the environmental and landscape management outcomes of this activity, however caring for country also has benefits for the social-political, cultural, economic, physical and emotional wellbeing of Indigenous peoples. There is a growing field of research documenting that caring for country is intricately linked to maintaining cultural life, identity, autonomy and health. Native title and other land rights regime have extended the formal recognition of Indigenous people's land holdings, and caring for country is important not just for local places, but for the coordination of environmental issues that have national reach." <https://aiatsis.gov.au/research/research-themes/land-and-water/benefits-caring-country>

The Indigenous Ranger Program (Country needs People – protecting nature transforming lives): "Indigenous rangers work to protect native plants and animals, control feral animals and invasive weeds, reduce dangerous wildfires, maintain tourism and cultural sites, and more. Indigenous Rangers carry out biodiversity surveys and environmental monitoring and combine traditional tracking skills with modern science to detect ecosystem dynamics. Species conservation successes as a result of Indigenous land and sea management have occurred around the country. An example is the use of motion cameras by a number of ranger groups. These have provided new and important information about threatened species distributions. Indigenous rangers work on these lands and beyond to combat a variety of environmental and cultural threats. **Indigenous rangers are funded through a few different mechanisms but the most significant is the Australian federal government's Working on Country program.** This program combines Indigenous traditional knowledge with modern techniques to protect and care for the land and sea. As of June 2018, the Working on Country program supports 118 ranger groups across Australia and funds over 831 full-time equivalent jobs – that's more than 2500 jobs when broken down into casual, part-time and full-time positions. Aside from the many environmental benefits of Indigenous rangers, the ranger jobs also have many social and economic benefits. A report commissioned by the federal Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet found that Indigenous land and sea management delivers up to a three dollars' worth of environmental,

social and economic value is delivered for every one dollar spent. Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities have reported flow on benefits including more role models, better mental & physical health, strengthening of culture & women's empowerment. Indigenous ranger jobs are at the frontline of nature protection Australia-wide & are delivering transformational benefits for people at the same time. The vast landscapes of Australia need active management to protect against environmental threats like feral animals, invasive weeds & destructive wildfires. We need more people working on country to address these threats. Because of factors like geography, culture & skills, Indigenous rangers are at the frontline of addressing these threats.



Long Necked Turtle, White's Creek Wetlands 5 Jan '18

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations around the country report high and growing demand for ranger jobs. Indigenous rangers have strong positive impacts on nature, families and communities and growing the number of rangers will benefit all of Australia. Indigenous rangers work across Australia on a range of different types of land and sea country. Rangers work on Indigenous Protected Areas, in national parks, local government parks, on privately-held land and on the sea. Source [https://www.countryneedspeople.org.au/indigenous\\_rangers](https://www.countryneedspeople.org.au/indigenous_rangers)

### Council's Bushcare Programs

Council supports volunteers through 2 nurseries and in several well established bushcare groups in Annandale, Balmain, Birchgrove, Camperdown, Dulwich Hill, Marrickville, Newtown, Rozelle and Summer Hill. The Bushcare volunteers weed pockets of remnant pockets of bushland and propagates local provenance plants to reintroduce into these pockets, parks, streets and gardens – thus playing a vital role in protecting Sydney's biodiversity. However, the Indigenous perspective has been missing. Bushcare in the Inner West dates back to the 1990s. Council recorded 1400 bushcare volunteers in 18/9. Each would have done a minimum of 3 hours a year but some doing 6-9 hours a week. This adds up to over 4200 hours. At a nominal rate of \$30ph for volunteer time this adds up to more than \$126,000 of work a week. RMS recognised Bushcare work by volunteers by offering council compensation for Bushcare work in Buruwan Park. Leichhardt Council used to purchase carbon offsets in lieu of payment to volunteers.

### Officer's Comments:

#### **Comment from Chief Executive Officer:**

Council staff are currently preparing a "state of play" on current bushcare arrangements and if this motion is adopted this program will be investigated as part of this review.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 7  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: SIGNS: ROADS TO RECOVERY  
**From:** Councillor John Stamolis

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council to negotiate means other than installing permanent signs to recognise the Roads to Recovery Program.**

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**Background**

The recent proliferation of Roads to Recovery signage in the Inner West has been very noticeable. While the roads program is important for Council, the proliferation of signs is not. The installation of these signs seems out of context with the way that Council would normally recognise other grant funded programs or, in fact, its own work for the community. The cost of the Roads to Recovery signs comes out of the grant funds that Council receives and the work done to install the signs is done by staff. It would be useful to know how much the design, production and installation of these signs has cost Council as well as how many signs there are.



