

AGENDA



COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 8 JUNE 2021
6.30pm

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Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 11 May 2021 and livestreamed on Council's website.

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 (6.40pm – Attended remotely)
Vittoria Raciti	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Louise Steer	Councillor
Anna York	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Elizabeth Richardson	Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Director Infrastructure
Caroline McLeod	Acting Director City Living
Daryl Jackson	Chief Financial Officer
Katherine Paixao	Acting Governance Manager
Carmelina Giannini	Acting Governance Coordinator

APOLOGIES: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Councillor Byrne declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 23 Mayor to Stand Down due to its material impact on him, declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 35 Office of the Mayor as the matter relates to staffing in his office, declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 37 Staffing in the Mayor's as the matter relates to staffing in his office and declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 52 Lambert Park due to his close relationship with individuals involved in lease negotiations and he will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for all items.

Councillor Raciti declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 52 Lambert Park as her husband is an honorary president and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Councillor Macri declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 23 Mayor Stand Down and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Motion: (Hesse/Steer)

THAT Council note the disclosures of interest.

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**Motion: (Macri/Hesse)**

THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 13 April 2021 be confirmed as a correct record subject the following amendment:

- Item 16 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – April 2021 in point a of the motion, change the wording of the motion from ‘delete point 6’ to ‘ delete point 4’.

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

PUBLIC FORUM

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

Councillor Porteous entered the Meeting at 6:40 pm.

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 6:40 pm.

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 7:32 pm.

Suspension of Standing Orders (Hesse/Drury)

THAT Council bring forward Items 53, 1-12, 35 and Confidential Items 48, 49, 50, 51 and 52 prior to dealing with the Notices of Motion.

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

Foreshadowed motion (Passas)

THAT Council defer Item 53 Public Exhibition of Draft Revised Delivery Program 18-22, Operational Plan and Budget 21/22, Fees and Charges 21/22, and Long Term Financial Plan 2021-31 to an Extraordinary Council meeting to be held on 25 May 2021.

This Foreshadowed Motion lapsed.

Councillor York left the Meeting at 8:10 pm.

Councillor York returned to the Meeting at 8:12 pm.

C0521(1) Item 53 Public Exhibition of Draft Revised Delivery Program 18-22, Operational Plan and Budget 21/22, Fees and Charges 21/22, and Long Term Financial Plan 2021-31

Motion: (Drury/McKenna OAM)

THAT:

- 1. Council endorse for public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days:**
 - a) Draft Revised Delivery Program 2018-2022, Operational Plan and Budget 2021-22;**
 - b) Draft Fees and Charges 2021-22;**
 - c) Draft Fees and Charges 2021-22 Change Log;**
 - d) Draft Long-Term Financial Plan 2021-31; and**
 - e) Draft General Revenue Policy.**
- 2. Council receive a report of the public exhibition results before 30 June 2021;**
- 3. Prior to the public exhibition of the Long-Term Financial Plan, amend the Plan so as consult with the community on options 1 and 3 only. Noting that Options 4 – 6 are longer term options to be considered in the next term of Council and calling on the General Manager to arrange a briefing on progress towards investment of the Tempe lands money;**
- 4. In regards to:**
 - a) Presentation of information:**
 - i. That the four year financial ‘P&Ls’ be reinstated for each Service Area, with commentary explaining material changes proposed in the coming year; and**
 - ii. That Council receive a report identifying and explaining changes to the Fees and Charges (including where appropriate by referring to earlier reports or briefings to councillors).**
 - b) KPIs:**
 - i. Environment and Sustainability**
 - Update KPI re Council’s operational electricity from renewable sources to 100% by June 2022; and**
 - Update KPI re council’s investment in fossil fuels to remain at 0%.**
 - ii. Trees Parks Streetscapes**
 - Insert KPI for council to increase tree canopy; and**
 - Insert KPI for council to return to pre-2020 loss of trees from private land.**
- 5. A webinar be provided as part of the Engagement Plan for the Public Exhibition of Draft Revised Delivery Program 18-22, Operational Plan and Budget 21/22, Fees and Charges 21/22, and Long Term Financial Plan 2021-31.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Macri, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Amendment (Kiat/Hesse)

THAT the following amendments be incorporated:

1. Fees and Charges:

- **Childcare fees to be harmonised to \$125 per day**

Motion Lost

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

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

2. Fees and Charges:

- **Pool entry fee for pensioners (including recipients JobSeeker, Age Pension, DSP, etc) to be harmonised to \$1**

Motion Lost

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

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

Amendment (Da Cruz/Kiat)

THAT Scenario 4 (LPAC) be exhibited including links.

Motion Lost

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

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Passas, Raciti, Steer and York

Foreshadowed Motion (Macri/Passas)

THAT Council defer the budget to a meeting to held next Tuesday 18 May 2021 for staff to present a balanced budget with allows for 100% renewals

- a) **For the current asset base to be maintained at the current levels of service;**
- b) **Options to be considered in reducing non-essential services non-core functions;**
- c) **Show a 10 year financial forecast that deal with the current backlog of infrastructure to be restored;**
- d) **A cashflow forecast of unrestricted of cash that a 10 year period;**
- e) **Address the issue 10 year forecast of \$41,202,110 capital budget deficit;**
- f) **Ten year deficit \$31,908,000; and**

- g) How is council going to fund from unrestricted reserves or cash? Is It going to be funded by the sale of assets, equipment or access internal restricted funds i.e. affordable housing fund unravelling its reserves.**

This Foreshadowed Motion lapsed.

Councillors Passas, Porteous and Raciti left the Meeting at 8:29 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

8.29pm - The Mayor, Clr Byrne adjourned the meeting for a short recess.

8.37pm– The Mayor, Clr Byrne resumed the meeting.

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 8:40 pm.

Councillor Porteous returned to the Meeting at 8:42 pm.

Councillor Raciti returned to the Meeting at 8:42 pm.

C0521(1) Item 1 Local Approvals Policy - Post exhibition report

Procedural Motion: Motion be put (Drury)

THAT the motion be put without further debate.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Motion: (McKenna OAM/York)

THAT Council:

- 1. Incorporate into the draft Local Approvals Policy subject to the following amendments:**
 - a) Under Location of Trading Activity Zone remove 4 and replace with “it is acknowledged that there are some areas of the Inner West that have historically permitted trading activity zones against the building line. To ensure a consistent approach and ensure all footpaths are safe for all members of the community, this pattern of activity will cease at a time to be negotiated with council officers or at the expiry of the current licence, but within two years of the adoption of this policy”;**
 - b) Business operators to remove all footpath furniture each day following the closure of the business, this excludes furniture from designated purpose built outdoor dining areas;**
 - c) References to Federation Plaza be amended to Federation Place;**
 - d) Council notes that key stakeholders for the Local Approvals Policy are high street cafes, restaurants and retailers and users of the high streets, particularly people with disabilities;**
 - e) The Local Approvals Policy was consulted in May and June 2020 during the height of the Pandemic when most cafes and restaurants were only permitted**

to sell takeaway and many retailers were closed. It also notes that there is no consultation recorded with Council's Access Committee or other local disability advocacy organisations;

- f) It is therefore moved that Council does not adopt the Local Approvals Policy tonight and instead recommences community consultation;
- g) Community consultation should include letters to all high street businesses and organisations making them aware of the draft policy and seeking their feedback. Similarly the Council Access Committee should be consulted, together with other local disability organisations;
- h) Consultation should provide a summary of the key changes proposed such as the banning of A frames; and
- i) Following further consultation, particularly targeting key stakeholders, the policy should be brought to Council for adoption.
- j) A report be provided to Council outlining a project plan for the implementation, monitoring and education of businesses regarding the placement of footpath furniture adopted in the Local Approvals Policy.

Motion Lost**For Motion:**

Crs Byrne, Drury, Kiat, Lockie, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion:

Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Iskandar, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Foreshadowed Motion (Porteous/Hesse)**THAT:**

1. Council notes that key stakeholders for the Local Approvals Policy are high street cafes, restaurants and retailers and users of the high streets, particularly people with disabilities;
2. The Local Approvals Policy was consulted in May and June 2020 during the height of the Pandemic when most cafes and restaurants were only permitted to sell takeaway and many retailers were closed. It also notes that there is no consultation recorded with Council's Access Committee or other local disability advocacy organisations;
3. It is therefore moved that Council does not adopt the Local Approvals Policy tonight and instead recommences community consultation;
4. Community consultation should include letters to all high street businesses and organisations making them aware of the draft policy and seeking their feedback. Similarly the Council Access Committee should be consulted, together with other local disability organisations;
5. Consultation should provide a summary of the key changes proposed such as the banning of A frames; and
6. Following further consultation, particularly targeting key stakeholders, the policy should be brought to Council for adoption.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0521(1) Item 2 Post Exhibition of Planning Proposal - 13-55 Edinburgh Road, Marrickville

Motion: (Drury/McKenna OAM)

THAT Council:

1. Note the engagement outcomes of the public exhibition of the Planning Proposal;
2. Endorse the amendments to the Marrickville Local Environmental Plan 2011 for 13-55 Edinburgh Road Marrickville detailed in the revised Planning Proposal as informed by the Post Exhibition Report; and
3. Submit the Planning Proposal and liaise with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Minister to make the amendment under section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Hesse, Kiat, Porteous and Steer

C0521(1) Item 3 Post Exhibition Report - 36 Lonsdale and 64-70 Brenan Streets, Lilyfield - Voluntary Planning Agreement

Motion: (Drury/McKenna OAM)

THAT Council enter into the Voluntary Planning Agreement for 36 Lonsdale and 64-70 Brenan Streets, Lilyfield.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Hesse and Porteous

Amendment (Kiat/Hesse)

THAT 50% of the cash contribution be dedicated to Council's Affordable Housing fund.

Motion Lost

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

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

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 9:36 pm.

C0521(1) Item 4 Submission to Exhibition of Bays West Draft Place Strategy

Motion: (Byrne/Stamolis)

THAT Council:

1. Submit the submission to the NSW Department of Planning Industry and Environment in response to the public exhibition of the draft Bays West Place Strategy with the following amendment:
 - a) Propose the provision of public social infrastructure within the precinct, including multipurpose community facilities and diverse opportunities for recreation, shopping, dining, landscaping and social interaction. Planning for social infrastructure must be integrated with the initial stages of the precinct plan and not an afterthought, and cater to the needs of all future residents and visitors to the site; and
 - b) To propose a 40% tree canopy target.
2. Write to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces and the Premier proposing that the reopening of the Glebe Island Bridge or an alternate crossing, as well as the continuous harbourside walking track around the Bays West precinct be immediately undertaken;
3. Convene a public meeting at Balmain Town Hall to brief local residents about the Government's proposals and Council's priorities in the Bays Precinct. All relevant community organisations within Inner West and City of Sydney LGA's are to be invited to participate; and
4. Request of the Government that a Master Plan and Plan of Management be developed for the Rozelle Parklands, as would be required for any new public park being established under Council's care, control and management. That the development of the Master Plan and disclosure of costings for the construction and ongoing maintenance of the Rozelle Parklands is a prerequisite for consideration the Government's request for Council to take on care, control and management of the Rozelle Parklands.

Motion Carried

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

Councillor Hesse left the Meeting at 9:38 pm.

Councillor Hesse returned to the Meeting at 9:40 pm.

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 9:41 pm.

C0521(1) Item 5 2020/21 Third Quarter Budget Review

Motion: (Drury/Passas)

THAT the Third Quarter Budget Review for 2020/21 be adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Porteous left the Meeting at 9:51 pm.

Councillor Porteous returned to the Meeting at 9:54 pm.

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 10:01 pm.

C0521(1) Item 6 Fees for Waterpolo Clubs

Motion: (McKenna OAM/Byrne)

THAT the report be received and noted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Macri, Passas and Raciti

Absent: Cr Kiat

Amendment (Stamolis/Passas)

THAT a further more detailed report come back to Council in June 2021 requesting the following questions be answered:

- Revenue received over the past 5 years;
- Any waivers in fees over the last 5 years;
- Comparison of waterpolo fee structure to usual fee structure; and
- Any other relevant information.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Macri, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Steer and York

Absent: Cr Kiat

ADJOURNMENT

10.03pm - The Mayor, Clr Byrne adjourned the meeting for a short recess.

10.11pm— The Mayor, Clr Byrne resumed the meeting.

Further Suspension of Standing Orders (Drury/Lockie)

THAT Council further Suspend Standing Orders to deal with time critical items being items 48, 50, 51 and enter confidential session at this time.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Passas

Absent: Cr Kiat

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 10:30 pm.

Councillor Macri left the Meeting at 10:30 pm.

Confidential Session

Members of the Public were asked to leave the Chamber.

That in accordance with Section 10A(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, the following matters be considered in Closed Session of Council for the reasons provided:

C0521(1) Item 48 Children & Family Services - Harmonisation of Fees and Charges

(Section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council.

C0521(1) Item 50 Summer Hill Community Centre (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 and (Section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

C0521(1) Item 51 Optus WAN Contract Variation (Section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council.

REPORTS WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

C0521(1) Item 48 Children & Family Services - Harmonisation of Fees and Charges

Motion: (York/Steer)

THAT Council:

- 1. Note the resolution adopted in the April 2021 meeting that no changes to childcare fees be considered in isolation from quality, access and equity considerations;**
- 2. Note that the Service Review conducted in 2020/21 makes 6 recommendations on quality outcomes for Children's services, including four that directly impact childcare and long day care services; and**
- 3. Defer the adoption of proposed changes to childcare fees for 2021/22 until a proposal about the implementation of these priority quality recommendations**

can be considered by Council.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Iskandar, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Raciti, Steer and York

Against Motion: Crs Hesse, Kiat, Passas, Porteous and Stamolis

Foreshadowed Motion (Kiat/Hesse)

THAT Council:

1. Notes the cost of delivering Children's Services across Inner West Council as per the 19/20 audited financial statements;
2. Notes the 'Placement, Enrolment, Orientation & Attendance Protocol';
3. Adopts a harmonised \$125 flat fee for exhibiting Children's Services Long Day Care User Fees and Charges for 1 July 2021;
4. Retain and harmonise the daily fee subsidy of \$6 of the former Marrickville Council within User Fees and Charges for 1 July 2021;
5. Note the service review presentation provided to Councillors at the briefing held on 6 April 2021. Council to receive regular reports (quarterly or six-monthly) on the implementation of the significant reforms recommended therein;
6. Receive further reports in due course regarding savings and efficiencies, particularly in management costs, arising from the implementation of the service review recommendations; and
7. Note the harmonisation of Children's Services employee wages will be at the higher of the two rates currently paid. Council to prioritise offering secure, permanent employment as an option to all Children's Services staff; as well as opportunities for staff development and progression within the overall organisation.

This Foreshadowed motion lapsed.

Councillor Macri returned to the Meeting at 10:49 pm.

C0521(1) Item 50 Summer Hill Community Centre

Motion: (Drury/Byrne)

THAT Council:

1. Notes the Engagement Outcomes report regarding the future of the Summer Hill Community Centre;
2. Approves 3Bridges Community LTD as the new operator of the Summer Hill Community Centre; and

- 3. Notes the current occupant Summer Hill Community Centre Incorporated has been issued a Notice to Vacate effective 25 May 2021 and Council Officers may be required to take action to take possession of the property.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the meeting and vacated the chair at 10:52 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the Chair.

C0521(1) Item 51 Optus WAN Contract Variation

Motion: (Drury/McKenna OAM)

THAT:

- 1. Approves increase to contract value from \$2.85M to \$3.12M including GST; and**
- 2. Delegate authority to General Manager to amend the existing contract.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Byrne

Motion: (Lockie/Macri)

THAT Council move back into the Open Session of the Council Meeting.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Byrne

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 10:54 pm.

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 10:56 pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 11:01 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri vacated the Chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the Chair.

C0521(1) Item 7 Draft Inner West Council Gender Equity Strategy

Motion: (Lockie/McKenna OAM)

THAT:

- 1. The Draft Gender Equity Strategy and Implementation Action Plan be placed on public exhibition; and**
- 2. The results of the public exhibition are presented to Council at the July 2021 meeting.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Da Cruz/Passas)

THAT Council develop KPIs and report on these in our Annual Report - the KPIs to measure gender access to facilities and services such as pools, libraries, sports grounds, access to grants and the proportion of budget spent on these.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Passas, Raciti and Steer

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Stamolis and York

Meeting closed at 11.02pm.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 6:	Ian Myles	Balmain
Item 7:	Tallie	-
	Jody Toomey	Dulwich Hill
Item 11:	Jennifer Mary Kent	Dulwich Hill
	Jo Blackman	Dulwich Hill
	Bruce Ashley	Dulwich Hill
	Alex Lofts	Summer Hill
Item 16:	Annabel Braithwaite Young	Lilyfield
Item 17:	Liz Atkins	Stanmore
Item 18:	Liz Atkins	Stanmore
Item 20:	Pip Hinman	Newtown
Item 27:	Liz Atkins	Stanmore
Item 28:	Louisa Larkin	Balmain
	Ana Norte	Lilyfield
	Steven Cooney	Haberfield
Item 29:	Peter De Waal AM	Balmain
	Megan Slinning	Camperdown
Item 30:	Ged Dore	Enmore
Item 33:	Sue Castrique	Marrickville
Item 49:	Jack Whitney	Leichhardt
	Megan Slinning	Camperdown
	Jacob Lewis	Leichhardt

Unconfirmed minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 11 May 2021.

Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 24 May 2021 and livestreamed on Council's website.

Meeting commenced at 6.03PM

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 (6.06pm, Attended remotely)
Vittoria Raciti	Councillor (6.28pm)
John Stamolis	Councillor
Louise Steer	Councillor
Anna York	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Elizabeth Richardson	Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation
Cathy Edwards-Davis	Director Infrastructure
Caroline McLeod	Acting Director City Living
Katherine Paixao	Acting Governance Manager
Carmelina Giannini	Acting Governance Coordinator

APOLOGIES: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS: Nil

Councillor Porteous entered the Meeting at 6:06 pm.

Procedural Motion (Passas/Macri)

THAT Council permit 6 speakers to speak on Item 1 Notice of Motion: Local Government Act Amendment Bill (Demerger).

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

PUBLIC FORUM

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

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 6:27 pm.
Councillor Raciti entered the Meeting at 6:28 pm.

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 6:28 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

6.30pm - The Mayor, Cllr Byrne adjourned the meeting to open the 6.30pm Extraordinary Council meeting.

6.31pm– The Mayor, Cllr Byrne resumed the meeting.

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 7:04 pm.

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 7:11 pm.

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 7:12 pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 7:56 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the Chair.

Procedural Motion: Motion of Dissent (Drury/Lockie)

THAT dissent be moved in the Chairperson's ruling to allow Cllr Passas to speak twice on the Primary Motion.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Macri, Passas and Raciti

Absent: Cr Byrne

The chair's ruling was overruled.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 8:12 pm.

C0521(3) Item 1 Notice of Motion: Local Government Act Amendment Bill (Demerger)

Motion: (Macri/Stamolis)

THAT Council:

1. Use the opportunity presented by the recent amendments to the Local Government Act to investigate de-amalgamation of Inner West Council and to prepare a report for an Extraordinary Council meeting in the first week in August 2021. Councils' case should include:
 - a) Councils' financial position;
 - b) Councils' future financial position;
 - c) harmonisation changes in rates and costs;
 - d) service performance of Council has not improved and has been subject to significant community concern;
 - e) strong community dissatisfaction with the merger remains after 5 years;
 - f) communities of interest and community cohesion;

- g) the dramatic fall in community representation (Councillors/population ratio) has not been good for our people;
- h) the merged Council has created a huge bias which favours political party control of Council; along with reduced opportunity and greater hurdles for non-political party representation on Council;
- i) Council engages in community consultation;
- j) Thorough cost benefit analysis on demerger by a reputable independent source that has the capacity to assess complex economic social and environmental issues;
- k) The ongoing costs and benefits on each of the councils if they were to demerge. The estimated cost of demerger in the ranges in vicinity of \$20M to \$34M and an annual cost ranging from \$11M to \$15M year;
- l) The impact on staff, to be assessed independently;
- m) The effect on the consolidated information communication and technology costs;
- n) The effect on current governance arrangements; and
- o) The effect on the ability to introduce new or improved service delivery.

2. Pursuant to section 14 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW):

- a) Take a poll of electors on the question of whether the Inner West local government area should be de-amalgamated, so as to restore the former local government areas of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville; and
- b) Hold the poll on the day of the 2021 NSW local government elections, being Saturday, 4 September 2021 or such later or other day as may subsequently be proclaimed.

3. Examine any additional cost of a poll on the amalgamation as part of the quarterly budget review;

4. Write to Local Government NSW and seek to place on the business paper for the forthcoming Local Government NSW Conference the following motion, that: The NSW Government pay 100% of costs of de-amalgamation of local government areas forced to amalgamate where a referendum of residents has chosen to reverse the forced amalgamation; and

5. Write to the Premier, Minister for Local Government, Leader of the Opposition, and cross benchers in the NSW Parliament asking their support for the NSW Government to pay 100% of costs of de-amalgamation of local government areas forced to amalgamate where a referendum of residents has chosen to reverse the forced amalgamation.

Motion Carried

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

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

As Clr Passas left the meeting at 7.12pm and the below amendments were voted on prior to the Primary motion, Clr Passas was absent from voting.

Amendment (McKenna OAM/Drury)

THAT the following points be amended to point 1 of the Primary motion:

d) service performance of Council;

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Lockie, Kiat Macri, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Passas

e) community satisfaction with the merger after 5 years;

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Passas

g) community representation (Councillors/population ratio);

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM, Raciti, and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Passas

h) political party control of Council; along with non - political party representation on Council; and

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM, Raciti and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Passas

i) Community consultation;

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM, Raciti and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Passas

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 7:24 pm.

Amendment (McKenna OAM/Drury)

THAT the additional amendments be included in point 1 of the primary motion:

a) The impact on the ability to deliver a significant capital works program.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM, Raciti and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Stamolis and Steer

b) The ability to bring in house and provide a fitness and swim program across Marrickville, Leichhardt, Balmain Ashfield and Petersham facilities;

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

c) The impact on town planning and the LEP and DCP; and

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Stamolis and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti and Steer

d) The impact on innovation and our capacity to roll out large scale environmental programs such as FOGO, Solar, WSUD and the potential effect on dealing with the need for increased car- charging stations, reuse and recycling of more waste inside our area.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

The Deputy Mayor, Clr Macri vacated the chair at 8.12pm and the Mayor, Clr Byrne assumed the chair.

C0521(3) Item 2 Officers Comment relevant to Notice Of Motion: Local Government Act Amendment Bill (Demerger)

Motion: Drury/Byrne)

THAT Council receive and note the officer comment.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Meeting closed at 8.13pm.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 1:	Michele Hacking	Balmain
	Pip Hinman	Newtown
	Kosmos Papadopoulos	Marrickville
	Benedict Brook	Lewisham
	Mark Taylor	Marrickville
	Giovannino Navarra	Leichhardt
	Robert Davidson	Leichhardt

Unconfirmed minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 24 May 2021.

Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 24 May 2021 and livestreamed on Council's website.

Meeting commenced at 6.30PM

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 (Attended remotely)
Vittoria Raciti	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
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Cathy Edwards-Davis	Director Infrastructure
Caroline McLeod	Acting Director City Living
Katherine Paixao	Acting Manager Governance
Carmelina Giannini	Acting Governance Coordinator

ADJOURNMENT

6.30pm - The Mayor, Cllr Byrne adjourned the meeting until the conclusion of the 6.00pm Extraordinary meeting.

8.13pm– The Mayor, Cllr Byrne resumed the meeting.

APOLOGIES: Nil

Councillor Drury left the Meeting at 8:14 pm.

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Councillor Raciti declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 40 Lambert Park Lease Negotiation Update as her husband is an honorary president and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Councillor Byrne declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down due to its material impact on him, declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 28 Notice of Motion: Office of the Mayor as the matter relates to staffing in his office, declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 30 Notice of Motion: Staffing in the Mayor's as the matter relates to staffing in his office and declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 40 Lambert Park Lease Negotiation Update due to his close

relationship with individuals involved in lease negotiations and he will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for all items.

Councillor Macri declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor Stand Down and will leave the meeting during discussion and voting.

Motion: (McKenna OAM/Da Cruz)

THAT Council note the disclosures of interest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Drury

Councillor Drury returned to the Meeting at 8:16 pm.

Procedural motion (Passas/Raciti)

THAT Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward Item 6 Notice of Motion to Rescind: C0421(1) Item 8 Council page in new local newspaper - 13 April 2021.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Passas and Raciti

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

C0521(2) Item 1 Investment Policy Update

Motion: (McKenna OAM/Stamolis)

THAT the revised Inner West Council Investment Policy be adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0521(2) Item 2 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - April 2021

Motion: (Lockie/Macri)

THAT the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held in April 2021 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Iskandar left the Meeting at 8:20 pm.

C0521(2) Item 3 Review of Council Meeting Schedule

Motion: (McKenna OAM/Drury)

THAT Council:

- 1. Receive and note the report; and**
- 2. Receives a report on the operation of the meeting cycle at its July 2021 meeting.**

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Lockie, Macri, McKenna OAM and York

Against Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Absent: Cr Iskandar

Foreshadowed Motion (Stamolis/Passas)

THAT Council move back to two Ordinary meetings a month.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, McKenna OAM and York

Absent: Cr Iskandar

Councillor Iskandar returned to the Meeting at 8:24 pm.

Councillor Macri left the Meeting at 8:25 pm.

Councillor Macri returned to the Meeting at 8:26 pm.

Councillor Raciti left the Meeting at 8:29 pm.

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 8:29 pm.

Councillor Macri left the Meeting at 8:29 pm.

Councillor Da Cruz left the Meeting at 8:32 pm.

Councillor Da Cruz returned to the Meeting at 8:34 pm.

Councillor Macri returned to the Meeting at 8:34 pm.

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 8:36 pm.

C0521(2) Item 4 Greenway Project Delivery and Engagement

Motion: (Drury/Kiat)

THAT:

- 1. The General Manager convene a meeting of the existing steering committee to redraft the original terms of reference with a view to maintaining significant community and community group participation in providing support and advice, with active participation from Council in return, for the broad vision of the GreenWay as an ecological, biodiversity, cultural; recreational and active transport corridor; and**

- 2. Council receive a report to the next Ordinary Council meeting addressing the reasons for the delay in hiring the Greenway Engagement Officer and recommendations for resolving any barriers to hiring a suitable candidate, including any budgetary changes necessary.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Passas

Absent: Cr Raciti

C0521(2) Item 5 Investment Report as at 31 March 2021

Motion: (Stamolis/Da Cruz)

THAT the report be received and noted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Raciti

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 8:37 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Macri assumed the chair.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 8:39 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri vacated the Chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the Chair.

Councillor Raciti returned to the Meeting at 8:40 pm.

C0521(2) Item 6 Notice of Motion to Rescind: C0421(1) Item 8 Council page in new local newspaper - 13 April 2021

Motion: (Passas/Macri)

THAT Council rescind C0421(1) Item 8 Council page in new local newspaper.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

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

Motion: (Stamolis/Passas)

THAT:

- 1. A Councillor briefing to be held to discuss how Council can best communicate with the Inner West community; and**
- 2. Any commitment to newspaper advertising require an expression of interest process to be undertaken.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

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

Councillor York left the Meeting at 8:47 pm.

C0521(2) Item 7 Notice of Motion: Inner West Economic Recovery Taskforce

Motion: (Byrne/McKenna OAM)

THAT Council:

1. Thank the members of the Inner West Economic Recovery Taskforce, Percy Allan, Erica Berchtold, Greg Khoury, Chrissy Flanagan, Mark Chapman, Monica Vardabasso, Morris Hanna and Kerrie Glasscock, for volunteering their time and expertise;
2. Notes the recommendations of the Inner West Economic Recovery Taskforce;
3. Refers the taskforce report to Council Officers to seek their advice on each recommendation, which is to be tabled at the June Ordinary meeting;
4. Officers meet with taskforce members to discuss the recommendations; and
5. Endorses the following recommendations for immediate implementation with an update to be provided in the report to the June Ordinary meeting:
 - a) Undertakes an external review of its borrowing capabilities to identify its capacity to invest additional capital in reducing/eliminating the infrastructure backlog;
 - b) Seeks advice and cooperation from rating agencies and the NSW Government's TCorp in assessing Council's borrowing capacity and review whether there are other mechanisms Council can use to raise capital to invest in infrastructure renewal;
 - c) Identifies the proportion of Council's procurement currently undertaken through suppliers within the Inner West Local Government Area (LGA) and makes it a priority to increase local procurement in future budgets;
 - d) Proposes to the NSW and Federal Governments that they establish a one-stop shop application process for all three tiers of government for approvals to open all businesses, and that the Inner West would host a pilot of the scheme; and
 - e) Develops an Inner West public space activation strategy to be rolled out in line with the lifting of public health restrictions with the specific goal of attracting and encouraging high levels of pedestrian traffic, economic activity and social interaction in the public domain.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr York

C0521(2) Item 8 Notice of Motion: Parliamentary Report into Stronger Communities Tied Grants Round

Motion: (Byrne/McKenna OAM)

THAT Council:

- 1. Notes the findings of the First Report from the Inquiry by the NSW Parliament's Public Accountability Committee into Integrity, efficacy and value for money of NSW Government grant programs;**
- 2. Endorses the comments of Mr David Shoebridge MLC, contained in the Chair's foreword to the report regarding the Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round:**

"The Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round was an alarming example of the lack of transparency and accountability in NSW Government grant programs. The fund was originally established to assist councils created from the NSW Government's failed council amalgamations, but morphed into a brazen pork-barrel scheme. Ultimately the Coalition designed a scheme with so few checks and balances that \$252 million of public money was handed out on a purely political basis to sort out the Coalition's political problems, to gain an advantage in the 2019 state election and to punish any council that had objected to being forcibly merged."

- 3. Notes the full list of recommendations in the committee's report;**
- 4. Write to all NSW Members of Parliament calling on them to implement the Inquiry's recommendations including:**
 - a) Recommendation 5 - That the NSW Government ensure all grant programs have, as an absolute minimum, the following legally binding and mandatory elements:**
 - a designated decision-maker**
 - eligibility criteria**
 - a process for identifying and assessing proposed projects against those criteria**
 - program guidelines that are clear, detailed and publicly available.**
 - b) Recommendation 7 - That the Legislative Council refer its concerns regarding the inappropriate design and maladministration of the Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round to the Audit Office of NSW, along with this report and committee transcripts of evidence for investigation;**
 - c) Recommendation 8 - That the Legislative Council refer its concerns regarding the inappropriate design and maladministration of the Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round to the Independent Commission Against Corruption, along with this report and committee transcripts of evidence for investigation; and**
 - d) Recommendation 9 - That the Legislative Council send a message to the Legislative Assembly to establish a Joint Select Committee to inquire into and report on the NSW budget process and parliamentary oversight.**

5. Writes to the NSW Premier, Treasurer and Local Government Minister demanding that that an additional round of grant funding for community infrastructure funding be opened by the government for Councils such as the Inner West that were improperly prevented from accessing the Stronger Communities Fund – Tied Grants program;
6. Commit to ongoing advocacy through all of Council’s communications channels to inform our community about the findings and recommendations of the Parliamentary Inquiry;
7. Thank the members of the Committee for their diligence in uncovering the full scope of the pork barrelling that occurred throughout the Stronger Communities Fund tied grants round; and
8. Prepare a list of priority infrastructure projects, across all five wards of Inner West Council, which could be funded were the NSW Government to make an additional round of funding available to councils that were prevented from applying for the tied grants round, noting that the Inner West would have received \$24 million if the funds had been distributed fairly on a per capita basis to amalgamated Councils.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Passas and Raciti

Absent: Cr York

Councillor Steer left the Meeting at 8:50 pm.

Councillor York returned to the Meeting at 8:52 pm.

Councillor Steer returned to the Meeting at 8:52 pm.

Act of disorder

The Mayor, Clr Byrne issued a warning at 8.53pm to Clr Passas for her comments and asked the councillor to apologise and withdraw her comments.

Clr Passas apologised and withdrew her comments.

The Mayor, Clr Byrne issued a second warning at 8.54pm to Clr Passas for her comments and asked the councillor to apologise and withdraw her comments.

Clr Passas apologised and withdrew her comments.

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 8:57 pm.

Councillor Stamolis left the Meeting at 9:01 pm.

C0521(2) Item 9 Notice of Motion: Footpaths are a key local government asset that improve our lives

Motion: (Drury/Lockie)

THAT Council commit to the installation of green verges, where the footpath is wide enough, as part of the footpath renewal program identified through the footpath condition audit currently underway. This will improve our footpaths, help address our infrastructure backlog and enable more green verges to be installed where the condition of the footpath dictates we need to replace it and the residents want green verges.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Macri, Passas and Raciti

Absent: Crs Kiat and Stamolis

Amendment (Stamolis/Passas)

THAT Council commit to the installation of the grass verges and a report to come back to Council for consideration.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Macri, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Porteous, Steer and York

Absent: Cr Kiat

Foreshadowed Motion (Macri/Stamolis)

THAT Council receive officer comment regarding the streetscape costing.

This foreshadowed motion lapsed.

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 9:04 pm.

Councillor Stamolis returned to the Meeting at 9:04 pm.

C0521(2) Item 10 Notice of Motion: Improved safety measures for access to Petersham Public School

Motion: (Steer/Byrne)

THAT Council write to Transport for NSW and the Minister for Transport:

- 1. Noting the risk to students at Petersham Public School at the intersection of West Street and Railway Terrace;**
- 2. Requesting traffic calming measures to ensure safety of students at Petersham Public School including:**
 - a) Installation of a new pedestrian crossing on the eastern leg of Railway Terrace (at West Street) to allow pedestrians to make only one movement across this intersection;**

- b) Introduction of a red-light speed camera at the intersection, to discourage drivers from queuing across the intersection and ensure free movement across the pedestrian crossings; and
- c) Additional safety improvements at the intersection, including adequate waiting space for pedestrians and safety devices such as guardrail, bollards and the like to provide added protection for pedestrians.

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

Councillor Porteous left the Meeting at 9:07 pm.

Councillor McKenna OAM left the Meeting at 9:08 pm.

C0521(2) Item 11 Notice of Motion: Improved Drainage at Lewisham Station

Motion: (Steer/Lockie)

THAT Council write to Transport for NSW and the Minister for Transport requesting that:

1. Transport for NSW take all necessary measures to ensure that the access tunnel to Lewisham Station is protected from flooding during heavy rain; and
2. A lift be installed at Lewisham Station to facilitate access to Lewisham Station.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat, McKenna OAM, Passas and Porteous

C0521(2) Item 12 Notice of Motion: Increasing Solar Uptake in residential Strata Building

Motion: (Byrne/Macri)

THAT Council support round 2 of communication identified in the officer's comments.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat, McKenna OAM, Passas and Porteous

C0521(2) Item 13 Notice of Motion: De-amalgamation

Clr Macri withdrew his motion.

Councillor McKenna OAM returned to the Meeting at 9:10 pm.

C0521(2) Item 14 Notice of Motion: Transparency in Council Expenditure

Motion: (Macri/Steer)

THAT Council publish on their website a breakdown of how rates are spent throughout the local government area. As per the example shown below from Canterbury-Bankstown Council that provides the distribution of rates expenditure for every \$100 collected.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat, Passas and Porteous

C0521(2) Item 15 Notice of Motion: 'Do The Right Thing' Campaign

Motion: (Macri/Steer)

THAT Council:

- 1. Write to the State members requesting that they re-establish the 'do the right thing' advertising campaign regarding littering and illegal dumping; and**
- 2. Notes that the great work undertaken by Clean Up Australia and our community volunteer groups in cleaning the Cooks River.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat, Passas and Porteous

Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 9:11 pm as he declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 16 Mayor to Stand Down due to its material impact on him.

Councillor Macri left the Meeting at 9:11 pm as he declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 16 Mayor Stand Down.

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 9:11 pm.

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 9:12 pm.

As both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor declared an interest in Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down, the General Manager asked Councillors for nominations for chair for Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down. As only one nomination was received for Councillor McKenna OAM, the General Manager declared Councillor McKenna OAM chair for Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down.

C0521(2) Item 16 Notice of Motion: Mayor to Stand Down

Clr Passas withdrew her motion.

Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 9:15 pm. Councillor McKenna OAM vacated the Chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the Chair.

Councillor Macri returned to the Meeting at 9:16 pm.

C0521(2) Item 17 Notice of Motion: Emptying Bins in Parks

Motion: (Stamolis/Da Cruz)

THAT Council:

- 1. Inform Councillors of the schedule for emptying bins in parks (weekdays, weekends, and public holidays) and how to report overflowing bins;**
- 2. Review service levels and make adjustments where needed; and**
- 3. Report back to Council on the above.**

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

C0521(2) Item 18 Notice of Motion: Dawn Fraser Baths Refurbishment

Clr Hesse withdrew his motion.

C0521(2) Item 19 Notice of Motion: Recruitment

Motion: (Macri/Passas)

THAT Council receive a report on the last 2 General Manager recruitment processes with a mind to improving the process with the introduction of a Blind recruitment conducted by an independent external provider.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Lockie, Macri, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, Drury, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, McKenna OAM, Steer and York

Absent: Cr Porteous

C0521(2) Item 20 Notice of Motion: Camperdown Memorial Rest Park

Motion: (Steer/Lockie)

THAT Council report to Councillors at Council meeting of 8 June 2021 on the following:

- 1. Progress of installation of Camperdown Memorial Rest Park toilets;**
- 2. Whether the amount of \$500,000 allocated in the Council budget for installation of toilets at Camperdown Memorial Rest Park remains allocated for this purpose;**

3. Setting out the reasons why Council has not installed the toilets in Camperdown Memorial Rest Park, noting that Council resolved in 2018 to install them in 2019; and
4. All matters in items 1 – 10 inclusive in the motion Item 12 of 11 December 2018.

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

Councillor Lockie left the Meeting at 9:26 pm.

C0521(2) Item 21 Notice of Motion: Callan Park Off-Leash Areas

Motion: (Byrne/McKenna OAM)

THAT Council writes to the NSW Government requesting that:

1. The existing on-leash provisions for sporting fields, while in use, be formalised;
2. The Bay Run, Waterfront Gardens, Broughton Hall Gardens, the NGO Precinct, the UTAS Precinct, NSW Ambulance, the Kirkbride Precinct, and the Nurses Quarter to continue as on-leash; and
3. The remaining areas of the park managed by the Greater Sydney Parklands be designated off-leash, including Callan Point beach (the 'dog beach'). Provision to be made to protect vulnerable vegetation and Aboriginal middens and carvings at Callan Point.

Motion Carried

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

Councillor Lockie returned to the Meeting at 9:29 pm.

C0521(2) Item 22 Notice of Motion: 50th Anniversary of Camp NSW

Motion: (Byrne/Lockie)

THAT Council:

1. Notes that this year marks the 50th anniversary the founding of Campaign Against Moral Persecution (CAMP Inc), one of the first gay and lesbian rights organisations in Australia;
2. Notes that the first formal meeting of CAMP Inc was held in St John's church hall in Balmain; and
3. Receives a report on how it can best commemorate the founding of CAMP Inc. This report should look at whether Council can install a commemorative plaque at or close to St John's Church in Balmain or at or close to 393 Darling Street, Balmain.

