
Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 October 2022 at Ashfield Service Centre

Meeting commenced at 6.32pm

Present:

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Philippa Scott	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor (Attended remotely)
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Kobi Shetty	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Timothy Stephens	Councillor
Zoi Tsardoulis	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Simone Plummer	Director Planning
Ryann Midei	Director Infrastructure
Ruth Callaghan	Director Community
Kelly Loveridge	Director Corporate
Michele Smith	Acting Senior Manager Governance and Risk
Daniel East	Acting Senior Manager Planning
Manod Wickramasinghe	Manager Traffic and Transport Planning
Scott Mullen	Manager Strategic Investments and Property
Prue Foreman	Corporate Strategy and Engagement Manager
Melanie Gurney	Senior Manager Customer Experience and Service Transformation
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator

APOLOGIES:

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That apologies from the Councillor Smith be accepted

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Clr Scott declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 Notice of Motion: Council Support for Waste Education as she her children attend Kegworth Public School and she has

been involved with the school P&C and events for 10 years. She will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for this item.

Clr Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 12 Review of the Event Invitation, Speaking and Public Meeting Policy as he works in the Office of the Member for Summer Hill. As the item is blanket applied to all elected representatives, and at all levels of Government, it does not present a conflict and he will remain in the Chamber for discussion and voting on the item.

Clr Howard declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 13 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 19 September 2022 as he works in the Office of the Member for Summer Hill who has a representative on the Committee. He also declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in this item because the proposed works at the corner of England Avenue are in close proximity to his primary residential address. He will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for this item.

Motion: (Stephens/Tsardoulias)

That Council note the disclosures of interest.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: (Lockie/Scott)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 13 September 2022 and Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 20 September 2022 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

- In the minutes of the 13 September 2022, Item 19 Notice of Motion: Fossil Fuel Advertising in the Inner West amending that Clr Lockie seconded the motion and not Clr Scott.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 6:42 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott assumed the chair.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 6:54 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott vacated the chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

Procedural Motion (Drury/Scott)

That Council accept Councillor Howard's request to attend tonight's Council Meeting via audio visual link.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 44 Mayoral Minute: Support for Justice Reform Initiative

Motion: (Byrne)

That Council:

1. Welcomes the formation of the Justice Reform Initiative, seeking an evidence based criminal justice policy for this country that identifies alternatives to incarceration and enhances community safety. We recognise the harm and cost of over-incarceration, the overrepresentation of vulnerable and disadvantaged populations in the criminal justice system, especially Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and the need to address the social and health drivers of incarceration. We support the call to all parliamentarians to implement evidence-based policy and the reduction of costly and harmful over-incarceration and further agree to the support of council for this resolution being recognised on the website of the Justice Reform Initiative; and
2. Condemns the NSW Government's recent decision not to allow United Nations Inspectors to attend and inspect NSW Prisons.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 45 Mayoral Minute: Partnership with Inner West Community Energy

Motion: (Byrne)

That Council:

1. Partner with *Inner West Community Energy* and other relevant renewable energy advocacy organisations in the Inner West to progress plans for community batteries to be installed and operated here;
2. Prepare a report outlining what work Council has undertaken on how to facilitate community batteries in the local government area including an audit of Council controlled land that would be suitable for the installation of community batteries; and
3. Invite the Minister for Climate Change and Energy, Chris Bowen, to attend a public forum in the Inner West to address how Council and our community can take advantage of the Federal Government's renewable energy policies to establish community batteries and electric vehicle infrastructure in the Inner West.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 46 Mayoral Minute: Free Use of Town Halls and Facilities for Local Not-For-Profit Organisations

Motion: (Byrne)

That a report be tabled for the December Ordinary meeting:

- 1. Detailing amendments to the fee schedule to allow for an automatic full fee waiver for all local not-for-profit organisations when booking Council facilities for meetings and events that are not primarily for fundraising. If adopted the amended fees are to be placed on public exhibition immediately; and**
- 2. Identifying changes to allow the booking of facilities to be made simpler and easier for the community.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/Stephens)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward the following items to be dealt with at this time.