It would also be useful to know why adding visual clutter to our residential and heritage streetscapes is a good way to communicate the benefits of this program and why the communication needs to be of such a permanent nature. In some streets where the signs have been erected, it was the first Council activity in the street for several years and the road surface has not been improved at all. As such, residents are confused as to why their street was chosen.

Council should negotiate alternative and fair ways to advertise the Roads to Recovery program such as: the Courier, Councils' website, Councils Newsletter and flyers - to avoid the permanent signage on our local streets. More so, once signs go up Council lacks the will, resources and funds to remove them, as can be seen by hundreds of signs that have been left up in the area, some of these being decades after the program or purpose for which the sign was intended.

**Officer's Comments:****Comment from Group Manager Footpaths, Roads, Traffic and Stormwater:**

Council is expected to receive \$4.28 million under "Roads To Recovery" Grant funding over the next five years. Grant conditions require the erection of Roads to Recovery project signage which are required to remain in place for a minimum of one year.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

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**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 8  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: ILLUMINATED BILLBOARDS: IMPACT ON RESIDENTS  
**From:** Councillor John Stamolis

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council prepare information which details:**

- \* **the complaints process for residents who have concerns with billboards;**
  - \* **any assistance that Council can provide to residents who experience problems with billboards; and**
  - \* **current regulations about the intensity, size and other operation of billboards.**
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**Background**

Large billboards which are located near residential populations have a significant impact on households. These impacts relate to both the intensity of lighting and whether the signage is intermittent or rotating. Sometimes there are several billboards close together, for example, along Victoria Road, Rozelle. This clustering of billboards raises the intensity of lighting and it can mean that the front and back of a residential property is affected by light.

In Rozelle, residents have reported that the intensity of lighting, as well as the rotation of the signage, lights up their rooms and causes a 'strobing effect'. This results in sleep disturbance as well as other losses of amenity. When these problems arise, it is not clear how Council can act on behalf of our residents and what remedies can be put in place to reduce the intensity of the lighting and/or stop the impact of strobing.

**Officer's Comments:**

**Comment from Group Manager Development Assessment and Regulatory Services:**

Information in accordance with the recommendation will be prepared and placed on Council's website for customers.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 9  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: A SIMPLE AND CONSISTENT APPROACH TO STREET PARTIES  
**From:** Councillor Anna York

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Draft a new Street Party Guideline for the LGA to minimise red tape and make it simpler for community members to plan and host street parties;**
  - 2. Allocate one central coordination point for street party planners to access Council;**
  - 3. Provide a written report in July addressing these points; and**
  - 4. Commit to having a single, consistent set of street party guidelines and templates in place for the LGA by the mid September 2019 to allow ease of planning for Christmas street parties this year.**
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**Background**

Council currently operates a number of legacy street party policies which are intended to support community members planning a party with their neighbours to celebrate Christmas or other community milestones. Council needs to create a uniform approach to approving street parties as it is causing confusion and frustration in the community, especially around Christmas time, when residents have reported receiving conflicting advice from Council.

The former Marrickville Council had Guidelines and a series of templates that helped community members to plan their street parties. They also provided a central point of contact within Council for residents seeking to plan and host a street party. This officer initially assessed their application and advised them on which permits and procedures they would need to complete to allow them to hold their celebration. They then worked with the Community Representative to help guide them through Council's application process and gain a successful permit for a Street Party.

The Marrickville Policy could provide the basis of a new Inner West Council Street Party Policy, which should also be informed by good practices across the other former Council areas. We need to resolve this confusion quickly, in order to have cohesive and uniform Street Party Guidelines in place for Christmas 2019.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 10  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: RELEASE OF THE INNER WEST SYNTHETIC TURF FEASIBILITY STUDY  
**From:** Councillor Rochelle Porteous

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**MOTION:**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Publish to the website and provide copies on request to Councillors and members of the public the Inner West Synthetic Turf Feasibility Study commissioned by Smart Connection Consultancy.**
  - 2. Publish to the website the sporting fields booking report and ground utilisation report.**
  - 3. Publish to the website and provide copies to Councillors of the cost-benefit analysis done on the Synthetic Turf proposal.**
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**Background**

This is in reference to Item 1 : Increasing Sporting Participation and Capacity through Synthetic Turf Field Development (Council Meeting May 28 2019) . The Item notes: “ Council commissioned Smart Connection Consultancy to develop the Inner west Synthetic Turf Study. The study provided guidance on the site selection, feasibility, management, and financial implications...”