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

C0521(2) Item 23 Notice of Motion: Making the Inner West the Live Music and Performance Capital of Australia Again

Motion: (Byrne/York)

THAT Council:

1. Designates in principle Enmore Road including the Enmore Theatre as the first Special Entertainment Precinct in NSW, once the Special Entertainment Precinct legislated amendments to the Local Government Act 1993 have been gazetted by the NSW Government;
2. Consults with live music and performance venues in the Inner West LGA about other appropriate locations and venues to designate as Special Entertainment Precincts;
3. Pending gazettal of the legislation, Council officers are to prepare a plan for regulating noise from amplified music from the proposed Enmore Theatre Special Entertainment Precinct. This is to be reported back to Council the next Council meeting following the gazettal of the legislation. And Council officers liaise with the Live Music Office in regard to the implementation of the Enmore Theatre Special Entertainment Precinct;
4. Commends the Live Music Office's John Wardell and Sydney Fringe Festival's Kerri Glasscock for their work on the Inner West Live Music and Performance Census 2019 project; and
5. Writes to the Premier of NSW and the Deputy Secretary, Community Engagement in the Department of Premier and Cabinet calling on Create NSW to expand the Play the City grant program into the Inner West Council's LGA.

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

Councillor Porteous returned to the Meeting at 9:43 pm.

Councillor Passas left the Meeting at 9:45 pm.

Councillor Passas returned to the Meeting at 9:47 pm.

C0521(2) Item 24 Notice of Motion: Seating, Water, Shelter and Toilets Throughout the LGA

Motion: (Da Cruz/Passas)

THAT Council receive a report including costings for an audit, community consultation and provision of Seating, Water, Shelter and Toilets throughout the Local Government Area.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Kiat, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti and Steer

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Drury, Iskandar, Lockie, McKenna OAM, Stamolis and York

C0521(2) Item 25 Notice of Motion: Best Practice 6star Energy Rated Development

Motion: (Macri/Hesse)

THAT Council receive a report on the ability to amend the Voluntary Planning Agreement policy to incorporate 'Incentives to improve climate change action by striving for 6star energy rating in commercial and industrial buildings. Bettering the basics bar for residential buildings. Contributions for acquiring open space.'

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Kiat

C0521(2) Item 26 Notice of Motion: Change Street Name

Motion: (Hesse/Steer)

THAT Council:

- 1. Consult with the Inner West Council Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee regarding appropriate locations in the Local Government Area where culturally appropriate indigenous words may be applied to geographic features; and**
- 2. Respectfully suggests that Gumbramorra be among the names considered.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Stamolis)

THAT Council develops a list of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander names relevant to use to the Local Government Area.

The Mayor ruled this out of order as it is essentially the same as the motion except the motion involves consultation with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee.

Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 10:03 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the chair.

C0521(2) Item 27 Notice of Motion: Review of Inner West Council Complaints Handling

Motion: (Da Cruz/Passas)

THAT Council:

- 1. Review the Management of Complaints including accessibility of information on website, reporting, performance, the Internal Ombudsman Shared Service and alignment with the NSW Ombudsman's best practice guidelines and the Procedures for Handling Code of Conduct Complaints;**
- 2. Report the outcome of the review to Councillors at the July Ordinary Council meeting.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Hesse, Iskandar, Kiat, Lockie, Macri, Passas, Porteous, Raciti, Stamolis and Steer

Against Motion: Crs Drury, McKenna OAM and York

Absent: Cr Byrne

As the Mayor declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 28 Notice of Motion: Office of the Mayor and Item 30 Notice of Motion: Staffing of Mayors Office as the matter relates to staffing in his office, he remained out of the chamber during discussion and voting.

Procedural Motion (Stamolis/Kiat)

THAT Council deal with Item 28 Notice of Motion: Office of the Mayor and Item 30 Staffing in the Mayor's office and Item 30 Notice of Motion: Staffing of Mayors Office together as they relate.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Byrne

Councillor Lockie left the Meeting at 10:28 pm.

C0521(2) Item 28 Notice of Motion: Office of the Mayor and Item 30 Staffing in the Mayor's office

C0521(2) Item 30 Notice of Motion: Staffing of Mayors Office

Motion: (Kiat/Steer)

THAT in relation to the budget for the Office of the Mayor, that Council:

- 1. Receive and note the memo of the then Acting General Manager dated 8 April 2021, 'Organisation Structure in the Office of the Mayor';**
- 2. Note the advice that the current staffing level of the Office of the Mayor at \$538,000 per annum is significantly higher than comparable councils, and that this funding**

allocation was not determined or approved by a resolution of Council;

3. Receive advice before adoption of the budget from the General Manager addressing how Council can, as part of the FY21/22 Annual Budget, respond to the organisational issues and risks identified in the memo from the Acting General Manager dated 8 April 2021. This shall include advice on a structure for the Office of the Mayor that is consistent with other comparable councils, and noting Council's preference for a reallocation of any staff within the organisation where appropriate; and
4. Receive a report before adoption of the budget regarding how Council can address the organisational issues and risks identified in the abovementioned memo.
5. Receive a report on the full resources, staff and expenditures relating to the Mayor's Office and a Councillor briefing be arranged to assess and review this report. The report should detail the staff positions and the key tasks of these positions.

Motion Carried

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

Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 10:31 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri vacated the Chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the Chair.

Councillor Lockie returned to the Meeting at 10:33 pm.

C0521(2) Item 29 Notice of Motion: Internal Ombudsman Shared Service (IOSS)

Motion: (Passas/Stamolis)

THAT:

1. Council convene a meeting of the 3 councils that share the Internal Ombudsman service to gauge their enthusiasm for the continuation of the service; and
2. A report comes back to Council which is authorised by all 3 Councils.

Motion Lost

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

Procedural Motion (Byrne/Drury)

THAT Council defer items 36, 37 and 38 to the Ordinary Council meeting in June 2021.

Motion Carried

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

Councillor Kiat left the Meeting at 10:57 pm.

Councillor Hesse left the Meeting at 10:59 pm.

Councillor Lockie left the Meeting at 10:59 pm.

C0521(2) Item 31 Notice of Motion: Service to the Elderly

Motion: (Passas/Byrne)

THAT Council receive a report on the interactions with our ratepayer/residents who are computer illiterate and if there is a policy relating to this matter when was it adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Hesse, Kiat and Lockie

Procedural Motion (Drury/Da Cruz)

THAT Council extend the meeting until 11.15pm.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Hesse, Kiat and Lockie

Councillor Hesse returned to the Meeting at 11:02 pm.

C0521(2) Item 32 Notice of Motion: Arlington Oval

Motion: (Passas/Drury)

THAT Council receive a report on what steps Council has taken in regard to complaints received on Arlington Oval and to assure residents they are not being ignored by our Council.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat and Lockie

Councillor Lockie returned to the Meeting at 11:04 pm.

Councillor Passas retired from the Meeting at 11:04 pm.

C0521(2) Item 33 Notice of Motion: Council Website Weekly Update on Street Maintenance

Motion: (Macri/Iskandar)

THAT Council defer this matter to the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Kiat

C0521(2) Item 34 Notice of Motion: Safety at Roundabouts**Motion: (Macri/Hesse)**

THAT Council conduct a safety audit at these roundabouts Gannon Street Tempe and Ewart Street Marrickville with a mind to provide some barrier protection.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Kiat and Passas

Councillor Kiat returned to the Meeting at 11:05 pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne vacated the chair at 11.06pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the chair.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri vacated the chair at 11.07pm. The Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

C0521(2) Item 35 Notice of Motion: Tree DCP**Motion: (Hesse/Kiat)****THAT Council:**

- 1. Note the recent briefing provided to Councillors with the advice that the Tree Policy adopted by Council in 2019 has led to a doubling of private tree removals, a significant loss in overall tree canopy (despite public tree plantings), and contains a number of unlawful provisions; and**
- 2. Staff bring to the August 2021 Council meeting recommendations on how Inner West Council's Tree Policy may be amended to turn around the massive loss of trees on private property in the Inner West, and to ensure that the Inner West Council area meets the target of 40% tree coverage by 2035.**

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

Confidential Session**Motion: (Drury/Steer)**

THAT Council enter into Confidential session.

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

Councillor Raciti retired from the Meeting at 11:09 pm.

Councillor Stamolis left the Meeting at 11:12 pm.

That in accordance with Section 10A(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, the following matters be considered in Closed Session of Council for the reasons provided:

C0521(2) Item 39 Outcome of Expression of Interest to Operate a Pride Centre at Newtown Town Hall (Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

C0521(2) Item 40 Lambert Park Lease Negotiation Update (Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

REPORTS WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

C0521(2) Item 39 Outcome of Expression of Interest to Operate a Pride Centre at Newtown Town Hall

Motion: (York/Hesse)

THAT Council:

1. Restate its commitment to opening a Pride Centre at Newtown Town Hall in 2022;
2. Receive and note the report on the outcome of the initial EOI;
3. Seek further advice in the form of a briefing or report to Council that considers options and makes recommendations on:
 - a) Opportunities to progress potential partnerships with LGBTIQ organisation/s who have stated interest in operating a Pride Centre at Newtown Town Hall but have not yet engaged in formal processes;
 - b) Opportunities to address issues identified that may be prohibitive to organisations progressing to partnership for the operation of the Pride Centre, including advice on heritage requirements of the planned Town Hall renewal work;
 - c) Opportunities for Council to actively facilitate partnership between interested community organisations and/or community sector organisations with a track record of delivering LGBTIQ services for the purpose of operating the Pride Centre; and
 - d) Opportunities for Council to identify potential resourcing support for the operation of the Pride Centre – including, for example, a Centre Manager to support programming and coordination, as is the case at other IWC community centres.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Councillor Byrne retired from the Meeting and vacated the chair at 11:13 pm as he declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 40 Lambert Park Lease Negotiation Update and The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Macri assumed the chair.

Procedural Motion (Drury/Steer)

THAT the meeting be extended until 11.20pm.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Byrne, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

C0521(2) Item 40 Lambert Park Lease Negotiation Update

Motion: (Drury/Kiat)

THAT Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and
2. Officers continue to negotiate with APIA Leichhardt Football Club for a new lease of Lambert Park.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Byrne, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Motion: (Macri/Kiat)

THAT Council move back into the Open Session of the Council Meeting.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Byrne, Passas, Raciti and Stamolis

Meeting closed at 11.16pm.

Unconfirmed minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 24 May 2021.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 1

Subject: REVISED OPERATIONAL PLAN ARLINGTON RECREATION RESERVE

Prepared By: Aaron Callaghan - Parks and Recreation Planning Manager

Authorised By: Elizabeth Richardson - Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

1. **Note the additional community engagement outcomes and the key recommended changes which have been made to the a revised “Operational Plan for Arlington Recreation Reserve”; and**
 2. **Adopt the Revised Operational Plan for Arlington Reserve and commence work on establishing a Community Liaison Committee**
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DISCUSSION

At its October 2020 meeting Council resolved in part to defer the adoption of an Operational Plan for Arlington Reserve and undertake additional consultation with local residents.

Key matters requested by Council for further consultation included:

1. Reviewing the hours of operation be reviewed including options of weekend day closures
2. Insert escalation point for complaints to Council following complaint being reported to Community Liaison Representative.
3. Establish clear guidelines for acceptable noise impact on neighbouring residences and mechanism for reporting.
4. That selection criteria be developed for community representatives
5. Local resident representatives on Committee must be from immediate vicinity, not members of the sports playing at Arlington Reserve, and may request Council convene meetings once per month if required to address unresolved issues impacting residents.
6. The impact of traffic and noise on local residents to be a standing item on the Committee agenda, with the Committee to adopt the goal of improving traffic and noise issues over time; and
7. Investigate a solution whether it be a sound wall barrier or tree planting to reduce the impact of noise on the residents.

Council officers have completed further community engagement and developed a revised Operational Plan (**Attachment 1**) for Council consideration. Several governance changes have also been made to the previous Operation Plan to address Council resolutions and provide a more balanced approach to providing for both active sporting use and consideration of residential amenity needs.

Community Engagement Outcomes

In early 2020 Council undertook an initial engagement for the development of Operational Plan for Arlington Reserve. **Stage One** - the initial engagement occurred between 10 February and 8 March 2020. Community views were sought through an online survey on Your Say Inner West on the issues experienced by residents, individuals and clubs using the facility. Some of the topics covered in the survey were traffic, noise, litter, hours of use and player and

spectator conduct. Over 300 people visited the project page on 68 people completed the survey.

Additionally, a stakeholder meeting with seasonal hirers was held during the engagement period. Some of the issues discussed in the meeting included the creation of the Arlington Reserve Committee, community expectations regarding noise levels and light pollution as well as limited parking. The feedback from the initial engagement informed the development of the draft Operational plan. This was presented to Council in October 2021 for adoption. Council resolved not to adopt the draft Plan and undertake additional community consultation as well as address several additional Council requests around the management of the Reserve.

Stage Two - public exhibition of a revised Operational plan took place between 27 July and 24 August 2020. There were 800 visits to the project page, 160 downloads of the draft document and 91 people provided feedback via the online survey on Your Say Inner West, other feedback was also received through email. Key highlights from Stage 2 consultation include:

1. Vast majority of respondents were from Dulwich Hill
2. 49% of respondents supported the amended Operational Plan
3. 96% of respondents supported continual daytime use by schools.
4. In terms of club-based sporting use for training: 48% of respondents supported current hours of use while 37% sought an increase in training time and only 16% wanted a decrease in training hours.
5. Current weekend hours of use - 61% of respondents supported the current hours of use 22% of respondents supported an increase in hours while only 17% supported a decrease in hours of use.

Stage Three – engagement outcome report is viewable

<https://yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/balancing-uses-at-arlington-reserve>

Key Changes to the Operational Plan (Refer to Attachment 1)

The revised Operational Plan provides a clear direction in assisting to improve relationships between local residents and sporting users. The plan specifically addresses areas of concern including governance, compliance with hours of use, compliance with traffic and parking restrictions, managing noise levels and ensuring cleanliness of the reserve.

Revised Hours of Operation

The key recommended change in hours of use is on weekends. It is proposed that Sunday use for organised sport is limited to once a fortnight during the winter sporting seasons. No Sunday use for organised sport during the summer months (October-February) will be permissible.

Arlington Recreational Reserve Operation Committee

A key recommended governance change is proposed for the committee of management. It is proposed that the Arlington Recreational Reserve Operation Committee will be established with the following representatives:

- Three community representatives
- A representative for each of the seasonal sporting club

Note: Council has previously resolved not to allow residential representation on any future committee of management where a resident has demonstrated affiliation with any of the

current sporting users. In the interests of transparency all Committee representative contact details will be made publicly available to the community via Council's web site.

Escalation of Complaints

Where complaints from the community cannot be resolved by a Council officer through reference to the Operational Plan these can be escalated to Council's General Manager and if deemed necessary referred to the Liaison Committee for discussion and resolution. The Liaison Committee can determine whether or not further action if deemed required.

Noise Barrier Wall

As pursuant to the Council resolution Council staff have investigated the cost impacts of replacing the current fencing arrangements within the park with a soundproof barrier. Trees will not reduce the impact of sporting noise on the local residential population significantly and the only effective way to assist in reducing the noise impacts would be to develop a transport type solution of a "noise reduction wall". Noise walls are expensive and, as well as blocking noise, they can block views and be visually obtrusive to the local neighborhood. Such walls are primarily utilised to block out motorway noise as well as the visual views of motorway traffic. Examples of the types of walls are provided in Image 1.0 below.

Image 1.0 Examples of Noise Barrier Walls



The cost estimates for a 500m noise barrier wall for Arlington Reserve constructed to a height of 5m is estimated in the region of \$900,000. It is not recommended that Council pursue such an option which would be visually intrusive to the local neighborhood as well as potentially devaluing the local residential amenity. In addition the development of such a wall would also leave the park less open and by the height and character of the wall an unsafe space in terms of passive visual surveillance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A budget of \$900,000 would be required to install around proof wall around periphery of the park along with significant ongoing management costs associated with graffiti removal and painting works.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [Arlington Reserve Operational Plan](#)

Arlington Recreation Reserve

Operational Plan

Item 1

Background

Arlington Recreation Reserve sporting ground and grandstand was built in 1932 on a former brickworks site. In more recent times it has primarily been used for football (soccer). In 2014 it was upgraded by the former Marrickville Council with the installation of a synthetic pitch.

This Operational Management Plan has been designed to manage the use of Arlington Recreation Reserve for shared use between seasonal sporting hirers, schools, casual hirers and the community. Specific areas that hirers are responsible for include:

- complying with the hours of use
- having an identified Community Liaison Representative
- promoting compliance with traffic and parking restrictions
- promoting and encouraging carpooling and other forms of public transport
- managing noise levels
- ensuring the cleanliness of the Reserve.

Arlington Recreation Reserve Committee-Governance Arrangements

A committee of management (Arlington Recreational Reserve Operation Committee) will be established with the following representatives:

- Three community representatives
- A representative for each of the seasonal sporting club hirers

Meetings

The committee is to meet formally at a location nominated by Council staff in February each year to discuss the forthcoming winter sporting season, identify potential issues and possible solutions to operational arrangements. For Governance purposes meetings may not proceed without a quorum of members. Council's Coordinator Sporting Partnerships will organise and facilitate meetings.

Following the commencement of the winter sporting season the Committee will then formally meet at the sporting ground to review operational matters in both April and June. The overarching goal of the committee is to provide an ongoing forum to establish good communication, help manage and balance the needs of both the sporting clubs and the community. Council's Coordinator Sporting Partnerships will facilitate these meetings with assistance from the Parks Engagement Officer. Council officers are however not constituted in terms of Committee of Management, they are facilitators only.

Community representation and nominations associated with the committee of management will be advertised and made available by Council in November each year.

Attachment 1

To ensure that a wide range of community views are maintained, membership will be limited to a two-year period only. Council's Senior Manager - Sport and Recreation, will be responsible for selecting and appointing the five community representatives.

Selection Criteria Arlington Recreation Reserve Committee

Residents wishing to nominate for inclusion on the Advisory Board must complete an application form (supplied by Council). In addition, the applicant:

- Must be a local resident or property owner.
- Have demonstrated prior experience in community, sports and/or not for profit organisations generally.
- Have demonstrated commitment to working with others without prejudice or favour and a dedication to working professionally with honesty, consistency, impartiality and integrity.
- Agree to a Code of Conduct.

Submissions for Hire and Public Liability

All submissions for bookings must be made in writing with the applicable forms and lodged with Council by the specified due date. Allocated bookings will then be as per the allocation agreement received from Council.

The Hirer agrees to pay the fees and charges for the use of the sporting ground in accordance with the Schedule of Council's Fees and Charges current at the time of booking.

Hirers must have a current Public Liability Insurance Policy for no less than \$20 million. Cover must be maintained throughout the period of hire. The hirer must produce evidence of cover for the period of hire at the time of the booking request.

Sporting Clubs Hours of Use

As per the Council determination Arlington Recreation Reserve can be used for a maximum 41 hours per week (outside of school hours) for training and games in community-based club sport. All bookings must be approved by Council's Parks Engagement Officer.

Weekday Use

Schools are permitted to use the sporting ground Monday to Friday during school terms 9am – 3pm. Earlier access is not permitted due to residential amenity. Other sporting grounds are available for schools to use. All bookings must be approved by Council's Parks Engagement Officer.

Sporting clubs are permitted to have one evening competition game per month (clubs must notify Council of the game in advance). All other weekday use is limited to training.

Weekend Use

Saturday use is from and must conclude by 9pm. All bookings must be approved by Council's Parks Engagement Officer.

Sunday use for organised sport is limited to once a fortnight during the winter sporting season. No Sunday use for organised sport during from October to February is permissible.

Floodlights

Whether training or games on weekends or weekdays, floodlights must be out by 9.20pm.

School holidays

Hire during school holidays for clinics is limited to daylight hours.

Public Holiday Use

For residential amenity, Arlington Recreation Reserve will not be booked by on these nine specified public holidays:

New Year's Day	Australia Day	Good Friday
Easter Sunday	Easter Monday	Anzac Day
Labour Day	Christmas Day	Boxing Day

Community Liaison Representative

Each sporting club who has allocated seasonal use of the sporting ground must nominate a Community Liaison Representative.

This role is critical to the management of the facility and managing interactions between sporting groups and the community.

A Community Liaison Representative is required to be available and visible, in a fluorescent vest, when their club is using the ground for games. They are the designated contact between club and community during this period. Sporting club members should be encouraged to report any issues they see to the Community Liaison Representative.

Council Rangers are aware of all ground bookings. Any illegal parking or traffic issues should be immediately reported to Council's after hour's service on 9392 5000.

Issues arising between hirers and local residents during match play or training sessions need to be brought to the attention of Council's Coordinator Sporting Partnerships.

Getting to Arlington Recreation Reserve

The streets around Arlington Reserve have limited parking opportunities, however it is well serviced by public transport facilities. Sporting Ground users are encouraged to use and promote to their members public transport or ride sharing transport options. Promotion includes regularly advertising to members, opposition teams and spectators via emails, social media and the club website.

Public transport options are:

Bus - bus routes 418,426,428 and 445 travel through Dulwich Hill

Light Rail – a stop is immediately adjacent to Arlington Reserve

Train - Dulwich Hill Railway Station connects with the Light Rail or alternatively is a 15 minute walk from the Reserve.

Fairplay - Player and Spectator Code of Conduct

Sporting Clubs are responsible for the satisfactory conduct of all persons using the sporting ground and facilities during their allocated booking. This includes club members, visiting teams and spectators. The Code of Conduct also applies to player behaviour towards one another. When booking Arlington Recreational Reserve all seasonal hirers must submit Council their Code of Conduct, as well as their education and implementation of the Code, in setting a respectful club culture. Council requires that the following key attributes are contained within a Code of Conduct:

- a commitment to providing a safe environment for participation
- respect for all users of Arlington Recreational Reserve- players, officials, spectators, and residents
- refrain from using bad language, harassing, or ridiculing others or behaving in a threatening or violent manner
- a requirement to report any inappropriate behaviour to someone in a position of authority (i.e., Ground Manager or Community Liaison Representative).

Council takes player and member conduct seriously and as such harsh penalties will be implied for breaches of the Code of Conduct. This can include the immediate cancellation of seasonal allocations for training and competition use where it is found that a sporting team or an individual club member has been involved in any of the following actions while on the sporting ground premises:

- vilification of any kind towards another person.
- violent or abusive behaviour towards another person
- discrimination against another person based on their age, gender, sexual orientation, race, culture, religion or any other irrelevant personal characteristic.
- sexual harassment or intimidation of another person.
- victimisation of another person for exercising their rights through the code of conduct.
- failure to maintain a safe environment.

Council will be informed by Football NSW Tribunal Determinations, CDFSA Judiciary Appeals, NSW Police Reports and other publicly available information that relate to Code of Conduct breaches.

Diversity in Participation of Community Sporting Clubs

Inner West Council is committed to supporting an active and healthier for all. Our policies encourage and prioritise the participation of underrepresented groups.

Sporting clubs that hire Arlington Recreation Reserve must include their strategy and actions that support an increase in female participation. This can include scheduled events at Arlington, throughout the sporting season, specifically for girls and women.

A female participation plan must be provided as part of seasonal hirers application to allocations of ground hire. Assistance can be provided by Council's Coordinator Sporting Partnerships.

Hirers that do not have a female participation plan will not be granted access or sporting ground allocation rights to Arlington Reserve in 2022.

In addition, one weekend annually will be reserved for a female football carnival. Parks Engagement Officers will determine the weekend in consultation with the Coordinator Sporting Partnerships.

Coordinator Sporting Partnerships will also work closely with local schools to encourage greater use for female students, and especially for all girls schools.

Sporting Ground Cleanliness and Damage

Clubs must ensure that during, and at the end of each hire period, the inside and outside perimeter of the ground is left clean of all litter. Spot checks of the site will be carried out by Council staff after hiring periods.

Clubs must ensure that any damage to Council property, either deliberate or accidental, is reported to Council as soon as possible, outlining full details of the incident. Reports should be lodged online here: <https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/about/get-in-touch/report-an-issue-request-a-service> followed by an email to Council's Parks Engagement Officer

Clubs that are found to have caused damage to a ground through misuse of the grounds or equipment will have a penalty imposed at the discretion of Council. The penalty may be monetary, loss of a bond or loss of ground allocations.

Alcohol and Smoking

The consumption of large volumes of alcohol, such as kegs and cartons is not permitted at Council Sporting Grounds. At no time is alcohol permitted to be consumed by teams playing in an organised competition or if there are U18 games being played. Glass drinking containers are not permitted in any of Council open spaces.

Council requires all clubs to have an alcohol policy and be a member of Good Sports.

There is no smoking at any time in Council Sporting Grounds as per Section 6A of the Smoke-free Environment Act.

Surrounding Parks and Access

The use of Johnson Park and Laxton Reserve is not permitted to be used by teams for warmups.

Arlington Reserve is a pedestrian link. Clubs will undertake to actively manage this during training days to ensure public access from Williams Parade through to Laxton Reserve is available. This includes access to the public toilets*. Gates may be locked with Council permission on game days and public access restricted for ticketed events.

The community has access to the sporting ground surface when not in use for training, games or maintenance. Gates may be staffed for ticketing purposes. Restricted access

to the grounds is permitted when high level fixtures are scheduled for the sporting ground. Such events must be advertised one week prior to the allocation period.

**Council notes that public toilets are also provided in Johnston Reserve.*

Review of this Plan

The Arlington Recreation Reserve Committee at its annual meeting will consider the Operational Management Plan and make recommendations to Council on any changes. The Plan will continue to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Breach of the Operational Plan

The continued allocation of a Council sporting ground is dependent on the clubs adherence to the agreed upon terms and conditions for the booking and this operational plan. Where residential complaints are found to be justified clubs will be issued with the following penalties which will be applied to their seasonal allocation costs for that term:

- 1st offence – Written warning
- 2nd offence - \$500 penalty
- 3rd offence – \$1000 penalty
- 4th offence - cancellation of seasonal booking for training and games.

The booking may be terminated at any time by Council without any liability being incurred by Council. Clubs will be charged for the full cost of the booking when a booking is cancelled due to a breach of the terms and conditions.

Escalation Point-Complaints to Council

Complaints to Council will be answered within a timely manner and will be managed in line with Council's adopted Complaints Handling policy. Complaints will be assessed to the extent that the activity being complained about does not adhere to the approved use of the park and its adopted Operational Plan (*for example breaches of operating hours and user conduct*).

Where complaints cannot be resolved by a Council Officer these can be escalated to Council's General Manager and if deemed necessary referred to the Liaison Committee for discussion and resolution. Complainants are expected to be submitted and addressed in a respectful way.

The Committee can determine no further action if deemed required.

Noise

Approved use of the park in terms of team sport and general spectator support will not be deemed as unacceptable noise provided that such use is within the prescribed operational plan hours of use. The use of noise making devices, like horns and drums are not permitted. The use of a PA system is not permitted.

- Sporting clubs must ensure that the residents are not disturbed by excessive noise*, offensive language, bad behaviour or any other activity likely to cause disturbance.

- Residents should expect to hear some noise when games and training are taking place. This includes whistles used by game officials, cheering and general spectator noise.
- Players are not permitted to kick balls into fences, substitute bench and/or seating areas.
- Sporting clubs are reminded to instruct all players for the need to be considerate of neighbours especially when leaving the facility at night.
- Noise making devices, like horns and drums are not permitted. The use of a PA system is not permitted.

**Under the Environmental Protection Act, Active recreation areas (characterised by sporting activities and activities which generate their own noise or focus for participants, making them less sensitive to external noise intrusion. External noise levels for this type of recreational use is restricted to 65 dBA.*

Declaration

The signatures below confirm the agreement of the hirer to comply with the terms of this Operational Plan which has been agreed to in consultation with community representatives and Inner West Council.

Name: _____

Name: _____

Club: _____

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Item No: C0621(1) Item 2

Subject: CREATIVE INNER WEST: CULTURAL STRATEGY - PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Prepared By: Naomi Bower - Cultural Planning & Policy Leader

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the Draft *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy and Action Plan (2021 – 2025)* for Public Exhibition.

DISCUSSION

The Executive initiated the development of a Creative Economy Strategy in October 2019, which was then expanded to the *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy*. Council's commitment to the local creative sector is also driven through the Creative Communities Notice of Motion (2017).

The Strategy and Action Plan (Attachments 1 and 2) were developed in response to extensive engagement during 2019 and 2020, including a range of focus groups with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, older people, people with a disability, young people, creative industry representatives from a range of artforms, written and online surveys and social media campaigns. Engagement was supplemented by interview-based research with Western Sydney University and Leftbank/ JOC into the value of local creative spaces and venues (2018, 2019) and research into the Inner West creative economy (2018). Extensive internal engagement and engagement with local democracy groups has also been carried out. More than 500 people contributed to the development of the *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy*.

The Strategy has a focus on building cultural considerations into Council's urban planning processes in response to increased density, supporting the creative life and identity of the Inner West into the future. It recognises the significant economic and social contribution of culture and has a focus on all aspects of our cultural life, including: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture; cultural diversity; the creative industries; and, the role of culture in building connected, inclusive, sustainable communities. The Strategy's initiatives feature targeted programs to activate and nurture communities and places in the Inner West. Central to Council's philosophy in City Living is the idea that when people engage in social cultural participation, they build their stock of relationship and social capital and this creates new wellbeing. When people participate together, they create social inclusion for whole communities.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The majority of the Strategy's initiatives can be delivered through the realignment of existing resources.

Resources to integrate cultural infrastructure into Council's open space and infrastructure projects will be identified in collaboration with the Executive and relevant managers.

Any additional programming and partnership resources will be proposed as part of Council's 2022-2025 Delivery Program and reviewed as part of Operational Plan budgets and delivery annually during 2022-2025.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [↓](#) Cultural Strategy Draft for Public Exhibition
2. [↓](#) Cultural Strategy Action Plan Draft for Exhibition

INNER WEST

Creative Inner West
Cultural Strategy
2021-25

Draft for public exhibition



Image: Circusworks at The Fire Garden by Tortuga Studios, EDGE Sydenham 2019 Photo: Daniel Kulac

Item 2

Attachment 1

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Statement

Inner West Council acknowledges the Gadigal and Wangal peoples of the Eora Nation, who are the traditional custodians of the lands in which the Inner West local government area is situated.

We celebrate the survival of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, heritage, beliefs and their relationship with the land and water. We acknowledge the continuing importance of this relationship to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living today, despite the devastating impacts of European invasion. We express our sorrow for past injustices and support the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to self determination.

Inner West Council understands our responsibilities and role in working with the Aboriginal community to promote cultural heritage and history, address areas of disadvantage, and protect and preserve the environment as well as sites of significance to Aboriginal peoples. In doing so, we acknowledge that Aboriginal cultures continue to strengthen and enrich our community.

Today, diverse groups of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples live and work across Inner West. We admire the resilience displayed in their significant achievements and in making immense contributions to both Council and the broader community.

Inner West Council is committed to embedding the values and perspectives of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to ensure we learn from the mistakes of our past and forge a positive future of long-lasting value built on mutual respect, equality and opportunity.

Creative Inner West: A cultural strategy for the Inner West

Executive summary

Culture and creativity are essential for healthy, thriving communities.

As Australia's cultural production hotspot,ⁱ the Inner West is celebrated for its dynamic and diverse creative sector, and the significant cultural contribution it makes locally, nationally and internationally.

Like its contemporaries across the world, the Inner West's creative community was among the first and hardest hit by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic delivering unprecedented challenges for the sector.

Inner West Council is committed to working with our local creative sector to support its recovery and promote strong growth well into the future.

The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy 2021 – 2025* has been shaped through consultation and engagement with the creative sector and the broader community, as well as a review of international leading practice approaches.

Supported by a comprehensive Action Plan, the strategy is designed to be delivered in collaboration with the community across five key areas:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures at the centre
- diversity enriches us and makes us stronger
- love Inner West, day and night
- culture's role in our growing places
- imagining our future together.

Introduction

The Inner West is a critical contributor to Sydney's creative ecosystem.

Our local creative sector is recognised nationally and internationally for leading independent making and creating, and for seeding creative productions of regional and national significance.

Inner West Council acknowledges that this is a critical time for local arts and culture. In addition to the significant impact of the pandemic on the sector, increasing living costs, finding affordable living and production spaces are an ongoing challenge.

Council recognises the importance of its role in collaborating with the community to support the continued contribution of arts and culture to our social and economic life, and to promote culture as a vehicle for equity, community leadership, and social and environmental change.

This four-year strategy provides a framework for Council's vision and commitment to preserving and growing culture and creativity in the Inner West.

How do we define culture?

Culture means different things to different people. In the Inner West, the community's understanding of culture is influenced by its strong heritage of cultural diversity and practicing artists.

For the purposes of *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy*, Council uses the following definition:

Culture is: the way we live and express ourselves in the world, including making, sharing and participating in creativity and drawing on our customs, stories, heritage and beliefs.

Artists, cultural groups, residents, visitors and businesses all help to create our distinctive cultural life. Culture can also inspire new ways of thinking and living in a changing world.

Additional definitions used in *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* are provided in the glossary on page 14.

Profile of the Inner West creative sector

The Inner West is a national leader in urban creativity and culture.

Creative and cultural industries contribute \$1.4 billion each year to the local economy and employ 6,500 people.ⁱⁱ, one in 10 local residents work in the creative and cultural sector, and over half of these are cultural producers, making the Inner West Australia's cultural production capital.ⁱⁱⁱ

The area is the base for long-established artists and cultural groups who have made their home here for generations, and much of the creative activity in the Inner West has thrived because our community were pioneers of multiculturalism and artist run initiatives.

We embrace difference and experimentation, and the everchanging expressions of culture. Residents, businesses and visitors are drawn to our cultural diversity across food, street life, local artisan products, community groups and campaigns and some of Australia's most impressive street art.

The Inner West is home to over 60 live music and performance venues, including the renowned Enmore Theatre, more than 100 artist studios, a wealth of grassroots arts and cultural organisations (including Australia's largest community centre, The Addison Road Centre) and Boomalli, one of Australia's first urban Aboriginal artist co-operatives.

Culture and creativity are truly woven through our local community, economy and sense of place.

How was *Creative Inner West* developed?

The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* responds to the views and aspirations of our community drawing on conversations among community representatives, organisations, creatives and Council. This includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and organisations, culturally diverse groups and networks, a broad range of creative industries, and people from different age groups and abilities.

Community feedback was supplemented by in-depth interviews and research with cultural production spaces and venues; and a social media campaign and online survey captured people's ideas about Inner West culture.

More than 500 artists, makers, creatives, musicians, performers, creative entrepreneurs, community members and organisational leaders participated in the development of the strategy.

The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* sets out a vision, priorities and actions for Council and community partners to respond to the community's needs and aspirations.

A vision for culture and creativity in the Inner West

The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* aims to embed culture at the heart of the Inner West, now and for future generations. It strives to grow the Inner West as the creative engine of Sydney, as a destination and a leader in cultural equity.

Based on feedback, the Inner West community shares a vision that promotes:

Greater diversity:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and culture have a central role in our places and creative life
- Cultural diversity is supported and celebrated, and emerging cultures are nurtured

Community values:

- Arts and culture promote our values of equity, inclusion and environmental sustainability
- Our culture maintains its grassroots, independent character

A creative life:

- Urban places provide abundant opportunities to access creativity and culture at all stages of life
- Creative spaces, town halls, schools and libraries are hubs of creative activity

A sense of place and a strong economy:

- Our streets and shopfronts are home to buzzing arts and culture, day and night
- Culture is embedded into local places, including arts and culture in public spaces and Council facilities
- We are a hub for Sydney's cultural production and small to medium arts sector
- We nurture local homegrown artists, organisations, products and events, including young and emerging creatives

Leadership:

- Council is committed to sustaining culture and creative industries as an invaluable part of our social and economic fabric
- Our creatives and diverse cultures provide leadership for a sustainable future

Better planning:

- Culture and creativity have an important role in Council decision-making and planning

Council's role

The Community Strategic Plan (CSP) *Our Inner West 2036* guides Council to achieve the outcomes that the Inner West community has identified as priorities. The CSP belongs to the community and is facilitated by Council on their behalf. The CSP aims to:

- inform our strategic decision-making that will shape our future community, economy and environment
- protect and enhance the community's values and heritage
- pave the way for the future through proactive planning for the impacts of change
- strive for inclusivity, sustainability, resilience, accountability and innovation.

Within this context, Council has identified key responsibilities that support the *Creative Inner West Cultural Strategy*:

Custodian: Caring for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture, as well as the layers of migrant heritage, emerging cultural practices and creative places

Leader: Cultivating a vision for people and places to respond to local and global issues, and produce innovative content and products

Collaborator: Connecting communities, businesses and all levels of government to work together in partnership for a creative life

Commissioner: Funding and commissioning creative works and projects, seeding new ideas and providing support to the small to medium cultural sector

Producer: Co-designing projects, artworks and infrastructure with our creative and cultural communities

Enabler: Empowering creatives and organisations to develop professional capacities, projects, creative spaces and events

Advocate: Promoting the vital importance of local cultural and creative practitioners, organisations and venues to our social and economic life, and to Greater Sydney

Strategic focus

The following themes emerged from community conversations and research into national and international best practice. The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* will focus on five areas:

1. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures at the centre
2. diversity enriches us and makes us stronger
3. love inner west, day and night
4. culture's role in our growing places
5. imagining our future together

Following are further details of each area including the initiatives to realise *Creative Inner West's* vision. Actions are detailed in the *Creative Inner West Action Plan*.

Focus areas

1. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures at the centre

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures have central importance; local cultural leadership and expressions are nurtured.

The Australia Council for the Arts has stated that supporting First Nations arts and culture is perhaps the single greatest contribution we make to our national and global identity^{iv}. The *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* provides an opportunity for Council and our community to promote justice and systemic change for Aboriginal peoples, and to support local Aboriginal arts and culture.

The Inner West is home to more than 2,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the long standing Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative and some of Australia's most successful Aboriginal artists.

Our local Aboriginal community wants public cultural programs and artworks to be led by Aboriginal peoples and organisations, and for public art and placemaking to tell the truth about our national history. By providing more leadership opportunities for Aboriginal artists and cultural leaders, Council can support broader opportunities and employment in the creative and cultural Industries.

Local places are a rich opportunity to share culture and learn from each other, and there is a desire within local Aboriginal communities and non-Aboriginal communities to connect with local Aboriginal culture through mapping and understanding local places. The community believes this can be achieved through cultural exchange, including language and digital storytelling, and particularly with Aboriginal Elders.

Initiatives:

- Create connections to Aboriginal history and culture through Aboriginal-led public art, performance and placemaking
- Demonstrate justice and equity for Aboriginal peoples through local arts and culture
- Support local sharing of Aboriginal culture through place-based learning and exchange
- Create leadership and employment opportunities for Aboriginal organisations, artists, curators and cultural leaders

For the purposes of *Creative Inner West*, when the word Aboriginal is used, it refers to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of the Inner West.

2. Diversity enriches us and makes us stronger

Diversity makes our lives richer and our communities stronger; we commit to cultural diversity, equity and inclusion.

The Inner West community includes 52,000 people who speak a language other than English at home⁹.

We celebrate diversity in all forms, and the diversity of local culture is key to our identity and strength.. Diversity feeds our cultural life and a significant proportion of our local artists and cultural organisations are from diverse cultural backgrounds, are older people, , are living with a disability, and / or identify across a range of genders and sexual orientations.

Our cultural life is made richer by young creatives, emerging cultures and new ideas. Local culture is also closely linked with our community values. We host homegrown grassroots organisations that lead community campaigns on significant issues such as racism and gender discrimination.

Nurturing local inclusion and diversity requires breaking down physical, social and economic barriers to participation, sharing culture to create mutual understanding, and nurturing talented creatives and cultural producers through to further employment and leadership positions. Increased access to creative opportunities for diverse communities and people with a disability are a focus. Diverse community groups can help to provide leadership on creating a truly inclusive cultural life and how to get there.