Item 3 Draft Inner West Cycling Strategy - Public exhibition

Item 5 Adoption-Henson Park Plan of Management

Item 7 Part Yeend Street, Birchgrove - Road Closure & Sale

Item 9 Uluru Statement from the Heart Civic Training

Item 14 Council's Model Code of Conduct

Item 19 2021/22 Annual Disclosures of Interest and New Designated Persons

Disclosure of Interest

Item 25 Notice of Motion: Notifications to Councillors

Item 29 Notice of Motion: Cycleways on Victoria Road and Parramatta Road

Item 30 Notice of Motion: Heritage Pubs Protection

Item 32 Notice of Motion: Little Villages signage

Item 33 Notice of Motion: FOGO Community education and external advice

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/Stephens)

That the following items be moved in globo and the recommendations contained within the report be adopted:

Item 3 Draft Inner West Cycling Strategy - Public exhibition

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Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 3 Draft Inner West Cycling Strategy - Public exhibition**Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

That:

- 1. Council supports the draft Inner West Cycling Strategy for public exhibition for 28 days; and**
- 2. Following public exhibition, Council receives a report for adoption of the Strategy and an associated Action Plan, outlining community input received and any changes to the Strategy in response to community feedback.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 5 Adoption-Henson Park Plan of Management**Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

That Council adopt the Plan of Management for Henson Park (Attachment 1) noting the amendments which have been made to the Plan of Management as outlined in this report.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 7 Part Yeend Street, Birchgrove - Road Closure & Sale

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council provides its ‘in principle’ support to consider the partial road closure of Yeend Street, Birchgrove and subsequent sale to the adjoining owner.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 9 Uluru Statement from the Heart Civic Training

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council approve the allocation of \$50,000 for implementation of the civic education program to build awareness of the Uluru Statement of the Heart and the upcoming Referendum.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 14 Council's Model Code of Conduct

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council

- 1. Place the draft Model Code of Conduct, as attached, on public exhibition for a period of 28 days;**
- 2. Consider the results of the public exhibition process when adopting the final Model Code of Conduct;**
- 3. Note the new Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Guideline; and**
- 4. Note that no changes are required to the Procedures for the Administration of the Model Code of Conduct.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 19 2021/22 Annual Disclosures of Interest and New Designated Persons Disclosure of Interest**Motion: (Scott/Stephens)****That Council note:**

- 1. The Annual Disclosures of Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons for the return period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022; and**
- 2. The Disclosures of Interest of new Designated Persons.**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C1022(1) Item 25 Notice of Motion: Notifications to Councillors****Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

That the General Manager ensure that Councillors are advised of events as soon as they are scheduled so that Councillors can effectively manage and carry out their public duties and public responsibilities.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C1022(1) Item 29 Notice of Motion: Cycleways on Victoria Road and Parramatta Road****Motion: (Scott/Stephens)****That Council:**

- 1. Note that the NSW Government's revised Future Transport Strategy released in September 2022 outlines the vision for transport and includes maximising existing networks by reallocating road space to more efficient modes of transport including public transport, walking and cycling;**
- 2. Note the longstanding challenges experienced by Local Government when approaching Transport for NSW seeking the allocation of road space for safer cycling on State roads;**
- 3. Note that the delivery of an extensive motorway network now underway throughout Sydney and the Inner West, including connections with Kingsford Smith Airport and Port Botany, is premised on the improvement of surface streets for public transport, walking and cycling;**

