
Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 8 November 2022 at Ashfield Service Centre**Meeting commenced at 6.32pm****Present:**

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Philippa Scott	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor (Attended remotely)
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Kobi Shetty	Councillor
Chloe Smith	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Timothy Stephens	Councillor
Zoi Tsardoulis	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Simone Plummer	Director Planning
Ryann Midei	Director Infrastructure
Michael Daly	Acting Director Community
Kelly Loveridge	Director Corporate
Beau-Jane De Costa	Senior Manager Governance and Risk
Matthew Pearce	General Counsel
Daryl Jackson	Chief Financial Officer
Manod Wickramasinghe	Manager Traffic and Transport Services
Lisa Murphy	Urban Forest Manager
Simon Watts	Social and Cultural Planning Manager
Scott Mullen	Manager Strategic Investments and Property
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator

APOLOGIES: Nil**Motion: (Byrne/Stephens)****That Council accept Councillor Atkins' request to attend tonight's Council Meeting for personal reasons via audio visual link.****Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Clr Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 6 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 17 October 2022 as he works in the office of the State Member for Summer Hill who has a representative on the Local Traffic Committee. He will remain and participate in the meeting for discussion and voting as the vote of the State Member is exercised through a representative.

Clr Scott declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 5 2022 Annual Grants Round as she is on the board of MetroAssist, which is one of the recommended grant recipients as listed in the report. She will exit the chamber during discussion and voting of the item.

Clr Atkins declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 5 2022 Annual Grants Round as they are a member of Petersham Bowling Club, but not a member of the executive of the club, nor a particularly active member. They will remain and participate in the meeting for discussion and voting on the matter.

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Stephens)

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, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**Motion: (Scott/Tsardoulias)**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 25 October 2022 be confirmed as a correct record.

Motion Carried

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

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.

C1122(1) Item 28 **Mayoral Minute: Chrys Meader Condolence Motion****Motion: (Byrne)**

That Council:

- 1. Record our sadness at the passing of 2021 Inner West Citizen of the Year Chrys Meader and write to the Meader family offering our solidarity and gratitude for Chrys' lifelong contribution to our community; and**
- 2. Identify options for a facility, place or landmark that could be named in honour of Chrys Meader.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Clr Stamolis raised a question regarding the annual report and financial statements. The Mayor ruled this question out of order as it was not in relation to an item on the agenda.

C1122(1) Item 29 Mayoral Minute: Pedestrianisation of Main Streets

Motion: (Byrne/Smith)

That Council:

1. Write to the organisers of The Norton Street Festival and the Stanmore Music Festival to congratulate them on the success of their events;
2. Note the recurrent support that Council has budgeted for both events and thank Council officers for the collaboration and coordination they provided to the community for each event;
3. Propose to the NSW Government a pilot main street pedestrianisation program in the Inner West, to allow bi-monthly or quarterly use of sections of main streets for events, activations and cultural activity;
4. Seek expert advice on how the current costs of street closures can be addressed through improved local and state regulation, selection of locations and simplified approval processes;
5. Consult chambers of commerce, main street businesses and residents about whether there are main street locations they would like to propose for more regular pedestrianisation;
6. Write the Minister for Transport and the Shadow Minister for Transport seeking their assistance in the design of the program; and
7. Prepare a report for the February 2023 Ordinary Council meeting with finalised plans for the launch of the program.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 30 Mayoral Minute: Renters Rights

Motion: (Byrne/Smith)

That Council:

1. Seek to partner with advocacy organisations, including Shelter NSW, The Tenants Union, Marrickville Legal Centre and the NSW Council of Social Service to advocate for changes to Tenancy laws in NSW;

2. **Receive a report from Council Officers to the February 2023 Council meeting identifying how Council can propose legislative and regulatory changes to achieve the following objectives:**
 - a) **banning no fault evictions;**
 - b) **lengthening tenancy periods to give tenants long-term security of 5 – 10 years;**
 - c) **new government oversight of complaints about repairs and maintenance;**
 - d) **consideration of an empty properties tax for residential and retail properties; and**
 - e) **allowance for renters to own pets.**

3. **Further, include in the report:**
 - a) **A plan for community consultation with renters to identify the challenges they are facing and to inform Council’s planning and advocacy; and**
 - b) **An assessment of how Council’s health and safety compliance role can be used to assist local businesses in ensuring that repairs and maintenance are carried out by their landlords.**

4. **Propose again to the NSW Government that the Local Government Act be amended to allow Council to reduce rates for main street property owners who keep their properties tenanted, funded by a commensurate increase in rates for landlords who keep their main street properties untenanted for a prolonged period.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Griffiths/Da Cruz)

That Council urgently write to NSW Members of Parliament asking them to support the Residential Tenancies Amendment (Prohibiting No Grounds Evictions) Bill 2022, currently before the NSW Legislative Assembly, which if passed could remove no grounds convictions by Xmas.