Initiatives:

- Work with people from diverse backgrounds to support equity, belonging and representationCelebrate and share diversity in the Inner West

3. Love Inner West, day and night

The Inner West is a buzzing cultural hub by day and night; local creatives thrive at the heart of our economy and identity.

The small to medium creative sector, including independent creatives, community galleries, venues, production spaces and artist run initiatives, are the foundations of culture in the Inner West. These are the places where our local artists and performers take risks, nurture their talent, and build their audiences and content. The amount of new work generated in the small to medium sector far surpasses that of our major cultural institutions making it fundamental to Australia's cultural landscape.^{vi}

With the move by audiences to more intimate, local experiences as a result of COVID, the Inner West has an opportunity to promote our thriving small to medium creative sector to local audiences and as a destination for Greater Sydney and beyond. This includes spotlighting the Inner West as the heart of Sydney's live music scene. Focussing cultural programming in precincts and neighbourhoods based makes the most of the creative energy and activity that already exists in the community. Examples of neighbourhood based cultural programming include tours, artist activations and public artworks across a range of artforms.

Council acknowledges that creative venues and activities are often faced with a range of regulatory barriers and is committed to improving regulatory conditions for creative activities and the nighttime economy. This includes developing pathways for creative activations in shopfronts, warehouses and public spaces, and extending opening hours for suitable businesses.

This strategy is an opportunity to renew how Council works with the local sector, including access to funding, employment opportunities, advocacy, professional networks and supportive regulatory conditions.

Initiatives:

- Support and showcase the Inner West as a leading hub of independent arts and cultural producers
- Stimulate the creative economy by simplifying regulatory conditions and providing planning support
- Enliven precincts and neighbourhoods with cultural programming and activations
- Support the Inner West 24 hour economy
- Build capacity of the local sector, including networking, training and advocacy

"In nearly all modern post-industrial economies, 'cultural occupations' and creative industries are growing as a share of total jobs and are making greater contributions of value to local and national economies. Creative and cultural activity is recognised as a driver of job creation, employment, entrepreneurship and productivity, and contributes positively to both design led industries and to place-making and management."^{vii}

4. Culture's role in our growing places

Places with soul; arts and culture enlivens our public spaces and cultural infrastructure sustains our creative city.

Urban infrastructure planning is often framed around meeting the community's health, housing, education and transport needs. At times, cultural infrastructure is not an equal part of the equation. As our places densify, culture can support social connection, a creative life and ensure the Inner West still feels like home. Cultural infrastructure includes public art, creative spaces, affordable housing for artists and cultural enlivenment opportunities accessible by all members of the community. Embedding culture and placemaking into parks, open spaces and Council facilities are an important opportunity for the future of our community.

Inner West Council has identified creative spaces as a priority for local cultural sustainability. This is supported by the Council of Capital City Lord Mayors 2021-2024 Strategic Plan, which identifies cultural infrastructure as a top priority. The Inner West's industrial buildings for cultural production have become an essential part of independent making and creating, supplying major creative productions of regional and national significance, and providing an essential small to medium layer for Sydney's creative ecosystem.

Council recognises its important role to support the supply of affordable cultural production spaces, including protecting industrial employment lands from re-zoning and optimising and expanding Council-owned creative spaces.

Music and performance venues and artist run initiatives have also historically thrived in Inner West industrial areas and on our main streets. Relevant policies that support the operational needs of creative activity need to be developed to strike a balance with other needs, such as residential encroachment or changing community expectations.

Initiatives:

- Ensure public art and cultural activation are integrated into public spaces and parks in the Inner West to support discovery and belonging
- Planning policies support creativity and culture, including the supply and affordability of cultural production spaces
- Create ongoing opportunities to provide creative spaces, creative employment and affordable housing for artists through development policies and partnerships
- Consolidate and expand Council-owned creative spaces and optimise the community cultural benefit provided, including town halls
- Implement planning approaches that protect local creative precincts and activities and balance these with other local needs

5. Imagining our future together

Artists and cultural leaders help us imagine the future; working with Council and community on change and adaptation.

COVID19, the 2020 bushfire season and the 2021 floods highlight that new ways of thinking and living are urgently needed. Arts and culture shine a spotlight on local and global issues and have a key role in generating new ideas. *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy* will incubate ideas through local community discussions, creative labs and activations, including utilising new technologies and connecting with natural

places. This will provide leadership on local responses to the climate emergency and social issues, such as justice for Aboriginal peoples, gender equity and healthy ageing.

Children and young people have an important part to play in helping to create a future that is rich in ideas and fit for future generations. The strategy supports creative opportunities for children and young people and provides connections and pathways into local public life and decision-making processes.

The creative sector also leads the way in co-design and inclusion in planning and implementation of services and infrastructure.

More broadly, Council will develop and implement an evaluation system and work closely with groups such as Council's Arts and Culture Advisory Committee to ensure its programs and approaches are meeting all of the community's needs.

Initiatives:

- Facilitate creative initiatives that support reimagining our future
- Enable the creative and cultural sector to have an increased role in place planning and local decision-making processes
- Promote new cultural leaders and voices

Strategy implementation and measuring outcomes

Implementation of the *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy 2021 – 2025* will be overseen by a range of Inner West Council teams and community partners.

Council will evaluate the impact and success of the strategy through clearly defined measures, which are detailed in the strategy's Action Plan.

Glossary

Definitions below are those developed by Inner West Council based upon sector research and existing industry definitions.

Creative and cultural industries: the definition used is based upon the research of David Throsby and UNESCO. It includes literature, music, performing art, visual arts, films, museums, galleries, photography, libraries, advertising, architecture, design, fashion, heritage services, publishing and print media, television and radio, sound recording, computer games.

Cultural production: the making of cultural products, including craftspeople, music and theatre production and visual artists. It generally involves direct-to-consumer products and services, including developing, testing and creating. Cultural production often occurs in flexible warehouse spaces.

Creative services: commercial business-to-business services, including advertising, marketing, architecture, design and software and digital content development. These are often technology-based and desk-based and are found more typically in office and retail spaces.

Cultural presentation: the performing and exhibiting of culture, usually taking place in venues, such as music and performance venues, community spaces, galleries and libraries.

Cultural infrastructure: spaces where people come together to create, share and enjoy arts and culture, including theatres, galleries, museums, libraries, archives, community halls, cinemas, public art and outdoor events spaces. It can also include infrastructural support for artists including affordable housing.

Creative spaces: are creative spaces and venues for the purpose of making, producing and presenting culture, for professional and community-based creativity as well as mixed use spaces that house creative uses.

Creative enterprise: cultural and creative organisations or initiatives whose aims and projects have a community or social benefit. The governance structure of a cultural enterprise may be for-profit, but the activities of the venture must demonstrate community benefit.

Placemaking: communities participating in the shaping and reimagining of public spaces. Placemaking capitalises on a local community's assets, inspiration, and potential, with the intention of creating public spaces that promote people's health, happiness, and well-being.

Agenda 21: Agenda 21 for Culture was approved by the Committee on Culture of the World United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG). The Agenda describes that Culture and Cultural Strategies should have central importance in local governance, and that in turn, local culture should have a significant role in national culture. Cultural Strategies are a key means for supporting the aims of Agenda 21, such as embedding culture's role in human rights, spiritual and emotional health, economy, social inclusion and the conditions for peace.

Appendix

Inner West Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

Under the NSW Local Government Act 1993, Councils are required to develop a hierarchy of plans known as the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) Framework. This framework assists councils to deliver their community's vision through long, medium and short-term plans.

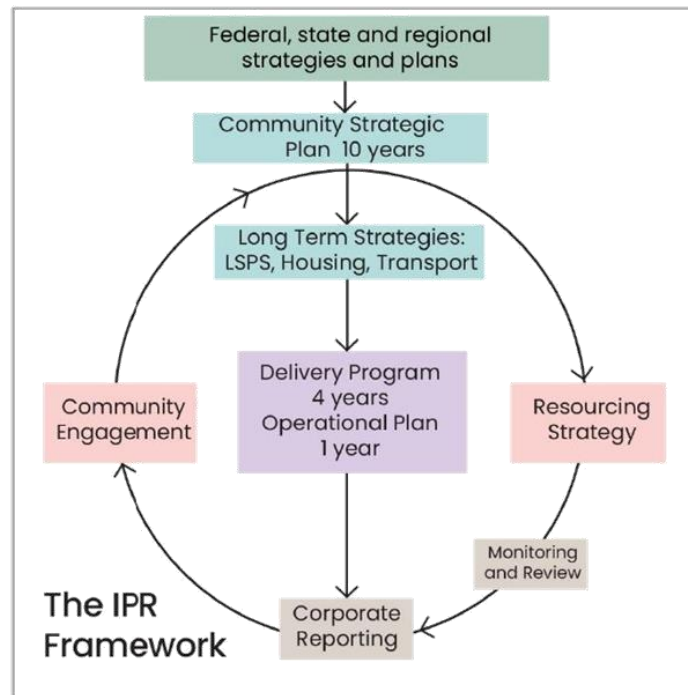
The purpose of the framework is to formalise strategic and resource planning across NSW councils and to ensure long-term planning is based on community engagement leading to a more sustainable local government sector.

The Inner West Community Strategic Plan (CSP), *Our Inner West 2036*, identifies the community's vision for the future, its long-term goals, and strategies to get there. It also outlines how Council will measure progress towards the vision.

There is increasing recognition governments need to move beyond recognising only social, economic and environmental sustainability, to acknowledging culture as the fourth pillar of sustainability.^{viii}

Culture and creativity feature significantly in the Inner West Community Strategic Plan (CSP), *Our Inner West 2036* and the Local Strategic Planning Statement, *Our Place Inner West* (LSPS). *Creative Inner West* supports the delivery of the CSP and LSPS by addressing a number of priorities in these plans:

- Creative communities and a strong economy
- Unique, liveable, networked neighbourhoods
- Caring, happy, healthy communities
- Progressive local leadership
- An ecologically sustainable Inner West



Inner West regional and state context

The Inner West is impacted by city wide, state and federal planning frameworks, and fits within a number of broader plans that guide our development and priorities. Some of these include the *Greater Sydney Commission Eastern District Plan (A vision to 2056)*, *The 24 Hour Economy Strategy 2020*, *Global NSW*, and *NSW Cultural Infrastructure Plan 2025*. Key elements for the *Creative Inner West: Cultural Strategy 2021 – 2025* are:

- the preservation of industrial land for cultural production (*Greater Sydney Commission Eastern District Plan 2056*)
- support of 24 hour cultural activity (*24 Hour Economy Strategy, Global Sydney 2020*)
- the importance of cultural infrastructure in urban development (*NSW Cultural Infrastructure Plan 2025*)

There are major state renewal initiatives underway in the Inner West, including Parramatta Road Urban Renewal, Whites Bay Urban Renewal Precinct, WestConnex, GreenWay Missing Links and the Sydenham to Bankstown Metro, all of which bring challenges and opportunities to our community.

Culture is also a major driver underpinning the hospitality and tourism industries and are embedded in a range of federal and state strategies to support sectors such as tourism, technology and innovation.

What has been delivered to date?

Council is already investing significantly in arts and cultural provision, programs and strategic support.

Key highlights include:

- Project with Mirvac to deliver the \$45 million Marrickville Library and partnership with West Connex and other funding bodies for \$4.5 million upgrade of Haberfield Library
- Partnerships with Sydney Biennale, Roads and Maritime Services, Marrickville Metro and Westconnex to deliver new public artworks and artist residencies
- Public art commissions including 17 new works at Marrickville Metro, 5 major street art works with Westconnex, new artworks at the new Ashfield Aquatic Centre and Pategerang Place, and Greenway Missing Links Program including \$1million for public artworks across 13 sites from Iron cove Bay to the Cooks river.
- Gadigal Wangal Placemaking projects to deepen our connection to Aboriginal culture in each Ward
- \$175,000 per annum of funding for artists and cultural groups through Independent Artist, Artist and Multicultural Grants and \$350,000 for creative sector COVID response grants
- Offering a range of cultural planning support including Open and Creative Inner West regulatory reforms to activate mainstreets and the night time economy and Council's Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee
- EDGE Inner West delivering annual place based creative activations and artworks. In 2018/19 EDGE employed 1193 local artists and partnered with 150 local businesses and attracted 36,000 attendees
- In 2019, Council events attracted visitations of 120,000 people over the year, engaging 200 creatives for performances, workshops and demonstrations and working with more than 250 local businesses and community organisations
- Delivering an annual exhibition program at Chrissie Cotter Gallery and Newtown ArtSeat
- The new musical instrument library at Ashfield Library from diverse instruments from around the world. 10,000+ people visit Marrickville Library per week and close to \$1 million / year on providing the community with an updated collection
- An Annual film festival for International day of people with disability, curated by people with lived experience of disability with a live panel. This festival is a hybrid festival and is fully accessible with an audience of 300 people
- Expanding the award-winning Perfect Match program across the LGA, delivering 15 artworks in 2019
- Producing the Creative Trails and Tours Program over 4 precincts, offering insights into the creative workings of local artists and studios
- Offering 13 creative spaces for artists in residence across 7 Council properties
- A range of community cultural and creative programs, including at the Refugee Welcome Centre, for NAIDOC week, youth programs, including SPARK Youth Theatre, and programs for older people and people with a disability

Resourcing

Creative Inner West will be resourced through the *Our Inner West 2022* Delivery Program, existing Council Programs and will intersect with other local strategies including the:

- *Land and Property Strategy 2019*
- *Voluntary Planning Agreement Policy 2019*
- *Recreation Strategy 2021*
- *Community Assets Needs Strategy 2021*
- *Economic Development Strategy 2020*
- *Public Domain Guidelines 2021*
- *Employment and Retail Lands Study 2020*
- *Inclusion Action Plan 2017*
- *Climate and Renewables Strategy 2019.*

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CREATIVE INNER WEST: ACTION PLAN			
	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
1. ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CULTURES AT THE CENTRE			
1.1. Create connections to Aboriginal history and culture through Aboriginal led public art, performance and placemaking			
1.1.1 Create public artworks and cultural activations, governed by Aboriginal curation, that honour Aboriginal survival and culture			
1.1.2 Aboriginal knowledge and cultural identity enlivens placemaking and celebrates local places			
1.1.3 Provide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural awareness training for all Council staff			
1.2 Demonstrate justice and equity for Aboriginal people through local arts and culture			
1.2.1 Support delivery of Council's Reconciliation Action Plan			
1.2.2 Develop an Aboriginal cultural co-design framework for Council projects, facilities and assets that honour intellectual property rights			
1.2.3 Increase representation of Aboriginal artists in Council Grants and arts and cultural programming			
1.3. Support local sharing of Aboriginal culture through place based learning and exchange			
1.3.1 Create opportunities for Elders' local language and knowledge to inform place naming			
1.3.2 Evaluate koori education and language projects in early childhood and scope future delivery and resourcing			
1.3.3 Layer Aboriginal-led tours and digital storytelling onto Aboriginal cultural sites of importance			
1.3.4 Build collaborations to increase intergenerational exchange in arts and cultural initiatives, including opportunities for storytelling and songlines			
1.3.5 Create opportunities to celebrate Aboriginal arts and cultural practice, including music, dance and literature			
1.4 Create leadership and employment opportunities for Aboriginal organisations, artists, curators and cultural leaders			
1.4.1 Develop a collaboration with Boomalli arts cooperative to support the delivery of the Cultural Strategy			
1.4.2 Demonstrate Aboriginal curation in Council public art and placemaking projects			
1.4.3 Commission Aboriginal artists to deliver projects of increasing scale			
1.4.4 Support Aboriginal cultural development in collaboration with local Aboriginal organisations			
2. DIVERSITY ENRICHES US AND MAKES US STRONGER			
2.1 Work with people from diverse backgrounds to support equity, belonging and representation			
2.1.1 Arts and cultural programming and Council procurement builds capacity and employment for people from diverse backgrounds, particularly through celebrating local places			
2.1.2 Incubate multicultural programming for contemporary Inner West with the Refugee Welcome Centre and community collaborators			
2.1.3 Collaborate with diverse community organisations to create safe cultural participation opportunities, particularly for women and children			
2.1.4 Increase representation of people from diverse backgrounds in Council Grants, including emerging cultures			
2.1.5 Offer mentoring opportunities for diverse emerging artists and cultural groups to participate in Council's major events and arts programs			
2.1.6 Deliver cultural competency training for Council staff to work effectively with diverse cultures			
2.1.7 Support community-led cultural advocacy campaigns, including Racism NOT Welcome			
2.2 Celebrate and share diversity in the Inner West			
2.2.1 Promote arts and cultural programming that gives effect to the Gender Equity Strategy			
2.2.2 Increase access for people of all ages and abilities to participate in cultural life, particularly for children, young people and older people			
2.2.3 Draw on local cultural heritage and history to deepen Inner West creative projects and public art			
2.2.4 Promote inclusive cultural programming, including accessibility training and mentorships			
2.2.5 Celebrate LGBTQI+ arts and culture through the Inner West Pride Centre			
2.2.6 Evaluate Council communications' representation of and reach to diverse communities, including the need for appropriate community languages			
2.2.7 Council to endorse to Agenda 21 for Culture to commit to cultural sustainability			
3. LOVE INNER WEST DAY AND NIGHT			
3.1 Support and showcase the Inner West as a leading hub of independent arts and cultural producers			

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3.1.1 Implement a digital communications plan to market and promote local creatives, cultural programming and to drive cultural tourism			
3.1.2 Undertake a "Creative Inner West" campaign to capitalise on the Inner West's density of venues, artists and cultural activity			
3.1.3 Nurture contemporary cultural content produced by young people and emerging artists			
3.1.4 Build new audiences for locally produced content			
3.1.5 Promote the Inner West as Sydney's Live Music and Performance destination			
3.2 Stimulate the creative economy by simplifying regulatory conditions and providing planning support			
3.2.1 Investigate alternative approval pathways for small scale arts and cultural activities within existing commercial and industrial buildings			
3.2.2 Support creatives to navigate Council planning and regulatory frameworks, including multidisciplinary collaboration to reduce barriers for cultural activities			
3.2.3 Review the eligibility of creative enterprises in Council's arts grants, to support the small to medium creative sector			
3.3 Enliven precincts and neighbourhoods with cultural programming and activations			
3.3.1 Evaluate and redesign Council events programming, utilising place based community and cultural capacity building			
3.3.2 Deliver revised program of events across Council Wards			
3.3.3 Recommend strategy and delivery models for EDGE Inner West based on changing sector needs			
3.3.4 Deliver artworks, programs, projects, tours and trails to highlight distinctive creative precincts and give effect to a renewed EDGE Inner West			
3.3.5 Engage communities and artists in the co-design of public art and street art to enhance neighbourhoods			
3.3.6 Evaluate and make future recommendations for Council's Major Partnerships Program			
3.3.7 Enable cultural activation of the public domain by improving information and processes for hosting creative activities and events in the public domain			
3.4 Support the Inner West 24 hour economy			
3.4.1 Support the extension of later opening hours of suitable mainstreet businesses			
3.4.2 Capitalise on legislative amendments made under the Liquor Amendment (24-hour Economy Bill) 2020 to encourage late night cultural activity			
3.4.3 Support Live Music and Performance venues with a continuing focus on local COVID support measures			
3.5 Build capacity of the local sector, including networking, training and advocacy			
3.5.1 Support the establishment of an Inner West Creative Industries Network			
3.5.2 Advocate to the state and federal government about the significance of the Inner West's creative sector and spaces and the need for commensurate support			
3.5.3 Support training for creative entrepreneurs through the Creative Industries Network and continue support for Council's Women in Business mentorships			
4. CULTURE'S ROLE IN OUR GROWING PLACES			
4.1 Ensure public art and cultural activation are integrated into public spaces and parks in the Inner West to support discovery and belonging			
4.1.1 Integrate public art and cultural activation into Council open space and infrastructure upgrades and masterplanning, including an <i>Art in Public Places Policy</i> to identify priority investment locations			
4.1.2 Ensure multi-disciplinary engagement to govern delivery of Council's cultural public domain and infrastructure projects, including process guidelines			
4.1.3 Ensure cultural activation and cultural use in parks, open spaces and foreshores are supported by Council's planning policies, including enabling temporary creative spaces			
4.2 Inner West planning policies support creativity and culture, including the supply and affordability of cultural production spaces			
4.2.1 Expand support for creative uses, particularly cultural production and presentation, in new planning policies			
4.2.2 Implement policies that protect the supply of industrial land for cultural production spaces			
4.2.3 Implement measures to protect creative uses from residential encroachment, particularly in relation to acoustic impacts			
4.3 Create opportunities for creative spaces, creative employment and affordable housing for artists through new developments and partnerships			
4.3.1 Promote cultural production and presentation spaces in new developments through Development Contribution Planning and Voluntary Planning Agreement framework			

CREATIVE INNER WEST: ACTION PLAN			
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4.3.2 Broker collaboration and employment opportunities for local artists with property developers, including maintaining an artist register			
4.3.3 Advocate for affordable housing for artists in the review of Council's <i>Affordable Housing Policy</i>			
4.3.4 Explore partnership opportunities to collaborate with the Department of Education on local cultural infrastructure, including a trial of artist in residence at local schools			
4.4 Consolidate and expand Council owned Creative Spaces, including Town Halls, and optimise the community cultural benefit provided			
4.4.1 Develop a <i>Cultural Assets Plan</i> for the optimal use of Council's existing cultural assets and libraries, informed by Council's <i>Community Assets Needs</i> research			
4.4.2 Evaluate the existing use of Council assets for creative spaces and propose a redeveloped program to Council			
4.4.3 Support creativity and wellbeing through the Library Strategy			
4.4.4 Accessibility is incorporated in new and upgraded creative spaces to support healthy ageing and people with a disability			
5. IMAGINING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER			
5.1 Facilitate creative initiatives that support reimagining our future			
5.1.1 Support cultural enlivenment that creates wellbeing and builds inclusion			
5.1.2 Engender local creative discussions and activations to reimagine our future, including drawing on the natural world and diverse cultural wisdom			
5.1.3 Incubate new ideas through creative labs and emerging technologies			
5.1.4 Deliver arts and cultural programs that provide discussion and leadership on environmental sustainability and responses to the climate emergency			
5.2 Enable the creative and cultural sector to have an increased role in facilitating local place based planning and social and economic resilience			
5.2.1 Increase involvement of creatives and/or Council arts and culture staff in open space and infrastructure master planning engagement and to identify opportunities			
5.2.2 Utilise co-curatorial and co-design models, collaborating with artists and the community, where possible			
5.2.3 Develop and implement a cultural impact and evaluation framework for the Inner West's cultural sector			
5.2.4 Enable the creative sector to provide leadership on economic and social recovery in response to COVID and other emerging challenges			
5.3 Promote new cultural leaders and voices			
5.3.1 Identify opportunities to connect children and young people to Council's decision making and place planning			
5.3.2 Create increased opportunities for children and young people to engage in and participate in Council's cultural programs			
5.3.3 Implement and promote awareness of Childsafe Standards in local cultural programming			

Item No: C0621(1) Item 3

Subject: INNER WEST HEALTHY AGEING STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN (2021-2025) - PUBLIC EXHIBITION

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the Draft *Inner West Healthy Ageing Strategy and Action Plan (2021- 2025)* for Public Exhibition.

DISCUSSION

The Healthy Ageing Strategy was developed in response to extensive engagement from late 2018 to 2020 and included: a Councillor briefing, a large public forum for 140 people, focus groups with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, older people, people from diverse backgrounds, people with a disability, and health and other subject matter experts. More than 600 people across the Inner West contributed directly to the Healthy Ageing Strategy. Extensive internal engagement has also occurred to build consensus on prioritisation of key actions to be taken over the next four years within existing budgets. The results of the Community Engagement can be found in Attachment 1: Healthy Aging Strategy Engagement Outcomes Report.

The Healthy Ageing Strategy and Action Plan (Attachments 2 and 3) have a focus on building social participation for people as they age. It will achieve this by improving the accessibility of the built environment to accommodate the social and infrastructure needs of an ageing population. The health psychology that informs the strategy is that when people engage in social or cultural participation, they build their stock of relationships and social capital and this creates wellbeing. When people participate together, they create social inclusion for whole community which also builds resilience to stay connected when facing social isolation due to shocks such as the current pandemic.

Public exhibition is planned for five weeks following endorsement from Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The majority of the initiatives in the strategy and action plan can be delivered through the realignment of existing resources.

Resources to integrate healthy ageing infrastructure into Council's open space and infrastructure projects will be identified in collaboration with the Executive and relevant managers.

Any changes to the funding required will be proposed as part of Council's 2022-2025 Delivery Program and reviewed as part of Operational Plan budgets and delivery annually during 2022-2025.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [↓](#) Healthy Ageing Strategy Engagement Outcomes Report
2. [↓](#) Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-2025
3. [↓](#) Healthy Ageing Action Plan 2021-2025

HEALTHY AGEING IN THE INNER WEST

Engagement Outcomes Report All

Community Engagement

Background

This Strategy was developed by engaging with residents of the Inner West, community stakeholders and staff over several months throughout 2019. More than 600 people across the Inner West contributed by completing a survey, attending a forum or focus group or taking part in an in-depth interview to provide their input into the development of the Strategy.

Engagement Methods

Healthy Ageing Survey

An online 'Healthy Ageing in the Inner West Survey' was hosted on Your Say Inner West from October to December 2019. The survey sought to understand what matters most to people as they age, including in the areas of wellbeing, staying active, transport and getting around, community and health services, housing, contribution and safety. Two versions of the survey were available, a separate survey for individuals and for organisations. Hard copy surveys were made available at Council libraries, community centres and customer service centres and administered in person at key community events and activities.

291 surveys completed (272 residents, 19 organisations)

Interviews with Subject Experts

Targeted interviews were conducted with subject matter experts to provide advice to Council on key issues. Seven interviews were held targeting key organisation's serving older people in the Inner West.

13 experts consulted

Consultations with Council Local Democracy Groups

Seven consultations were undertaken with Council Local Democracy Groups, including Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Working Group, Seniors Working Group, Housing and Affordability Advisory Committee, LGBTIQ+ Working Group, Multicultural Advisory Committee, Arts and Culture Advisory Committee, Social Strategy Advisory Committee and Aged Services Interagency.

40 committee members consulted

Discussions with target groups

Twenty-one focus groups were held with community groups, services and program facilitators across the Inner West.

164 people engaged

Consultations at Council events

Community consultation occurred at key community events, including Marrickville Festival and Norton Street Italian Festa in October 2019 between residents and staff.

56 people engaged

Consultation with Council Staff

Internal consultation sessions were held with representatives from across Council's service units and teams to inform proposed strategic actions.

16 Council teams consulted

What the Community Told Us

Active-socially, mentally, physically

Social Connection and Participation

Meaningful social connections are among the most important factors to a person's physical and mental health and sense of purpose as they age.

Importance of staying socially connected as you age; opportunities for older people to gather, share stories and nostalgia and connect in their local neighbourhoods, particularly in the face of climate change; initiatives to overcome loneliness and isolation as people age; greater intergenerational interaction between old and young; coordination of diverse activities and events for older people to socialise; culturally-specific groups and activities to share language, express and preserve culture; opportunities to volunteer and meaningfully contribute; interventions to address and reduce the severity of health conditions like dementia; neighbourhood initiatives like street holiday parties to unite people and build social ties; working with residential aged care facilities to increase people come in/going out of facilities as well as diverse programming for groups including LGBTQ+; greater provision of community venues and facilities for groups to meet.

Physical and Mental Health

Residents would like a diverse program of social activities and events in the Inner West.

Promoting the benefits of physical exercise to prevent things like depression particularly near where people live, anxiety and dementia; workshops and free talks to educate people on staying healthy as they age, including information on nutrition; offering a variety of exercise programs for all levels, including chair yoga, walking groups, and tailored gym programs; spiritual wellbeing and helping older people to connect mind, body and emotions; working with frontline staff to identify and combat loneliness and depression; continuing to learn and grow at any age.

Getting around and staying connected

Public Infrastructure

Public space and infrastructure were identified as a key priority area for creating a liveable and inclusive community as people age.

More public space for people to gather; maintaining and improving footpaths, lighting, public parks, seating; multi-purpose community centres to bring people and information together; bring back the corner store; increasing lifts in public places and at train stations; rethinking pedestrian lighting at busy intersections to allow older people to safely cross at all times; drop-in centres for people to access the information and support they need e.g. Technology help, finding a carer, how to navigate various (local, state and federal) government systems; one-stop shop for people to find out what services, events and activities are available to them

Transport and Getting Around

Public and community transport is a major barrier to older people participating in community life.

Accessing services, shopping malls and facilities is difficult without adequate public transport; physical access including ramps, lifts, physical access including ramps, lifts; offer free or low cost community loop and shuttle buses to transport people between key town centres, facilities and

venues in the LGA, including shopping malls; direct bus routes that connect to train lines in the Inner West; greater provision of accessible parking; audit and expand provision of pedestrian crossings and longer crossing times between lights across the LGA.

Housing, employment and financial security

Supporting People to Age in Place

Access to secure and stable housing continues to be a challenge at any age, particularly as people retire and get older.

Supporting older women to secure stable, affordable and accessible housing over the long-term; planning and making provisions for affordable and low-income (rent as 25% of income) housing in new and redeveloped sites; universal design (as opposed to accessible or adaptable design) in housing to accommodate older and elderly people; including increased provision of social housing for single people; designing neighbourhoods and town centres to allow people to age in place; growing increase in older people who can't afford to own their own home.

Employment and Contribution

To meet the demands of an increasingly extended retirement age, people would like to see greater access to opportunities for paid work as well as volunteering opportunities matched to a person's skills and interests.

Older people would like to work and be paid for the work they do; volunteering and contributing one's time and skills are important, but shouldn't discount the value of paid recognition for a person's time; assisting retirees to volunteer their time and skills assisting older people; early intervention initiatives to get people planning for retirement earlier in their life; information about financial matters, budgeting, superannuation and the pension; considering Council's role as a direct employer, including prioritising certain roles to older people aged 55+.

Safety

Feeling Safe

Maintaining and improving lighting, pathways and green spaces are ways Council can influence how safe the Inner West feels, and in turn perceptions of safety.

Challenging elder abuse; rethinking shared pedestrian and bicycle paths; promoting night-time economies where shops are open later.

Learning and sharing knowledge

Information Access and Support

Lack of knowledge of what is available is a major barrier for older people's participation in community life, activities and programs.

Addressing language barriers to enable all people to communicate their needs; older people don't know where or how to access information, including volunteer and paid work opportunities; translating key information into simple English (no jargon), into the top community languages, as well as translators to relay key information from Council to language groups; technology and digital training to empower older people to access the information they want and need.

Intergenerational Activities

Intergenerational mixing; carers of different ages and experiences; older mentors playing a mentoring role in OOSH, primary and high schools; younger volunteers helping in residential aged care facilities; intergenerational and cross-cultural mixing;

Health and support services when required

Access to care and support when it's needed is increasingly important for people as they age.

Assistance to help people to access services; supporting people to understand and access My Aged Care at different stages of their life; advocating to increase the number of My Aged Care packages available; working with GPs and medical professionals to prescribe social connection and community supports.

A welcoming & connected community

Combating Ageism

Older people reported often feeling patronised or unseen because of how their age is judged. Council can play a role in combating ageism to enable older people to fully participate in community life.

Working to overcome dismissal, discrimination and prejudice based on a person's age; recognising that people's lives are diverse the longer they've lived; actively challenging and promoting anti-ageism messaging in the community; raising awareness in the community of the nuanced lives of older people, including dementia-awareness to dispel myths and fear surrounding people at different stages of dementia.

INNER WEST

Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-25

Draft for public exhibition



Draft Healthy Ageing Strategy for the Inner West 2021-2025

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Statement

Inner West Council acknowledges the Gadigal and Wangal peoples of the Eora Nation, who are the traditional custodians of the lands in which the Inner West local government area is situated.

We celebrate the survival of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, heritage, beliefs and their relationship with the land and water. We acknowledge the continuing importance of this relationship to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living today, despite the devastating impacts of European invasion. We express our sorrow for past injustices and support the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to self-determination.

Inner West Council understands our responsibilities and role in working with the Aboriginal community to promote cultural heritage and history, address areas of disadvantage, and protect and preserve the environment as well as sites of significance to Aboriginal peoples. In doing so, we acknowledge that Aboriginal cultures continue to strengthen and enrich our community.

Executive Summary

The Inner West's population is ageing. Today, among our own community of more than 200,000, almost 55,000 people – or about one in four – are aged 50 years or older. This trend is projected to continue in the coming years, and by 2026 more than 3,400 people are also expected to be living with dementia in the Inner West.

Our ageing population presents both a challenge and an opportunity for the Inner West Council to support its communities to continue to lead full and rewarding lives as they age. Through extensive community consultation, expert advice and research into national and international best practice, Council has developed the *Health Ageing Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2025* to guide its policy and program support for older members of the community.

The *Healthy Ageing Strategy* focuses on delivering across six priority areas over the next five years:

- staying active
- getting around and staying connected
- housing, employment and financial security
- safety
- learning and sharing knowledge
- health and diversity.

Introduction

It is well established that social connection is essential for good physical and mental health across all life stages. As people age, connection with family, friends and the broader community grows in importance as the frequency and nature of people's social contact can be reduced through retirement, for example, or changes in living circumstances.

Research demonstrates that continuing to participate in the community as we grow older is an important part of health ageing. Participation in social and cultural activities creates social inclusion and promotes greater health and wellbeingⁱ.

The *Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-2025* builds on the former Leichhardt Council *Healthy Ageing Plan*. The strategy recognises that the needs of older people in the Inner West are diverse. Following best practice, the strategy and supporting action plan has a particular focus on supporting older people to stay engaged in the community regardless of their circumstances.

What is healthy ageing?

According to the World Health Organization, healthy ageing is "the process of developing and maintaining the functional ability that enables wellbeing in older age". This means that as people age it is important for them to develop and maintain the capabilities that allow them to do what they value. This includes a person's ability to:

- meet their basic needs
- learn, grow and make decisions
- be mobile
- build and maintain relationships
- contribute to society.ⁱⁱ

What determines healthy ageing?

With the world's population ageing at a faster rate than in the past, there is an increasing focus on understanding the factors that contribute to healthy ageing.

The World Health Organization has found that an older person's capacity and circumstances are shaped by the cumulative impact of advantage and disadvantage across their lives. This includes factors such as the family they were born into, gender, ethnicity, level of education and financial resources.

It also highlights that there is no typical older person. Some older people are strong mentally and physically while others require extensive care and support. It is important that policies are framed to improve the functional ability of all older people, whether they are robust, care dependent or in between.

In addition, healthy ageing research and literature point to the close connection between social participation and ageing well. Social and structural factors including financial security, housing, transport, accessible urban design, cultural background, gender, information access, support

services and connectedness to family and community also influence the ability to age well (Haslam, 2019)ⁱⁱⁱ.

How was the *Healthy Ageing Strategy* developed?

The *Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-2025* is a four-year roadmap for Inner West Council to support a growing number of residents to continue to live full and rewarding lives as they age.

Through surveys and focus groups, more than 600 residents from across the Inner West contributed their views on the interests, needs, aspirations and challenges of people as they age. Service providers and community-based organisations, stakeholders from government and business, and Council staff also contributed to the development of the strategy.

In addition to the contribution from community and other stakeholders, the strategy reflects input from an expert forum, and findings from healthy ageing research and literature.

Profile of ageing in the Inner West

More than 200,000 people live in the Inner West, and the population is growing. At the 2016 census 54,628 people were aged 50 years or over, and 31,969 were 60 years and over.

The Inner West Council's *Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-2025* is focused primarily on people aged over 50 years. The total number of people aged over 50 in our community will increase significantly as a result of ageing of existing residents, and new residents moving into the area.

Residents aged 50 years or over are diverse. A key feature of the community is the ageing of the wave of migrants who made the Inner West suburbs their home in the 1950s and 1960s. The largest (non-English) language groups for residents 50 years and over include Arabic, Cantonese, Greek, Italian, Mandarin, Nepali, Portuguese, Shanghainese, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Residents in this age group also have varied faiths, diverse sexual orientation, and differences in their relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage.

An additional consideration that may impact older residents in the Inner West is that physical inactivity, being overweight, obesity and low vegetable intake are more likely in areas that experience more disadvantage, and these factors can contribute to high incidents of falls, diabetes, cardiovascular disease and a predicted growth in dementia.

Table 1: Inner West population over 50 years in 2016

Age Group	Ashfield Djarrawunang Ward	Balmain Baludarri Ward	Leichhardt Gulgadya Ward	Marrickville Midjiburi Ward	Stanmore Damun Ward	Inner West %	Greater Sydney %
50-59 years	4,669 (12.3%)	4,906 (13.5%)	4,425 (11.7%)	3,859 (11.2%)	3,822 (11%)	12%	12.2%
60-69 years	3,095 (8.1%)	3,889 (10.7%)	3,308 (8.7%)	2,768 (8%)	2,486 (7.2%)	8.6%	9.4%
70-84 years	2,767 (7.2%)	2,337 (6.5%)	2,637 (6.9%)	2,360 (6.9%)	1,714 (4.9%)	7.5%	7.5%
85 years and over	879 (2.3%)	431 (1.2%)	798 (2.1%)	645 (1.9%)	347 (1%)	1.7%	2%

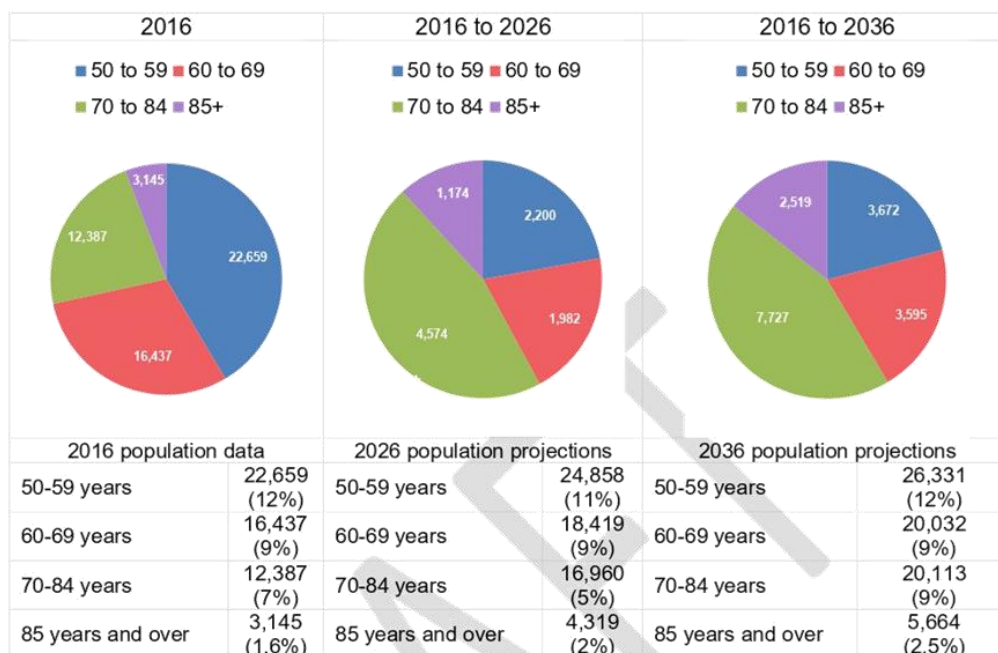
By 2026 the following changes are predicted:

- the Inner West population will grow by 13% to 216,917
- people aged 50 years and over will increase by 24% or 54,628 to 67,556 people
- people aged 55 years and over will increase by 21% or 8,862 people to 51,257 people
- people aged 65 years and over will increase by 29% or 6,669 people to 29,693 people
- people aged 85 years and over will increase by 37% or 1,174 people to 4,319 people.