4. **Writes to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads and the Minister for Active Transport asking that Transport for NSW comprehensively reviews traffic on State roads in the Inner West to implement improvements for walking, cycling and public transport access, consistent with the impact statements for the M4 East, New M5, Western Harbour Tunnel and M4-M5 mainline tunnels; and**
5. **Commences ongoing meetings and engagement with Transport for NSW to pursue traffic separated cycleways on Parramatta Road between the GreenWay and Broadway, and on Victoria Road Rozelle, before the opening of the next stages of NSW Government's motorway network.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 30 Notice of Motion: Heritage Pubs Protection

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council:

1. **Note the Inner West Heritage Study – Pubs report prepared by GML Heritage that responds to the Council resolution dated 3 July 2018;**
2. **Commence community engagement with landowners and patrons on the proposed heritage listing of the 27 pubs identified in the report; and**
3. **Prioritise the preparation of a standalone Council-led planning proposal that gives effect to the heritage protections identified in the report.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 32 Notice of Motion: Little villages signage

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council:

1. **Note the success of the official renaming of precincts to honour migrant communities in the Inner West including Little Portugal (Petersham), Little Italy (Leichhardt) Little Greece (Marrickville Road) and Little Vietnam (Illawarra Road); and**
2. **Prepare a report for the December Ordinary meeting identifying locations and costs for the installation of large scale signage identifying these precincts to make the locations clearly identifiable to local residents, visitors and commuters.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 33 Notice of Motion: FOGO Community education and external advice

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council:

- 1. Work with a reputable third party to coordinate a comprehensive community engagement and education program on food and organics recycling (FOGO) as council introduces FOGO to every home in this term of Council; and**
- 2. As part of this program, contract trusted local organisations, businesses or notable individuals to develop and deliver targeted programs to engage residents, schools, organisations and clubs to better understand the benefits and processes around FOGO and how households will participate in the FOGO program.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 1 Bays West precinct - Stage 1 Comprehensive Rezoning Package IWC Submission

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That:

- 1. Council endorses the submission for the Bays West Stage 1 Comprehensive Rezoning Package, subject to reversion in the submission to the original proposal that 30% of all housing in the development be not for profit, with the inclusion of the following wording:**
 - a) Council does not support monetary contribution of 7.5% for affordable housing. Council reiterates its requirement for affordable rental housing be delivered at the rate of 30% on government owned land, owned in perpetuity and managed by a Community Housing Provider, in accordance with the Inner West Affordable Housing Policy.**
- 2. The Inner West Council submission be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment for consideration including amendments to the submission to include:**
 - a) an ambitious commitment to the provision of onsite public housing; and**
 - b) concerns that the proposed structure of the precinct would severely compromise the ability to connect the area through council's blue green grid which would enrich the local environment and improve biodiversity.**

3. Council advocates to the NSW Government to enter into a Planning Agreement, in lieu of section 7.11 and 7.12 contributions being applied on future development consents in Stage 1 – Bays West, that ensures that:
 - a) The NSW State Government is legally committed to delivering the specified infrastructure assets stated in the Department’s Draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan, at full cost to either the NSW Government or future developers. This includes a new multipurpose community and library hub, district cultural spaces, indoor recreational facilities, new childcare facilities, and new open space; and
 - b) As part of the above agreement, Council determines which infrastructure assets in Bays West Stage 1 are desirable to be dedicated into Council ownership, at no cost to Council, once the assets are constructed and embellished to a level suitable for its desired end-use.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 2 Main Streets Strategy

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That Council:

1. Endorse the development of a Main Street Strategy including a Public Domain Design Guide, progressing Public Domain Master Plans and an Activation Strategy as set out in this report;
2. Acknowledge the list provided in Attachment 1 of the report which will determine the sites selected for delivery, providing the community with projects and activations across the Inner West Council area;
3. Proceed on the delivery of stage 1 short term projects (this financial year) utilising the main street strategy funds towards:
 - a) Installing fairy lights / tree wrapping and banners, where possible, and bin art in all main streets in the LGA by March 2023 (\$150,000);
 - b) A beautification and investment outdoor dining program made possible by engaging with businesses that have existing outdoor dining and offering the space on an ongoing basis, to be furnished by the business, and readvertising the opportunities to other businesses (\$0);
 - c) Development of an engagement and Expressions of Interest process with local Chambers of Commerce, business owners, land owners and the general public taking community ideas for main street upgrades (may include a grant program or Council-led work from community suggestions). Report back to Council on the EOI proposal and budget; and
 - d) Improving streetscapes and civic spaces (\$600,000).