Motion Lost

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

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

C1122(1) Item 31 Mayoral Minute: Snails Bay**Motion: (Byrne/Stephens)****That Council:**

- 1. Oppose the ongoing location of the dolphin moorings, the floating dry dock, and the various inoperable vessels in Snails Bay, under the approval of NSW Maritime (now Transport for NSW); and**
- 2. Write to the NSW Minister for Transport, the Member for Balmain and the executive officers of the Maritime agency, proposing the removal of the above-mentioned structures and vessels, and also outline the range of public uses and benefits that are being prevented due to the dolphins location, including:**
 - Recreational uses including sailing, kayaking and fishing.**
 - Disruption of the iconic views from Snails Bay of Sydney Harbour.**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**Procedural Motion (Scott/Smith)****That Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward the following items to be dealt with at this time.**

- Item 7 Chester Street Carpark, Petersham**
- Item 12 Updated Annual Disclosure of Interest Return 2021**
- Item 15 Notice of Motion: Disability Pride Flag Raising**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**Procedural Motion (Scott/Smith)****That the following items be moved in globo and the recommendations contained within the report be adopted:**

- Item 7 Chester Street Carpark, Petersham**
- Item 12 Updated Annual Disclosure of Interest Return 2021**
- Item 15 Notice of Motion: Disability Pride Flag Raising**

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

C1122(1) Item 7 Chester Street Carpark, Petersham**Motion: (Scott/Smith)****That Council:**

1. Notes the EOI for the sale of the Chester Street Car Park will be closed;
2. Notes the sale and redevelopment opportunities for the Chester Street Car Park will be considered through the audit of Council land as outlined in Council resolution C0322(1); and
3. Requires that any future development of the Chester Street Car Park has net positive benefits to local traffic and parking conditions, and has sympathetic design and architectural quality with the character and heritage of the surrounding area, including the adjacent Beynon and Hayward building.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**C1122(1) Item 12 Updated Annual Disclosure of Interest Return 2021-22****Motion: (Scott/Smith)****That Council note the amended Annual Disclosure of Interest Return for the return period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 for Councillor Zoi Tsardoulias.****Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**C1122(1) Item 15 Notice of Motion: Disability Pride Flag Raising****Motion: (Scott/Smith)****That Council:**

1. Work closely with the organisers of Inner West Disability Pride to hold an event on or close to the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3 December to raise the Disability Pride Flag;
2. Collaborate with Inner West Disability Pride to provide a quote in any media release associated with the prospective Disability Pride flag raising event; and
3. Ask Council officers to provide a briefing note on support provided by Inner West Council to Inner West Disability Pride.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 1 Tree Management DCP 2022**Motion: (Smith/Stephens)**

That Council defer the report to the December meeting to receive a summary table of the criteria for applications in the draft DCP in comparison to the existing DCP.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 2 September Quarterly Budget Reporting Statement, and Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2022/23 - Quarter One report**Motion: (Drury/Griffiths)**

That Council:

1. Adopt the First Quarter Budget Review for 2022/23; and
2. Note the Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2022/23 – Quarter One report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 3 Aquatics Centre Open Days/events**Motion: (D'Arienzo/Byrne)**

That in addition to the previously endorsed One (1) open day per Centre per year, totalling five (5) community open days, Council confirms:

1. Two free 'Trans and Gender diverse swimming events per year rotated between facilities. That will require pool closures to other users of no more than 4 hours;
2. Two free 'Abilities' swimming events per year rotated between Centres based on centre availability;
3. Additional ad-hoc opportunities to be considered on a case-by-case basis such as 'World Pride' events that will be held in March 2023. Fees and charges to be applied;

4. **Council work with the Community Refugee Welcome Centre to re-establish refugee swimming program;**
5. **Council officers engage in further discussions with Sydney Local Area Health and /or other program providers during business as usual and provide access to Aquatics facilities based on availability and referencing fees and charges; and**
6. **Aquatics staff to continue to engage with Council's Access Committee for support and insights into ongoing program opportunities where applicable.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Da Cruz)

That Council also consult with the asylum seeker centre.