As this document is clearly important and will help Councillors understand what informed the staff recommendation to proceed with the \$2 million commitment to a Synthetic Turf field at Tempe Reserve, it is reasonable to request a copy of it. However, a number of Councillors and members of the public have requested a copy of this study and it has not been forthcoming. It should be published to the website and copies provided to Councillors and members of the public on request.

The issue of the distribution of sporting fields bookings; the inequity in use of fields by male and female players; the number of times fields are booked but not utilised by clubs also needs scrutiny. Finally the public was informed at the last council meeting that a cost-benefit analysis had been done on the Synthetic Turf proposal however this has not been provided to Councillors nor released to the public.

**Officer's Comments:****Comment from Group Manager Trees, Parks and Streetscapes:**

The seasonal sporting ground bookings is published on Council's website (<https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/ArticleDocuments/282/2019%20winter%20seasonal%20sport%20bookings%20-%20final.pdf.aspx>).

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.



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**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 11  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: MARY AND FRANK BONFANTE  
**From:** Councillor Lucille McKenna OAM

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**MOTION:**

**THAT:**

- 1. Council acknowledge Frank and Mary Bonfante and family for their contribution to the community of Haberfield through their long standing family business, Franks Fruit Market, Haberfield.**
  - 2. The Mayor write a letter to Mary and Frank Bonfante thanking them for their contribution and wishing them a long, happy and healthy retirement.**
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**Background**

The character of Haberfield has been shaped by many people who live, work and visit the suburb. As owners of Franks Fruit Market, Mary and Frank Bonfante have positively contributed to the economic and cultural life of Haberfield for 45 years (01/02/1974). It is fitting that this be recognised, upon their recent retirement from their business in the Village.

**Frank** was born in Lipari, Aeolian Islands, Italy. He came to Australia in 1964, age 13, with his parents. He went to De La Salle Ashfield & then began working in the green-grocer trade. He was asked to run a shop, which was not doing well, in Haberfield 45 years ago. Within one year, he had turned the business around and eventually took it over. The shop was initially where Mario's Liquor store is now located, on the opposite side of Ramsay St. Franks fruit shop moved to its present site. 44 years ago.

His father Gaetano worked in a factory in Concord. Mary, his wife would pick up her father-in-law after work, when she was picking up the children from school. Mary would then drop Gaetano (senior) back to the fruit shop, and he would help Frank close up each day. After he retired, Gaetano (senior) worked in Frank's Fruit market for many years.

**Mary** was born in Innisfail, Far North Queensland where her family worked in sugar & tobacco farming. Her mother was from Catania & her father was from Treviso, Northern Italy. When Mary was 9, the family moved to Sydney and lived in Hawthorne Parade, Haberfield. Mary's father worked in the concrete industry and her mother owned a dress shop with garment factory out back, in Haberfield, on the site of the current Barber (Pasquale). She could see Frank working from across the road, -and from across Ramsay St, their life long relationship began.

Mary and Frank married 40 years ago & have 3 children **Gaetano, Jessica & Cristina**. They have two grandchildren Jonathon & Alexia. All three children have worked in the shop, and are as well known to the local community.

**Niemi Ajaka**, known as Jack, worked with Frank & Mary for 22 years & retired just a few weeks ago. He was a valued member of the Frank and Mary's 'fruit-shop family' and the Haberfield community.

*Frank and Mary's contribution to the community has been invaluable including serving on the Haberfield Chamber of Commerce including being instrumental in organising Haberfield Street Fairs, Foot path renewal and Christmas decorations in Haberfield. Working long hours and then giving up their own time to serve the community has been their legacy.*

One local resident who was a frequent visitor to the fruit market Jozefa Sobski provided the following

*“Frank could always fill you in on the latest good and bad news about his produce. He would offer you a recipe to try and invariably its taste would be glorious and your meal enhanced. But, tomatoes were his specialty and all kinds could be purchased long before they became part of the supermarket staple. Quietly spoken, modest and self-effacing, he represented the qualities you admire in a small business owner. The small shop was always crammed full of delights picked up from the markets. He worked hard and long hours and in partnership with Mary, they kept the Fruit Market open through illness and accident. He was courteous to a fault, never allowing you to walk away in ignorance of what you could do with artichokes or how you could roast chestnuts. He always tried to please, but also encouraged you to experiment. His contribution to building the suburb’s profile and attracting customers from elsewhere can be measured in good-will and broadening its cultural and customer base. He was on the path for the Haberfield Food Tours which were run at weekends and you could enjoy him holding forth with Eastern Suburbs visitors on the relative flavour merits of tomato varieties matched by recommended cooking methods.”*

Hopefully in retirement Frank may return to Italy, his birthplace, which he has not visited since coming to Australia.

