

Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 9 May 2023 at Ashfield Service Centre

Meeting commenced at 6.30 pm

Present:

Philippa Scott	Deputy Mayor (Chairperson)
Liz Atkins	Councillor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	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
Ruth Callaghan	Director Community
Kelly Loveridge	Director Corporate
Beau-Jane De Costa	Senior Manager Governance and Risk
Aaron Callaghan	Parks Planning and Ecology Manager
Daryl Jackson	Chief Financial Officer
Chris Sleiman	Financial Partnering and Analytics Manager
Manod Wickramasinghe	Traffic and Transport Planning Manager
Ken Welsh	Team Leader Transport Planning
David Paton	Engineering Services Manager
Erin White	Manager Resource Recovery and Fleet Services
Megan Jenkins	Senior Lawyer
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator

APOLOGIES:

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Stephens)

That apologies from The Mayor, Councillor Byrne and Councillor Shetty be accepted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Councillor Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in *Item 16 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 17 April 2023* as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport, who in her capacity as the Member for Summer Hill has a representative on the Local Traffic Committee. He will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting as the vote of the State Member is exercised through a representative.

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Smith)

That Council note the disclosure of interest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Griffiths declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in *Item 16 Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 17 April 2023* as the traffic committee meeting discussed some proposed works on his street. He does not own the property. He will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting.

Motion: (Howard/Atkins)

That Council note the disclosure of interest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Drury declared a significant, pecuniary interest in *Item 13 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Plan* as his street is referred to as a hotspot. He will exit the chamber during discussion and voting of the item.

Motion: (Lockie/Langford)

That Council note the disclosure of interest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: (Smith/Langford)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 11 April 2023 and Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 18 April 2023 be confirmed as a correct record.

Motion Carried

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

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 Drury noted the passing of a Former Mayor of Ashfield, John Ward. He will submit a condolence motion to the next Council meeting.

C0523(1) Item 42 Mayoral Minute: Customer Service in Development Assessment**Motion: (Scott)**

1. That Council table a report at the June Ordinary Council meeting with a summary of the feedback received during the Planning Industry Professionals workshop. The report should include the following:
 - a) A catalogue of short, medium and long term service improvements that can be implemented to address the concerns and recommendations of the architectural and town planning sector; and
 - b) Key performance indicators and measurable data that can be used to identify how the organisation is performing in customer service and efficiency within development assessment
2. That Council receive a bi-monthly report, tabled at an Ordinary Council meeting, monitoring improvement in customer service within the development assessment system, based of the aforementioned key performance indicators and measurable data.
3. That Council hold a further workshop inviting planning industry professional who work within the Inner West to specifically discuss how the heritage assessment processes can be improved.
4. That Council undertake an expression of interest process to identify architects and town planners with deep experience in the Inner West who can contribute their expertise to the development of the new Local Environment Plan and Development Control Plan.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 43 Mayoral Minute: WestInvest funding for the Inner West**Motion: (Scott)**

1. That Council note that the Inner West was improperly prevented by the former Liberal / National NSW Government from applying for the \$252 million Stronger Communities fund, as has been verified and condemned by the NSW Auditor General.
2. That Council note that despite having been by far the most impacted community from Westconnex construction impacts and compulsory property acquisitions that the Inner West was the only Council between the CBD and the Blue Mountains to have been excluded from the \$5 billion WestInvest fund, which was created

through revenue from the sale of Westconnex.

3. That Council write to the new Premier, Chris Minns, and Treasurer, Daniel Mookhey, to notify them of the details of the gross mistreatment the Inner West community has been subjected to and to propose that the Inner West Council and community be made eligible to apply for the remaining funds available in WestInvest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Howard/Stephens)

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

1. Item 3 Marrickville Parklands and Golf Course-Priority Plan of Management Works
2. Item 5 Preparation of a Draft Plan of Management - Elkington Park and Fitzroy Avenue Reserve
3. Item 12 Arts and Music Recovery Final Plan for Endorsement
4. Item 15 Land Classification - 49E Hercules Street Dulwich Hill
5. Item 17 Post Exhibition - Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy
6. Item 18 Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meetings held on 16 November 2022 and 5 December 2022
7. Item 23 Notice of Motion: Celebrating the Chinese community in Ashfield
8. Item 27 Notice of Motion: Inner West Council community products
9. Item 31 Notice of Motion: Community consultation for Dulwich Hill Village Masterplan

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Howard/Stephens)

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

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Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C0523(1) Item 3 Marrickville Parklands and Golf Course-Priority Plan of Management Works****Motion: (Howard/Stephens)**