The Inner West's older population remains balanced across men and women until the age of 85 where women begin to outnumber men. By the age of 85 and over, women make up 63% of the group while men make up 37%.

The prevalence of dementia increases with age. Dementia Australia reports that three in 10 people over the age of 85, and almost one in 10 people over 65 have dementia and that dementia is now the leading cause of death among women in Australia. It is projected that 3,489 people will be living with dementia in the Inner West by 2026 climbing to almost 5,000 people by 2036.

Table 2: Future population projections



Strategic approach

Key priorities for Council action

Through community engagement, the following areas were highlighted for Council to support healthy ageing:

- public space and infrastructure for creating a liveable and inclusive community as people age
- lighting, pathways and green spaces influence how safe the Inner West feels, and in turn perceptions of safety
- becoming a more dementia friendly city
- celebrating the diversity of our population and developing responses that meet the specific needs of residents
- public and community transport to enable participation in community life
- access to secure and stable housing as people retire and get older
- greater access to opportunities for paid work, and volunteering opportunities matched to a person's skills and interests
- access to information to navigate the different stages of life including financial literacy, care, services and support.

Council's role

Under the *Local Government Act 1993*, local councils are required to develop a hierarchy of plans known as the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework. This framework assists councils in delivering their community's vision through long, medium and short-term plans.

The Inner West Community Strategic Plan, *Our Inner West 2036*, identifies the community's vision for the future, long-term goals, and strategies to get there and outlines how Council will measure progress towards that vision. The Plan identifies five strategic directions that support the goals of the community. The Healthy Ageing Strategy aligns closely with Strategic Direction 4: Caring happy healthy communities.

Our Inner West 2036 guides Council to achieve the outcomes that the Inner West community has identified as priorities:

- inform our strategic decision-making that will shape our future community, economy and environment
- protect and enhance the community's values and heritage
- pave the way for the future through proactive planning for the impacts of change
- strive for inclusivity, sustainability, resilience, accountability and innovation.

Within this context, Council has identified three key responsibilities that support the Healthy Ageing strategy:

1. Facilitator: supporting and working with local community groups, organisations and government agencies to deliver services and infrastructure projects the community needs
2. Provider: providing essential social, cultural and community and infrastructure and programs; not replicating what is available in the commercial or not for profit market
3. Advocate: advocating to NSW and Commonwealth Governments for the development and implementation of policy for more effective social, cultural and economic outcomes.

Strategic focus areas

The *Healthy Ageing Strategy 2021-2025* proposes six focus areas. These and Council's initial responses are detailed below:

Focus area	Initial responses
Staying active	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop a community hub model to better connect older people to the broader community • support a diverse range of wellbeing initiatives in the community • promote and support intergenerational participation

Focus area	Initial responses
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • evaluate our Healthy Ageing programming and recommend changes to Council • collaborate with the Local Health District on healthy ageing policy.
Getting around and staying connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • infrastructure to support the comfortable use of public spaces, such as shade, age-friendly seating, bubblers, accessible toilets and walking with companion animals • co-design of town centre upgrades with people as they age • apply age-friendly principles to support older people's movements across the Inner West • Advocate for improved public transport options that are accessible • review and improve local transport provided by Council • develop more accessible footpaths and pathways across communities • deliver new and improved community facilities and infrastructure • ensure accessible parking is available when it is needed.
Housing, employment and financial security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advocate for a range of fundamental needs for older people including social and affordable housing • promote financial literacy
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council venues are available in times of crisis or emergency • reduce and prevent family violence and elder abuse.
Learning and sharing knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increase the visibility of healthy ageing • support the Inner West Dementia Alliance • connect to volunteering • promote resources to support caring • maximise opportunities to share knowledge and mentor others.
Health and diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • collaborate on implementing the Aboriginal Health Strategic Plan of Sydney Local Health District • provide cultural awareness training for staff • support the sustainability of groups of seniors from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds • improve capacity to engage in a culturally sensitive way with LGBTIQ+ people.

What is Council currently doing?

Council has invested significantly in promoting and supporting Healthy Ageing, key highlights have included:

- Health and wellbeing education and programs for seniors in collaboration with libraries, Hannaford Centre, community partners such as Services Australia, Trustee and Guardian, Sydney Local Health District, and Uniting
- Active and Connected: A suite of recreational, fitness, arts and wellbeing activities, bus outings and programs designed to promote and encourage healthy ageing. Collaborative development and delivery of programs by Council's Aquatic Centres, Community Centres, Sport and Recreational Unit, Healthy Ageing Team and Library services
- Actively support and participate in key advocacy and awareness raising initiatives and networks specific to older people, including Coalition of End of Loneliness, Elder Abuse Collaboration, Multicultural Network, Dementia Alliance, Anti-Ageism campaigns
- Supporting volunteer led initiatives such as HOPE Lunch, and Coffee Clubs
- Employment of Healthy Ageing Programs staff dedicated to championing the voices, aspirations and inclusion of seniors
- Publication of a Seniors Directory
- Annual events such as Seniors festival, Grandparents day, Mental Health Month delivered in collaboration with local community organisations, businesses, artists and multicultural networks
- Council Libraries host Healthy Ageing and Wellbeing Workshops and Talks, including the History and Speaker Series, designed to explore ageing in today's world
- The Hannaford Centre, a Council funded Community Centre, offering diverse activities and programs for seniors living in the Inner West
- Establishment of Dementia Cafes, designed to create an inclusive social support network for older people living with dementia and their family / carers
- Promoting and supporting the role out of pilot programs and new initiatives designed to increase social inclusion for older people from linguistically diverse background. Recent examples include the My Aged Care Navigator Support Program developed by COTA for Chinese speaking community in Ashfield.
- Facilitate Seniors Local Democracy Working Group, providing local senior residents an avenue to contribute ideas and provide feedback to Council on issues and projects pertaining to healthy ageing
- Grants: Council's Community Wellbeing, Recreation, Environmental and Arts grants include the funding of programs, services and collaborations specific to older people in the community

- Get Connected Stay Connected: A suite of online workshops and social support groups developed by Council in partnership with SLHD and designed for older people isolated during Covid -19. This program has included the development of a Train The Trainer training package for community organisations and health professionals to deliver these social connection groups in their local communities eg. those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, Carers of People with Dementia, People Living with Dementia, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents
- Connected : Art Exhibition involving participants of the Get Connected Stay Connected programs and other local art groups supported and funded by Council
- Facilitation of the Aged Care Services Interagency network, a network of services working with older people and their carers who promote and support and advocate for the provision of support services and social inclusion for residents over 65 years old

Implementation of the Healthy Ageing Strategy

Implementation of the Strategy will be embedded in Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework and timelines, to ensure that priorities are included in the long-term planning and short-term delivery of Council's projects and programs.

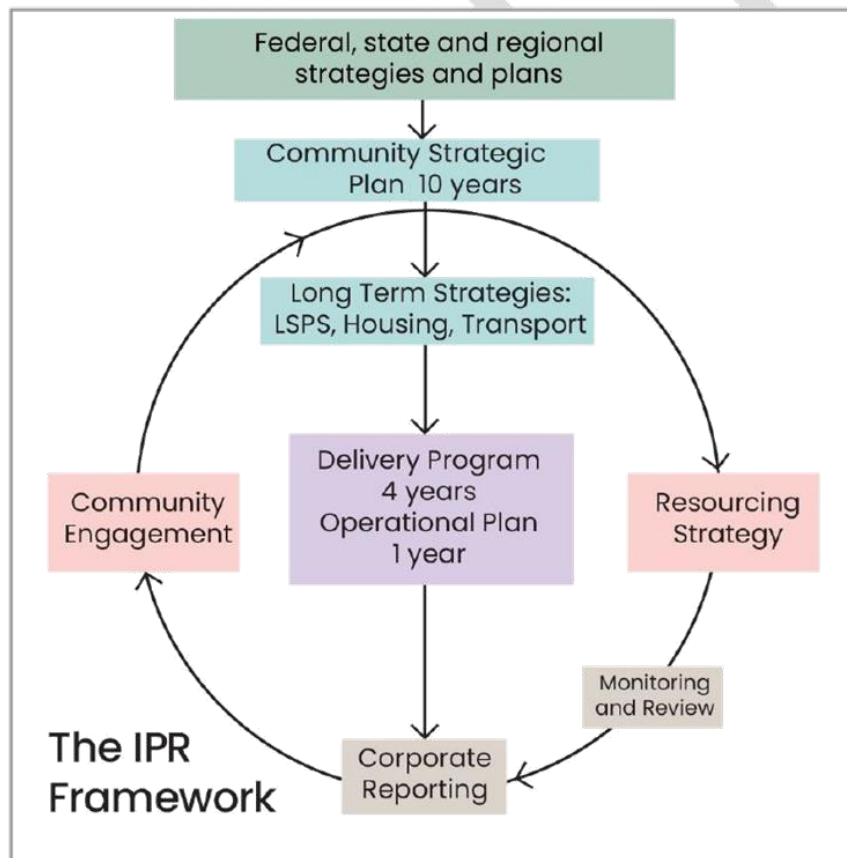
Longer term outcomes will be in the Delivery Program which is a four-year document that aligns with the term of the elected Council. Each year priorities will be detailed in Council's one-year Operational Plan and these will be reported to Council and the community through the Quarterly Reporting process. Council will also create measures and targets that will be used to demonstrate Councils' progress against service delivery and will ascertain whether Council is moving towards or away from the communities' priorities as outlined in *Our Inner West 2036*.

Appendix 1

Inner West Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

Under the NSW Local Government Act 1993, councils are required to develop a hierarchy of plans known as the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) Framework. This framework assists councils in delivering their community's vision through long, medium and short-term plans.

Diagram of in the Integrated Planning Framework showing the relationship between Federal, State and regional strategies and plans and how they affect the Corporate reporting structure of the Community Strategic Plan, strategies, resourcing, monitoring and delivery of the four-year action plan.



The purpose of the framework was to formalise strategic and resource planning across NSW councils and ensure long term planning is based on community engagement leading to a more sustainable local government sector.

Implementation of the Healthy Aging Strategy will be embedded in Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting (IPR) Framework and timelines to ensure that priorities are included in the long-term planning and short-term delivery of Council's projects and programs. Longer term outcomes will be in the high-level Delivery Program which is a four-year document that aligns with the term of the elected Council.

Each year priorities will be detailed as initiatives in Council's one-year Operational Plan and these will be reported to Council and the community through the Quarterly Reporting process.

In addition to these actions, Council will also create efficient and effective measures and targets that will be used to demonstrate Councils' progress against service delivery and will ascertain whether Council is moving towards or away from the communities' priorities as outlined in the Community Strategic Plan – Our Inner West 2036.

Our Inner West 2036 strategic directions and priorities are:

- Creative communities and a strong economy
- Unique, liveable, networked neighbourhoods
- Caring, happy, healthy communities
- Progressive local leadership
- An ecologically sustainable Inner West

ⁱ Haslam, Catherine, Jetten, Jolanda, Cruwys, Tegan, Dingle, Genevieve, and Haslam, S. Alexander (2018). The new psychology of health: unlocking the social cure. London: Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315648569>

ⁱⁱ World Health Organization (2020) Ageing: Health ageing and functional ability. Downloaded from: <https://www.who.int/westernpacific/news/q-a-detail/ageing-healthy-ageing-and-functional-ability>

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Healthy Ageing Strategy: Four Year Action Plan

1. Staying active

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
1.1 Adopt a measure of wellbeing	Identify a measure of wellbeing that supports the aspirations of older people Engage with the Culture Counts framework to develop methods of data collection	Promote the achievement of this wellbeing measure across Council and the community Use consistent data collection and analysis to articulate results for residents	
1.2 Consider adequacy of resourcing	At the end of each year, report to Council on the adequacy of resourcing this action plan to ensure delivery		
1.3 Develop a community hub model to better connect older people to the broader community	Conduct a community conversation to formulate the model and scope of a community hub for the Inner West Identify trial location(s) and collaborators for development of the community hub model	Commence implementation in two locations, building on existing asset use Evaluate trial sites and recommend future steps	
1.4 Support a diverse range of wellbeing and creative ageing initiatives in the community	Support collaboration with partners on wellbeing and creative ageing initiatives; particularly addressing needs of diverse communities Needs of people as they age prioritised in the annual grants program	Use Council's website and communication avenues to support promotion of wellbeing and creative ageing initiatives	Collaborate with partners and NSW Government on sustainable wellbeing initiatives
1.5 Promote and support intergenerational participation	Evaluate how public participation investment supports access and inclusion for older people Support improved access and inclusion for older people in each public participation opportunity	Build collaborations to co-create increased intergenerational participation in community activities, including with schools and childcare centres; social, arts and culture, community and religious groups; and registered clubs	Identify and pursue broader funding and stakeholder partnerships to foster and support a diversity of intergenerational opportunities
1.6 Develop a framework to procure and prioritise healthy ageing initiatives	Evaluate how Council initiatives for older people contribute to the creation of wellbeing Evaluation findings inform recommendations on future program support and on existing major funding recipients	Implement framework to support health and wellbeing initiatives from 1 July 2022 Across Council, evaluation findings inform design briefs, program models and communications Align multi-year wellbeing grants and major wellbeing partners' funding from 1 July 2022	
1.7 Improve Council communication with older people to support greater participation	Evaluate Council's communication with older people and recommend improvements	Evaluation findings inform recommendations on broad communication improvements	Implement any newly recommended communication initiatives

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
	Create a wellbeing newsletter that provides relevant, accessible and timely information	Explore digital screens for libraries and neighbourhoods to support and display information	Explore the creation of virtual communities to build social participation
1.8 Collaborate with Sydney Local Health District on policy issues	Collaborate on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> addressing isolation and loneliness exercise and falls prevention food security and nutrition overcoming language barriers Improving support and services for health conditions, especially for people with mental health and dementia 	Promote new initiatives in collaboration with Sydney Local Health District Continued advocacy on new and emerging health needs for older people	Identify and engage in future projects to improve health outcomes for older people in the Inner West

2. Getting around and staying connected

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
2.1 Improved infrastructure development and service provision ensures inclusion and accessibility	Public Domain Design Guidelines are implemented to create consistent access and inclusion in buildings, footpaths and local places Co-design of Town Centre Public Domain Master Planning with older people to deliver more inclusive and accessible outcomes Co-design and user acceptance testing of customer relationship software ensures inclusion and accessibility for older people	Co-design of infrastructure improvements for each precinct with older people Newly accessible customer relationship software commences	
2.2 Review Council's Transport Support	Review usage, coverage and gaps in Council's transport support for older people and recommend improvements Review findings to inform recommendations to Council on future transport support	Implement Council resolution on future transport support that deliver economic sustainability	
2.3 Ensure accessible pathways through Pedestrian Access Mobility Planning	Develop and adopt a Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan and accessible pathway network plan Co-design of local area traffic management plans creates new and improved footpaths, improved pedestrian road crossings and greater pedestrian accessibility	Local precinct centres and footpath upgrades are codesigned with older people Cycle path upgrades are co-designed with older people	The Capital Works Program continues to be informed by the priorities identified through the Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan and detailed local co-design
2.4 Community infrastructure planning and contributions deliver improved infrastructure for older people	Develop a Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan Identify collaboration opportunities with potential partners including the NSW Department of Education under the Joint Use Agreement	Planning for delivery of asset upgrades includes projected growth in the population of people over 50 years of age	

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
	Outcomes from Voluntary Planning Agreement negotiations integrate with and support objectives in the Community Infrastructure Contributions Planning		
2.5 Educate on the appropriate use of accessible parking spaces	Develop profile of need, usage and provision through a stocktake of current mobility spaces to understand the need, usage patterns and opportunities / challenges Ensure Council's new parking strategy includes measures to engage and educate on appropriate use of accessible parking spaces	Develop and deliver new communication on accessible parking Evaluate policy for on-street accessible parking for residents	Demonstrate improvement in compliance with use of accessible parking spaces Evaluate satisfaction changes over 18 months
2.6 Contribute to improving transport policy for seniors	Participate in policy development with Transport for NSW	Public transport route planning includes co-design by older residents Railway station accessibility upgrades are completed	Ensure clear local mobility access including pathways to transport links

3. Housing, employment and financial security

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
3.1 Advocate for affordable and accessible housing for older people	Advocate to the NSW Government for increased supply of social and affordable housing for older people Continue engagement to implement findings of the review of the <i>Boarding Houses Act</i> and drafting of new legislation Actively support COTA NSW Building Better Homes Campaign - for the inclusion of improved accessibility standards in all new homes	Advocate with the NSW Government on increased affordable housing supply Continue engagement on improved access to My Aged Care and NDIS for boarding house residents	
3.2 Review Council's Affordable Housing Policy	Review Council's Affordable Housing Policy		
3.3 Promote employment and business opportunities for older people	Develop marketing for local employers on the benefits of employing older workers Engage chambers of commerce in mentoring model by engaging older people to mentor young entrepreneurs Promote the NSW Government business advisory service to older people interested in running a business through social media and the web	Explore policy options for increasing employment of older people in Council	

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
3.4 Promote financial literacy and wellbeing among older people, and advocate for policy improvement	<p>Promote financial literacy tools and local services</p> <p>Host financial literacy workshops and information sessions in libraries and community centres</p> <p>Promote initiatives of the Older Women's Network targeting older women in financial crisis</p> <p>Undertake policy advocacy on poverty alleviation with the NSW and Commonwealth governments</p>	<p>Host workshops and information sessions in libraries and community centres</p> <p>Policy advocacy on poverty alleviation with the NSW and Commonwealth governments</p>	Policy advocacy on poverty alleviation with the NSW and Commonwealth governments

4. Safety

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
4.1 Explore the use of community facilities for shelter in extreme weather events or other emergency situations	<p>Explore options for use of community facilities during extreme weather or emergency events</p> <p>Continue access to Council depots for COVID testing to ensure population safety</p>	Ensure planning and creation of new or improved facilities	
4.2 Collaborate with partners to reduce and prevent domestic violence and elder abuse	<p>Work collaboratively with the NSW Government agencies, other organisations and local services to implement initiatives to reduce and prevent domestic and family violence, and abuse of older people</p> <p>Build on work achieved with the existing Inner West Region Elder Abuse Collaborative</p> <p>Continue support for domestic violence prevention initiatives for LGBTIQ+ communities</p>	Work collaboratively with partners on reducing and preventing domestic and family violence, and abuse of older people	Work collaboratively with partners on reducing and preventing domestic and family violence, and abuse of older people

5. Learning and sharing knowledge

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
5.1 Increase the visibility of healthy ageing	<p>Use local images to tell the community story and to promote healthy ageing in the Inner West</p> <p>Endorse the <i>EveryAGE Counts</i> campaign and seek to articulate this approach through Council's narrative on ageing</p>	Create stock of images that display positive portrayals of healthy ageing	

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
5.2 Support the Inner West Dementia Alliance	<p>Map initiatives to build inclusion and participation for people with dementia with the Dementia Alliance</p> <p>Promote the <i>Dementia Friendly Toolkit for Local Government</i> for use in customer service improvement planning</p>	<p>Explore dementia friendly awareness training for staff</p> <p>Explore options on becoming a dementia friendly city</p>	
5.3 Promote ways to connect older residents to volunteering opportunities	<p>Promote existing volunteer recruitment platforms</p> <p>Explore collaboration on shared recruitment, background checking and management of volunteers to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> engage older people as volunteers engage volunteers to support older people 	<p>Collaborate to develop or strengthen community initiatives that encourage people to be involved and stay connected in their community after retirement</p> <p>Promote home-based volunteer support initiatives</p>	
5.4 Promote resources for becoming a carer at any age	<p>Collaborate with Carers Australia and the NSW Department of Communities and Justice to develop a tactical approach to support people who assume a caring role</p> <p>Promote available information and resources on becoming a carer</p>	<p>Collaborate with Sydney Local Health District to explore ways to support grandparents who have a caring role for grandchildren</p>	
5.5 Provide opportunities to support digital inclusion for older residents	<p>Continue to support opportunities for seniors to increase skills in digital technology</p>	<p>Collaborate with residents, schools and other educational avenues to establish a sustainable digital cross generational learning framework</p>	

6. Health and diversity

Action	Short Term	Medium Term	Long Term
6.1 Collaborate on implementing the Aboriginal Health Strategic Plan of Sydney Local Health District	<p>Collaborate in the policy domains:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aboriginal social determinants of health aged and chronic care cancer and oral health falls prevention the health worker forum <p>Embed health and wellbeing actions for Aboriginal elders in Council's Reconciliation Action Plan</p>	<p>Collaborate with Sydney Local Health District on implementing the Aboriginal Health Strategic Plan</p> <p>Support Women's and Men's groups for Elders</p>	
6.2 Improve capacity to engage in culturally sensitive ways with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	<p>Provide cultural awareness training for all Council staff</p> <p>Develop resources on engagement practices for Council staff to collaborate with Aboriginal elders</p> <p>Grants program supports activities and events that bring Aboriginal elders and young people together</p>	<p>Develop and implement actions arising from the Reconciliation Action Plan</p> <p>Grants program supports activities and events that bring elders and young people together</p> <p>Support opportunities for storytelling, sharing knowledge and recording of oral histories</p>	Develop and implement actions arising from the Reconciliation Action Plan
6.3 Improve capacity to engage in a culturally sensitive way with LGBTIQ+ people	<p>Evaluate what is working well and strengthen communication for LGBTIQ+ people</p> <p>Identify opportunities for improving programs and initiatives to ensure inclusion of LGBTIQ community</p>	<p>Promote peer support and inclusion for older LGBTIQ+ people</p> <p>Support opportunities for shared experiences and digital recording of history and life stories</p>	
6.4 Support the sustainability of groups of seniors from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds	<p>Council annual grants program focusses on sustainability of multicultural groups</p> <p>Ensure relevant Council information is provided in accessible formats</p>	<p>Advocate with Multicultural NSW on new and emerging needs for people from diverse communities</p> <p>Grants support multicultural community groups to deliver culturally appropriate activities and events, that bring seniors and young people together</p> <p>Support opportunities for sharing knowledge and digital recording of life stories</p>	

Item No: C0621(1) Item 4

Subject: LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - 17 MAY 2021

Prepared By: Manod Wickramasinghe - Traffic and Transport Planning Manager

Authorised By: Cathy Edwards-Davis - Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 17 May 2021 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

ITEMS BY WARD

Ward	Item
Baludarri (Balmain)	Trafalgar Lane, Annandale - Proposed 'No Parking' Restrictions
	Temporary 'No Left Turn' restriction on Moodie Street, Rozelle
Gulgadya (Leichhardt)	Bay Run Upgrade and Diversion Route
	Request for 40km/h speed limit on Marion Street, Leichhardt
Midjuburi (Marrickville)	Westconnex M5 – St Peters Interchange Active Transport Works Part 2: Proposed Cycleway Extension at Bedwin Road
	Garnet Street and Dudley Street, Dulwich Hill; Illawarra Road and Marrickville Road, Marrickville; and (Lower) Railway Parade, Sydenham - Bus replacements during major rail shutdown - Temporary parking changes during T3 Line upgrade for Sydney Metro
	Hollands Avenue, Marrickville – Request For 'No Parking' Restrictions
	Local Bicycle Route 3 (LR03) - Frazer Park to Marrickville Road – Amendment to Detailed Design Plans at two intersections
	Request for 40km speed zone on Campbells Street, St Peters
	Tempe Bunnings LATM
	Update to one-way treatment for Warren Road, Marrickville
	Update on proposed timed parking on Princes Highway, St Peters
Djarrawunang (Ashfield)	Greenway works on Old Canterbury Road, Edward Street and Weston Street, Summer Hill
Damun (Stanmore)	Eliza Street, Newtown - Proposed 'Motor Bike Only' Restrictions
	Review - Detailed Works (Traffic & Parking) in Trafalgar Street, Petersham - RSL Petersham Development - DA201800173 & Implementation of Regional Bicycle Route 7 (RR7)
	Bus stop on Gordon Crescent in front of Stanmore Station
All Wards	New TfNSW representative

DISCUSSION

The May 2021 meeting of the Local Traffic Committee was held at the Ashfield Service Centre. The minutes of the meeting are shown at **ATTACHMENT 1**.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Projects proposed for implementation are funded within existing budget allocations.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Specific projects have undergone public consultation as indicated in the respective reports to the Traffic Committee.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [Local Traffic Committee meeting minutes 17 May 2021](#)

**Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting
Held at Level 6, Ashfield Service Centre**

Meeting commenced at 10.00AM

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
Maryanne Duggan	Representative for Jodi McKay MP, Member for Strathfield
SC Germaine Grant	NSW Police – Burwood Police Area Command
SC Anthony Kenny	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command
Tanmila Samin Islam	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
Mark Carruthers	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)

NON VOTING MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Colin Jones	Inner West Bicycle Coalition (IWBC)
Clr Marghanita da Cruz	Councillor – Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward (Alternative Chair)
Manod Wickramasinghe	IWC's Traffic and Transport Planning Manager
George Tsaprounis	IWC's Coordinator Traffic Engineering Services (South)
Sunny Jo	IWC's Coordinator Traffic Engineering Services (North)
Stephen Joannidis	IWC's Urban Amenity Improvement Delivery Manager
Ryan Hawken	IWC's Greenway Delivery Project Manager
Christina Ip	IWC's Business Administration Officer

VISITORS

Nil.

APOLOGIES:

Cathy Peters	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
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DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held in April 2021 were confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION OF MINUTES

It was noted that amendment (a) to the Local Traffic Committee March 2021, as adopted at Council's meeting on 13 April 2021, was incorrect. The correct amendment is as follows:

- a) That Council refer concerns on Item 7 Unwins Bridge Road, Way Street, Toyer Street & Collins Street, St Peters - Formalising Parking Restrictions around Tempe High School (Midjuburi - Marrickville Ward/ Heffron Electorate/ Inner West PAC) by residents in Toyer Street back to the Local Traffic Committee to amend point 5 to a '10 metre No Stopping' on the Northern side of Toyer Street east of Collins Street and delete point 4.

The Local Traffic Committee recommendations of its meeting held in April 2021 are awaiting adoption.

EMAIL CONFIRMATION OF OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

The representative for NSW Police – Inner West supported the Officer's recommendations for the items in their PAC.

The representative for the Member for Strathfield supported the Officer's recommendations.

LTC0521(1) Item 1 Westconnex M5 – St Peters Interchange Active Transport Works Part 2: Proposed Cycleway Extension at Bedwin Road (Midjuburi - Marrickville and Damun – Stanmore Ward / Summer Hill and Newtown Electorate / Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

- As part of Westconnex Planning Condition (B51, Pedestrian and Cycle Implementation Strategy), Council has engaged a Consultant to design and construct the connection between Council's existing bicycle network on Edgeware Road, Darley Street and Lord Street to the newly constructed Bedwin Road Bridge. The design will provide:
 - A dedicated off-road cycle path as part of the newly constructed Bedwin Road Bridge and Council's existing bicycle network on Darley Street, Lord Street and Edinburgh Road,
 - Upgrades to the signalised intersection of Edgeware Road, Edinburgh Road and Bedwin Road, and
 - Upgraded infrastructure to the existing network on Edgeware Road and Darley Street.
- Council is seeking the approval of the Local Traffic Committee to progress with construction of the measures contained herein.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the detailed design plans from Certus Projects (drawing no's 0224-RP-003, 0224-RD-0101 and 0224-RD-0102 dated 16 April 2021) be approved for construction commencement.

DISCUSSION

The IWBC representative raised concerns with the proposed removal of the cycle lane markings on Bedwin Road at the intersection of Edgeware Road. Council Officers advised that the proposal to remove the cycle lane is based on safety reasons in not wanting to direct cyclists to a road that is not a designated cycle route.

The TfNSW representative had no issues with the plans; however, requested that the recommendation state that the plans be approved for construction commencement, subject to approval from TfNSW in relation to the traffic signal related works. The Committee

members agreed with this amendment to the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the detailed design plans from Certus Projects (drawing no's 0224-RP-003, 0224-RD-0101 and 0224-RD-0102 dated 16 April 2021) be approved for construction commencement, subject to Transport for NSW approval.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0521(1) Item 2 Garnet Street and Dudley Street, Dulwich Hill; Illawarra Road and Marrickville Road, Marrickville; and (Lower) Railway Parade, Sydenham - Bus replacements during major rail shutdown - Temporary parking changes during T3 Line upgrade for Sydney Metro - (Midjumburi -Marrickville Ward / Summer Hill Electorate / Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

Council has been notified by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) that Sydney Metro works will involve a major rail shutdown of the Sydenham to Bankstown rail line (3) between 28 June and 11 July 2021. During the shutdown buses will replace train services along the T3 line and to accommodate the increased bus movements and necessary holding areas some short-term parking changes are required at a number of locations.

Specifically, TfNSW is requesting approval for the temporary conversion of multiple parking spaces at the following locations: Garnet Street and Dudley Street, Dulwich Hill; Illawarra Road and Marrickville Road, Marrickville; and Railway Parade (lower section), Sydenham. It is recommended that no objections be raised, and Council approves the temporary short-term parking changes at the identified locations during the rail shutdowns.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT this report be received and noted and the following temporary short-term parking changes from Friday 25 June 2021 to Monday 12 July 2021 be approved and implemented by TfNSW:

Garnet Street - Hurlstone Park Station Precinct (4 parking spaces)

1. The short-term conversion of 24m (4 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the eastern side of Garnet Street (between The Parade and Ewart Street) to a 'Bus Zone M-F 6 am – 9:30 am and 3 pm – 11 pm'; be APPROVED, in order to provide a temporary bus layover area with adequate draw-in and out length;

Dudley Street - Dulwich Hill Station Precinct (6 parking spaces)

2. The short-term conversion of 7m (1 parking space) 'Loading Zone 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon – Fri & 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sat' on the northwestern side of Dudley Street (between Wardell Road and School Parade) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
3. The short-term conversion of 18m (3 parking spaces) 'P30 min 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon – Fri & 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sat' on the northwestern side of Dudley Street (between Wardell Road and School parade) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
4. The short-term conversion of 18m (2 parking spaces) 'Works Zone 7 am – 5:30 pm Mon – Sat' on the southeastern side of Dudley Street (between School Parade

and Wardell Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Illawarra Road - Marrickville Station Precinct (4 parking spaces)

5. The short-term conversion of 15m (2 parking spaces) '1P 8:30 am – 6 pm' on the northwestern side of Illawarra Road (between Warburton Street and Greenbank Street) to a 'Bus Zone Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
6. The short-term conversion of 10m (2 parking spaces) 'No Parking 8:30 am – 5 pm Mon - Fri' on the northwestern side of Illawarra Road (between Warburton Street and Greenbank Street) to a 'Bus Zone Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Marrickville Road, Marrickville NSW 2204 (4 parking spaces)

7. The short-term conversion of 24m (4 parking spaces) '1P 8:30 am – 6 pm' on the southeast kerb of Marrickville Road (between Frampton Avenue and Gladstone Street) to a 'Bus Zone 3pm – 9pm Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Lower Railway Parade - Sydenham Station Precinct (50 parking spaces)

8. The short-term conversion of 69m (11 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the southeast kerb of Railway Parade (between Gleeson Avenue and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length;
9. The short-term conversion of 78m (28 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the northwest kerb of Railway Parade (Lower) (between Sydenham Road and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length;
10. The short-term conversion of 32m (11 parking spaces) '4P 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon - Fri' on the northwest kerb of Railway Parade (Lower) (between Gleeson Avenue and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length; and
11. The applicant and Council Rangers be advised in terms of this report.

DISCUSSION

Council Officers advised that TfNSW have recently sent the consultation outcomes report to Council. The report is attached to these minutes.

The TfNSW representative questioned who is responsible for removal of the signs. Council Officers advised that the applicant is responsible for installing and removing signs at the applicant's cost.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT this report be received and noted and the following temporary short-term parking changes from Friday 25 June 2021 to Monday 12 July 2021 be approved and implemented by TfNSW:

Garnet Street - Hurlstone Park Station Precinct (4 parking spaces)

1. The short-term conversion of 24m (4 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the eastern side of Garnet Street (between The Parade and Ewart Street) to a 'Bus Zone M-F 6 am – 9:30 am and 3 pm – 11 pm'; be APPROVED, in order to provide a temporary bus layover area with adequate draw-in and out length;

Dudley Street - Dulwich Hill Station Precinct (6 parking spaces)

2. The short-term conversion of 7m (1 parking space) 'Loading Zone 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon – Fri & 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sat' on the northwestern side of Dudley Street (between Wardell Road and School Parade) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
3. The short-term conversion of 18m (3 parking spaces) 'P30 min 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon – Fri & 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Sat' on the northwestern side of Dudley Street (between Wardell Road and School parade) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
4. The short-term conversion of 18m (2 parking spaces) 'Works Zone 7 am – 5:30 pm Mon – Sat' on the southeastern side of Dudley Street (between School Parade and Wardell Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Illawarra Road - Marrickville Station Precinct (4 parking spaces)

5. The short-term conversion of 15m (2 parking spaces) '1P 8:30 am – 6 pm' on the northwestern side of Illawarra Road (between Warburton Street and Greenbank Street) to a 'Bus Zone Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;
6. The short-term conversion of 10m (2 parking spaces) 'No Parking 8:30 am – 5 pm Mon - Fri' on the northwestern side of Illawarra Road (between Warburton Street and Greenbank Street) to a 'Bus Zone Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Marrickville Road, Marrickville NSW 2204 (4 parking spaces)

7. The short-term conversion of 24m (4 parking spaces) '1P 8:30 am – 6 pm' on the southeast kerb of Marrickville Road (between Frampton Avenue and Gladstone Street) to a 'Bus Zone 3pm – 9pm Mon-Fri only'; be APPROVED in order to provide an additional bus bay with adequate draw-in length;

Lower Railway Parade - Sydenham Station Precinct (50 parking spaces)

8. The short-term conversion of 69m (11 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the southeast kerb of Railway Parade (between Gleeson Avenue and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length;
9. The short-term conversion of 78m (28 parking spaces) 'unrestricted parking' on the northwest kerb of Railway Parade (Lower) (between Sydenham Road and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length;
10. The short-term conversion of 32m (11 parking spaces) '4P 8:30 am – 6 pm Mon - Fri' on the northwest kerb of Railway Parade (Lower) (between Gleeson Avenue and Marrickville Road) to a 'Bus Zone'; be APPROVED in order to provide additional layover bus bays with adequate draw-in length; and

11. The applicant and Council Rangers be advised in terms of this report.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0521(1) Item 3 Eliza Street, Newtown - Proposed 'Motor Bike Only' Restrictions
(Damum-Stanmore Ward / Newtown Electorate / Inner West PAC)**

SUMMARY

Council has received concerns regarding inadequate motorbike parking in the Newtown area in the vicinity of Lennox Street and/or Eliza Street, Newtown. A proposal to install a 4.0 metre 'Motor Bike Only' parking zone on the eastern side of Eliza Street south of its intersection with Lennox Street, Newtown was distributed to local residents and subsequent to the feedback and observation it is now recommended that the location of the dedicated motorbike parking be located around the corner on Lennox Street outside No.80 Lennox Street. This report provides the results of the motorbike parking investigation.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT a length of 4.0m of 'Motor Bike Only' parking be installed on the southern side of Lennox Street, outside No.80 Lennox Street, Newtown starting from the existing 'No stopping' restrictions and replacing the existing 2P restrictions.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT a length of 4.0m of 'Motor Bike Only' parking be installed on the southern side of Lennox Street, outside No.80 Lennox Street, Newtown starting from the existing 'No stopping' restrictions and replacing the existing 2P restrictions.

For motion: Unanimous

**LTC0521(1) Item 4 Hollands Avenue, Marrickville – Request For 'No Parking'
Restrictions (Midjuburi – Marrickville Ward / Summer Hill Electorate
/ Inner West PAC)**

SUMMARY

Currently vehicles, including Council Waste Services vehicles, are having difficulty in manoeuvring around the bend in Hollands Avenue, Marrickville due to vehicles being parked near the bend therefore Council is proposing to install a 20 metre length of 'No Parking' restrictions on the inner side of the bend in Hollands Avenue, Marrickville to improve access in the street.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT a 20 metre length 'No Parking' zone be installed on the inner bend in Hollands Avenue, Marrickville (northern end starting opposite No.52 extending eastern side to the midpoint of property No. 17) be approved in order to improve access in the one-way street.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT a 20 metre length 'No Parking' zone be installed on the inner bend in Hollands Avenue, Marrickville (northern end starting opposite No.52 extending eastern side to the midpoint of property No. 17) be approved in order to improve access in the one-way street.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0521(1) Item 5 Local Bicycle Route 3 (LR03) - Frazer Park to Marrickville Road – Amendment to Detailed Design Plans at two intersections (Midjuburi – Marrickville Ward / Summer Hill Electorate / Inner West LAC)

SUMMARY

It is proposed to make a minor amendment to the approved detailed design plans for Local Route 3 (LR03) bicycle route at two separate intersections. The current approved construction plans only specify resurfacing treatments with AC10 at George Street/Livingstone Road and Pile Street/Livingstone Road intersections and it is proposed, for consistency, to match those intersections with a similar treatment to that of the existing stamped AC "Duratherm" finish entry treatment at Enfield Street/Livingstone Road, Marrickville. It is recommended that the proposed detailed design plan amendments be approved.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT an amendment to the detailed design plans for LR03 at the intersections of George Street/Livingstone Road and Pile Street/Livingstone Road to incorporate a stamped AC "Duratherm" finish entry treatment be approved.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT an amendment to the detailed design plans for LR03 at the intersections of George Street/Livingstone Road and Pile Street/Livingstone Road to incorporate a stamped AC "Duratherm" finish entry treatment be approved.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0521(1) Item 6 Bay Run Upgrade and Diversion Route (Gulgadya-Leichhardt and Baludarri-Balmain/Summer Hill and Balmain Electorates/Burwood and Leichhardt PAC)

SUMMARY

Council is proposing upgrade of the Bay Run between UTS Haberfield Rowers Club and Lilyfield Road, including the Lilyfield Road bridge. Due to the limited width between the City West Link and Iron Cove, a diversion route for all pedestrians and cyclists is proposed for the duration of the works to facilitate construction.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT:

1. The plans for the proposed Bay Run upgrade be approved for construction.
2. The proposed diversion plan for pedestrian and cyclists for works along the Bay Run be approved.
3. A request be made to Transport for NSW to consider the introduction of an eastern pedestrian leg at the Intersection of City West Link, Timbrell Drive and Mortley Ave as part of future upgrades planned for the intersection

DISCUSSION

A number of concerns were noted from Committee members including the accessibility of the Robson Park path at the intersection of Boomerang Street and Crescent Street, and how the restricted turning area and cul de sac will impact users of the boat ramp and potentially create conflict with road users and pedestrians.

The representative for the Member for Balmain requested an additional signalised pedestrian crossing leg on the eastern side of the City West Link where it intersects with Mortley Avenue and Timbrell Drive. The TfNSW representative advised that this has been considered previously and it was decided that a crossing would not work due to congestion at the intersection during peak hours. However, an additional pedestrian crossing can be considered again after WestConnex works in the area are completed.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. The plans for the proposed Bay Run upgrade be approved for construction.
2. The proposed diversion plan for pedestrian and cyclists for works along the Bay Run be approved.
3. A request be made to Transport for NSW to consider the introduction of an eastern pedestrian leg at the Intersection of City West Link, Timbrell Drive and Mortley Ave as part of future upgrades planned for the intersection

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0521(1) Item 7 Review - Detailed Works (Traffic & Parking) in Trafalgar Street, Petersham - RSL Petersham Development - DA201800173 & Implementation of Regional Bicycle Route 7 (RR7) (Stanmore Ward- Damun/Newton Electorate/Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

Council at its meeting on the 13 April 2021 resolved that the detailed works pertaining to the above subject matter go back to the Local Traffic Committee (LTC) for further review.