This amendment lapsed for want of seconder.

Amendment (Griffiths/Shetty)

That point 5 be amended to the following:

Council officers engage in further discussions with Sydney Local Area Health regarding a prospective partnership to offer a 'Gym and Swim' to its participants at a discounted rate.

The Mayor ruled this amendment out of order as it is not different to the current point 5.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 7:42 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott assumed the chair.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 7:45 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott vacated the chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

C1122(1) Item 4 Draft Inner West Verge Gardening Policy

Motion: (Smith/Griffiths)

That Council:

1. **Endorse the draft Verge Gardening Policy and Guideline for public exhibition stage, subject to the following amendments;**

4.22 An individual tenant or owner occupier can apply for a verge garden adjoining their multi-unit dwelling/ building.

2. **Provide feedback to the Director Planning and Environment on the Policy and Guideline as well as the operation of the program to date;**

3. Specifically consult the community, during the exhibition, on amending the proposed policy to allow regulated hard landscaping and objects on the verge, including planter boxes and barriers of limited sizes and designs; and
4. Rather than residents, pay for the cost of cutting and removing of any existing concrete paving from streets where verge gardens have been requested by residents and approved by Council.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott left the Meeting at 7:52 pm as she declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 5 2022 Annual Grants Round as she is on the board of MetroAssist, which is one of the recommended grant recipients as listed in the report.

C1122(1) Item 5 2022 Annual Grants Round

Motion: (Tsardoulias/Smith)

That Council:

1. Approves the funding recommendations for the Annual Grant Round contained in Attachments 1-8; and
2. Invites any successful grant recipient organisations to an event or meeting with Council upon receipt of grant money.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Scott

Amendment (Da Cruz/Griffiths)

That Council receive a report on the analysis of the unsuccessful grant applications and the ineligible items included in grant applications received.

Motion Tied

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

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

Absent: Cr Scott

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

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott returned to the Meeting at 8:01 pm.

C1122(1) Item 6 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 17 October 2022**Motion: (Griffiths/Stephens)**

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 17 October 2022 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 8 Organisational Structure**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

That Council maintain the current organisation structure consisting of four Directors and General Counsel as Senior Staff reporting to the General Manager as outlined below:

- **Director Planning;**
- **Director Corporate;**
- **Director Community;**
- **Director Infrastructure; and**
- **General Counsel.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Stamolis/Da Cruz)

That Council give consideration to the creation of a Director Environment and Sustainability and Director Finance.

Motion Lost

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

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

C1122(1) Item 9 Councillor Representation on Sydney Coastal Council Group Committee**Motion: (Scott/Griffiths)**

That Council elect an additional member, Cllr Tim Stephens, and an alternative, Cllr Justine Langford, for the Sydney Coastal Council Group.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 10 Investment Report At 30 September 2022**Motion: (Drury/Byrne)****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, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 11 Major Capital Projects Committee Meetings and Project Summary Report**Motion: (Drury/Scott)****That the Minutes of the Major Capital Projects Committee held in April 2022, May 2022, June 2022, July 2022, August 2022 and September 2022 be received and the project summary report is noted.****Motion Carried**

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

Against Motion: Nil

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting and vacated the chair at 8:21 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott assumed the chair.

C1122(1) Item 13 Notice of Motion: Raise the Age**Motion: (Griffiths/Drury)****That Council:**

- 1. Note that Australia is one of the few countries in the world that still locks away children as young as 10 years old;**
- 2. Supports the Raise the Age campaign;**
- 3. Calls upon the Federal and NSW state parliaments to raise the age of criminal responsibility to at least 14 years old and instead invest in community led solutions;**
- 4. Notify the Raise the Age campaign of our support;**

5. **Write to Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, the NSW Premier, NSW opposition leader Chris Minns, the Federal and NSW Attorney-Generals and local state and federal members in support of the Raise the Age campaign; and**
6. **Include a small blurb about this motion and a link to the Raise the Age petition in a future council newsletter.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Byrne

Councillor Lockie left the Meeting at 8:23 pm.

Councillor Da Cruz left the Meeting at 8:24 pm.

Councillor Lockie returned to the Meeting at 8:25 pm.