4. Proceed on delivery of Stage 2 longer term projects (Financial Year 2023/24) from the attached schedule with the balance of Main Street Strategy funds for street and carpark beautification and pedestrianisation, to include Caves Lane, Dulwich Hill (\$850,000).

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 7:37 pm.

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 7:39 pm.

C1022(1) Item 4 Callan Park-Greater Sydney Parklands Consultation and Engagement Framework and the Creation of Community Trust Boards

Motion: (Scott/Drury)

That:

1. Council nominates Councillor Darcy Byrne to represent the Inner West community on a future Trust Board for Callan Park, and to be the Chair until October 2024, in accordance with the Terms of the Reference;
2. In selecting a nominee Council has regard to the Greater Sydney Parklands Draft Consultation and Engagement Framework that sets out the selection criteria, expectations of members and code of conduct;
3. Details of the successful nominee be provided to Greater Sydney Parklands prior to 31 October 2022 at which time the opportunity for Council nominees closes; and
4. The Callan Park Community Trustee Board Committee be included as one of Council's standing Committees and included in the Standing Committee Representation report going forward.

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

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

C1022(1) Item 6 469R Princes Highway Sydenham - Voluntary Planning Agreement

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That:

1. The Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) for 469R Princes Highway, Sydenham be:
 - a) Placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days; and
 - b) Reported back to Council after public exhibition.

- 2. The General Manager be authorised to approve any amendments to the VPA prior to public exhibition.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 7:53 pm and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott assumed the chair.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 7:54 pm.

C1022(1) Item 8 Mandatory Reporting of Fire Safety Reports referred To Council From Fire And Rescue NSW

Motion: (Atkins/Lockie)

That Council:

- 1. Receive and note the correspondence from Fire and Rescue NSW in relation to the following properties:**

**8 Liberty St Enmore (Attachment 1),
25-27 Cavendish St Enmore (Attachment 2),
2 Trafalgar St Petersham (Attachment 3),
3 Fisher St Petersham (Attachment 4),
31 Fisher St Petersham (Attachment 5),
34 Stanmore Rd Enmore (Attachment 6),
117 Probert St Newtown (Attachment 7),
115 Denison Rd Dulwich Hill (Attachment 8); and**
- 2. For the purposes of Schedule 5, clause 17(2)(b) of the Environment Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Council determines that Council officers exercise their statutory powers (and discretion as appropriate) under the Act to require upgrades to the buildings to the satisfaction of Council's Fire Safety Team in order to:**
 - a) improve the provisions for fire safety at the premises;**
 - b) improve the provisions of fire safety awareness;**
 - c) improve the adequacy of the premises to prevent fire;**
 - d) improve the adequacy of the premises to suppress fire or prevent the spread of fire, and**
 - e) improve the safety of persons in the event of fire.**
- 3. Ensure that future Fire Safety Reports from Fire and Rescue NSW are tabled at the next meeting of Council following their receipt;**
- 4. Ask the Mayor to write again to the NSW Premier and NSW Minister for Housing, as well as the NSW Leader of the Opposition and the NSW Shadow Minister for Housing, to:**
 - a) Urgently request a joint State and local government review of the management and regulation of boarding houses in NSW; and**

- b) Reiterate the urgent need for more investment in social and affordable housing in NSW, including here in the Inner West.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting at 7:54 pm.