The detailed works were explained in the report to the Local Traffic Committee at its meeting on the 15 March 2021 (Item 3) with attachments and the recommendation below as supported by the Traffic Committee.

Concerns by Council were only raised with regards to recommendation point No. 5 of the Local Traffic Committee recommendation, that is, as to the need and necessity in applying permanent 'No Right Turn 3.00pm-7.00pm Monday-Friday' restrictions from New Canterbury Road into Regent Street with the affect and need to detour long distances around the area.

Further information is provided in this report in relation to recommendation point no. 5, including comments from TfNSW regarding this requirement.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT:

1. The report be received and noted;

In reference to the report to the Local Traffic Committee meeting on 15 March 2021:

2. The detailed proposed traffic and parking works in Trafalgar Street and its intersection with Regent Street, Petersham, on attached drawing by Norton-Jago/ACE Pty Ltd- signage and line marking plan revision C Sheet 1 drawing No. C46.8, be APPROVED, subject to the following;
 - a) Double barrier BB lines be extended in Trafalgar Street right through across the RSL carpark access and Forzzard Lane;
 - b) An additional 'No Right Turn' sign be placed on the eastern footway side of the RSL carpark facing east bound traffic in Trafalgar Street;
 - c) The 'No Right Turn' as shown on the northern kerb side island in Trafalgar Street opposite the RSL carpark and Forzzard Lane, have a supplementary sign underneath reading 'INTO RSL CAR PARK & FOZZARD LANE';
 - d) The 'No Stopping (arrow right)' sign on the southern side of Trafalgar Street, to the west of Fozzard Lane be changed to read 'No Stopping (arrow left)' and the 'No Parking' restrictions be reinstated over the driveways between Fozzard Lane and no. 313-315 Trafalgar Street;
 - e) No trees be planted along the footway within the Bus Zone due to the likelihood of interference to the operation of the Bus Stop;
 - f) The builder prepare/provide for the bus pad/footings and other infrastructure works for the relocation of the bus stop and Council approved shelter as shown on the plan to the satisfaction of Council;
 - g) The builder is to install all signs and line marking as per attached drawing by Norton-Jago/ACE Pty Ltd- signage and line marking plan revision C Sheet 1 drawing No. C46.8, including all modifications (a) to (f) as listed above to the satisfaction of Council;
3. The revised drawing C46.8 with modifications be submitted to TFNSW for its review and approval.

4. The temporary relocation of the Bus Stop on the southern side of Trafalgar Street, to a position further east of Regent Street between No. 273 and No. 265 Trafalgar Street be approved, subject to specific dates being provided to Council's Traffic & Transport Planning Manager and affected residents being notified at least two weeks prior to the changes.
5. The Traffic Management Plan prepared by Barker Ryan Steward in Attachment 11 for the installation of 'No Right Turn 3.00pm-7.00pm Mon-Fri.,' from New Canterbury Road into Regent Street, be submitted to TFNSW for consideration and approval, and that the builder work with the TFNSW to install the required signs.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. The report be received and noted;

In reference to the report to the Local Traffic Committee meeting on 15 March 2021:

2. The detailed proposed traffic and parking works in Trafalgar Street and its intersection with Regent Street, Petersham, on attached drawing by Norton-Jago/ACE Pty Ltd- signage and line marking plan revision C Sheet 1 drawing No. C46.8, be APPROVED, subject to the following;
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For motion: Unanimous

LTC0521(1) Item 8 Trafalgar Lane, Annandale - Proposed 'No Parking' Restrictions (Baludarri-Balmain/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)

SUMMARY

Council has received concerns from a resident of Trafalgar Street, Annandale regarding vehicles parking on the eastern side of Trafalgar Lane, Annandale and subsequently obstructing rear driveway access for properties No.195 and No.197 Trafalgar Street, Annandale. An investigation has now been completed and is presented in this report.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT a 11.1m 'No Parking' zone be installed on the eastern side of Trafalgar Lane between the rear access driveways of No.222 and No.226 Nelson Street and opposite to the rear garage of No.195 and No.197 Trafalgar Street, Annandale.

DISCUSSION

Council Officers advised that a number of residents wished to address the Committee on this matter; however, could not attend today. As such the Committee members agreed to defer this item to the next LTC meeting when the residents can attend.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the item be deferred to the Local Traffic Committee meeting on 21 June 2021.

For motion: Unanimous

General Business

LTC0521 Item 9 Request for 40km speed zone on Campbells Street, St Peters

The representative for the Member for Heffron tabled correspondence to Council requesting that the speed limit on Campbell Street be reduced to 40km/h, in light of a recent near-miss involving a heavy vehicle that ran a red light while school children were crossing at the intersection of Campbell Street and St Peters Street.

LTC0521 Item 10 Tempe Bunnings LATM

Due to concerns from residents, the representative for the Member for Heffron requested that:

1. The implementation of the planned LATM be delayed until TfNSW makes a decision on the traffic signals on Princes Highway crossing from the Bunnings Warehouse access road.
2. Negotiations begin with Bunnings on one way traffic flow through the warehouse site, using Smith Street as the only access point and the Bunnings Warehouse laneway, with the approved traffic signals, for exits only, pending the decision on the traffic signals.
3. Reconsider the LATM measures in light of the change to one directional flow through the site.

Council Officer advised that TfNSW have to agree on the traffic signals and the developer has to agree to modify the design. TfNSW has previously not supported the provision of the traffic signals because of the impact to traffic flow along Princes Highway and the distance between the existing traffic signals. The developer have previously indicated that they are unlikely to change the approved plans. The provision of the traffic signals will be reconsidered by TfNSW. The finalisation of the LATM will be on hold until an outcome on the traffic signals is determined.

LTC0521 Item 11 Request for 40km/h speed limit on Marion Street, Leichhardt

Clr da Cruz stated that an accident between a vehicle and pedestrian occurred recently on Marion Street outside Leichhardt Town Hall and requested that the speed limit be reduced to 40km/h. Council Officers stated that they have been supportive of reducing the speed limit on this section of Marion Street/Leichhardt Street to connect the existing 40km/h HPAA on Norton Street to the 40km/h area on Styles Street and have requested for this through TfNSW.

LTC0521 Item 12 Greenway works on Old Canterbury Road, Edward Street and Weston Street, Summer Hill

The IWBC representative asked about the status of the lights at Old Canterbury Road /Edwards Street/Weston Street and the closure of Weston Street in relation to the Greenway project. Council Officers advised that the developer was notified last year that if they did not submit their detailed design to Council by September 2020, the developer's bond would be confiscated and used by Council to undertake the works. Council will now be undertaking the works that will become part of the main agreement works package, along with the other corridor works. Council Officers expect the works to be undertaken in 2023.

LTC0521 Item 13 Update to one-way treatment for Warren Road, Marrickville

Clr Macri asked for an update to the Warren Road one-way treatment. Council Officers advised that they are awaiting feedback from TfNSW regarding the most recent plans. The TfNSW project team have prioritised this proposal.

LTC0521 Item 14 Bus stop on Gordon Crescent in front of Stanmore Station

Clr Macri stated that since the widening of the Gordon Crescent footpath in front of Stanmore Station, buses have not been stopping close enough to the kerb at the bus stop and blocking traffic as a result. Council Officers advised that Transit Systems will be contacted regarding the issue and the bus bay will be assessed to determine if it complies with the appropriate standards.

LTC0521 Item 15 Temporary 'No Left Turn' restriction on Moodie Street, Rozelle

Clr Macri commented that residents of Moodie Street have raised concern that there has been no consultation on making the 'No Left Turn' restriction from Moodie Street into Victoria Road permanent. Council Officers clarified that access out of Moodie Street is currently blocked due to a WestConnex road closure and Council had resolved to temporarily install the 'No Left Turn' restriction after this road closure is complete. An LATM study would then be completed to further consider a permanent movement ban. Consultation is currently underway to install the temporary 'No Left Turn' restriction with the results to be reported to the Committee for consideration.

LTC0521 Item 16 Update on proposed timed parking on Princes Highway, St Peters

The TfNSW representative advised that consultation has been completed for the proposed timed parking on Princes Highway, between Barwon Park Road and Campbell Street, St Peters. Notification of site works is underway and implementation is expected to commence in June.

LTC0521 Item 17 New TfNSW representative

The Committee welcomed the new TfNSW representative for Inner West, Mark Carruthers and thanked Tanmila Samin Islam for her work with the Committee over the past year.

Meeting closed at 11.40 am.

ATTACHMENTS



Temporary parking changes

Sydenham to Bankstown rail line upgrade

Consultation outcomes report

Item 4

Attachment 1

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1 Introduction

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro, Australia's biggest public transport project extending from Sydney's north west, under Sydney Harbour through new underground city stations and beyond to Bankstown in Sydney's south west.

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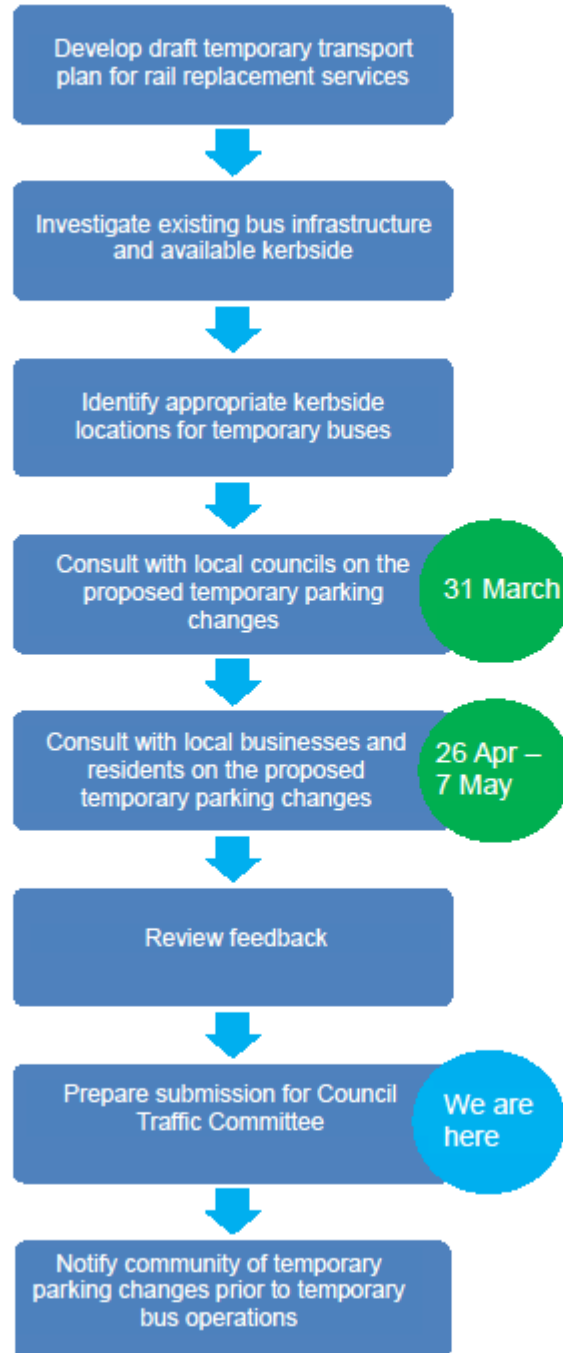
To keep customers moving, frequent buses will replace trains during this time. To accommodate these additional buses and ensure minimal disruption to traffic, some temporary changes to parking are proposed around Hurlstone Park, Dulwich Hill, Marrickville and Sydenham which fall under Inner West Council.

1.1 Purpose of this report

This report provides an overview of the consultation process for temporary kerbside changes around the two stations identified above, and a summary of feedback received. Feedback has been captured from:

- Telephone call into the Sydney Metro 24 hour information line
- Email submissions

1.2 Temporary kerbside changes process overview



2 Consultation program

Consultation on the proposed temporary parking changes was undertaken between Monday 26 April and Friday 7 May 2021. The objective of the consultation was to raise awareness of the proposed temporary parking changes needed to operate additional buses for the planned closure of the T3 Bankstown Line.

Local businesses and residents were asked to provide their local knowledge to help the project team refine bus operations in and around station precincts.

The consultation program consisted of the following activities:

- Letter box dropped approximately 4500 notifications to businesses and residents within 200 metres of the four station locations.
- Posters at the four station locations advising of the proposed parking changes.
- Online project webpage with communication notification.

A copy of these consultation channels is available in the appendix.

3 Feedback

Transport for NSW received the following feedback from the community about the proposed parking changes.

Station precinct	Proposed temporary parking changes	Feedback received	TfNSW response
Hurlstone Park	<p>Each day from 6am to 9:30am and from 3pm to 11pm, between Monday and Friday the following temporary changes are proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating a new bus zone on the northern side of Hampden Street using approximately 20 metres of unrestricted parking. Extending the current bus zone on the eastern side of Garnet Street using approximately 24 metres of unrestricted parking. Extending the current bus zone on the western side of Duntroon Street using approximately 20 metres of 1-hour parking between 8.30am and 6pm, Monday to Friday and between 8.30am and 12.30pm on Saturday. 	<p>Received one submission for Hurlstone Park via email:</p> <p>Verbatim:</p> <p>Hi – Can someone please clarify the map on the flyer that was issued on 20 April 2021</p> <p>As per this link http://data.mysydney.nsw.gov.au/S2B+TTP+-+Hurlstone+Park+community+notification+-+kerbside+changes.pdf</p> <p>We found the map confusing and wanted clarification around the 2 x Floss Streets that appear on the map north of the railway station and also the fact that the map shows that traffic can access Crinan St from Floss St West.</p> <p>Are changes being proposed to Floss St that we have not been made aware of?? A number of residents are very concerned about this!!!</p> <p>Thanking you in advance for clarification.</p>	<p>Thank you for your email. We apologise for the confusion that our maps have caused. With the maps, we have prioritised showing the areas where the existing bus stops are and the areas where parking needs to be removed for bus zones. As you've mentioned, there is no vehicular access to Crinan Street from Floss Street West and we are not proposing to make any changes to these existing arrangements. The areas marked in purple show where parking will need to be temporarily removed to allow buses to layover in between services. When buses services replace trains during the two weeks during the June/July school holidays, signage will be installed at the affected streets which include Hampden Street, Duntroon Street and Garnet Street so that residents are aware of the changed kerbside conditions.</p> <p>We hope the above information has helped to clarify the questions you have.</p> <p>Kind regards, Transport for NSW</p>

4 Appendix A – Community Notification for Temporary Parking Changes

Community notifications were distributed via letter box drop. Examples of the notifications provided below.

Hurlstone Park

NSW Transport for NSW

20 April 2021

Proposed temporary parking changes for T3 Bankstown Line upgrade work

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What do I need to know?
Each day from 6am to 9:30am and from 3pm to 11pm, between Monday and Friday the following temporary changes are proposed:

- Creating a new bus zone on the northern side of Hampden Street using approximately 20 metres of unrestricted parking
- Extending the current bus zone on the eastern side of Garnet Street using approximately 24 metres of unrestricted parking
- Extending the current bus zone on the western side of Duntroon Street using approximately 20 metres of 1-hour parking between 8:30am and 6pm, Monday to Friday and between 8:30am and 12:30pm on Saturday.

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Map of the proposed kerbside changes

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Dulwich Hill

NSW Transport for NSW

26 April 2021

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What do I need to know?
From 2am Monday 28 June to 2am Monday 12 July 2021 the following temporary changes are proposed:

- Extending the bus zone of the northern side of Dudley Street using approximately 25 metres which includes:
 - 1 loading zone space, currently signed between 8:30am and 6pm, Monday to Friday and between 8:30am and 12:30pm on Saturday
 - 3 parking spaces, currently signed as 30 minute parking between 8:30am and 6pm Monday to Friday and between 8:30am and 12:30pm on Saturday.
- Extending the bus zone on the southern side of Dudley Street using approximately 14 metres of parking that is currently signed as a work zone between 7am and 5:30pm, Monday to Saturday.

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What do I need to know?
From 2am, Monday 28 June to 2am, Saturday 3 July and from 2am, Monday 5 July to 2am, Saturday 10 July 2021, the following kerbside changes are proposed:

- Extending the bus zone on the western side of Illawarra Road as follows:
 - Using 15 metres of kerbside that is currently signed as 1 hour parking between 8.30am and 6pm, Monday to Friday.
 - Using 10 metres of kerbside that is currently signed as No Parking between 8.30am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Each day from 3pm to 9pm, Monday 28 June to Friday 2 July and from Monday 5 July to Friday 9 July 2021, the following kerbside changes are proposed:

- Extending the bus zone on the southern side of Marrickville Road using 24 metres of kerbside that is currently signed 1 hour parking between 8.30am and 6pm.

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Map of the proposed kerbside changes - Marrickville station

Map of the proposed kerbside changes - Marrickville Road

Sydenham

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What do I need to know?
From 2am Monday 28 June to 2am Monday 12 July 2021 the following temporary changes are proposed:

- Creating a new bus zone on the southern side of Railway Parade (near Buckley Lane) impacting 32 metres of 4-hour parking currently signed between 8.30am and 6pm, Monday to Friday. A new bus zone is also proposed on the southern side of Railway Parade (near Buckley Lane) impacting 78 metres of unrestricted parking.
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5 Appendix B – Online website

Community notifications were also placed online at <https://www.mysydney.nsw.gov.au/SydenhamtoBankstown>
Refer to below screenshots



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The next stage of major work to upgrade the T3 Bankstown Line to metro standards will take place in the upcoming June/July school holidays, when there are fewer customers on the rail network.

The T3 Line between Sydenham and Bankstown will be closed from 28 June 2021 to 11 July 2021 for these important upgrade works.

Rail replacement bus services will be provided during this period. A number of bus services will transport customers to select stations on the T8 Airport and South Line during this time.

Consultation with the local community is now open on proposed temporary parking changes to accommodate the additional bus services and keep our customers moving during the upgrade works.

View the notifications and maps below for information about the temporary parking changes around your station:

- [Bankstown](#)
- [Belmore](#)
- [Beverly Hills](#)
- [Campsie](#)
- [Canterbury](#)
- [Central Chalmers Street](#)
- [Dulwich Hill](#)
- [Hurlstone Park](#)
- [Kingsgrove](#)
- [Lakemba](#)
- [Marrickville](#)
- [Padstow](#)
- [Punchbowl](#)
- [Sydenham](#)
- [Wiley Park](#)

Transport for NSW will consider any feedback received, and work with the relevant Councils on the changes to temporary parking, which will be in place from 28 June to 11 July 2021

Final transport plans that will keep customers moving during the upgrade will be shared with the community well in advance to give people plenty of time to plan ahead.

6 Appendix C – Station posters

Proposed temporary parking changes

The T3 Bankstown Line between Sydenham and Bankstown will be closed from Monday 28 June to Sunday 11 July 2021 to convert it to Sydney Metro standards.

Buses will replace trains during this time to keep customers moving. To accommodate the additional buses some temporary changes to parking are proposed around Hurstville Park Station.

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Item No: C0621(1) Item 5

Subject: MARRICKVILLE TOWN HALL - LIVE MUSIC EOI

Prepared By: Bojan Sodic - Strategic Investments Manager

Authorised By: Elizabeth Richardson - Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

1. Approves the draft Expression of Interest documentation for Marrickville Town Hall (Live Music Venue); and
2. Commence the Expression of Interest Campaign and report back to Council on the outcomes.

DISCUSSION

At the 8th September 2020 Council meeting, Council resolved:

Pending project feasibilities, undertakes a further Expression of Interest Campaigns for the use of the Petersham Town Hall (office space for co-located community groups) and Marrickville Town Hall (Live Music venue);

and

The Marrickville Town Hall and Petersham Town Hall EOI's be tabled at Council for adoption prior to undertaking the EOI

The Petersham Town Hall EOI document is currently in the process of being finalised and will be tabled at Council prior to adoption of the EOI.

Council staff have prepared a draft expressions of interest document for the Marrickville Town Hall (Live Music Venue).

Attached is the draft Marrickville Town Hall (Live Music Venue) EOI document for adoption.

Background

Council staff appointed a Town Planner to assess the requirements for Marrickville Town Hall to be used for the purposes of a Live Music Venue. Advice received about the change of use is as follows:

- The property will need to be rezoned to make Live Music permissible on the site. This will involve undertaking a Planning Proposal. – The Planning advice is as follows –
 1. *the primary course available would be to seek to amend the LEP to allow for the use. This could involve a rezoning of the current R2 Low Density Residential zone to a zone (e.g. B2 Local Centre Zone) in which entertainment facilities are permissible with consent. An alternative way, and likely more efficient way, would be to seek to amend Schedule 1 (Additional permitted uses) of the LEP to permit entertainment facilities at the site (i.e. 309 Marrickville Road, Marrickville) without rezoning the land.*
- Council will undertake a planning proposal for the site to change the zoning and amend the LEP and DCP to allow the operation of Live Music
- The Proponent will need to demonstrate the ability and capacity to undertake the project in consultation with Council

The Expression of Interest Process

The initial stage is open to a broad range of groups including for profit businesses, commercial entrepreneurs promoting live music, not for-profit arts and culture organisations, and local entrepreneurs and music promoters. Options to secure low cost/affordable community use, by multiple users, as well as participation of multicultural and other creative art venues - Council will evaluate all proposals against the published criteria.

Proponents are invited to outline their interest in operating a live music and performance venue and business within Marrickville Town Hall including potential supporting activities like offices, food and beverage services.

Council staff have identified several project risks which could result in a low response for the Expressions of Interest. The project risks are as follows:

- The rezoning process is lengthy and will be complex. There is no guarantee that the rezoning would be approved.
- The property will need significant upgrade works to be undertaken to accommodate the change of use of the Town Hall into a Live Music venue.
- The demand for Live Music in the area isn't know and the number of companies/businesses which can undertake the project of this scale and capacity are limited.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [Download](#) Marrickville Town Hall EOI Draft



This is an example of a Property scope document that staff are welcome to use or create their own version.

SCOPE DOCUMENT

Project: Marrickville Town Hall (Live Music Venue) EOI

RFT/RFQ No:

Closing Date:

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Inner West Council covers approximately 200,018 residents and an area of 36 square km from Balmain in the North, Newtown in the East, Tempe in the South and Croydon in the West.
- 1.2 Council acknowledges that Marrickville Town Hall is located on the land of Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation.
- 1.3 The Cultural and creative industries contribute \$1.4 billion per annum to the local economy and employ 6,500 people directly. In addition, another 13,000 residents work in cultural and creativity outside The City of Sydney. The Inner West has the highest concentration of cultural producers nationally. Hence, culture and creativity are essential to local identity, economy and community in the Inner West.

2 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST INVITATION

- 2.1 At its meeting on 8 September 2020, Inner West Council resolved to invite Expressions of Interest for utilisation of Marrickville Town Hall for live music and other performance. Proposals are invited for use of all or parts of the Marrickville Town Hall for the purposes of live music and other performances.
- 2.2 The new Marrickville Library opened at Patyegarang Place in late 2019. This created the option of further utilisation of Marrickville Town Hall for another purpose, after the former library closed in that space.
- 2.3 Council has also undertaken an extensive audit of cultural spaces across the Inner West and has identified the need for further investment in cultural infrastructure. The proposed use of Marrickville Town Hall for live music and other performance meets a need identified in this research.
- 2.4 Arts and cultural organisations or businesses working in collaboration or in partnership are encouraged to apply.
- 2.5 Where the model proposed by the proponent includes use of the main hall, any proposal will need to include some level of access for the general community as mutually agreed with Council.

3 PROMOTING LIVE MUSIC IN THE INNER WEST

- 3.1 Council has sought to promote and support live music in the Inner West through a number of initiatives in the past four years.
- 3.2 In 2018, Council's [Live Music Action Plan](#) provided \$150,000 in grant funding for 7 venues and 11 musicians for capital items and marketing for venues and music development grants for individual artists and bands.
- 3.3 Council also provides a Live Music Planning Liaison Service to help venues navigate regulatory and development pathways.



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- 3.4 In 2020, Council provided funding support for artists and creatives affected by the COVID pandemic. This support enabled performers to take their performances into a digital sphere, and to reach new audiences. It supported creation and recording of new work. The funding also supported venues to survive through the COVID experience.
- 3.5 In 2020 Council adopted a proposal for new complying development pathways for live music and other performance and these have been proposed to the NSW Government for support. These arrangements seek to support performances in new venues and to enliven local businesses and spaces with live music.
- 3.6 Council's annual investment in [Arts Grants](#) for individuals and organisations provides ongoing support across the live music and culture areas.
- 3.7 In 2021 Council has provided new support to FBi Radio to expand their *Culture Guide* programming to promote live music, performance and cultural activity in the Inner West. This builds on an existing partnership to promote local music through Council's live music events pages, called *The Lineup*.
- 3.8 Council funding for artists and groups, along with support for venues, and new promotion of live music and cultural activity helps build local capacity for Council's larger scale programming in [Inner West Fest](#) and [Edge Inner West](#).

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Marrickville is located 9 kilometres south west of the Sydney central business district. Marrickville population is highly multi-cultural.
- 4.2 Marrickville Town Hall opened in 1922 and is situated on a busy high street in the heart of Marrickville, with opportunity to directly link to local eateries, wine bars, breweries and general business economy
- 4.3 The new Winged Victory sculpture at the front of Marrickville Town Hall was manufactured by Meridian – a Melbourne-based fine art foundry – to a design by artists Peter Corlett and Darien Pullen. The figure of Nike, the goddess of victory, holds a laurel wreath of peace in one hand and a raised sword in the other. In the new interpretation, the sword was lowered in a gesture of peace. Her downturned eyes recognise the great sacrifices made by the local community during World War 1.
- 4.4 In the pre-COVID era, Marrickville Town Hall was utilised for a wide range of community and cultural activities. The most frequent activity was dancing for a range of seniors' groups, cultural festivals, education activities, model building and hobby groups and playing the historic organ
- 4.5 A Wurlitzer Style H Special Opus 875 pipe organ (1924) is installed in the Town Hall. Originally installed in Sydney's Prince Edward Theatre, the organ was relocated to the Town Hall in 1968.
- 4.6 The use of the Town Hall is made of 81% of regular hirers which are done during the day, with 9% in the evening - 56% of users are regular hirers, and 32% are internal to Council. One third of users pay a full fee, and two thirds receive Council's subsidised community fee relief. 400 groups used the Town Hall in 2019.

- 4.7 In 2019, Council undertook master planning for the Town Halls in St Peters, Marrickville and Petersham. This research identified potential future uses for these Town Halls including options for Live music and other creation, cultural programs, rehearsal and performance. Key findings from this master planning relevant to Marrickville Town Hall include:
- (a) There was significant support for more performances in this town hall
 - (b) The exterior space at the front of the building was seen as very valuable, perhaps to host performance and gatherings, but also to provide an entrance that has a sense of occasion and special purpose
 - (c) There is currently no A/V or acoustic treatment in the facility.
 - (d) Utilisation is not consistent and facilities available do not support the full range of performance and live music
 - (e) Significant investment in the quality of facilities and in asset maintenance is required including the raised stage has limitations in terms of performances. Seating banks would also offer increased usability
 - (f) Given the age of this venue, accessibility needs significant investment to meet contemporary standards, especially accessing the stage and back of house, new improvements are also required to the toilet facilities
 - (g) Parking is limited around the Town Hall but there is parking in the nearby Council library for approximately 50 vehicles
 - (h) Access for loading/unloading equipment and supplies is via the front and side entry to the Town Hall
 - (i) The scale of the Town Hall is somewhere between a small community venue (e.g. 200-300) and a large venue (e.g. Chatswood Concourse, suitable for orchestras or larger band performances)
- 4.8 As a result of this Master Planning, Council has undertaken accessibility upgrades with the installation of a new lift. The finalising of the Master Plan will happen post expression of Interest and may allow for further investment in building upgrade work to accommodate a Live Music operator.

5 THE AVAILABLE SPACE

- 5.1 Marrickville Town Hall available spaces include the below.

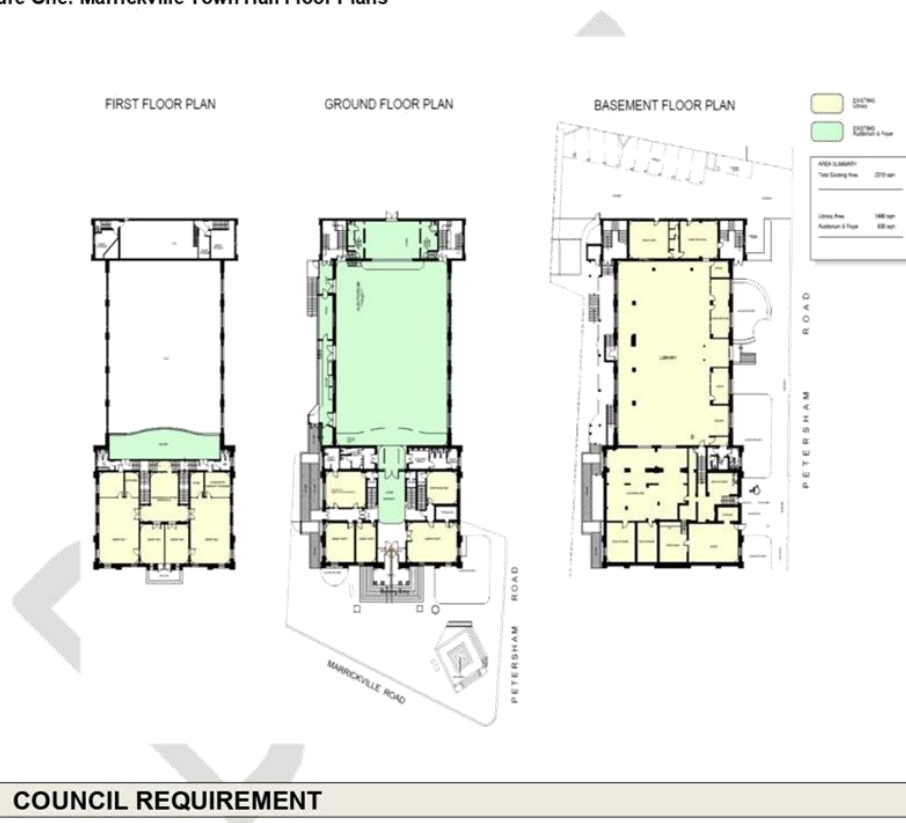
Available spaces (illustrated at Figure One, below):

- **Basement Floor:** The basement floor is approximately 750sqm. The basement area could be subdivided into multiple tenancies. The access to the basement floor is via the main stair case within the building, from the lift, from Petersham Road, and from the rear car park. The basement floor also has male and female toilets.
- **Ground Floor:** The ground floor is approximately 350sqm and it is accessed From Marrickville Road up the main front stairs and the ramp at the side of the building which enters to the lift foyer. This floor contains the main auditorium space an industrial kitchen, and back stage areas to either side. The floor also

contains four separate office area which can be used as storage or workable office space. There are male and female toilets on the ground floor, and accessible toilets located within the hall. Another accessible toilet is located adjacent to the lift foyer.

- First floor: The first floor is approximately 400sqm and the area is accessed via the central stair case within the building and the newly installed lift. The balcony of the auditorium is partly accessible from the level 1 lift foyer. Level 1 also includes a number of self-contained partitioned office areas. There are also male and female toilets located on the first floor.

Figure One: Marrickville Town Hall Floor Plans



6 COUNCIL REQUIREMENT

- 6.1 This initial stage is open to a broad range of groups including for profit businesses, commercial entrepreneurs promoting live music, not for-profit arts and culture organisations, and local entrepreneurs and music promoters. Options to secure low cost/affordable community use, by multiple users, as well as participation of multicultural and other creative art venues - Council will evaluate all proposals against the published criteria.
- 6.2 Proponents are invited to outline their interest in operating a live music and performance venue and business within Marrickville Town Hall including potential supporting activities like offices, food and beverage services.

6.3 Council requires

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- Council will undertake a planning proposal for the site to change the zoning and amend the LEP and DCP to allow the operation of Live Music

6.4 The proponent will need to undertake upgrade works to the Town Hall to make it suitable for a Live Music which could be done as a co-investment with the Council

6.5 The Proponent will need to demonstrate the ability and capacity to undertake the project in consultation with Council

7 CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

7.1 The Evaluation Panel will assess submissions against the following assessment criteria. In addressing these criteria, applicants should provide evidence that supports their submission

7.2 Applications should address the following criteria:

Criteria 1: Vision for Marrickville Town Hall as a live music and performance venue

Outline your vision for utilisation of Marrickville Town Hall for live music and other performance:

- Demonstrate how this use contributes to achieving the Inner West Community Strategic Plan
- Explore how cultural enlivenment through live music and other performance in Marrickville Town Hall will benefit the Inner West including how your vision will encourage grass roots involvement in local culture particularly music, encourage all to participate, including particularly younger, more diverse and new entrants to the music and performance industry.
- Explain how more live music, other performance and cultural programming in Marrickville Town Hall will benefit live music and the cultural activation in the Inner West and greater Sydney
- Explain your model for collaboration with others: cultural organisation, arts enterprises, cultural producers; musicians, bands, performers, promoters, participants and the community.

Criteria 2: Management model



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Describe your proposed management model and operational plan for the space:

- Business plan including how the venue would be upgraded for your proposed use, and how this proposal for the use of the spaces best meets the live music and performance needs
- Organisational structure and legal status, particularly who owns and effectively controls the venue under your proposed model
- Your capacity to deliver including relevant experience and proven track record including experience in organising a multipurpose venue and working collaboratively with a broad group of stakeholders
- Strategies to work with local cultural groups and arts enterprises
- Ease of implementation
- Sustainability

Criteria 3: Accessibility and inclusion

How your model will deliver an inclusive venue, considering particularly the diversity of the Inner West. How will individuals and communities be included, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability, people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and the LGBTIQ community

Criteria 4: Safety

Outline how you will create a culture of safety for all

- Risk management assessment that identifies your perceived risks and your plan for addressing these (potentially with Council) to ensure the model is fit for purpose
- Policy approach including policies on child safety, diversity and cultural awareness, frameworks against discrimination including procedures that prioritise safety and security, responsible service of alcohol and the creation of safe physical spaces

Criteria 5: Value

Financial capability and commercial viability

- Describe how you will create a viable business and cultural provider
- How will the planning and development application needs be addressed?
- How will you approach the asset upgrade and fit outs
- What is required from Council to make your model work?
- How do you propose to sustain/grow this business over time
- Capacity to pay commercial rental

8 SITE INSPECTION

A site inspection will be held on request

9 AGREEMENT TERMS

- 9.1 The agreement for this project will be prepared by Council in accordance with the term agreement with the preferred applicant

10 DRAWINGS & PLANS

10.1 Floor Plan



11 SUSTAINABILITY REQUIREMENTS

11.1 Sustainability requirements are described in Returnable Document 5, please respond to the questions in that section.

12 WH&S AND RISK MITIGATION

12.1 A Covid Safety plan may be required for the development works in accordance with NSW Guidelines.

12.2 Contractor to ensure the work methodology and construction program incorporate the risks concerned with COVID-19.

12.3 The developer to accept all pre-existing land contamination of the site.

13 INTERVIEWS

13.1 Interviews may be required as part of the evaluation process.

14 STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF FAIR TRADE

14.1 Council is committed to making sure our trading partners are treated with respect and fairness. We operate an open and transparent procurement process, which adheres to the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and the Local Government (General) Tendering Regulations (NSW). We promote fair trade principles and will only deal with reputable organisations that apply fair trade principles as part of their normal business practices.

14.2 The International Fair Trade Association (IFTA) defines fair trade as a 'trading partnership' based on dialogue, transparency and respect that seeks greater equality in international trade. It lists nine (9) standards of Fair Trade, which are as follows:

- 1. Creating opportunities for economically disadvantaged producers;
- 2. Transparency and accountability;
- 3. Capacity building;
- 4. Promoting fair trade;
- 5. Payment of a fair price;
- 6. Gender equity;

15 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

15.1 Applicants must inform Inner West Council of any circumstances or relationships which will or may constitute a conflict or potential conflict of interest if the lease is awarded or may be perceived to do so.

15.2 If any conflict or potential conflict exists, the applicant for the lease must advise how it proposes to address and eliminate this conflict.

16 INNER WEST COUNCIL RIGHTS

16.1 Without limiting its rights at law or otherwise, Council reserves the right in its absolute discretion at any time to do one or any combination of the following:

- 16.2 accept a non-conforming Expression of Interests;
- 16.3 accept an emailed or posted Expression of Interests;
- 16.4 accept a late requests Expression of Interests;
- 16.5 evaluate quotations as Council sees appropriate in the context of its requirement for the lease and the assessment criteria;
- 16.6 seek additional information from any party which lodges an request for Expression of Interests;

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- 16.7 undertake company, bankruptcy and other searches, check any information in any Expression of Interests and contact referees;
- 16.8 negotiate with any party which lodges an Expression of Interests;
- 16.9 cease to proceed with the process outlined in this Expression of Interests or any subsequent process;
- 16.10 reject any Expression of Interests; or
- 16.11 reject all Expression of Interests.
- 16.12 Council is not bound to accept the highest rent offered or any Expression of Interest.

17 OTHER RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

- 17.1 The following Returnable Documents are required to be completed.

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**RETURNABLE DOCUMENT 2
MANAGEMENT MODEL
IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSAL**

4. Description of how the proposed use will be pursued and implemented

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5. A business plan for the proposed use by an individual, partnership or company, demonstrating appropriate plans, planning and ability to pursue the proposed use in the premises.

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6. Accessibility and inclusion - How your model will deliver an inclusive venue, considering particularly the diversity of the Inner West. How will individuals and communities be included, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability, people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and the LGBTIQ community

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7. Outline how you will create a culture of safety for all
- Risk management assessment that identifies your perceived risks and your plan for addressing these (potentially with Council) to ensure the model is fit for purpose
 - Policy approach including policies on child safety, diversity and cultural awareness, frameworks against discrimination including procedures that prioritise safety and security, responsible service of alcohol and the creation of safe physical spaces

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RETURNABLE DOCUMENT 3
RELEVANT EXPERIENCE & QUALIFICATIONS

1. Provide detail of relevant experience and qualifications

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2. Provide detail of experience in delivering the outcomes offered

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RETURNABLE DOCUMENT 4 FINANCIAL OFFER

3. Provide a detailed explanation of the financial offer of the purchase (please feel free to provide information on a separate page if space is insufficient):

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4. Provide a summary of the financial outcomes

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RETURNABLE DOCUMENT 5 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

5. Does your organisation have current documented procedures to be followed in the event of an environmental accident/incident?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
6. Has your organisation ever committed an offence, been issued with any notice or had a licence suspended or revoked under NSW environmental legislation or regulations?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
7. Has your organisation ever committed an offence or been issued with any notice under NSW Workplace Health and Safety legislation or regulations?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

Council has made a number of resolutions relating to sustainability that have implications for tenants. These are described below.

The text of the resolutions can be found at <http://innerwest.infocouncil.biz/>

Some general advice on these topics is provided at the website:

<https://www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/live/environment-and-sustainability>

8. **Single use plastics.** Council has resolved to eliminate single use plastics from its events and operations. Single use plastics are materials that are likely to be used only once, such as plastic straws, disposable cups, soft drink bottles and so on. The implications for tenants are:
 - Tenants offering services to the public (especially food/drink) should eliminate single use plastics from their operations and particularly from materials offered to the public.
 - Tenants occupying a space for their own operations should endeavour to reduce single use plastics.
 - Certain plastic materials cannot be used in Council buildings without an exemption from Council. These are: styrofoam, single-use plastic bags, balloons, plastic straws, plastic plates and plastic cutlery. Please contact IWC's Corporate Sustainability team if your organisation needs to use these materials in the proposed tenancy.