C1122(1) Item 14 Notice of Motion: Keeping pets in rental homes

Motion: (Griffiths/ Smith)

That Council:

1. **Note that in NSW, landlords can refuse to allow a tenant to keep a pet without providing a reason - unless it's an assistance animal, and that the NSW government is currently consulting about changing these rules;**
2. **Note that in other States and Territories, regulations have recently changed to make it easier for tenants to keep pets in rental home;**
3. **Support a change to NSW Tenancy law to remove blanket 'no pets' clauses;**
4. **Make a submission to the Minister for Fair Trading Victor Dominello in response to the consultation Keeping pets in Rental Homes, in support of reform; and**
5. **Send a copy of this Motion and the Inner West Council submission to the Minister for Fair Trading Victor Dominello, the relevant opposition Shadow Minister, and the NSW Tenants Union.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Byrne and Da Cruz

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 8:27 pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott vacated the chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

Councillor Da Cruz returned to the Meeting at 8:29 pm.

C1122(1) Item 16 Notice of Motion: Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Scott)

That Council:

1. Notes at the Ordinary Council meeting held on 13 September 2022 Council unanimously resolved the following:

That Council:

1. *Defer all further consideration of and consultation on the LEP in order to obtain written advice from the Office of Local Government as well as independent legal advice, explaining how Councillors should manage potential conflicts of interest relating to the process. This should include advice about if and how a local government area wide LEP process could allow all councillors to participate in the LEP process; and*
2. *Note that the LEP studies that have been released were prepared by consultants and that Councillors had no role in the preparation of the studies and were not briefed on these studies prior to their publication and that no further work will be undertaken on these studies or the related consultation while Council is awaiting advice from the Office of Local Government.*
2. Notes the Briefing Note to all Councillors dated 25 October 2022 summarising the legal advice on conflicts of interest, their management and in relation to the current LEP amendments being considered, their inability to be considered as 'significant or whole of LGA';
3. Receive a report on the NSW Department of Planning and Environment advice regarding a local government wide LEP approach. Noting further discussions and negotiations with the Department are required to identify and document a whole of local government approach to achieving the planning priorities of the Local Strategic Planning Statement and the housing targets set out in the Local Housing Strategy;
4. Report to Council outlining all the options available moving forward with an expanded LEP process including a comprehensive community consultation plan; and
5. Convene a roundtable discussion inviting renters, owners, businesses, community groups, advocacy groups and planners to discuss shared objectives with a local government wide LEP approach.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Howard/Scott)

That Council allow Councillor D'Arienzo to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 17.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 17 Notice of Motion: Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Project**Motion: (D'Arienzo/Drury)****That Council:**

1. **Note the construction underway for the Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvements Project. These works aim to reverse the current urban decay and deliver liveable communities and neighbourhoods by providing a cohesive design surrounding the Dulwich Hill Station. The project will deliver a high quality multi-use corridor that will maximise connections to public transportation and improve the amenities available for use to the public;**
2. **Acknowledge the disruption and impact of construction on the local business trade;**
3. **Investigate options to reduce the permanent removal of parking spaces along Wardell Road, Ewart Street, Dudley Street and Bedford Crescent to reduce the negative impact on local businesses; and**
4. **Update the Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvements Project to give effect to the project changes and notify local businesses and community by letter.**

Motion Carried

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

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

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 8:46 pm.

C1122(1) Item 18 Notice of Motion: Balmain Bowling Club**Motion: (Byrne/Scott)****That Council:**

1. **Note that the Balmain Bowling Club has been amalgamated into St John's Park Bowling Club and has remained closed for many months despite public assurances from the management that the Club would reopen before now;**
2. **Write to the Management of the Club, Clubs NSW and any relevant regulatory authorities expressing concern that the Club remains closed and seeking assurances about when it will be reopened;**
3. **Notify local residents of Council's concerns and provide them information about how they can advocate to the Club and the aforementioned authorities for the Club to be reopened; and**

4. Receive a report about the zoning status of the Club.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Griffiths

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 8:48 pm.

Procedural Motion: (Lockie/Drury)

That Council enter into Confidential session.

Motion Carried

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

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:

C1122(1) Item 21 Council Advertising and Inner West Council News (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.

C1122(1) Item 22 Procurement of ICT Devices (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.

C1122(1) Item 23 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.

C1122(1) Item 24 Cahill Street Playground & Lewis Herman Reserve Construction Tender Report (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 (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.

C1122(1) Item 25 King George Park - Carpark Upgrade Tender Report (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 (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.