C1022(1) Item 10 Inner West World Pride

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Lockie)

That Council:

- 1. Allocate \$155,000 to fund activities, creative events, marketing and promotion for World Pride; and**
- 2. Thank Josie Leeson for her tremendous work with the LGBTQ working group.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Byrne

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 7:57 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott vacated the chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

C1022(1) Item 11 Local Democracy Groups - update on new term of groups and proposed policy challenges for deliberation

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Scott)

That Council:

- 1. Determine the policy challenges on which the Local Democracy Groups will deliberate and problem solve with the following additions:**
 - a) Access - How do we give life to the Disability Inclusion Action Plan?**
 - b) Arts - How do we cut red tape from the Arts Sector to better enable creativity in the Inner West including Town Hall activities and creative spaces?**
 - c) Environment - How do we support a network of green habitat for plants, micro forests, trees and animals when we have limited open space?**
 - d) Environment - How do we implement actions arising from the Electric Vehicle Encouragement Strategy?**

- e) **Housing and Affordability - How do we deliver housing for key workers in the Inner West?**
- f) **Multicultural - How do we encourage more members from our multicultural community to volunteer for our local education program to build awareness about the Uluru Statement from the Heart and the upcoming Referendum on the Voice to Parliament?**
- g) **Transport - How do we help to improve air quality and reduce road noise in the LGA by facilitating the uptake of electric vehicles and by other measures, including providing electric vehicle charging for residents who do not have off-street parking?**
- h) **Transport- Should IWC adopt targets for the percentage of trips by active and public transport, and if so what should these be?**
- i) **Bicycle - How do we make the Inner West the best LGA in NSW for people who want to ride and walk?**
- j) **Bicycle - How can IWC integrate its commitment to enhancing active transport in relevant infrastructure decisions?**

2. Update the Terms of Reference with these relevant policy challenges. Note this does not exclude Local Democracy Groups from considering other issues relevant to their subject areas, including when requested to do so by Council.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Lockie, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Crs Atkins, Griffiths, Langford, Shetty and Stamolis

Amendment (Shetty/Da Cruz)

That the Terms of Reference are updated to change point 12, the third paragraph to say:

Should recommendations require referral to Council outside the quarterly progress report timeline, Conveners will prepare a separate report to be tabled at a Council meeting.

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulias

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

C1022(1) Item 12 Review of the Event Invitation, Speaking and Public Meeting Policy

Motion: (Scott/Atkins)

That Council:

1. **Places the Event Invitation, Speaking and Public Meeting Policy, as attached, on public exhibition for a period of 28 days;**
2. **Considers the results of the public exhibition process when adopting the final Event Invitation, Speaking and Public Meeting Policy;**
3. **Request advice from the Aboriginal Advisory Committee to review wording and clarity of section 4.4 prior to putting on exhibition. In particular to provide more clarity on whether:**
 - a) **"people" or "clan" should be used;**
 - b) **adopt policy to Acknowledge the Gadigal People if east of Crystal St Petersham and the Wangal People if west of Crystal St Petersham;**
 - c) **Clarify how it is determined when an Elder is to be invited to perform the Welcome or Acknowledgement of Country and how this is arranged; and**
 - d) **Provide guidance to others Acknowledging Country.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Atkins/Stamolis)

That Council amend paragraph 4.2 to retain wording from current policy: 'Depending on the nature and size of the event,– the relevant State and Federal Members of Parliament of the electorate in which the event is being held should be invited to attend.'

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulis

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

Councillor Howard left the Meeting at 8:18 pm as he declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 13 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 19 September 2022 because the proposed works at the corner of England Avenue are in close proximity to his primary residential address.

C1022(1) Item 13 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 19 September 2022

Motion: (Scott/Drury)

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 19 September 2022 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Howard

Councillor Howard returned to the Meeting at 8:19 pm.