The relevant Council Resolution is C0918(1) Item 21 on 11 September 2018.

Please explain how your organisation will reduce single-use plastics at the tenancy
(please feel free to provide information on a separate page if space is insufficient):

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9. Waste reduction. Council has resolved to develop a long-term Zero Waste Strategy that allows Council and the community to reduce disposal to landfill. This requires waste avoidance, re-use, recycling, composting and other strategies. Council is endeavouring to reduce food waste disposed to landfill. The implications for tenants are:

- Tenants should reduce waste wherever possible.
- Tenants serving food are encouraged to consider ways of reducing food waste disposed to the bin.
- Tenants have a legal obligation to dispose of any residual waste according to NSW Environment Protection Authority guidelines. This includes wastewater (which must be disposed to sewer, not the stormwater drains) and grease (which must be collected in a grease trap and disposed by a "Wastesafe" transporter).

The relevant Council Resolution is C1018(2) Item 8 on 30 October 2018.

Please explain how your organisation will reduce and manage waste at the tenancy:

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10. Energy consumption. Council has resolved to become carbon neutral by 2025. This means that Council facilities need to reduce their consumption of power, and to generate renewable power (e.g. through solar). The implications for tenants are:

- All tenants should identify and implement options for reducing energy use.
- At some facilities, Council may provide and maintain a solar system or energy efficiency equipment. Tenants should consult with Council if they wish to install their own solar system.
- At some facilities, Council may provide facilities for electric vehicles in the future.

The relevant Council Resolution is C1218(1) Item 14 on 11 December 2018.

Please explain how your organisation will reduce and manage energy at the tenancy:

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Attachment 1

- All tenants should identify and implement options for reducing water use.
- Nothing other than rain should be placed in the stormwater system.
- The relevant Council Resolution is C1018(2) Item 7 on 11 December 2018.

12. Other Sustainable Requirements: Please explain how your organisation will reduce and manage other sustainable items raised in the Scope (if relevant, see section 9).

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RETURNABLE DOCUMENT 6 WORK HEALTH & SAFETY

1. Does your enterprise have a documented WH&S Management System?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
2. If yes, has the System been accredited by a Government Construction Agency or by the Construction Policy Steering Committee (CPSC) as meeting the requirements of the NSW Governments WHS&R Management System Guidelines?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

If yes, attach a copy of the accreditation letter received from the Agency or CPSC.
3. Does your enterprise have a written company WHS policy and associated procedures?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

If yes, attach a copy of the policy and a list of the procedures.
4. Does your enterprise develop Safety Management Plans for your workplaces / work sites?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

If yes, attach a copy of the contents page of a Plan.
5. Are WHS responsibilities and accountabilities clearly identified for all levels of staff in your enterprise?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
6. Are managers and supervisors required to sign off their commitment to those responsibilities?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

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Item No: C0621(1) Item 6

Subject: REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Prepared By: Con Vafeas - Strategic Investments and Property Manager

Authorised By: Elizabeth Richardson - Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

1. **Adopts the Real Estate Investment Strategy report as prepared by Ernst & Young;**
2. **Endorses the IWC Investment Preferences, Investment Criteria and Recommendations for new acquisitions as outlined in the 'Real Estate Investment Strategy' prepared by EY;**
3. **Approves the 'Investment funds proceeds' received from the acquisition of Council's Tempe Lands (Attachment 3); and**
4. **Notes that all decisions for the purchase of land rests with Council and that a report will be brought back to Council for a decision prior to any purchases being finalised**

DISCUSSION

Background

Council had formerly owned investment properties at Tempe Lands which were compulsorily acquired (via agreement) by TfNSW for the Sydney Gateway Project in March 2020.

The land acquired included Council's Investment Lands known as the Golf Driving Range (Open Space) investment land and Tempe (Tyne) Shipping Container Yard (Industrial) investment land. Council received a lump sum compensation amount for both the freehold land and the leasehold land acquired.

At the Council meeting held 25 February 2020 (C0220(2) Item 30) Council resolved that:

"Funds from the compensation received for the acquisition of Council's existing industrial investment lands be held in reserve for investment (including in property where optimal) in order to offset the loss of existing rental income"

It is recommended that the whole of the 'Investment Funds Proceeds' received for the investment lands be approved for acquisition of new investment properties to offset the circa \$4 million in lost annual rental revenue from the Tyne container site lease.

Real Estate Investment Strategy

Council engaged Ernst & Young to review the existing property portfolio and assist IWC in developing a Real Estate Investment Strategy. The Strategy provides a framework for the purchase of replacement investment properties based on previous rental revenue earnings of the acquired lands.

Ernst & Young have developed an Investment Criteria for new acquisitions along with Recommendations based on Council's Investment Preferences.

IWC's Investment Preferences

1. The deployment of available capital to generate income equal to or greater than the \$4.12mil of foregone revenue.
2. Initial preference for acquisitions to be within the IWC Local Government Area (LGA), however open to merits outside of LGA.
3. Diversity of asset classes based on existing assets held.
4. No appetite to take on debt and little appetite to take on development risk.
5. Council will ideally be sole owner of asset and investments should be of a direct nature (no REITs).
6. IWC acknowledges that they want to utilise their available capital on asset acquisition in a relatively near timeframe.

Investment Criteria

Ernst & Young have provided the following Investment Criteria for Council:

1. An independent valuation by a reputable registered valuer has been performed and aligns with the investment values.
2. Projected returns and capital investment needs are assessed and factored into overall portfolio projections.
3. Projected total net returns are not lower than 6% per annum and the annual net cash return is no lower than 4%, over an acceptable investment timeframe.
4. Building age and structural condition presents minimal risk, giving consideration to current and future capital investment needs.
5. A due diligence review has been performed with respect to any lease on the property.
6. The Weighted Average Lease Expiry (WALE), likelihood of lease renewal and expected demand for lease of the property is considered to ensure minimal risk of projected vacancy, giving consideration to the projected return.
7. Management requirements of the property is fully assessed, and appropriate staff, consultants, managers and agents are identified, and this cost is given consideration to current and future capital investment needs.
8. The existing use of the property, alternative uses of the property and tenant demand in the respective location, in relation to these uses provide an acceptable risk profile in relation to vacancy and changing tenant demands.
9. The portfolio is maintained so that no more than 40% of the capital value of income generation is allocated to one sector.

Key Recommendations

Ernst & Young have provided recommendations on four component areas. The key recommendations are the Investment Management of the funds received from the acquisition and the Portfolio Expansion. These are as follows:

Investment Management

Based on IWC's investment position and EY's research into market yields, competition within the sectors and COVID-19 economic condition, IWC could consider the acquisition of 1-3 well leased industrial properties.

There is also the opportunity of a higher yielding asset outside of IWC's LGA with longer WALEs. If asset acquisition is required within the LGA, IWC may need to be more flexible with required returns.

Portfolio Expansion

Investment opportunities fitting IWC's criteria are likely to be subject to competition. In order to move quickly when opportunities arise, IWC must consider the pathway available to act on opportunities in a timely and streamlined manner.

IWC should utilise the tools in Section 6 to evaluate new investment opportunities. These tools should form part of the expansion implementation strategy.

As the economy emerges from COVID-19, investors ready to commit to new opportunities will likely benefit from dampened capital values that will likely recover once stability is restored and competition intensifies. Therefore, it is critical that IWC has the ability to move quickly on opportunities.

Project Group

An internal working project group will be created with the relevant stakeholders to ensure that any proposed purchase aligns with the Real Estate Investment Strategy. Relevant stakeholders could include: Property, Facilities Management, Capital Projects, Finance, Legal, and any other relevant stakeholders identified.

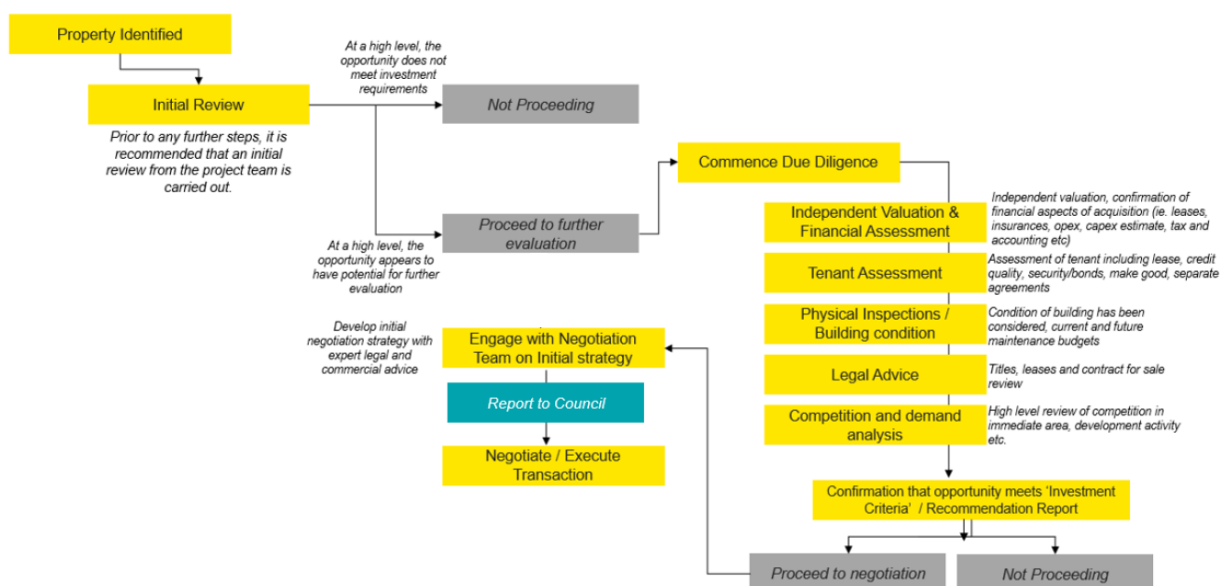
The group would meet as required to discuss upcoming investment opportunities in the market.

The project group would report to Council's Executive Team on progress made with identifying investment opportunities, negotiations, any off-market opportunities, due diligence, negotiation strategies etc.

Delegation

Section 186 (1) of *the Local Government Act 1993* sets out that any decisions to acquire land rest with Council and cannot be delegated to staff.

The adoption of the Real Estate Investment Strategy will allow Council staff to identify property investment opportunities in-line with the framework. The anticipated acquisition process is set out as follows:



A report will be presented to Council prior to the execution/finalisation of any purchase of property following compliance with the investment framework, approval of the Project Group, endorsement of the Executive Team and completion of all relevant due diligence.

Council will have the final decision on whether to proceed with the purchase of the property in-line with legislative requirements.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council would be investing cash being the total of the 'Investment Funds Proceeds' received from the acquisition of investment properties at Tempe Lands.

It is Council's sole intention to recoup the \$4.12 million (or greater) of lost rental return per annum and is critical to Council's Long Term Financial Sustainability.

This would significantly aid Council's current budget deficit position.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Councillor Briefing - Real Estate Investment Strategy - *Confidential*
2. Ernst & Young - Real Estate Investment Strategy Report - Redacted - *Confidential*
3. Investment Funds Proceeds - Acquisition - *Confidential*

The reason for attachments being confidentially is that it contains information (Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND 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; AND commercial information of a confidential nature (Section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council; AND commercial information of a confidential nature (Section 10A(2)(d)(iii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed reveal a trade secret.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 7

Subject: **COMPANION ANIMALS - OFF LEASH PARK AREAS AND THE SEGREGATION OF LARGER DOGS FROM SMALLER DOGS IN FENCED AND TIME SHARED AREAS**

Prepared By: Aaron Callaghan - Parks and Recreation Planning Manager

Authorised By: Elizabeth Richardson - Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

At the 13 April 2021 Council meeting, it was resolved:

THAT Council receives a report on the following in relation to the use of Off Leash Dog Parks in the LGA on the following issues:

1. *Incidents at the parks between dogs and council's enforcement of the Companion Animal Act; and*
2. *The for segregation of larger dogs from smaller potentially through timed use of the facilities on fenced off-leash areas.*

As of 2021 the Inner West Council area has a registered dog population of 38,700.

The popularity of dog off leash areas in parks has grown in popularity throughout Sydney as more households have pets and are asking that Councils provide recreational spaces and opportunities for socialisation and exercise. The Inner West Council is a leader in this area.

The Inner West Council LGA has a total of 43 off leash areas in parks managed by Council (refer to fig 1.0). This includes the majority of unfenced sporting grounds which have been classified as off leash zones when active sports and/or sports training is not taking place.

In addition to the above there are a total of 6 fenced dog off leash areas. These being :

- Bede Spillane Reserve
- O'Dea Reserve
- Enmore Tafe off leash Area Park
- Cadigal Reserve
- Sydenham Green (George St)
- Tempe Lands

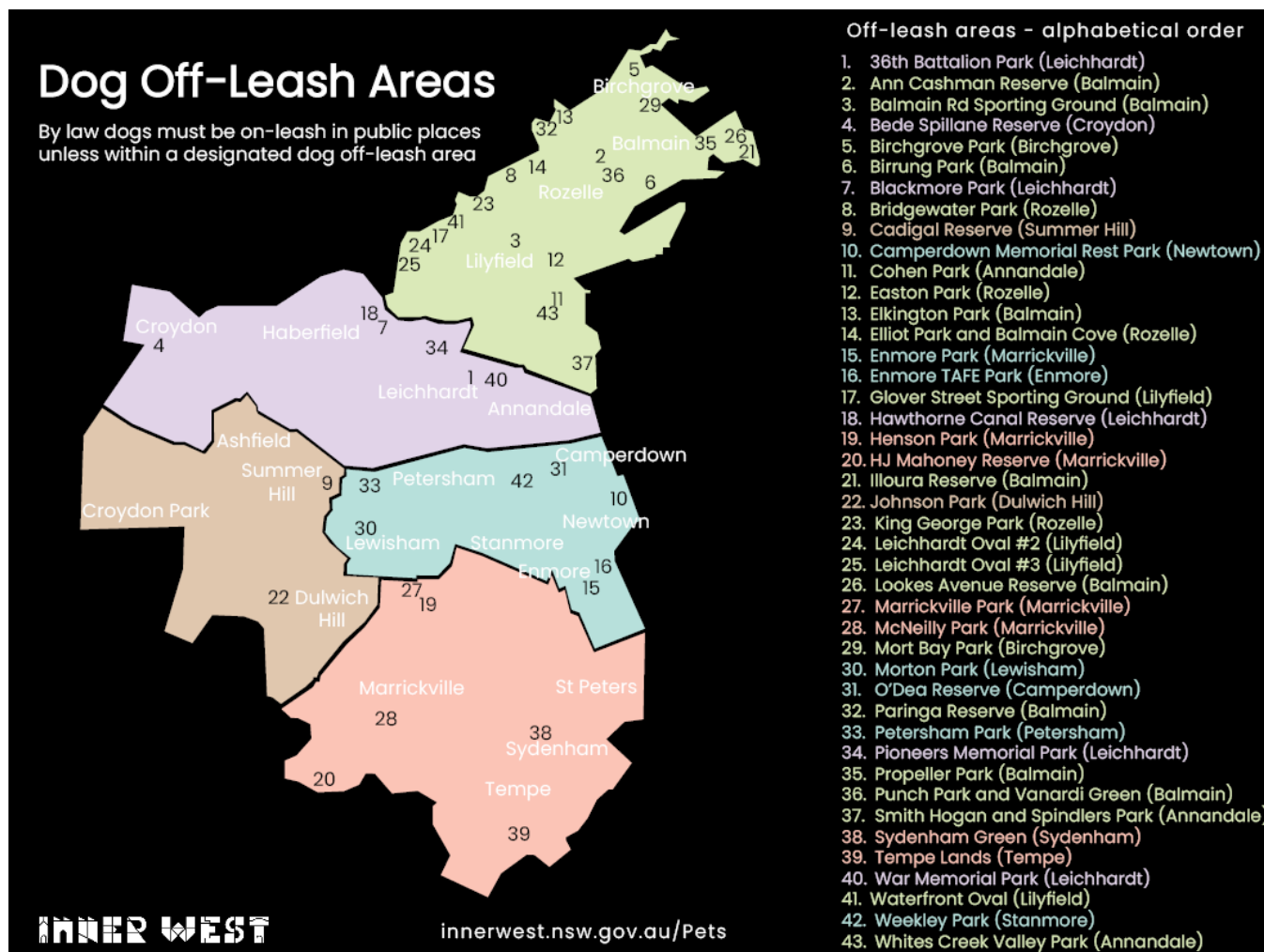


Fig 1.0 -Parks with Off leash Areas Inner West Council LGA

Incidents in Parks and Council's Enforcement of the Companion Animal Act

Council Companion Animal Officers are delegated under the *Companion Animals Act 1998* (the 'Act') to investigate reports of dog attacks. The Act states;

If a dog rushes at, attacks, bites, harasses or chases any person or animal (other than vermin), whether or not any injury is caused to the person or animal—

(a) the owner of the dog, or

(b) if the owner is not present at the time of the offence and another person who is of or above the age of 16 years is in charge of the dog at that time—that other person, is guilty of an offence.

During an investigation, Companion Animal Officers will gather evidence such as, but not limited to, witness statements, interviewing persons of interest, obtaining photos, videos, Veterinary reports, medical reports and DNA samples. Officers may also consider seizing a dog within 72 hours of it reportedly attacking a person or animal.

The outcome of a dog attack investigation can vary considerably, from no action, to a formal caution, issuing of penalty infringements, nuisance orders, dog seizure, court prosecution, control orders, dangerous or menacing dog declaration, court imposed dog destruction order, permanent dog ownership disqualification or imprisonment.

The monetary penalties for the offence of Dog Attack range from minimum on-the-spot-fine of \$1,320 up to maximum court imposed fine of \$77,000.

The offence of a dog attack and the subsequent penalty amounts are set by the State Government and regulated by the *Companion Animals Act 1998* and *Companion Animal Regulation 2008*, not by local Councils.

Dog Attack statistics 2019/2020

A total of 369 dog attack incidents were reported to Council.

Not every person or victim reporting a dog attack are prepared to proceed with providing sufficient evidence, such as a witness statement, or the reported incident does not meet the legislative definition of a 'dog attack' and therefore the matter may not be formerly investigated

A total of 161 dog attack incidents were recorded on the NSW Companion Animal Register and were formerly investigated. Of the 161 dog attack incidents:

- 75.7% involved an animal
- 46.5% involved a person – 8% child under 16yrs / 38.5% adult
- 34.7% occurred on a footpath or roadway
- 29.4% occurred in a park
- **17.3% occurred in a designated dog off leash area**
- 7.2% occurred on private property (incl attacking dog owners' property)
- 6.8% occurred outside the attacking dog's property

Segregation of Larger dogs from Smaller Dogs and Timed Shared Arrangements

The regulating of size specific off leash areas would be very difficult. Defining the difference between a small and large dog is problematic from an enforcement perspective, as the proofs required to establish an offence would be difficult to obtain.

For example, if weight were used as the measure, then the dogs would require to be weighed. If it were height then Staffordshire Bull Terriers are short, but also very powerful.

An additional consideration would also be that if a resident has more than one dog and they are each a different size or category, an owner would not be able to effectively monitor each dogs behavior responsibly.

It is important to note that all dog breeds, both large and small, both purebred or cross bred, are capable of attacking, playing rough, being tenacious, being aggressive, being friendly or aggressive to people and being friendly or aggressive towards other animals. A dog's breed or size cannot be used to predict its behavior, whether good or bad.

Inner West Council provides for one of, if not the highest, number of dog off leash exercise areas within its LGA in NSW. The high number of dog off leash exercise areas and the variety of their sizes, fencing or no fencing and surface type, provides adequately to all dog's needs when managed by their owner responsibly and within the provisions of the *Companion Animals Act 1998*.

There are currently 43 areas within the IWC LGA dedicated to dog off leash exercise on either a full time or part-time basis.

All dogs, regardless of the breed, should not be exercised off leash if they cannot be under effective control by their owner, or not respond to a recall command, or if they attack or harass another dog or person. If any of these behaviors are prevalent, regardless of breed, then this should be a reason why they should not be exercised off leash, and certainly not be provided an exclusive area to exhibit these unlawful behaviors.

In addition, from a maintenance perspective, smaller fenced areas are problematic as they tend to wear out quickly and can be a significant cost burden to Council with regard to the need for regular returning and general maintenance.

STAFF CONSULTATION

This report was written in consultation with Council's Companion Animal Services section.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 8

Subject: AQUATICS CENTRES OPENING HOURS

Prepared By: Simon Duck - Senior Manager Aquatic Services

Authorised By: Elizabeth Richardson - Chief Operating Officer, Director Development and Recreation

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. Council note the additional expenses of estimated \$400,000 for increase in opening times for the indoor Aquatic Centres to 10pm Monday to Friday;
 2. Council note attendance after 7pm is comparatively low across the indoor Aquatic Centres; and
 3. The opening hours for the Aquatic Centres remain unchanged however some harmonisation of opening hours for weekends and public holidays to take place for the Aquatic Centres from 2022 onwards.
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DISCUSSION

On 13 April 2021, Council resolved in part:

THAT a report be brought back on the costs for extending the hours of the indoor pools/spa/sauna/steam/gym to 10pm every night.

The AKAC, LPAC, AAC and all have a range of opening hours that are dependent on seasonal elements or as part of general ongoing operations and program needs.

There are some slight variations between opening hours at each centre however they all close at 9pm weeknights with the pools closing at 8pm as part of standard programming and general operations. There are also some minor variations between centres for opening hours on public holidays and weekends

The opening hours for the IWC Aquatics Facilities in are in line with industry norms and with comparative facilities across wider Sydney.

The request to consider opening hours for the indoor pools until 10pm each night will be dealt with for the purpose of this report for Monday to Fridays only. It should also be noted by Council that closing the pools at 10pm in the evenings requires staffing to be onsite and pack down the centres for 1 hour after closing. In this regard, public accessibility until 10pm generates additional labour until 11pm.

Usage Patterns.

As part of the discussion, some recent usage patterns have been reviewed to give context to the view that later opening hours are in high demand.

In the March 2021 period, the following trends for gym and aquatics at respective entry times can be noted:

LPAC

There was an average of 17 persons per day attending swimming pool after 7pm and only an average of 1.7 gym persons attending after 8pm per day.

AKAC

There was an average of 10 persons per day attending swimming pool after 7pm and an average of 2.8 gym persons attending after 8pm per day

AAC

There was an average of 15.6 persons per day attending swimming pool after 7pm and an average of 4.7 gym persons attending after 8pm per day.

Key Insights

- Public attendance for the gym after 8pm is very limited.
- Whilst there may be patrons remaining in the centres after 8pm competing their swimming or exercise, for the most part, patrons enter the building prior to 8pm.
- There is no evidence to suggest opening later would increase patronage or membership. Therefore, this would create no, or minimal additional revenues however would generate significant costs.
- Aquatics usage is quite low from 7pm-8pm so assumptions can be drawn that this would diminish to even lesser number should the pool open until 10pm.
- The attendance numbers above represent very low comparative attendances when compared with peak times prior to 7pm.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

In terms of cost/benefit analysis for the community, seemingly small adjustments in opening hours have significant cost implications for operations. The table below gives an overview of direct additional labour costs for 2 hours of extended opening times and all pools facilities for an individual Aquatic Centre for Monday to Friday only. Assumptions include;

- The public leaving at 10pm but holding staff on duty until 11pm in order to pack down the centre.
- An assumption of a minimum of 6 additional staff are required on duty made up of lifeguards, reception staff and gym staff.

Aquatic Centre	Annual Cost
LPAC	\$131,040
AKAC	\$131,040
AAC	\$131,040
Total	\$393,120

For this report, fixed labour costs have been used for the review however, there may also be some additional costs such as cleaning, energy usage and other tenancy costs which are not considered at this stage. It is assumed these tenancy costs would be on top of the direct labour costs which would mean a total cost in excess of \$400,000 per annum.

Summary

The current opening hours for all centres is based on delivering the most appropriate range of hours and services whilst meeting the needs of the wider community. Upon review, there are low levels of attendance to the facilities beyond 8pm. Certainly core programs such as

Squads, Group Fitness and Learn to Swim are not programmed at those times due to lack of demand. When this is put in context with the additional cost for 2 extra opening hours per day, it is evident that extending the opening hours is not supported by attendance data for those times and subsequently this would have additional financial costs of approx. \$400,000 per annum. It should however be noted that there are some minor differences in opening times between Aquatic Centres for weekends and public holidays and these should be harmonised from July 2022 onwards.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 9

Subject: INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2021.

Prepared By: Daryl Jackson - Chief Financial Officer

Authorised By: Peter Gainsford - General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be received and noted.

DISCUSSION

Council's holding in various investment categories are listed in the table below. Council's portfolio size is \$230.2m. All Socially Responsible Investments (SRI's) are investments that comply with the Non-Fossil Fuel standards. Council's annualised return continues to exceed the bank bill index benchmark. Council's portfolio had a return of 1.13%, above the UBSWA Bank Bill Index Benchmark (0.07%).

Changes in the value of our portfolio was –

- Investment
 - Members Equity Bank \$2.8k (interest)

The attachments to this report summarise all investments held by Council and interest returns for periods ending 30 April 2021.

The Current Market value is required to be accounted for. The Current Market Value is a likely outcome if Council were to consider recalling the investment prior to its due date.

All investments made for the month of April 2021 have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act, Local Government Regulations and the Inner West Council Investment Policy.

ADI Lending Status *	Current Month (\$)		Previous Month (\$)	
Non Fossil Fuel Lending ADIs				
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	9,600,000		9,600,000	
Credit Union Australia	2,000,000		2,000,000	
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006A	516,521		516,521	
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006B	1,000,000		1,000,000	
Members Fquity Bank	11,071,161		11,068,344	
Newcastle Permanent Building Society	11,700,000		11,700,000	
Suncorp Bank	18,150,000		18,150,000	
Suncorp Bank (Covered)	5,500,000		5,500,000	
Teachers Mutual Bank	4,000,000		4,000,000	
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Socially Responsible Investments				
Bank Australia (Sustainability)	6,000,000		6,000,000	
CBA (Climate)	18,200,000		18,200,000	
CBA (Green TD)	78,000,000		78,000,000	
National Australia Bank (Social)	7,444,000		7,444,000	
National Housing Finance Investment Corp (Social)	1,500,000		1,500,000	
NSW T-Corp (Green)	5,000,000		5,000,000	
Westpac Group (Green TD)	50,500,000		50,500,000	
	166,644,000	72%	166,644,000	72%
	230,181,682		230,178,865	

* source: <http://www.marketforces.org.au>
Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding

EXTERNAL / INTERNAL RESTRICTIONS

	APRIL 21
External Restrictions	110,700,943
Internal Restrictions	119,480,739
Total	230,181,682

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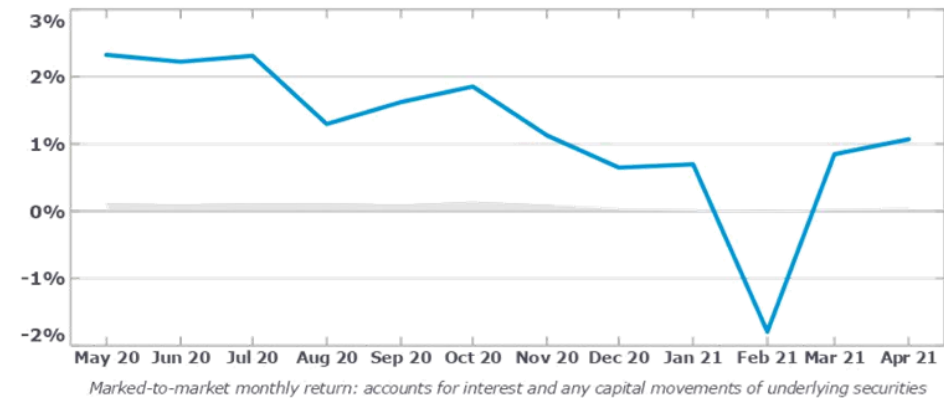


Investment Holdings

By Product	Face Value (\$)	Current Value (\$)	Current Yield (%)
Bonds	33,944,000.00	35,521,063.56	3.1367
Cash	8,571,160.77	8,571,160.77	0.4000
Floating Rate Note	55,150,000.00	55,550,763.57	0.8771
Mortgage Backed Security	1,516,520.95	1,089,917.72	0.6605
Term Deposit	131,000,000.00	131,207,209.58	0.7258
	230,181,681.72	231,940,115.20	1.1050

Face Value = capital value to be repaid upon maturity
Current Value = current market value + accrued interest
Current Yield = weighted average interest rate

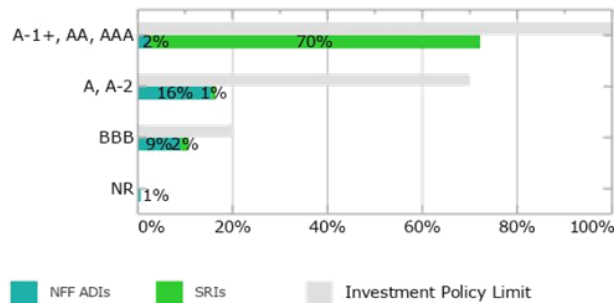
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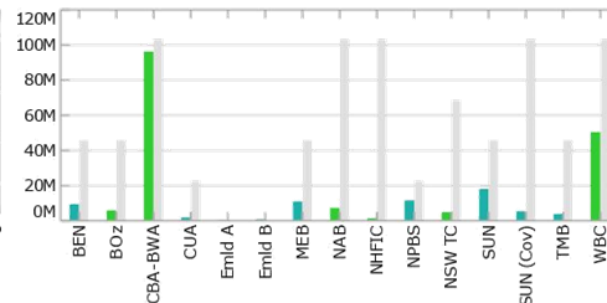
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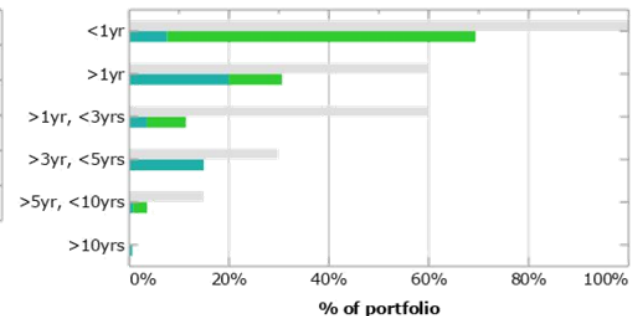
Holdings in each credit rating category vs policy limits

Individual Exposures



Holdings per bank / product provider vs policy limits

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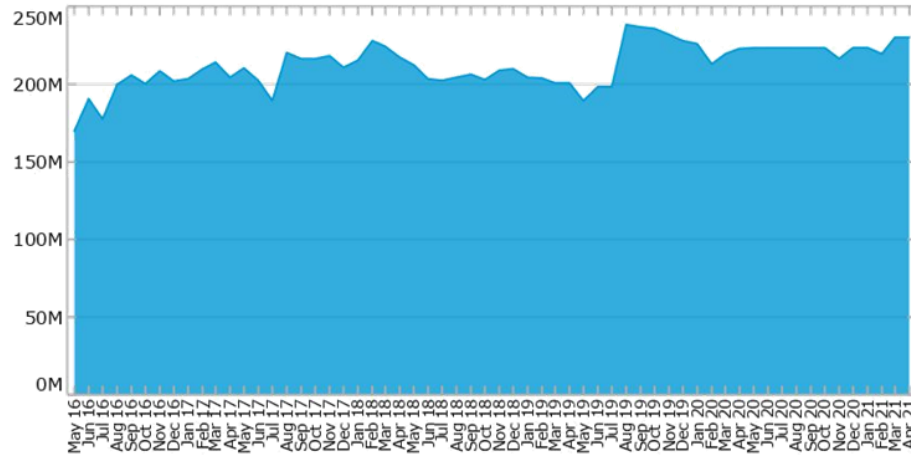


Current maturity profile of all holdings vs policy limits

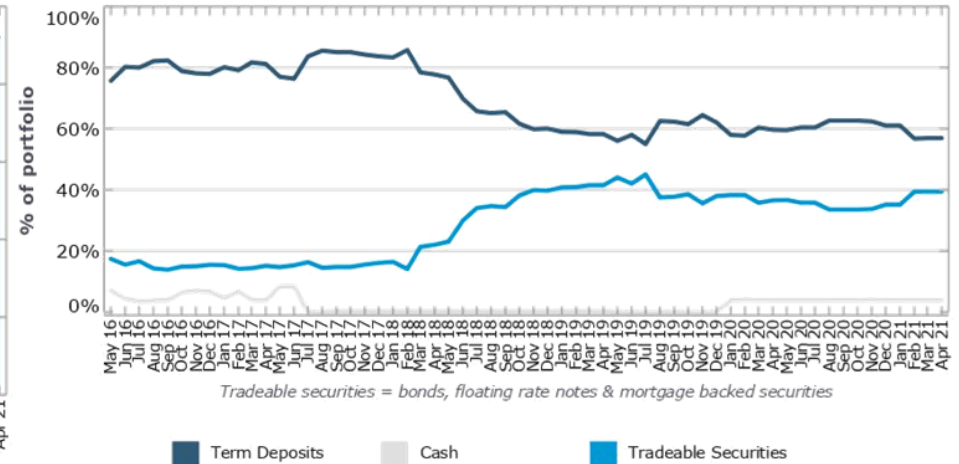
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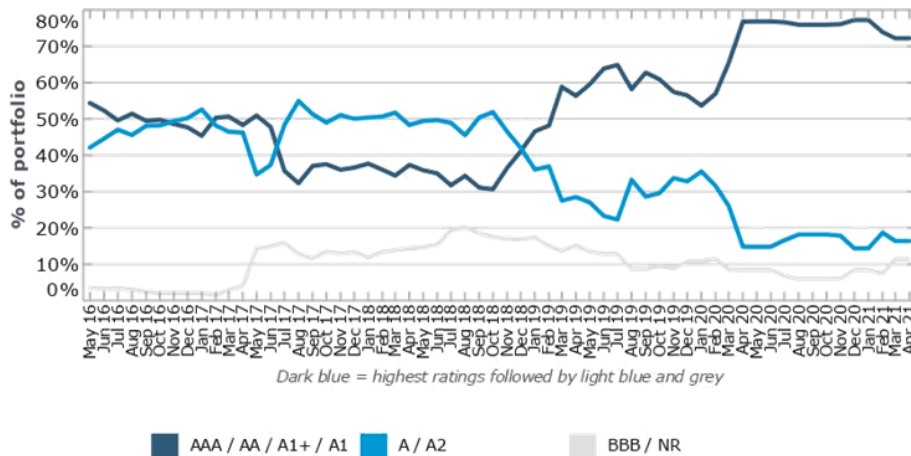
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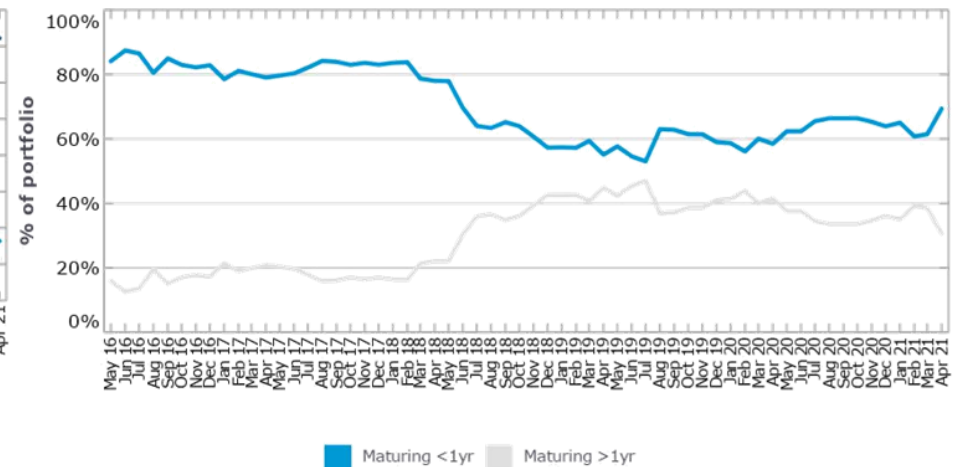
Composition of portfolio by asset type



Composition of portfolio by credit rating categories



Composition of portfolio by short (<1 yr) and long term (> 1 yr) holdings



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Cash Accounts

Face Value (\$)	Current Yield	Institution	Credit Rating	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Reference
8,571,160.77	0.4000%	ME Bank	A-2	8,571,160.77	539404	
8,571,160.77	0.4000%			8,571,160.77		

Term Deposits

Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Rate	Institution	Credit Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Accrued Interest (\$)	Coupon Frequency	Reference
21-May-21	9,000,000.00	1.4100%	Westpac Group	A-1+	9,000,000.00	21-Nov-19	9,023,641.64	538748	23,641.64	Quarterly	Green
15-Jun-21	20,000,000.00	0.6700%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	20,000,000.00	31-Aug-20	20,089,210.96	540164	89,210.96	At Maturity	Green
26-Jul-21	3,000,000.00	1.5800%	Westpac Group	A-1+	3,000,000.00	31-Jul-19	3,000,129.86	538346	129.86	Quarterly	Green
30-Aug-21	4,000,000.00	0.3900%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	4,000,000.00	26-Feb-21	4,002,735.34	540980	2,735.34	At Maturity	Green
28-Sep-21	10,000,000.00	0.7000%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	10,000,000.00	30-Sep-20	10,040,849.32	540345	40,849.32	At Maturity	Green
27-Oct-21	7,500,000.00	0.5400%	Westpac Group	A-1+	7,500,000.00	30-Oct-20	7,500,110.96	540480	110.96	Quarterly	Green
29-Nov-21	4,000,000.00	0.4300%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	4,000,000.00	26-Feb-21	4,003,015.89	540981	3,015.89	At Maturity	Green
24-Dec-21	13,000,000.00	0.4500%	Westpac Group	A-1+	13,000,000.00	24-Dec-20	13,006,090.41	540753	6,090.41	Quarterly	Green
25-Jan-22	20,000,000.00	0.4300%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	20,000,000.00	29-Jan-21	20,021,676.71	540914	21,676.71	At Maturity	Green
22-Feb-22	10,000,000.00	0.3700%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	10,000,000.00	30-Apr-21	10,000,101.37	541299	101.37	At Maturity	Green
29-Mar-22	2,500,000.00	0.5000%	ME Bank	A-2	2,500,000.00	26-Mar-21	2,501,232.88	541224	1,232.88	At Maturity	
29-Mar-22	4,000,000.00	0.3600%	Westpac Group	A-1+	4,000,000.00	31-Mar-21	4,001,223.01	541236	1,223.01	Quarterly	Green
26-Apr-22	10,000,000.00	0.4100%	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+	10,000,000.00	30-Apr-21	10,000,112.33	541300	112.33	At Maturity	Green
28-Jun-22	10,000,000.00	1.8700%	Westpac Group	AA-	10,000,000.00	28-Jun-19	10,016,906.85	538091	16,906.85	Quarterly	Green
25-Jul-22	4,000,000.00	1.5700%	Westpac Group	AA-	4,000,000.00	31-Jul-19	4,000,172.05	538347	172.05	Quarterly	Green
131,000,000.00	0.7258%				131,000,000.00		131,207,209.58		207,209.58		