C1122(1) Item 26 Acquisition by agreement of an easement 4.1m wide at the side boundary of 2 Hay St, Leichhardt (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.

C1122(1) Item 27 Recycling Service Alignment (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.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING CLOSED SESSION

C1122(1) Item 21 Council Advertising and Inner West Council News

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

That Council:

- 1. Taking into consideration any formal contractual obligations Council has direct all our advertising expenditure to the Inner West Council Newsletters and Social Media;**
- 2. Increase the number of Inner West Council Newsletters by one, taking the total number of editions to eleven per year; and**
- 3. Upgrade the 14 community noticeboards.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Councillor D'Arienzo left the Meeting at 8:58 pm.

C1122(1) Item 22 Procurement of ICT Devices

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

That:

- 1. The contract for RFQ 104-22 ICT End User Devices be awarded to the recommended vendor as detailed in the confidential report; and**
- 2. The General Manager be delegated authority to sign and execute the contract.**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr D'Arienzo

Councillor D'Arienzo returned to the Meeting at 8:59 pm.

C1122(1) Item 23 Update on acquisition of investment properties**Motion: (Drury/Tsardoulias)****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, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**C1122(1) Item 24 Cahill Street Playground & Lewis Herman Reserve Construction Tender Report****Motion: (Drury/Scott)****That Council:**

- 1. Accept the tender submitted by Landscape Solutions Australia Pty Ltd, 16 Distribution Place, Seven Hills, NSW, 2147 for Cahill Street Playground upgrade and Lewis Herman Reserve (New Park) for a lump sum price of \$2,379,641.45 excluding GST; and**
- 2. Approves the contingency noted in the confidential report over the tendered amount.**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**C1122(1) Item 25 King George Park - Carpark Upgrade Tender Report****Motion: (Drury/Scott)****That Council**

- 1. Accept the tender submitted by Christie Civil Pty Ltd, Unit 4, 7-29 Bridge Road Stanmore NSW 2048 for the King George Park Upgrade – Carpark for a lump sum price of \$1,643,409.00 excluding GST; and**
- 2. Approves the contingency noted in the confidential report.**

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

C1122(1) Item 26 Acquisition by agreement of an easement 4.1m wide at the side boundary of 2 Hay St, Leichhardt.

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

That Council:

1. Resolves to:

- a) Acquire by agreement an easement being a right of carriageway at 2 Hay Street, Leichhardt NSW in accordance with the dimensions shown in the draft Deposited Plan prepared by D Singh of Total Surveying Solutions Pty Ltd, dated 5 September 2022;**
- b) Pay compensation to Transport for NSW of \$240,000 inclusive of GST for the Easement and additional associated costs of, creating and registering the Easement, TfNSW's legal and valuation fees; and**

2. Authorise the General Manager or his delegate to negotiate the terms of the Easement, sign all documents to acquire the Easement by agreement, any deeds setting out the terms and obligations of the parties and register the Easement.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1122(1) Item 27 Recycling Service Alignment

Motion: (Howard/Lockie)

That Council:

- 1. Note the alignment of a fortnightly 240 litre bin commingled recycling collection service across the Inner West commencing 1 July 2023;**
- 2. Support the funding of the supply, delivery, take back and recycling of mobile garbage bins, funded from the domestic waste reserve; utilising the Local Government Procurement panel contract (NPN111-3);**
- 3. As part of the community engagement plan, confirm it will write to every affected household and conduct a targeted online campaign clearly outlining the rationale for the changes in the former Leichhardt council area, including the environmental and economic benefits of the planned changes, as well as clearly spelling out the details of logistical changes for households;**
- 4. Make an urgent submission to the NSW Environmental Protection Agency's Discussion paper in support of expanding the types of drink containers accepted in the NSW Return and Earn Scheme;**
- 5. Defer consideration of the tender for a single collection contract for recycling and other nominated collection services across the LGA commencing 3 April 2024 to the December 2022 meeting and receive a councillor briefing prior to the meeting; and**
- 6. Receive a report outlining the potential to expand the in-house collection services**

to the entire Local Government Area including cost and implementation timeline.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion: (D'Arienzo/Howard)

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, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Meeting closed at 9.11pm.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 1	Robert Mayer	Stanmore
	David Baxter	Leichhardt
	Rene Holmes	Ashfield
Item 4	Mike Roberts	Ashfield
Item 15	Hannah Solomons	Ashfield
Item 31	Lindsay Anderson	Birchgrove