C1022(1) Item 15 Inner West Council Food and Garden Organics Service

Motion: (Byrne/Drury)

That Council:

1. **Note the FOGO service to all Inner West households is to commence in March 2024;**
2. **Receive a briefing on the Community Engagement Plan for FOGO; and**
3. **Receive a further report to the December Council meeting identifying:**
 - a) **Options for bringing forward the commencement of the service to all homes to the 2023 calendar year;**
 - b) **Procure independent advice from industry experts about the tender process about to commence; and**
 - c) **Convene a briefing session for Councillors on the service.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 16 Customer Service Update

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

That Council:

1. **Receive and note the report.**
2. **Receive a report back in December on:**
 - a) **the process for developing the Customer Service Charter, which includes community consultation on the elements to be included in the draft Charter, and allocation of a budget for that community consultation which should be proactive, robust and meaningful, and occur in addition to the normal public exhibition process;**

- b) **The provision of increased Customer Services Stalls to once per fortnight; and**
- c) **The external review, currently underway of the development assessment process, system and administration.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Langford)

That Council staff investigate holding Customer Service stalls in a range of suburbs and locations across each ward to ensure that this service is accessible to as many residents as possible across the Local Government Area.

The Mayor ruled this amendment out of order as it is already happening in practice.

C1022(1) Item 17 Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan For Exhibition

Motion: (Drury/Tsardoulias)

That Council:

- 1. Approve the Draft Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2022-2025 for public exhibition;**
- 2. Note the Community Roundtable to be held in late November 2022;**
- 3. Undertake an accessibility audit of Council's websites; and**
- 4. Include Seniors in consultation.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 18 Investment Report at 31 August 2022

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

That Council receive and note the report.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Byrne/Lockie)

That the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

The meeting was adjourned at 8.38pm

The meeting recommenced at 8.52pm

C1022(1) Item 20 Notice of Motion: Boat and Trailer Parking in the Inner West

Motion: (Shetty/Drury)

That Council include in the report agreed at the September meeting of Council on illegal and dangerous parking a report detailing the options to limit or reduce the number of boats and trailers parked on council owned or managed roads and land in the Inner West Local Government Area.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/Byrne)

That an extension of time of 1 minute for Clr Stephens to speak on item 21 be granted.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Lockie/Stamolis)

That the 2 points in Item 21 be voted on in seriatim.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 21 Notice of Motion: Selecting Locations for Mobile Phone Base Stations

Motion: (Stamolis/Shetty)

That Council:

- 1. Request data on the number of mobile phone base stations in the Inner West by suburb, including disaggregation by size of these installations;**

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Shetty and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Lockie, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulias

2. **Request information on standards for the selection of locations for mobile phone base stations, in particular, those standards which minimise exposure and risk to persons; and**

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis
Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulis

3. **Council write to the telecommunications providers and the Telecommunications Ombudsman about the concerns of our residents.**

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz and Stamolis
Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stephens and Tsardoulis

C1022(1) Item 22 Notice of Motion: Risk of Not Demerging Council

Motion: (Stamolis/Langford)

That Council:

1. **Include in its business case those risks that the Inner West community will face should Inner West Council remain merged;**
2. **Note that it is rare for any level of Australian Government to conduct studies and analyses in an attempt to refute the voice of the Australian people AFTER a poll has been conducted;**
3. **Note that the demerger poll was highly successful in the context of polls conducted by Australian Governments (where polls normally fail);**
4. **Note that NSW Government abandoned its merger policy within 10 months of introducing it and has not raised it at any time since;**
5. **Note that NSW has agreed to pay the costs of a demerger; and**
6. **Note that the vast majority of NSW Councils were not merged under the 2016 merger policy.**

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis
Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulis

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

C1022(1) Item 23 Notice of Motion: Norton Street Study

Motion: (Stamolis/Griffiths)

That Council initiate a study into Norton Street with the aim of identifying factors which will improve the business environment, night life and public amenity of the street.