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Floating Rate Notes

Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Current Coupon	Security Name	Credit Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Accrued Interest (\$)	Next Coupon Reference Date
2-Jul-21	4,000,000.00	1.4051%	TMB Snr FRN (Jul21) BBSW+1.37%	A-2	4,000,000.00	2-Jul-18	4,011,758.87	536788	3,849.59	2-Jul-21
30-Aug-21	2,000,000.00	1.3300%	BOz 'SRI' Snr FRN (Aug21) BBSW+1.30%	A-2	2,000,000.00	30-Aug-18	2,010,844.11	536986	4,664.11	31-May-21
19-Jan-22	2,500,000.00	1.0541%	BEN Snr FRN (Jan22) BBSW+1.01%	A-2	2,500,000.00	19-Oct-18	2,516,191.38	537202	866.38	19-Jul-21
16-Aug-22	1,000,000.00	0.9803%	SUN Snr FRN (Aug22) BBSW+0.97%	A+	1,000,000.00	16-Aug-17	1,012,117.46	535607	1,987.46	17-May-21
16-Aug-22	4,000,000.00	0.9803%	SUN Snr FRN (Aug22) BBSW+0.97%	A+	4,037,600.00	31-Oct-18	4,048,469.83	537263	7,949.83	17-May-21
2-Dec-22	4,000,000.00	0.9300%	BOz 'SRI' Snr FRN (Dec22) BBSW+0.90%	BBB	4,000,000.00	2-Dec-19	4,016,755.07	538824	6,115.07	2-Jun-21
25-Jan-23	1,500,000.00	1.0917%	BEN Snr FRN (Jan23) BBSW+1.05%	BBB+	1,500,000.00	25-Jan-18	1,520,354.46	536141	179.46	26-Jul-21
6-Feb-23	1,700,000.00	1.4098%	NPBS Snr FRN (Feb23) BBSW+1.40%	BBB	1,700,000.00	6-Feb-18	1,730,391.28	536175	5,384.28	6-May-21
30-Jul-24	6,000,000.00	0.8200%	SUN Snr FRN (Jul24) BBSW+0.78%	A+	6,000,000.00	30-Jul-19	6,075,494.79	538330	134.79	30-Jul-21
30-Jul-24	750,000.00	0.8200%	SUN Snr FRN (Jul24) BBSW+0.78%	A+	749,182.50	1-Oct-19	759,436.85	538563	16.85	30-Jul-21
24-Oct-24	2,000,000.00	1.1600%	CUA Snr FRN (Oct24) BBSW+1.12%	BBB	2,000,000.00	24-Oct-19	2,036,757.81	538603	317.81	26-Jul-21
24-Apr-25	3,700,000.00	1.1600%	SUN Cov FRN (Apr25) BBSW+1.12%	AAA	3,700,000.00	27-Apr-20	3,804,113.95	539640	587.95	26-Jul-21
2-Dec-25	5,600,000.00	0.5500%	BEN Snr FRN (Dec25) BBSW+0.52%	BBB+	5,600,000.00	2-Dec-20	5,595,039.01	540602	5,063.01	2-Jun-21
24-Feb-26	6,400,000.00	0.4602%	SUN Snr FRN (Feb26) BBSW+0.45%	A+	6,400,000.00	24-Feb-21	6,402,509.71	540964	5,325.71	24-May-21
4-Mar-26	10,000,000.00	0.6626%	NPBS Snr FRN (Mar26) BBSW+0.63%	BBB	10,000,000.00	4-Mar-21	10,010,528.99	540984	10,528.99	4-Jun-21
55,150,000.00		0.8771%			55,186,782.50		55,550,763.57		52,971.29	

Fixed Rate Bonds

Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Coupon	Security Name	Credit Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Accrued Interest (\$)	Purchase Yield Reference
24-Mar-22	3,444,000.00	3.2500%	NAB 'Social' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	3,502,479.12	26-Jun-18	3,547,306.15	536771	11,557.99	3.0000%
24-Mar-22	4,000,000.00	3.2500%	NAB 'Social' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	4,066,280.00	1-Nov-18	4,119,983.91	537279	13,423.91	2.8400%
31-Mar-22	10,000,000.00	3.2500%	CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	10,088,200.00	28-Mar-18	10,299,427.32	536469	27,527.32	3.0348%
31-Mar-22	1,100,000.00	3.2500%	CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	1,111,198.00	22-May-18	1,132,937.01	536652	3,028.01	3.1115%
31-Mar-22	3,100,000.00	3.2500%	CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	3,143,462.00	13-Jun-18	3,192,822.47	536721	8,533.47	3.0592%

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Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Coupon	Security Name	Credit Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Accrued Interest (\$)	Purchase Yield	Reference
31-Mar-22	4,000,000.00	3.2500%	CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	A-1+	4,083,240.00	31-Jul-18	4,119,770.93	536896	11,010.93	2.9908%	
24-Aug-26	1,300,000.00	3.2500%	SUN Cov Bond (Aug26) 3.25%	AAA	1,427,881.00	30-Apr-20	1,429,734.04	539692	7,703.04	1.7000%	
24-Aug-26	500,000.00	3.2500%	SUN Cov Bond (Aug26) 3.25%	AAA	549,310.00	5-May-20	549,897.71	539728	2,962.71	1.7000%	
15-Nov-28	5,000,000.00	3.0000%	NSWTC 'Green' Snr Bond (Nov28) 3.00%	AA+	5,000,000.00	15-Nov-18	5,648,656.59	537310	68,406.59	3.2350%	
27-May-30	1,500,000.00	1.5200%	NHFIC 'Social' Snr Bond (May30) 1.52%	AAA	1,540,140.00	10-Feb-21	1,480,527.43	540932	9,762.43	1.2500%	
33,944,000.00					34,512,190.12		35,521,063.56		163,916.40	2.8877%	

Mortgage Backed Securities

Maturity Date	Face Value (\$)	Current Coupon	Security Name	Rating	Purchase Price (\$)	Purchase Date	Current Value (\$)	Deal No.	Accrued Interest (\$)	Reference
21-Aug-51	516,520.95	0.4627%	Emerald Reverse Mortgage (2006A)	NR	1,000,000.00	17-Jul-06	408,496.80	310321	445.25	
21-Aug-56	1,000,000.00	0.7627%	Emerald Reverse Mortgage (2006B)	NR	1,000,000.00	17-Jul-06	681,420.92	310334	1,420.92	
1,516,520.95					2,000,000.00		1,089,917.72		1,866.17	

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Accrued Interest Report									
Investment	Deal No.	Ref	Face Value (\$)	Settlement Date	Maturity Date	Interest Received (\$)	Days	Interest Accrued (\$)	Percentage Return
Bonds									
NAB 'Social' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	536771		3,444,000.00	26-Jun-18	24-Mar-22		30	9,124.73	3.22%
NAB 'Social' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	537279		4,000,000.00	01-Nov-18	24-Mar-22		30	10,597.82	3.22%
CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	536469		10,000,000.00	29-Mar-18	31-Mar-22		30	26,639.34	3.24%
CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	536652		1,100,000.00	24-May-18	31-Mar-22		30	2,930.33	3.24%
CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	536721		3,100,000.00	13-Jun-18	31-Mar-22		30	8,258.20	3.24%
CBA 'Climate' Snr Bond (Mar22) 3.25%	536896		4,000,000.00	31-Jul-18	31-Mar-22		30	10,655.74	3.24%
SUN Cov Bond (Aug26) 3.25%	539692		1,300,000.00	30-Apr-20	24-Aug-26		30	3,501.38	3.28%
SUN Cov Bond (Aug26) 3.25%	539728		500,000.00	05-May-20	24-Aug-26		30	1,346.69	3.28%
NSWTC 'Green' Snr Bond (Nov28) 3.00%	537310		5,000,000.00	15-Nov-18	15-Nov-28		30	12,362.63	3.01%
NHFIC 'Social' Snr Bond (May30) 1.52%	540932		1,500,000.00	10-Feb-21	27-May-30		30	1,889.50	1.53%
Bonds Total								87,306.36	3.13%
Cash									
ME Bank	539404		8,571,160.77			2,909.93	30	2,817.00	.40%
Cash Total						2,909.93		2,817.00	.40%
Floating Rate Note									
TMB Snr FRN (Jul21) BBSW+1.37%	536788		4,000,000.00	02-Jul-18	02-Jul-21	13,913.42	30	4,605.75	1.40%
BOz 'SRI' Snr FRN (Aug21) BBSW+1.30%	536986		2,000,000.00	30-Aug-18	30-Aug-21		30	2,186.30	1.33%
BEN Snr FRN (Jan22) BBSW+1.01%	537202		2,500,000.00	19-Oct-18	19-Jan-22	6,299.38	30	2,126.25	1.03%
SUN Snr FRN (Aug22) BBSW+0.97%	535607		1,000,000.00	16-Aug-17	16-Aug-22		30	805.73	.98%
SUN Snr FRN (Aug22) BBSW+0.97%	537263		4,000,000.00	31-Oct-18	16-Aug-22		30	3,222.90	.98%
BOz 'SRI' Snr FRN (Dec22) BBSW+0.90%	538824		4,000,000.00	02-Dec-19	02-Dec-22		30	3,057.54	.93%
BEN Snr FRN (Jan23) BBSW+1.05%	536141		1,500,000.00	25-Jan-18	25-Jan-23	4,008.81	30	1,312.39	1.06%

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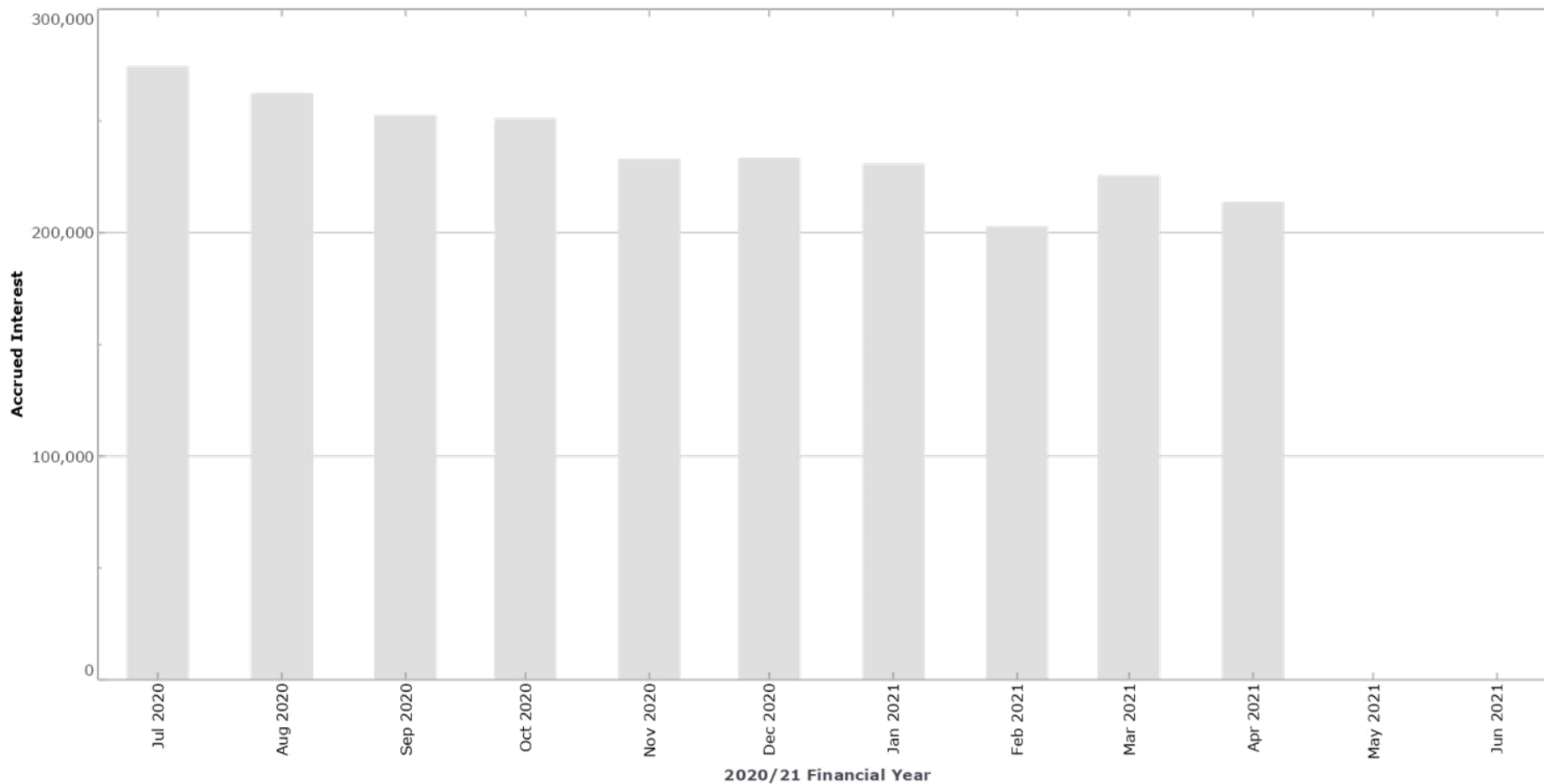
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Investment	Deal No.	Ref	Face Value (\$)	Settlement Date	Maturity Date	Interest Received (\$)	Days	Interest Accrued (\$)	Percentage Return
NPBS Snr FRN (Feb23) BBSW+1.40%	536175		1,700,000.00	06-Feb-18	06-Feb-23		30	1,969.86	1.41%
SUN Snr FRN (Jul24) BBSW+0.78%	538330		6,000,000.00	30-Jul-19	30-Jul-24	11,817.53	30	3,900.81	.79%
SUN Snr FRN (Jul24) BBSW+0.78%	538563		750,000.00	01-Oct-19	30-Jul-24	1,477.19	30	487.60	.79%
CUA Snr FRN (Oct24) BBSW+1.12%	538603		2,000,000.00	24-Oct-19	24-Oct-24	5,636.02	30	1,866.17	1.14%
SUN Cov FRN (Apr25) BBSW+1.12%	539640		3,700,000.00	27-Apr-20	24-Apr-25	10,426.63	30	3,452.41	1.14%
BEN Snr FRN (Dec25) BBSW+0.52%	540602		5,600,000.00	02-Dec-20	02-Dec-25		30	2,531.50	.55%
SUN Snr FRN (Feb26) BBSW+0.45%	540964		6,400,000.00	24-Feb-21	24-Feb-26		30	2,420.78	.46%
NPBS Snr FRN (Mar26) BBSW+0.63%	540984		10,000,000.00	04-Mar-21	04-Mar-26		30	5,446.03	.66%
Floating Rate Note Total						53,578.98		39,392.02	.87%
Mortgage Backed Securities									
Emerald Reverse Mortgage Series 2006-1 Class A (BBSW+0.45%)	310321		516,520.95	17-Jul-06	21-Aug-51		30	196.43	.46%
Emerald Reverse Mortgage Series 2006-1 Class B (BBSW+0.75%)	310334		1,000,000.00	17-Jul-06	21-Aug-56		30	626.88	.76%
Mortgage Backed Securities Total								823.31	.66%
Term Deposit									
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	539647		20,000,000.00	29-Apr-20	27-Apr-21	161,112.33	26	11,539.73	.81%
Westpac Group	538748		9,000,000.00	21-Nov-19	21-May-21		30	10,430.13	1.41%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	540164		20,000,000.00	31-Aug-20	15-Jun-21		30	11,013.70	.67%
Westpac Group	538346		3,000,000.00	31-Jul-19	26-Jul-21	11,817.53	30	3,895.88	1.58%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	540980		4,000,000.00	26-Feb-21	30-Aug-21		30	1,282.19	.39%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	540345		10,000,000.00	30-Sep-20	28-Sep-21		30	5,753.43	.70%
Westpac Group	540480		7,500,000.00	30-Oct-20	27-Oct-21	10,097.26	30	3,328.77	.54%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	540981		4,000,000.00	26-Feb-21	29-Nov-21		30	1,413.70	.43%
Westpac Group	540753		13,000,000.00	24-Dec-20	24-Dec-21		30	4,808.22	.45%

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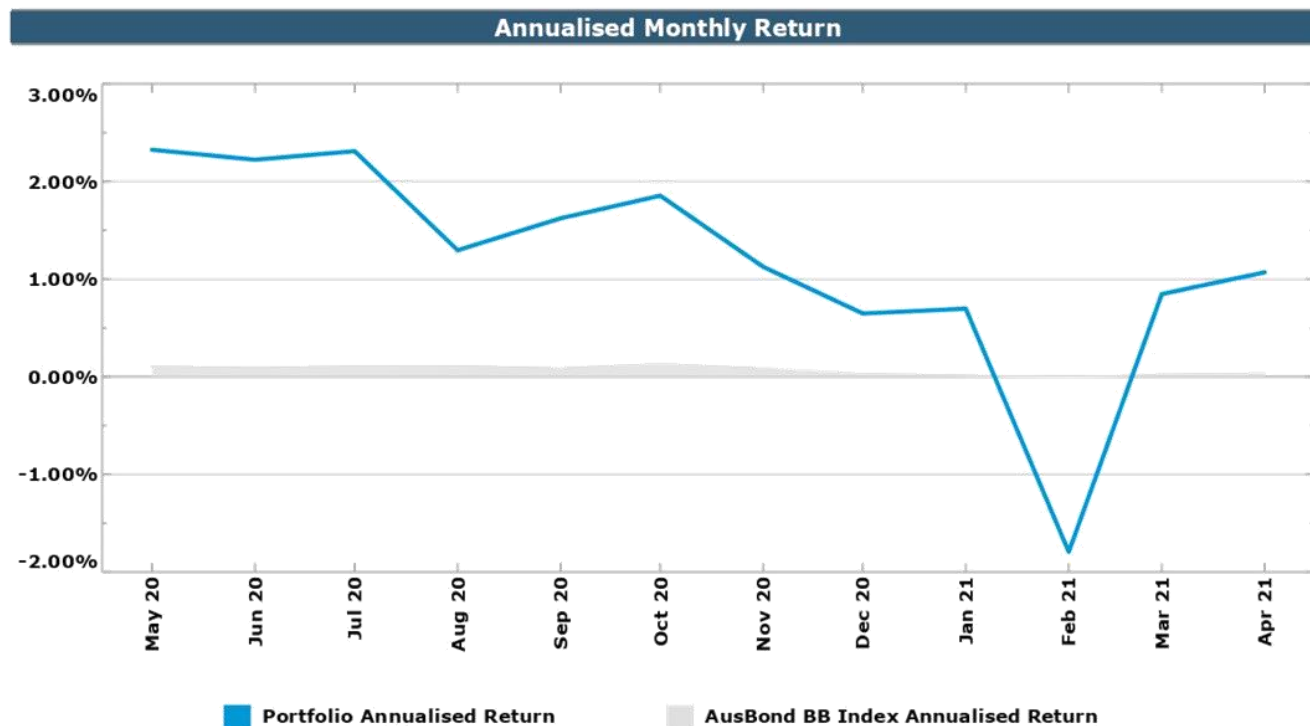
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Investment	Deal No.	Ref	Face Value (\$)	Settlement Date	Maturity Date	Interest Received (\$)	Days	Interest Accrued (\$)	Percentage Return
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	540914		20,000,000.00	29-Jan-21	25-Jan-22		30	7,068.49	.43%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	541299		10,000,000.00	30-Apr-21	22-Feb-22		1	101.37	.37%
ME Bank	541224		2,500,000.00	26-Mar-21	29-Mar-22		30	1,027.40	.50%
Westpac Group	541236		4,000,000.00	31-Mar-21	29-Mar-22		30	1,183.56	.36%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	541300		10,000,000.00	30-Apr-21	26-Apr-22		1	112.33	.41%
Westpac Group	538091		10,000,000.00	28-Jun-19	28-Jun-22		30	15,369.86	1.87%
Westpac Group	538347		4,000,000.00	31-Jul-19	25-Jul-22	15,656.99	30	5,161.64	1.57%
Term Deposit Total						198,684.11		83,490.40	.79%
						255,173.02		213,829.09	<u>1.14%</u>

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Historical Performance Summary

	Portfolio	AusBond BB Index	Outperformance
Apr 2021	1.07%	0.04%	1.03%
Last 3 Months	0.08%	0.02%	0.06%
Last 6 Months	0.46%	0.03%	0.43%
Financial Year to Date	0.99%	0.06%	0.93%
Last 12 months	1.20%	0.07%	1.13%

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Environmental Commitments Report - April 2021

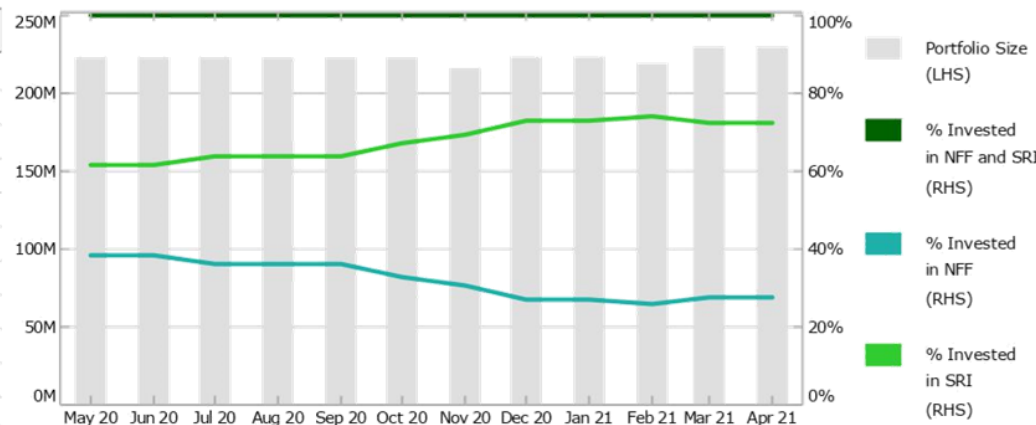


Current Breakdown

ADI Lending Status *	Current Month (\$)	Previous Month (\$)
Non Fossil Fuel Lending ADIs		
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	9,600,000	9,600,000
Credit Union Australia	2,000,000	2,000,000
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006A	516,521	516,521
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006B	1,000,000	1,000,000
Members Equity Bank	11,071,161	11,068,344
Newcastle Permanent Building Society	11,700,000	11,700,000
Suncorp Bank	18,150,000	18,150,000
Suncorp Bank (Covered)	5,500,000	5,500,000
Teachers Mutual Bank	4,000,000	4,000,000
	63,537,682	63,534,865
	28%	28%
Socially Responsible Investments		
Bank Australia (Sustainability)	6,000,000	6,000,000
CBA (Climate)	18,200,000	18,200,000
CBA (Green TD)	78,000,000	78,000,000
National Australia Bank (Social)	7,444,000	7,444,000
National Housing Finance Investment Corp (Social)	1,500,000	1,500,000
NSW T-Corp (Green)	5,000,000	5,000,000
Westpac Group (Green TD)	50,500,000	50,500,000
	166,644,000	166,644,000
	72%	72%
	230,181,682	230,178,865

* source: <http://www.marketforces.org.au>
Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding

Historical Portfolio Exposure to NFF Lending ADIs and SRIs



Socially Responsible Investments Glossary

Investment	Use of Funds
Bank Australia (Sustainability)	Reduced Inequalities, sustainable cities and communities, life on land **
CBA (Climate)	Wind farms, low carbon transport, low carbon commercial buildings ***
CBA (Green TD)	Wind farms, low carbon transport, low carbon commercial buildings ***
National Housing Finance Investment Corp (Social)	No poverty, sustainable cities and communities **
National Australia Bank (Social)	Employers of Choice for Gender Equality ****
NSW T-Corp (Green)	Low carbon transport, water infrastructure ***
Westpac Group (Green TD)	Wind farms, low carbon commercial buildings ***

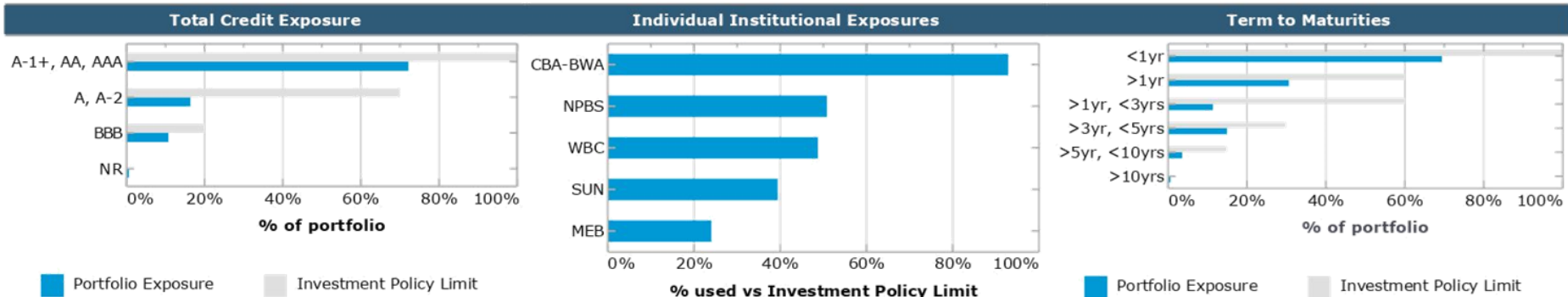
** United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

*** Climate Bonds Standard

**** Cited by the Workplace Gender Equality Agency as Employers of Choice for Gender Equality

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Investment Policy Compliance Report - April 2021



	Credit Rating	Face Value (\$)	Policy Max
Long Term	AA	19,000,000	
Long Term	AAA	7,000,000	
Short Term	A-1+	140,144,000	
		166,144,000	72% 100%
Long Term	A	18,150,000	
Short Term	A-2	19,571,161	
		37,721,161	16% 70%
Long Term	BBB	24,800,000	
		24,800,000	11% 20%
No Rating	NR	1,516,521	
		1,516,521	1% 0%
		230,181,682	100%

☐ = compliant
☐ = non-compliant

	% used vs Investment Policy Limit
Commonwealth Bank of Australia (A-1+, AA-)	93% ☐
Newcastle Permanent Building Society (A-2, BBB)	51% ☐
Westpac Group (A-1+, AA-)	49% ☐
Suncorp Bank (A-1, A+)	39% ☐
Members Equity Bank (A-2, BBB)	24% ☐
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank (A-2, BBB+)	21% ☐
Bank Australia (A-2, BBB)	13% ☐
Teachers Mutual Bank (A-2, BBB)	9% ☐
Credit Union Australia (A-2, BBB)	9% ☐
NSW T-Corp (Green) (A-1+, AA+)	7% ☐
National Australia Bank (A-1+, AA-)	7% ☐
Suncorp Bank (Covered) (AAA, AAA)	5% ☐
National Housing Finance Investment Corp (Social) (A-1+, AAA)	1% ☐

Maturity Profile	Face Value (\$)	Policy Max
Less than 1yr	159,715,161	69% 100%
Greater than 1yr	70,466,521	31% 60%
a. Between 1 and 3yrs	26,200,000	11% 60%
b. Between 3 and 5yrs	34,450,000	15% 30%
c. Between 5 and 10yrs	8,300,000	4% 15%
d. Greater than 10yrs	1,516,521	1% 0%
	230,181,682	

Detailed Maturity Profile	Face Value (\$)
00. Cash + Managed Funds	8,571,161 4%
01. Less Than 30 Days	9,000,000 4%
02. Between 30 Days and 60 Days	20,000,000 9%
03. Between 60 Days and 90 Days	7,000,000 3%
04. Between 90 Days and 180 Days	16,000,000 7%
05. Between 180 Days and 365 Days	99,144,000 43%
06. Between 365 Days and 3 Years	26,200,000 11%
07. Between 3 Years and 5 Years	34,450,000 15%
08. Between 5 Years and 10 Years	8,300,000 4%
09. Greater than 10 Years	1,516,521 1%
	230,181,682

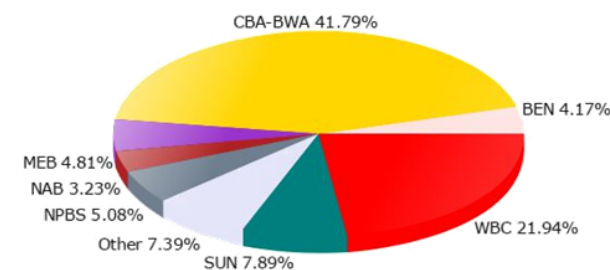
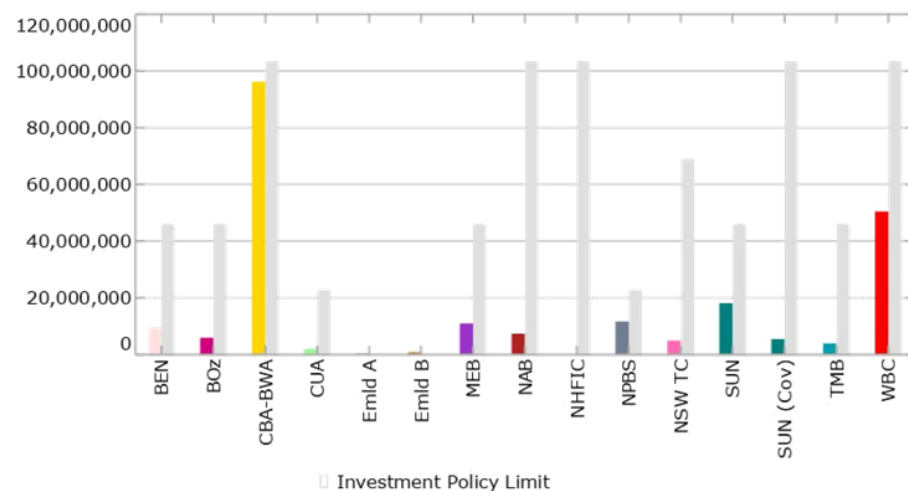
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Individual Institutional Exposures Report - April 2021



Individual Institutional Exposures Individual Institutional Exposure Charts

Parent Group	Credit Rating	Portfolio Exposure (\$)	Investment Policy Limit (\$)
Bank Australia	A-2, BBB	6,000,000	46,036,336
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	A-2, BBB+	9,600,000	46,036,336
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	A-1+, AA-	96,200,000	103,581,757
Credit Union Australia	A-2, BBB	2,000,000	23,018,168
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006A	NR	516,521	0
Emerald Reverse Mortgage 2006B	NR	1,000,000	0
Members Equity Bank	A-2, BBB	11,071,161	46,036,336
National Australia Bank	A-1+, AA-	7,444,000	103,581,757
National Housing Finance Investment Corp (Social)	A-1+, AAA	1,500,000	103,581,757
Newcastle Permanent Building Society	A-2, BBB	11,700,000	23,018,168
NSW T-Corp (Green)	A-1+, AA+	5,000,000	69,054,505
Suncorp Bank	A-1, A+	18,150,000	46,036,336
Suncorp Bank (Covered)	AAA, AAA	5,500,000	103,581,757
Teachers Mutual Bank	A-2, BBB	4,000,000	46,036,336
Westpac Group	A-1+, AA-	50,500,000	103,581,757
		230,181,682	



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Cash Flows Report - April 2021



Current Month Cashflows					
Transaction Date	Deal No.	Cashflow Counterparty	Asset Type	Cashflow Description	Cashflow Received
6-Apr-21	536788	Teachers Mutual Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	13,913.42
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>13,913.42</u>
				Day Total	13,913.42
19-Apr-21	537202	Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	6,299.38
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>6,299.38</u>
				Day Total	6,299.38
26-Apr-21	538603	Credit Union Australia	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	5,636.02
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>5,636.02</u>
	539640	Suncorp Bank (Covered)	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	10,426.63
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>10,426.63</u>
				Day Total	16,062.65
27-Apr-21	536141	Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	4,008.81
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>4,008.81</u>
	539647	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Term Deposits	Maturity Face Value - Received	20,000,000.00
		Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Term Deposits	Interest - Received	161,112.33
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>20,161,112.33</u>
				Day Total	20,165,121.13
30-Apr-21	538330	Suncorp Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	11,817.53
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>11,817.53</u>
	538346	Westpac Group	Term Deposits	Interest - Received	11,817.53
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>11,817.53</u>
	538347	Westpac Group	Term Deposits	Interest - Received	15,656.99
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>15,656.99</u>
	538563	Suncorp Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	1,477.19
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>1,477.19</u>
	540480	Westpac Group	Term Deposits	Interest - Received	10,097.26
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>10,097.26</u>

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Current Month Cashflows					
Transaction Date	Deal No.	Cashflow Counterparty	Asset Type	Cashflow Description	Cashflow Received
	541299	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Term Deposits	Settlement Face Value - Paid	-10,000,000.00
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>-10,000,000.00</u>
	541300	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Term Deposits	Settlement Face Value - Paid	-10,000,000.00
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>-10,000,000.00</u>
				Day Total	-19,949,133.49
				Net Cash Movement for Period	252,263.10

Next Month Cashflows					
Transaction Date	Deal No.	Cashflow Counterparty	Asset Type	Cashflow Description	Cashflow Due
6-May-21	536175	Newcastle Permanent Building Society	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	5,712.59
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>5,712.59</u>
				Day Total	5,712.59
17-May-21	535607	Suncorp Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	2,417.18
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>2,417.18</u>
	537263	Suncorp Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	9,668.71
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>9,668.71</u>
	537310	NSW T-Corp (Green)	Bonds	Coupon - Received	75,000.00
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>
				Day Total	87,085.89
21-May-21	310321	Emerald Reverse Mortgage (2006A)	Mortgage Backed Securities	Coupon - Received	576.21
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>576.21</u>
	310334	Emerald Reverse Mortgage (2006B)	Mortgage Backed Securities	Coupon - Received	1,838.84
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>1,838.84</u>
	538748	Westpac Group	Term Deposit	Maturity Face Value - Received	9,000,000.00
		Westpac Group	Term Deposit	Interest - Received	30,595.07
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>9,030,595.07</u>
				Day Total	9,033,010.11
24-May-21	540964	Suncorp Bank	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	7,181.64
				<u>Deal Total</u>	<u>7,181.64</u>
				Day Total	7,181.64
27-May-21	540932	NHFIC	Bonds	Coupon - Received	11,400.00

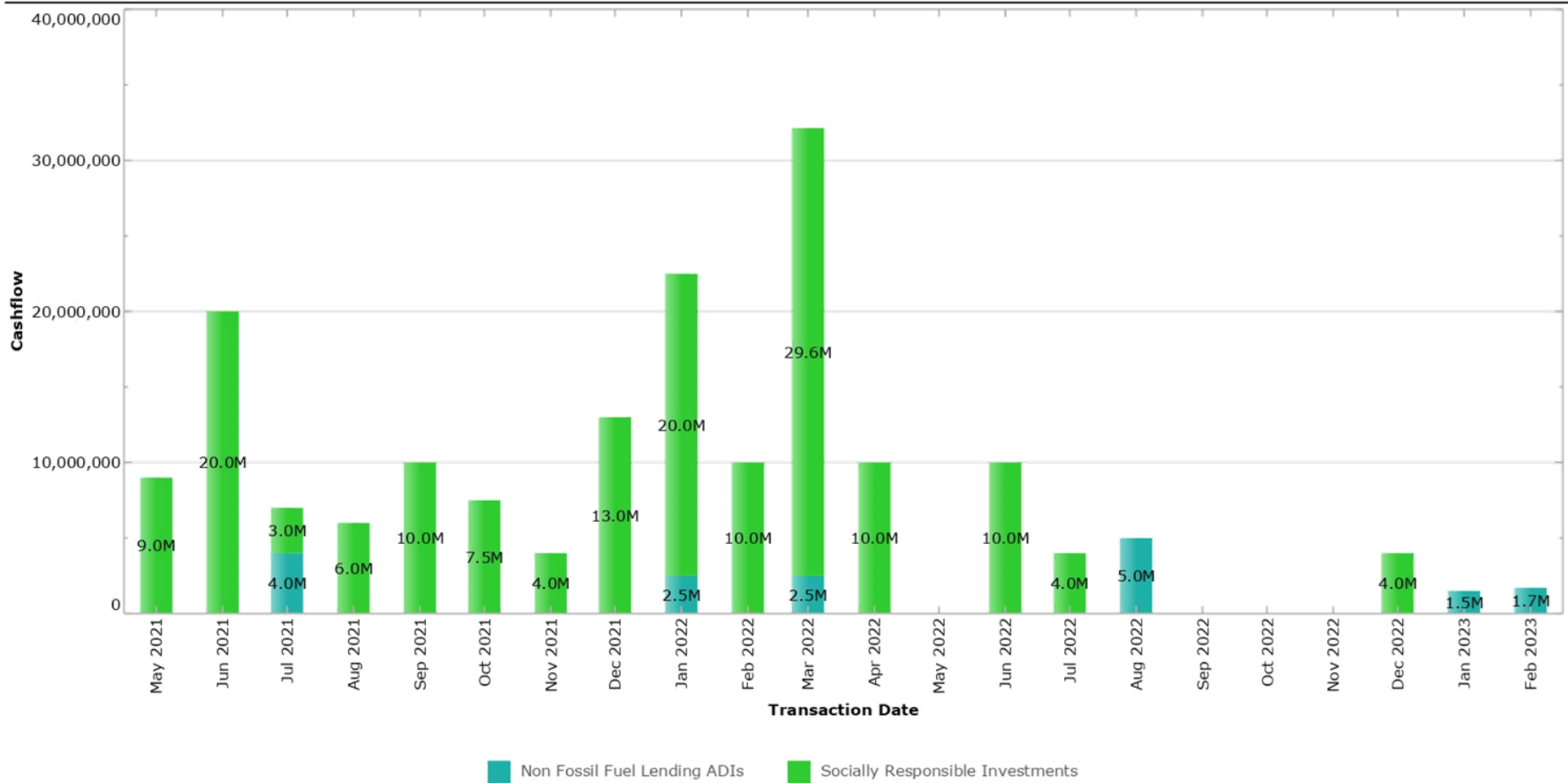
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Next Month Cashflows

<u>Transaction Date</u>	<u>Deal No.</u>	<u>Cashflow Counterparty</u>	<u>Asset Type</u>	<u>Cashflow Description</u>	<u>Cashflow Due</u>
<u>Deal Total</u>					<u>11,400.00</u>
Day Total					11,400.00
31-May-21	536986	Bank Australia	Floating Rate Note	Coupon - Received	6,850.41
<u>Deal Total</u>					<u>6,850.41</u>
Day Total					6,850.41
Net Cash Movement for Period					9,151,240.64

Inner West Council Cash Flows Report - April 2021



Inner West Council Economic and Investment Portfolio Commentary April 2021

Investment Portfolio Commentary

Council's investment portfolio posted a return of 1.07% pa for the month of April versus the bank bill index benchmark return of 0.04%pa. For the past 12 months, the investment portfolio returned 1.20%pa, exceeding the bank bill index benchmark's 0.07%pa by 1.13%pa.

Without marked-to-market influences, Council's investment portfolio yielded 1.14%pa for the month. This is based on the actual interest rates being received on existing investments and excludes the underlying changes to the market value of the securities/deposits.

During April, Council's investment portfolio had a \$20m 1yr Green TD with CBA mature that had been paying 0.81%. Council re-invested the amounts into two \$10m CBA Green TDs, one for 10 months at 0.37% and the other for 12 months at 0.41%, reflective of the drop in rates across the market.

Council's entire investment portfolio remains invested in non fossil fuel lending ADIs (28% of portfolio) and socially responsible investments (72% of portfolio).