Frank and Mary and the family will be missed by Haberfield residents and the many others who came to know and respect them over the years.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**Item No:** C0619(1) Item 12  
**Subject:** NOTICE OF MOTION: TEMPE RAILWAY STATION ACCESS  
**From:** Councillor Colin Hesse

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**MOTION:**

That Council:

- 1. Support the community of Tempe by writing to the Minister for Transport and Roads, Mr Andrew Constance, asking that he immediately intervene with the Management of Sydney Trains, and direct them to permanently retain the at level footpath currently in place between Griffiths Street Tempe to platform 4 at Tempe Railway Station;**
- 2. Advise the Minister that Inner West Council fully supports the community of Tempe to maintain the currently fully accessible platform 4, and that Council is ready to work with the NSW Government and Sydney Trains to address any issues of mutual concern; and**
- 3. That Sydney Trains give consideration to maintaining at level access from the car park to Platform 1.**

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**Background**

In November 2017, Council wrote to the Minister for Transport to address the complete inaccessibility of Tempe Railway Station by constructing an at level footpath between Griffiths Street Tempe and Platform 4 at Tempe Railway Station. At level access to platform 4 would allow people with mobility issues, or people with prams, the option of travelling from Tempe to Wollie Creek Railway Station some 700 metres away, and either crossing over the platform at Wollie Creek for a City service, or using the lifts at Wollie Creek Station to access the Airport Line.

Though no action was taken, at the beginning of 2019 routine maintenance of the stairs leading from both the eastern side of Tempe Station from Griffiths Street, and from the western side of Tempe Station from Richardsons Crescent was commenced. Access to Tempe Station was created at level on the eastern side from Griffiths Street to Platform 4, and on the western side from the car park to platform 1. In the case of platform 1, this restored access that was certainly available for unknown numbers of decades into the 1980's. Following correspondence between Cllr Hesse and Sydney Trains, Sydney Trains have advised that at the completion of works they will close the Griffiths Street access, thus removing accessibility created by the maintenance work. Sydney trains cite the alleged need for additional passenger information screens on platform 4, CCTV Cameras, Opal readers and platform lighting and fencing.

In the case of the Opal readers, they were originally installed on platform 4, relocated to the concourse, and then relocated back to platform 4 during the maintenance work. In regard to the remaining apparent concerns one may wonder how what is safe now should suddenly become unsafe when the maintenance ceases. Following is the previous motion of November 2017.

**Motion:**

That Council writes to the NSW Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Andrew Constance, calling on the NSW Government and Sydney Trains to:

Immediately construct an at level footpath from number four platform at Tempe Railway Station to Griffiths Street Tempe so as to improve access to Tempe Railway Station.

#### Background

Tempe Railway Station is not currently accessible by people with mobility disabilities or for parents with children in prams. There are stairs to the concourse from both Richardsons Crescent on the Marrickville side of Tempe Station, and from Griffiths Street in Tempe. From the concourse access to the platforms is by stairs to platforms 3 and 4.

A pathway from Tempe Station's number 4 platform is both very low cost and can be effected immediately. The platform is pretty much level with the footpath in Griffiths Street, and by simply changing the fencing arrangement and paving between the platform and the path, access is made available to all with mobility access concerns, including parents with small children.

In years gone by, when trains to and from the East Hills line serviced Tempe Station, number 1 platform was accessible directly from the car park off Richardsons Crescent, through a turnstile.

With the inception of Opal card ticketing it is clear there is no good reason why passengers should be forced to walk up and over the footbridge when they can tap-off on the platform, as has been the practice until recently when the Opal card monitors were placed at the top of the stairs.

#### **Officer's Comments:**

##### **Comment from Acting Group Manager Strategic Planning:**

In April, Council wrote to CEO of Sydney Trains requesting that the temporary access arrangements at Tempe be made permanent. In response Council received a phone call from Sydney Trains saying the station would be upgraded as part of TfNSW's ongoing program to upgrade accessibility at stations. The work for which temporary access was created is due to be completed this month.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.