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulias

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

Foreshadowed Motion (Scott/Byrne)

That Council note the formation of a Norton St Taskforce has been convened with Inner West Council staff, the Leichhardt Annandale Business Chamber, the Deputy Mayor and Leichhardt Councillor Philippa Scott and other key stakeholders in business, media and community. The outcomes of the Taskforce will be reported to the Economic Summit to be held in February 2023.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 24 Notice of Motion: Pedestrian safety at Victoria Road and Darling Street, Rozelle

Motion: (Shetty/Byrne)

That Council:

- 1. Acknowledges that the intersection of Victoria Road and Darling Street in Rozelle is dangerous for pedestrians;**
- 2. Notes that an audit of the intersection undertaken for Transport for NSW in September 2020 identified two issues deemed intolerable risks and two high risk issues that could result in serious injury or death to pedestrians and that, despite representations made by the local State MP, no action has been taken by Transport for NSW to improve pedestrian safety;**
- 3. Notes that while vehicular traffic is forecast to decrease in late 2023 when Westconnex opens the tunnel bypass between Iron Cove Bridge and Rozelle interchange, there is an urgent need to improve safety for pedestrians now;**
- 4. Writes to Transport for NSW to request the following improvements:**
 - a) Reiterate the need to investigate implementing a 40km/h School Zone between Wellington Street and Withcombe Street on Victoria Road;**
 - b) Investigate changing the light filtering pattern to remove competition between pedestrians and motorists turning left onto Victoria Road;**

- c) **Install a Red Light Speed Safety Camera at the intersection of Victoria Road and Darling Street; and**
 - d) **Investigates where bollards or barriers may be installed on corner kerbs of the intersection to protect pedestrians**
5. **Thank the Victoria Road Parents & Residents Safety Working Group, Rozelle Public School P&C and the Member for Balmain for their advocacy on this issue; and**
6. **Request the member of Balmain to arrange a meeting between Council and Councillors to discuss the matter.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 26 Notice of Motion: Airbnb

Motion: (Griffiths/Atkins)

That:

1. **Council prepare a report investigating the impact of Airbnb and similar operations on the housing supply, affordability and the local community. The report is to consider options for properties primarily used for short-term letting including options for rate variations or other appropriate responses; and**
2. **The report consider best practice across NSW particularly in areas where short term letting is exacerbating housing shortages and affordability.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 27 Notice of Motion: Old Canterbury Road Tunnel

Motion: (Griffiths/Drury)

That Council:

1. **Recognise the prospective tunnel under Old Canterbury Rd as a key feature of the Greenway which is vital to the project being a continuous and undisrupted active transport corridor;**
2. **Note that not delivering the tunnel will slow down pedestrians and cyclists looking to use the Greenway as a comparable travel time alternative to car use;**
3. **Note that the tunnel is not in scope for Stage 1 or 2 construction works but can be considered as a separate stage once funding sources are identified; and**
4. **Will continue to apply for grant funding for the prospective Old Canterbury Rd**

tunnel.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 28 Notice of Motion: Local Environment Plan (LEP) Consultation

Councillor Langford withdrew this item.

C1022(1) Item 31 Notice of Motion: Frederick Street

Motion: (Scott/Drury)

That Council:

1. **Note the notoriously dangerous pedestrian crossing in Frederick St at John St Ashfield where too many people have been killed or injured, most recently Arthur, a grandfather and local resident who was killed in March this year;**
2. **Note the current Transport for NSW proposal for traffic lights or a signalised pedestrian crossing to be installed for which it now seeks community input; and**
3. **Council officers investigate including in Council's submission on the Fredrick St intersection, calling upon Transport for NSW to carry out works at John Street and Frederick Street to reduce rat-running as identified in the Inner West Council WestConnex Local Area Improvement Strategy, April 2018, which reviewed the potential impacts of WestConnex on the amenity and safety of local neighbourhoods.**

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 34 Notice of Motion: Alternate panellists for Regional Planning Panel

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That Council expand its list of alternate members listed for the Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel by four members who are independent planning experts to ensure adequate representation when determining regionally significant development.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C1022(1) Item 35 Notice of Motion: Amendment to Code of Meeting Practice

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That Council:

1. Amend the Code of Meeting Practice to include an additional Clause as follows:

4.25: Where an item has been listed on a Council Meeting agenda, including Extraordinary Meetings and formed part of the public forum for that meeting, should those items be held over to a future meeting of Council, those items will not form part of another public forum at a future meeting.