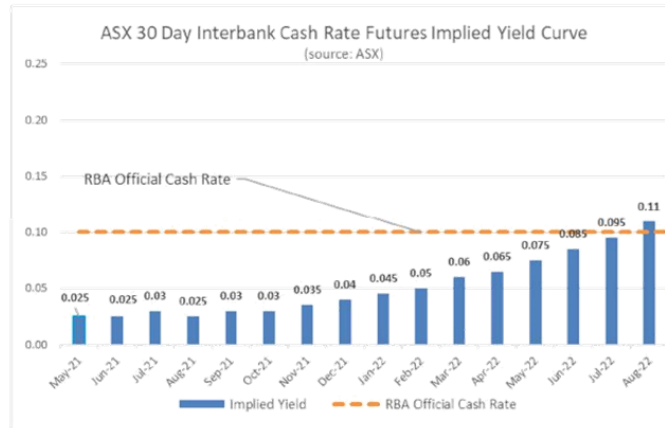
Over the past year, Council has proactively reduced its exposure to banks with long term credit ratings in the BBB+ and BBB categories in order to comply with NSW TCorp loan covenant requirements. This goal has now been achieved on schedule and Council's portfolio is now in full compliance with the NSW TCorp requirements while continuing to adhere to Council's ESG goals.

Domestic issues:

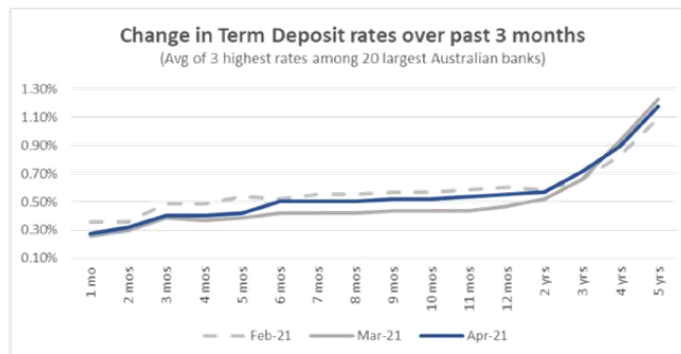
- Domestically, preliminary data suggests that GDP in the March quarter is likely to reveal a recovery to near pre-pandemic levels following solid growth in the September and December quarters.
- Consumer confidence rose in April to an 11-year high, business confidence remains strong and business conditions rose to their highest on record, and the jobs market is now back above its pre coronavirus level, with latest employment data revealing a gain of over 70,000 jobs in March.
- Latest inflation data came in lower than economists predicted, up 0.6% for the quarter and 1.1% year on year, still well short of the sustained 2-3%pa range the RBA is looking for.

Interest rates

- Monetary stimulus measures continue to keep short term market rates below the official cash rate. The market does not expect the 1 month swap rate to exceed the 0.10% official cash rate until mid-2022:



- In April, term deposit rates increased slightly, resulting in a three month range between 40-60 basis points across 3-24 month maturities. Meanwhile, 3-5 year TD rates largely held steady during the past two months after sharp gains in February, but their value is questionable when compared to long term floating rate options:



Global issues:

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF) revised upward its forecast for 2021 global growth to +6% and 2022 growth to +4.4%. While the global recovery is uneven across countries and sectors, the recovery has given a boost to share markets which benefit from rising earnings and the low interest rate environment.
- In the US, economic data remains very strong. March quarter Gross Domestic Product (GDP) rose 6.4%pa. US GDP is now just 0.9% below its pre coronavirus high. Consumer confidence also rose sharply in April and home prices are rising strongly.
- Eurozone economic sentiment surged to historically high levels in April pointing to a strong recovery once the pandemic is under control.

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Item No: C0621(1) Item 10
Subject: ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT
Prepared By: Jon Stiebel - Urban Sustainability Manager
Authorised By: Peter Gainsford - General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

THAT receive and note the pre-tender electricity procurement report.

DISCUSSION

Council resolved at its meeting of 13 April 2021 (C0421(1) Item 11) to delegate the General Manager the authority to enter into a procurement process (Request for Tender) for electricity supply to Council operations; and to receive a report prior to the Request for Tender (RFT).

Inner West Council's current electricity contract was procured through SSROC in 2018. Under the contract, the renewable energy component is a long-term commitment until 2030 whilst the residual load component expires in June 2022 and is up for renewal. The renewable energy is currently sourced from the Moree solar farm and is approximately equivalent to Council's daytime electricity consumption (around 25% of total electricity used). Options for procuring the next electricity contract have been evaluated and the preferred process is outlined in this report.

SSROC Procurement Process

Inner West will participate in the upcoming SSROC electricity procurement project (named PEERS 3). Tender release is currently scheduled for June 2021. The SSROC project will aggregate demand for electricity across 23 councils (including non-SSROC councils) with a view to attracting good pricing and service outcomes.

The PEERS 3 project team is:

- SSROC team:
 - Helen Sloan, SSROC GM
 - Helene Forsythe, Program Manager
 - Cathy Dizon, Strategic Procurement and Contracts Manager
- Technical Advisor – Sourced Energy Pty Ltd (David West and JP Vernon)
- Technical Quality Assurance – Next Energy Pty Ltd (Graham Mawer)
- Probity Advisor – Procure Group (Daemoni Bishop)
- Legal Advisors – Allens

Inner West Council is represented on the PEERS 3 Project Working Group.

Inner West Council Renewable Energy Target

Inner West Council has resolved to become 100% renewable and carbon neutral by 2025 and has declared a Climate Emergency, highlighting the need for accelerated action (refer Climate and Renewables Strategy adopted December 2019).

Over half of Councils participating in the project have adopted 100% renewable energy targets. The PEERS 3 project is seeking to allow individual Councils the ability to choose their renewable energy portion (an amount up to 100% to be agreed with each participating council) to address their target/dates.

As per (C0421(1) Item 11), a confidential report will be provided to Councillors on renewable energy options and their cost implications directly following the initial tender evaluation stage so that the General Manager can request a renewable portion prior to SSROC initiating the Best and Final Offer stage of the procurement process (BAFO). The report will provide information on the financial implications of requesting 100% renewables if this is an available option.

SSROC's estimated project timeline is shown in Figure 1 below. Expected key project milestones (subject to change) are:

- Request for Tender – June 2021
- Tender Close – July 2021
- Tender submission evaluations – July 2021
- Confidential report to Council on renewable energy options – July/August 2021
- Tender Awarded and contracts – September 2021

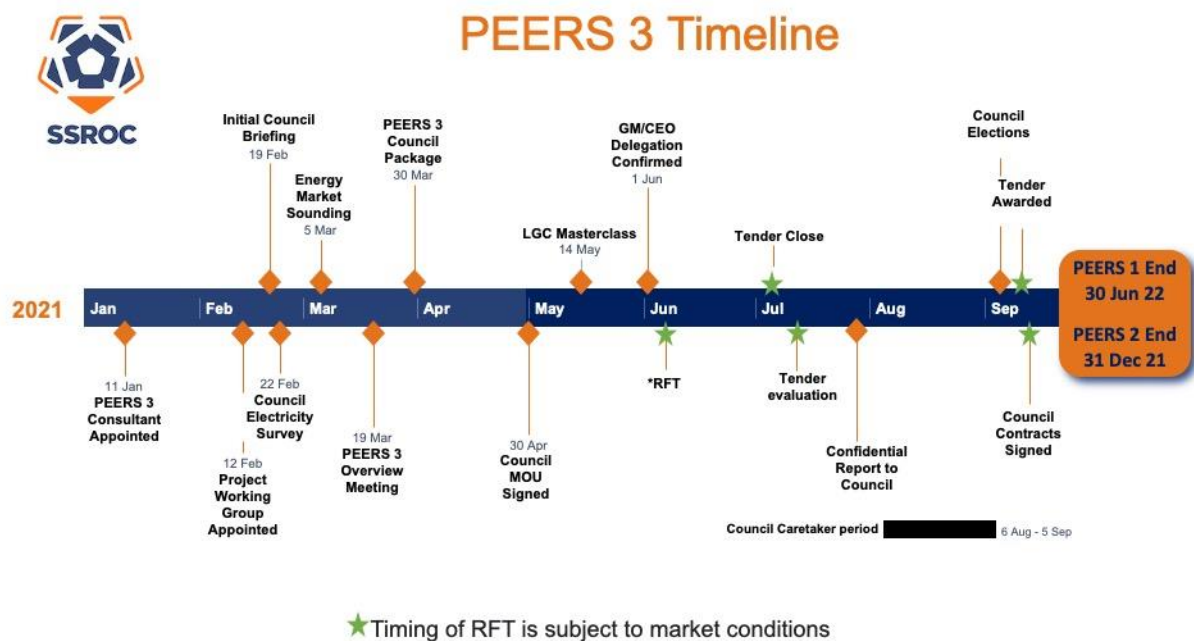


Figure 1 Estimated PEERS 3 Timeline

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council's current budget for electricity is approximately \$3 million/annum.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 11
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION TO RESCIND: C0521(3) ITEM 1 NOTICE OF MOTION: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL (DEMERGER) - 24 MAY 2021
From: Councillors Anna York, Lucille McKenna OAM and Sam Iskandar

MOTION:

We, the abovementioned Councillors, hereby submit a Notice of Motion to rescind the resolution of Council of 24 May 2021 that a poll be conducted on September 4, on the issue of de-amalgamation of the Inner West Council resolution 2 of **C0521(3) Item 1 Notice of Motion: Local Government Act Amendment Bill (Demerger)**, and propose the alternative Motion be adopted as follows:

THAT Council receive and consider the independent cost/benefit analysis on the de-merger proposal at the August Council meeting prior to any consideration of the poll.

Background

Council resolved in part on 24 May 2021:

2. Pursuant to section 14 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW):

- a) Take a poll of electors on the question of whether the Inner West local government area should be de-amalgamated, so as to restore the former local government areas of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville; and
- b) Hold the poll on the day of the 2021 NSW local government elections, being Saturday, 4 September 2021 or such later or other day as may subsequently be proclaimed.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 12

Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: COUNCIL WEBSITE WEEKLY UPDATE ON STREET MAINTENANCE

Council at its meeting on 24 May 2021 resolved that the matter be deferred to the meeting to be held on 08 June 2021.

From: Councillor Victor Macri

MOTION:

THAT Council update their website every Monday or first day of the week with the street maintenance that has been done on the previous week ie the verge mowing, street cleaning, tree trimming, and garbage tin cleaning.

Background

In the interest of transparency residents need to know the work that is being done and will elevate many concerns they have. I understand the difficulties in providing forward scheduling as due to the weather would be labor intensive and far from accurate with timing. Hence providing information on the work that has been done it will be accurate.

Officer's Comments:

Comment from Director Infrastructure:

Council manages and undertakes maintenance on 464km of roads, 578,000m² of grass verges, 80,000 trees and hundreds of public garbage bins. Each week, hundreds of maintenance services are undertaken on these assets.

There would be a substantial amount of administration to provide the information as requested on a weekly basis. It is estimated that it would take an administration officer one day per week to update the website with this information. This is not currently resourced within the Council structure and it would therefore require an additional part-time staff member at a cost of \$14,000 per annum. If this NOM is supported, Councillors will need to identify a budget for this additional resource.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 13

Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: REPORT ON TREE LOSS IN ASHFIELD AND LEICHHARDT WARDS

Council at its meeting on 24 May 2021 resolved that the matter be deferred to the meeting to be held on 08 June 2021.

From: Councillor John Stamolis

MOTION:

THAT Council receive a fully detailed listing of the tree canopy loss in Ashfield Ward and Leichhardt Ward over the past year; with additional emphasis on the two suburbs in Ashfield Ward that accounted for almost 50% of the tree canopy loss in the Inner West (i.e. Dulwich Hill and Ashfield).

Background

Council data reported that Ashfield Ward accounted for 64% of the canopy loss over the past year followed by Leichhardt Ward (23%). These two wards accounted for 87% of the canopy loss in the Inner West over the past year.

Councils' data showed the change in canopy for the 25 suburbs in the municipality. One suburb alone, Dulwich Hill, accounted for 27% of canopy loss across the entire 25 suburbs of the municipality!

The suburb of Ashfield accounted for 21% of the canopy loss.

That is, two of the 25 suburbs in the Inner West accounted for nearly half of the tree canopy loss in the Inner West. This requires examination.

Stanmore Ward and Balmain Ward, however, were the exceptional performers accounting for only 1% of the total canopy loss each. In Stanmore Ward a number of suburbs saw good canopy increases (Camperdown, Newtown and Enmore). So too for Balmain Ward. Both Lilyfield and Birchgrove saw solid increases.

The large Marrickville Ward accounted for only 11% of the loss. In this ward, Sydenham and St Peters were the two suburbs that saw canopy increases.

No suburbs in the Ashfield and Leichhardt Wards saw any canopy increase.

Ward	Canopy loss Ha	% of loss
Ashfield	-8.83	64%
Leichhardt	-3.22	23%
Marrickville	-1.47	11%
Balmain	-0.14	1%
Stanmore	-0.13	1%
Total	-13.78	100%

Officer's Comments:

Comment from Urban Forest and Ecology Manager:

The detailed canopy loss data can be presented to Council. It is suggested that this be provided as part of the review of Policy, expected to be able to be provided to Council within 3 months

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 14

Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: PLASTICS

Council at its meeting on 24 May 2021 resolved that the matter be deferred to the meeting to be held on 08 June 2021.

From: Councillor Colin Hesse

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Write to the operators of shopping centres located in the Inner West Local Government Area asking them to install public drinking facilities that allow centre patrons to drink from a bubbler or fill up their own bottle rather than buying bottled water and contributing to the massive amount of plastic waste in our society.
 2. Report to the June Council meeting on progress Council is making to eliminate the use of single use plastics in Council operations and events in accordance with the Council resolution C0918(1) Item 21 Single Use Plastics Reduction resolved 11 September 2018.
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Background

A resident has raised her concerns about the amount of single-use plastic water bottles purchased in our community, and the terrible contribution these water bottles make to plastic pollution in our society.

The resident notes that Council has installed bubblers and water bottle filling facilities in our shopping strips and parks and asks that shopping mall owners help the campaign to reduce plastic waste by installing these facilities in the centres they operate.

Residents of the IWC area are greatly concerned about our environment and in particular the impact of plastic waste on our community and around the world.

Officer's Comments:

Comment from Urban Sustainability Manager:

A report can be provided to Council on eliminating single use plastics in Council operations and events. A letter can be prepared for Mayors signature encouraging shopping centres to install fresh water drinking fountains to enable customers to re-fill their own water bottles.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 15

Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: CASS AWARD WIN

Council at its meeting on 24 May 2021 resolved that the matter be deferred to the meeting to be held on 08 June 2021.

From: Councillor Mark Drury

MOTION:

THAT Council sends a letter of congratulations to CASS on winning 2021 Premier's Multicultural Community Medal.

Background

CASS (Chinese Australian Services Society), a dedicated and passionate community services provider supporting the Australian multicultural community for 40 years, has won a 2021 Premier's Multicultural Community Medal.

It was the winner of the 2021 Not-For-Profit Business Excellence Medal, which was presented by The Hon Dr Geoff Lee MP, NSW Minister for Multiculturalism, at the Premier's Harmony Dinner held on 13 March 2021 at the International Convention Centre (ICC) Sydney. The late Chief Operations Manager of CASS, Maria Cheng, was also inducted onto the Multicultural Honour Roll.

Dr. Bo Zhou, the chair of CASS, said, "CASS was formed in 1981 and it has grown into a major social and welfare services provider with a very comprehensive range of community services serving more than 3,500 families of multicultural backgrounds each week, including Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese and Indonesian.

"The services provided by CASS include residential aged care, childcare, home ageing and disability services, settlement and health services, vocation and training services, volunteering services, Chinese language classes, cultural and interests classes. This Award is undoubtedly the greatest compliment to CASS."

The Premier's Harmony Dinner is an annual event organised by Multicultural NSW. It is aimed at celebrating a cohesive and inclusive multicultural society and recognising those who have contributed to the multicultural development in NSW.

Officer's Comments:

Comment from Acting Director City Living:

Council has been working in partnership and collaboration with CASS for many years on numerous community initiatives including Seniors programs, English translations services, parenting programs, Lunar New Year events, playgroup support. CASS are also represented on the IWC Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC).

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 16
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: MAYOR TO STAND DOWN
From: Councillor Julie Passas

MOTION:

THAT the Mayor to step down from the Mayoralty for the remainder of this term.

Officer's Comments:

Comment from General Manager:

A mayor holds office for two years subject to the LG Act (s230(1)) and ceases being a mayor if he or she ceases being a councillor (s234(5) LG Act).

The reasons for ceasing to be a councillor are set out in s234 LG Act and include death, resignation, mental incapacity, disqualification or dismissal from holding civic office and absence from three consecutive meetings without leave.

Council can lawfully call for the Mayor to stand down. It has no legal capacity to force the Mayor to do so.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 17
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT ST PETERS
From: Councillor Colin Hesse

MOTION:

THAT Council:

- 1. Notes the serious concerns of parents for the safety of their children as they cross Campbell Street St Peters to attend St Peters Public School;**
- 2. Notes the advice of parents that there have been a number of near misses of children by vehicles;**
- 3. Writes to the Minister for Transport, the Hon Andrew Constance, asking him to direct Transport for NSW to upgrade pedestrian safety on Campbell Street St Peters by the installation of rumble strips, flashing lights and implantation of a 40km zone; and**
- 4. Investigates any remedial action Council can take to alert drivers that they are driving in a residential area.**

Background

Since the widening of Campbell Street St Peters and the opening of the Westconnex in the St Peters area in 2020 drivers in Campbell Street may be taking the street as part of the motorway rather than the residential area it is. The failure of some drivers to recognise that Campbell Street is a residential area means that inappropriate speed of drivers is placing pedestrians at risk, particularly students crossing Campbell Street to attend St Peters Public School.

Increasing density of population in the area will see more pedestrians, and more children attending the public school.

Following is a recent media release from concerned parents.

MEDIA RELEASE

14th May 2021

Walk to School Day marked by protests about unsafe pedestrian crossing

St Peters:

More than 40 school children, parents and local community members gathered for a loud protest at the notorious Campbell Street crossing in St Peters to mark Walk-to-School day. The children chanted “*Don’t kill kids, make the crossing safe*” in reference to a number of near misses by cars and trucks driving through the red light at this crossing.

The pedestrian crossing has been the subject of more than 4 years of lobbying from the school community to get safeguards such as a 40km school zone installed, only to be blocked by the RMS.

“The school has raised this and participated in many meetings with the RMS and Council and we were told this couldn’t happen as it would negatively affect the traffic flow and speed” says P&C member Emma Pierce.

Parents of the two nine-year-old girls who were nearly killed were reportedly shocked after a Facebook post led to an outpouring of stories from other parents and community members about similar near-misses by vehicles missing the red light

“There is a fundamental design flaw in this pedestrian crossing- vehicles coming off Westconnex and the Princes Highway are failing to see the red light. We need action before there is a tragedy here - we demand that the RMS install rumble strips, flashing lights and 40km zone - it’s not too much to ask if this saves even one life” says local parent Sarina Kilham

Officer’s Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 18
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: CANOE LAUNCH RAMPS - MACKEY PARK
From: Councillor Colin Hesse

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Notes the urgent need for repair works (and potential upgrades) along the Cooks River wall at Mackey Park canoe launch steps,
2. Notes the public safety risks and lost opportunities for recreational activities and amenity for the local community due to the current state of the canoe launch space,
3. Priorities the upgrade of the launch steps through an easing of the graded access to the river, and the provision of handrails in consultation with The River Canoe Club of NSW,
4. Works with Sydney Water, Crown Lands and any other relevant body to carry out these works,
5. Seeks grants funding from relevant sources and considers direct commitment of Council funds to ensure these works are carried out.

Background

The sandstone rock wall on the Cooks River at Mackey Park is showing significant signs of deterioration, including water coming in behind the wall at various places, the decline of the wall, and regular inundation of the land behind the river wall.

The launch steps immediately adjacent to the River Canoe Club of NSW are similarly showing decline, with the corner stones loose.

Entry and egress to and from the steps and into a canoe are difficult at high tide, and worse at low tide. The steps are slippery, and cause canoeists to slip and injure themselves.

Safer entry to the river could be arranged by an easier grade and the provision of handrails.

In recent years the River Canoe Club of NSW has engaged significantly with the local community through regular sunset and sunrise paddles open to all at a very small cost, and their strong commitment to cleaning up the river through their engagement with the Cooks River Alliance, Inner West Council, and community organisations. The Club has demonstrated a genuine community focus.

Officer's Comments:

Comment from Director Infrastructure:

It is important to ensure that recreational assets are maintained for safe and effective use by the community. Staff have inspected the wall. The deterioration of the river wall is significantly less than comparative sea walls which experience wash from powered vessels and tidal forces. Whilst the river wall is in poor condition in sections, staff are of the view that there is no imminent risk of failure or safety risk to the public.

Council has a Cooks River Parklands Plan of Management and Masterplan which incorporates the area occupied by the River Canoe Club. The Masterplan incorporates an Implementation Plan which prioritises works in the Cooks River Parklands. At this time, there is no proposal to undertake improvement works for access by canoes.

Land ownership at this location is complicated. The tidal part of the Cooks River is the responsibility of TfNSW (previously Maritime Services) and other land is owned by Crown Lands. Moving forward, staff will arrange a survey of the area to determine the location of assets in relation to the property boundaries and provide assistance and support to the River Canoe Club for grant applications.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 19
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: THE ROTUNDA PIONEER PARK: ADDRESSING IBIS DROPPINGS WITH MORE FREQUENT CLEANING
From: Councillor Rochelle Porteous

MOTION:

THAT:

1. Council increase the current quarterly deep cleans of the Rotunda in Pioneer Park, Leichhardt to monthly deep cleans as soon as possible.
2. Council brings a report to the August council meeting outlining options for ecologically addressing this problem. Included in that report are options for a shade sail or other structure to protect the flooring of the Rotunda. Costings to be included in the report.
3. Funding for the additional deep cleans of the Rotunda to be included in the final 21/22 Budget when adopted by Council in June 2021.

Background

The Rotunda in Pioneer Park, Leichhardt is a popular space used by schoolchildren, families, including toddlers and an older womens' group who have been running Tai Chi sessions at the Rotunda for many years. It is the only safe, flat large space in the park where the sessions such as these and other activities such as concerts and play events can be carried out.

The Australian White Ibis have started roosting in the roof of the Rotunda and as such the droppings of the birds are covering this valued community space, making it, at times, unsafe to use.

The Rotunda, together with other key structures in the park, has a deep clean once every three months.

Community members have asked if there is a possibility of safely encouraging the birds to roost somewhere else or to cover the roof with a sailcloth to avoid the droppings polluting the floor of the Rotunda.

Australian White Ibis are natives and they are protected under section 98 of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974. It has been accepted that the ibis are now part of the urban environment. This therefore limits Council's ability to intervene with the breeding of Ibis.

In the short to medium term more frequent deep cleans of the Rotunda floor will help to keep the floor clean. As part of a longer term solution Council should also investigate, noting that Australian White Ibis are protected, how this problem has been appropriated and sensitively addressed by other councils across NSW and also consider the option of a shade sail or other protective structure for the roof of the Rotunda

Officer's Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [↓](#) Photo-Rotunda Pioneer Park Ibis Droppings



Item 19

Attachment 1

Item No: C0621(1) Item 20
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: GLADSTONE PARK: TOILETS, FOOTPATHS AND WASTE BINS
From: Councillor Rochelle Porteous

MOTION:

THAT:

1. An audit be undertaken as soon as possible of the Gladstone Park toilets and a report be brought to council in July with recommendations on the implementation of a short-term solution with the upgrade of the toilets to address the safety, poor maintenance and smell issues. Funding to be identified or brought forward to 21/22 budget from the 22/23 budget;
2. Further advice to be sought on the heritage status of the toilets re the longer-term proposal to demolish them. That council commits to be building of at least one accessible toilet in Gladstone Park as a high priority;
3. The waste bins in Gladstone Park be emptied at least five times a week, including Friday, Saturday and Sunday and their usage monitored on an in-going basis; and
4. An audit be undertaken on the condition, safety and accessibility of the footpaths in and around Gladstone Park and a report brought to the July council meeting with recommendations on upgrading and repairing the footpaths, a timeline for implementing these works, costings and identified funding.

Background

The issue:

Gladstone Park is a popular central Balmain park frequented by families from Balmain Public Primary School and Fr John Therry Catholic Primary School, Balmain Hospital, users of the Bus Terminal, the Balmain high street businesses and local residents.

The park is over 100 years old. It occupies an elevated and prominent position on Darling Street. Below Gladstone Park is Balmain Reservoir, a significant structure which originally provided water to part of the peninsula. The Reservoir and Balmain Reservoir Valve House are important contributions to the heritage of Balmain and of Sydney. They are listed on the Heritage Act- s170 NSW State Agency Heritage Register and the National Trust of Australia Register.

The toilets:

The toilets at Gladstone Park are attracting complaints from residents due to their poor upkeep; persistent smell – particularly from the men’s toilet; the fact that no toilet is accessible and the fact that they are unsafe to use. The men’s toilet for example has no privacy screen on the urinal. The male and female toilets have high usage including use by bus drivers and bus passengers from the bus terminal as well as many park users. They are listed as having a high priority in the draft toilet strategy and proposed for demolition and complete rebuild of accessible toilets. There are funds allocated for works in the 22/23 budget.

The Waste Bins:

The waste bins are often full and overflowing. This would be because usage is very high with many of the staff and visitors to Balmain Hospital, the schools and local businesses bring food or purchasing take away meals and consuming them in the park and due to the use of the park, particularly at weekends, for picnics, family gatherings and children's parties.

The use would be equivalent to the use of bins in the high street. The Gladstone Park bins need a more frequently emptying cycle as a permanent arrangement.

The footpaths in the park:

The footpaths are generally in a poor to very poor state of repair. There is a high demand for the footpaths in and around the park to be in good condition and safe for wheelchair users and people with mobility issues as Balmain Hospital is situated across the road from the park.

Officer's Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 21
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: SUMMER HILL RESIDENTS MUST BE HEARD.
SMITH ST DEVELOPMENT
From: Councillor Mark Drury

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Note that:
 - a) amended plans were submitted by the Applicant on 13 May 2021 in relation to the development at 55-63 Smith Street Summer Hill;
 - b) the notice to be sent from Council (as resolved by C0321(2) Item 25 Mayoral Minute: 55 Smith Street, Summer Hill), to residents informing them of how to make submissions on this application has not yet been distributed; and
 - c) the Inner West Planning Panel Chair has now declined to meet with residents as requested by council, citing Departmental advice.
2. Require that the General Manager re-notify affected local residents of the amended plans;
3. Note that there is a strong community concern that in this process sufficient weight will not be given to:
 - a) the provisions of draft instruments (namely the proposed Housing Diversity SEPP);
 - b) likely impacts on the environment including social and economic impacts in the locality;
 - c) the suitability of the site for the development;
 - d) submissions by local residents;
 - e) the public interest; and
 - f) as required by Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
4. Requests that the Planning Panel have a meeting arranged to allow representatives of local residents to provide feedback to the Panel regarding their views on the proposed development, prior to the Panels final deliberative meeting for the proposal; and
5. Convene a separate public meeting in Summer hill, proposed to be held on 26 June 2021, so that residents can be briefed on the amended plans. The notice of this meeting can be included in the note Council has already resolved to distribute with information about how to make submissions.

Background

It was resolved on 9 March 2021 that Council:

Writes to the Chair of the Inner West Local Planning Panel, which will consider the development application for 55 Smith Street, Summer Hill, requesting that the Panel convene a meeting with Summer Hill residents regarding the proposal in order to hear their views, and further requests that the Panel hearing at which the application is to be considered be held in Summer Hill or Ashfield in order to allow residents to attend and their views be heard

Following the exchange of correspondence with the Chair, Mr David Lloyd, it is now apparent that all members of the Planning Panel are unable to attend any meeting discussing the development application, “unless the meeting has been organised at the request of the Planning Panel.”

On this basis, Mr Lloyd has declined an invitation to attend a public meeting that was to be held by the Summer Hill Action Group.

However, as per the advice from Mr Lloyd, he and other members of panel can attend a meeting if it is called by Planning Panel itself.

Officer’s Comments:

Comment from Senior Manager Planning:

Additional resourcing will be required outside core business hours to hold a public meeting if resolved.

Amended plans have been recently submitted to Council for the boarding house Development Application (DA). The revised proposal is now seeking demolition of existing structures and construction of a boarding house containing 97 boarding rooms (including on-site managers rooms) over 1 basement level of parking. As opposed to the original 105 boarding room proposal.

Council correspondence has been supplied to a third party printer/distributor to undertake a letterbox drop to all the residents in Summer Hill advising them of the re-exhibition (between 7 June to 28 June 2021) of the application based on the amended plans, how to view the amended proposal, the process of lodging a submission and the determination process with the Planning Panel.

To avoid any perception of bias, the Panel Chair, Prof David Lloyd has advised (in accordance with the Department of Planning Industry and Environment Planning Panel procedures) that panel members should avoid public meetings about a proposed development organised by members of the community or council, unless the meeting has been organised at the request of the Planning Panel. Prof David Lloyd has advised that the public will be able to make their concerns known at the Planning Panel meeting which will be considering the particular DA. A Planning Panel date is yet to be determined.

Further to the above, in accordance with Section 4.8(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (the Act), states that the functions of a Council as a consent authority in respect of a DA are not exercisable by the councillors. They are exercisable on behalf of the council by—

(a) the local planning panel, or

(b) an officer or employee of the council to whom the council delegates those functions.

In considering the DA, the consent authority must take into account such of the matters listed in Section 4.15 of the Act as are relevant to the application. These include any applicable State Environmental Planning Policies, Local Environmental Plans, Development Control Plans, the likely impacts on the environment including social and economic impacts in the locality, the suitability of the site for the development, submissions and the public interest. The consent authority has to determine the weight that each of these consideration is given.

Due to resourcing issues, staff are unable to conduct a public meeting on 26 June. In place of a public meeting, it is recommended that a pre-recorded webinar be uploaded to Your Say Inner West to advise the residents of the amended proposal, how to make a submission and explain the determination process with the Planning Panel. Alternatively, an on-line meeting can also be arranged.

If a public meeting is required suitable dates will be provided based on resourcing availability.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 22
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: ROZELLE SCHOOL OF VISUAL ARTS
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council sends a letter of congratulations to Rozelle School of Visual Arts, which is celebrating 50 years of teaching dance and arts in the Rozelle community.

Background

The Rozelle School of Visual Arts (RSVA) has been providing affordable recreational activities for the local community for 50 years. Catering to all ages from pre-schoolers to seniors, a range of classes have operated from the School over the past five decades, with a particular focus on dance.

Founded in 1971 by Barbara Cuckson with the support of her father, holocaust survivor and refugee Eric Cuckson, Barbara set out to provide modern ballet lessons based on the teachings of Austrian/Australian dancer, choreographer and teacher Gertrud Bodenwieser. She has continually operated these classes in the style since then with the assistance of her sister, Margaret Cuckson, and many others over the years.

The RSVA has also been the long-term home to the Rozelle Fencing Club from 1974 to 2017, the Rozelle Photographic Workshop since 1975, and a range of other specialist creative activities.

The RSVA has allowed thousands of local residents to participate in many other activities such as stained-glass making, jazz dance, drama, singing, highland dancing, Zumba, seniors exercise, drawing, painting, speech-making, yoga, childbirth classes, and been host to numerous art exhibitions.

Officer's Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 23
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: OPPOSITION TO CHANGES TO 370 BUS SERVICE
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Notes Transport for NSW (TfNSW) is undertaking community engagement into proposed changes to Sydney's South East transport network. This engagement finishes on 18 June 2021;
2. Notes that these proposed changes include modifications to the 370 bus route. This would see the existing 370 bus service now only run between The University of Sydney and Coogee. An additional bus route, the 469 bus service, would operate from Leichhardt to The University of Sydney (via Annandale and Glebe); and
3. Makes a submission to TfNSW's community consultation raising the concerns of Council to these changes. This should include reference to the significant dislocation that would occur to the Inner West if this important direct link from Leichhardt and Annandale to Newtown was to be removed.

Background

370 Frequent	Route changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This route will be modified to operate between Coogee and The University of Sydney, operating via Carr St instead of Coogee Bay Rd, and no longer operating between The University of Sydney and Leichhardt. Customers can use route 348 along Coogee Bay Rd, and new route 469 between The University of Sydney and Leichhardt. This route will be upgraded and become a Frequent route with services at least every 10 minutes during the day and at least every 20 minutes early morning and evening, seven days a week.
469	New route	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This new route partially replaces route 370 and will provide a direct service between Leichhardt, Glebe and The University of Sydney. Services will operate every 15 minutes during peak periods, every 20 minutes during the day, and every 30 minutes early morning and evening.

Officer's Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

Item No: C0621(1) Item 24
Subject: NOTICE OF MOTION: TRANSITION TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES
From: The Mayor, Councillor Darcy Byrne

MOTION:

THAT Council:

1. Notes the update on Council's Sustainable Fleet Transition sent to Councillors on 25 August 2020 (See below);
2. Explores funding opportunities from the NSW and Federal governments for installing charging infrastructure in the Inner West and reports back its findings to the October Ordinary Council meeting;
3. Resolves to ensure that planning processes for installing chargers is streamlined and simplified for businesses and residents;
4. Provides information through all of its communication channels of how Inner West businesses can install charging infrastructure;
5. Works with the local taxi and rideshare industry to facilitate charging facilities where the council can provide suitable parking or assistance, and;
6. Works with the Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) and Re:Mobilise (See Attachment 1) to:
 - a) Prepare of a comprehensive fleet transition plan including light and heavy vehicle fleet with a goal of adopting zero-emissions transport where a fit for purpose and cost-effective alternative exists on a whole of life costing basis, and;
 - b) Explore entering into memorandum of understandings to collaborate with other councils to aggregate buying power, and develop competencies required for the transition.

Officer's Comments:

Staff have no comment.

ATTACHMENTS

1. [↓](#) Mobilise
2. [↓](#) Briefing Note - Sustainable Fleet Transition



A Heavy Zero Emissions Vehicle Buying Collaboration

Re:Mobilise is a national aggregated buying collaboration for heavy zero emissions vehicles that aims to break down some of the key barriers to rapid acceleration of heavy vehicle fleets.

WHY RE:MOBILISE?

Benefits of electrification



Economic value of up to \$640M

Buses and heavy electric vehicles make economic sense. With design and builds conducted in Australia, the transition to electric will create thousands of jobs across the country.



Social Impact

Through electrification, we can reduce the reliance on foreign fuel sources, improving local health through lower pollution and local employment.



Environmental Footprint

Every heavy vehicle removes the CO2 equivalent of approximately 18 cars. With accelerated transition, electrification has the potential to remove almost 30,000 car-equivalent CO2 emissions in Australia.

Barriers to overcome



Many perceived risks

The risks are viewed as higher than actual due to limited resources and understanding around electrification.



Limited supply

There are limited suppliers of vehicles and finance.



Complex business case

The business case is complex for many organisations where there is a shift to higher capital expenditures for longer term, whole of life savings

WHO IS INVOLVED?

Re:mobilise was created through collaborations between over 20 councils, a number of bus operators, state governments, logistics companies and industry groups.



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► WHAT WILL WE DO?

Re:Mobilise aims to manage the barriers and exploit these opportunities in three key ways:



Minimise Risk

Creating a collaboration group that can introduce mutual risk minimisation strategies.



Buying Power

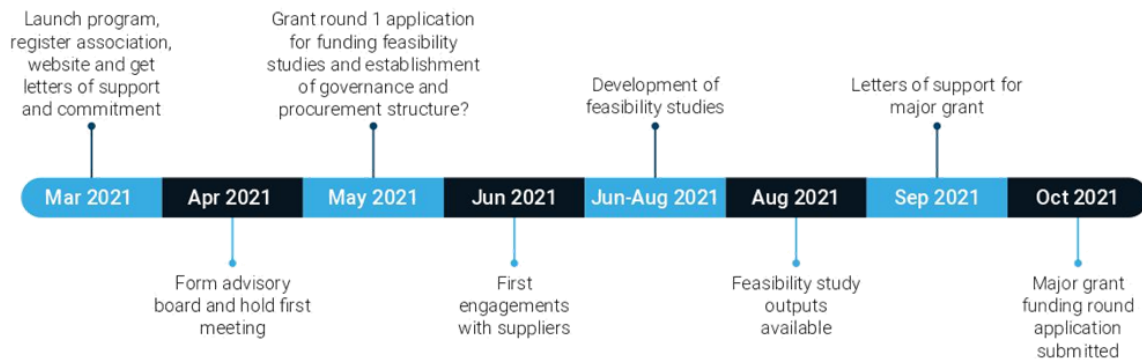
Bringing together hundreds of organisations seeking to accelerate the transition to zero emissions in their heavy vehicle fleet (including last mile delivery).



Government Funding

Targeting government support where it has the most leverage.

► WHAT IS THE PLAN



► RE:MOBILISE GOALS AND BENEFITS

We are asking organisations to commit to a letter of support for the following incentives:



Grant Funding

We will be seeking 50% grant funding for feasibility studies. We are asking for commitment to 25% of the costs (likely \$8,000) from the federal government.



Collaboration

We will collaborate with many other organisations seeking to electrify their fleet. Bringing learning benefits as well as cost reductions.



Commitment

We will provide genuine commitment to electrification of heavy vehicle fleets if the cost and risk elements can be managed.



Purchase

We will be utilising funding to support the purchase of at least one heavy electric vehicle by 2022.



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BRIEFING NOTE

To: All Councillors
From: Chief Executive Officer, Michael Deegan
Date: 25 August 2020
Subject: Sustainable Fleet Transition

Councillors,

An all-hybrid lease-back vehicle fleet is a practical first step in the transition to a zero-carbon fleet. The lease-back fleet is currently mainly composed of traditional internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles. However similar hybrid options are available and offer a straightforward like-for-like swap.

Analysis of a) the current lease back fleet, b) hybrid car replacement options, and c) scheduled vehicle turn-over shows that:

- Transitioning the lease-back fleet to all-hybrid is cost neutral
- Full transition can happen within two years
- An all-hybrid lease back fleet would reduce lease back fleet emissions by 26%
- An all-hybrid lease back fleet would reduce other tailpipe emissions.

The Leaseback Motor Vehicle Policy has been amended to reflect the transition to an all-hybrid lease-back fleet and has been endorsed by the Joint Consultative Committee (JCC) and approved by the Executive.

Additionally, full electric vehicles will be increasingly introduced as costs decrease and the proportion of renewable electricity increases, commencing first with pool cars and regulatory vehicles. Council is a member of *Charge Together Fleets*, a program for electric vehicle fleet management, bringing together a range of resources for fleet & sustainability managers to help with the transition to electric vehicle fleets. Council's Fleet Manager maintains a watching brief on the prices and availability of electric options for heavy and light operational vehicles.

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Item No: C0621(1) Item 26
Subject: TREE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES CONTRACT
Prepared By: Heidi Webb - Tree Contract Supervisor
Authorised By: Cathy Edwards-Davis - Director Infrastructure

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council adopt the recommendation contained in the Confidential Attachment 1.

DISCUSSION

On 14 April 2021 Inner West council invited tenders for the Tree Management and Maintenance Services Contract, Tender No. 04-21. Tenders closed on 5 May 2021.

The works and services to be provided are in accordance with the Scope Document and Contract

- Forward program visual tree inspection and risk assessment
- Cyclic tree maintenance pruning and removal
- Management of Council's public tree assets in accordance with best practice guidelines within the arboricultural industry.

Tenders were evaluated in accordance with Council's Purchasing Policy and Procedures and the Local Government Act 1993 and General Regulations 2005.

Pending Council approval, the contract is expected to commence on 1 July 2021.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Contract works are to be funded under the existing street tree maintenance budget of \$1,525,000.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Confidential Tender Report Tree Management and Maintenance - *Confidential*