2. Place the amended Code of Meeting Practice, as detailed above, on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

3. Consider the results of the public exhibition process when adopting the final Code of Meeting Practice.

Motion Tied

For Motion: Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Scott, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

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

Councillor Scott left the Meeting at 9:49 pm as she had declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 Notice of Motion: Council Support for Waste Education as she her children attend Kegworth Public School and she has been involved with the school P&C and events for 10 years.

C1022(1) Item 36 Notice of Motion: Council Support for Waste Education

Motion: (Da Cruz/Byrne)

That Council:

1. Notes Kegworth Primary School Sustainability initiatives and provide \$1500 grant or compostable bags and food waste bins to their Festive Market and incorporate this as a pilot case study in our community education; and

2. Receive a report on standardising support for P&Cs and P&Fs associations for school fetes and festivals.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Scott

Councillor Scott returned to the Meeting at 9:58 pm.

Procedural Motion: (Scott/Lockie)

That Council enter into Confidential session.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

Confidential Session

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:

C1022(1) Item 40 Notice of Motion: Deamalagamation Risks (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.

C1022(1) Item 41 Update on acquisition of investment properties (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)(ii) of the Local Government Act 1993) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

C1022(1) Item 42 Regional Road Asphalt Mill And Fill Contract FY22-23 (RFQ 170-22) (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.

C1022(1) Item 43 RFT 04-22-1 Builders Contractor Panel (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.

Procedural Motion: (Byrne/Drury)

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

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING CLOSED SESSION

C1022(1) Item 40 Notice of Motion: Deamalagamation Risks

Councillor Scott withdrew this item.

C1022(1) Item 41 Update on acquisition of investment properties

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

That the General Manager be authorised to make a non-binding offer for the purchase of any property.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C1022(1) Item 42 Regional Road Asphalt Mill And Fill Contract FY22-23 (RFQ 170-22)****Motion: (Drury/Scott)****That:**

- 1. The submission submitted by Ozpave (AUST) Pty Ltd for \$2,238,194 excluding GST be accepted for the Regional Road Asphalt Mill and Fill Contract FY22-23 for Inner West Council; and**
- 2. The contingency sum included in the confidential report be included in the project budget for expenditure on aspects of the project that were unforeseeable when the RFQ documents were prepared.**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C1022(1) Item 43 RFT 04-22-1 Builders Contractor Panel****Motion: (Drury/Scott)**

That Council enter into a Contract with the selected building contractors below for description of works for a period of 3+1+1 years, for the collective lump sum amount of \$1,000,000 per annum.

- 1. Andrik Construction Group Pty Ltd**
- 2. Maico Property Services Pty Ltd**
- 3. Bayot Building Services Pty Ltd**
- 4. Forefront Commercial Pty Ltd**
- 5. Ultra Building Works Pty Ltd**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil

Meeting closed at 10.03pm.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 2	Anna Corkhill	Petersham
Item 3	Neil Tonkin	Lilyfield
Item 9	Maire Sheehan	Annandale
Item 21	Marg Oshaughnessy	Lilyfield
Item 24	John Freeman	Rozelle
Item 28	Andrew Chalk Gareth Thomas	Ashfield Ashfield
Item 29	John McNeil	Annandale
Item 36	Ligita Mikutaite	Haberfield
Item 40	Brian Halsted	Spit Junction