1. That projects identified as capital development improvements with high community benefit and identified as Council's responsibility be considered for funding over a seven-year period, and Government grant funding support be sought where applicable.
2. That Council congratulates the Marrickville Golf, Sporting and Community Club on its commitment and action in developing an inclusive and welcoming community sporting club and importantly its hosting of a wide range of sporting and cultural events in 2023.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C0523(1) Item 5 Preparation of a Draft Plan of Management - Elkington Park and Fitzroy Avenue Reserve****Motion: (Howard/Stephens)**

1. That Council publicly exhibits the Draft Plan of Management for Elkington Park and Fitzroy Avenue Reserve for a period of 42 days and seeks public feedback on the proposed plan of management and master plan for the park.
2. Following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the Park Plan of Management be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C0523(1) Item 12 Arts and Music Recovery Final Plan for Endorsement****Motion: (Howard/Stephens)****That Council endorse the Arts and Music Recovery Plan.****Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil

C0523(1) Item 15 Land Classification - 49E Hercules Street Dulwich Hill

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

That Council to classify the land being Lot 2 DP 1286164, also known as 49E Hercules Street, Dulwich Hill NSW 2203, as Operational Land for the purposes of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 17 Post Exhibition - Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

That Council adopt the Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy in *Attachment 1*.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 18 Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meetings held on 16 November 2022 and 5 December 2022

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

That the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meetings held on 16 November 2022 and 5 December 2022 be adopted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 23 Notice of Motion: Celebrating the Chinese community in Ashfield

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

- 1. That Council consult with the local Chinese residents and business community to identify ways the Council can recognise and celebrate Chinese culture including through the built environment and place naming.**
- 2. That Council consider recognising the local Chinese community and improving functionality for local events when redeveloping the Ashfield townhall square.**
- 3. That Council consult on including a mural in the redevelopment of the Ashfield townhall square that celebrates the Chinese community.**
- 4. That Council receive a report outlining options to create a program of events celebrating Lunar New Year in 2025, including opportunities to activate local laneways and the Esplanade in Ashfield.**

5. That Council recognise that Lunar New Year is also celebrated by other South East Asian Communities including the Vietnamese and Korean community. This should be considered when designing any future Lunar New Year program of events.
6. That the report may include prospective costs and grant funding opportunities.
7. That Council investigate the feasibility of amending council's current event budget and program to include an additional Lunar New Year event in 2024 in Ashfield. This should be reported to councillors either by briefing note or by a report to Council.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 27 Notice of Motion: Inner West Council community products**Motion: (Howard/Stephens)**

1. That Council notes that the Draft Fees and Charges document currently on public exhibition includes a production fee for t-shirts and hats, following interest from the community about if they were available to the community.
2. That Council receive a report on the cost and logistics of increasing the production of Inner West branded t-shirts, tote bags and reusable coffee cups to distribute to the community at Your Say street stalls and other community events.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 31 Notice of Motion: Community consultation for Dulwich Hill Village Masterplan**Motion: (Howard/Stephens)**

That Council hold a public consultation street stall for the development of the Streets Alive Dulwich Hill Village Masterplan before the close of feedback.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion: (Smith/Stephens)

That Council allow Councillor Drury to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 1.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 1 March Quarterly Budget Reporting Statement, and Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2022-23 - Quarter Three Report

Motion: (Drury/Lockie)

That Council adopt the Third Quarter Budget Review for 2022-23.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 2 Council's Recreation Strategy and Ten Year Action Plan

Motion: (Drury/Howard)

1. **That Council endorse the Inner West Recreation Strategy and 10 Year Action Plan.**
2. **That Council place the Inner West Recreation Strategy and 10 Year Action Plan on public exhibition for a period of 42 days after amending the documents to include reference to:**
 - a) **Council's commitment to building a flagship inclusive playground in every ward;**
 - b) **Council's commitment to hosting Trans and Gender Diverse Swim Nights, Abilities Swimming events and the delivery of a refugee swimming program;**
 - c) **Callan Park Swim Site;**
 - d) **With regard to the feasibility study on the provision of an indoor recreation facility in both the north and south of the LGA, include an assessment of an upgrade of Robyn Webster Sports Centre at Tempe Reserve to a state-of-the-art, multi-sports indoor sports centre for this purpose;**
 - e) **Work to extend the Great Harbour Walk through the Inner West, taking in the Glebe Island Bridge and Bays Precinct;**
 - f) **As part of its Active Inner West Council program, advocate to the NSW Department of Education the roll out of the Burn 2 Learn Program for HSC Students for Inner West High Schools and make outdoor recreation facilities managed by Council free for use for this program;**
 - g) **Introduce wayfinding around 15 local schools to help support walking buses and safe walking to and from schools, and include this in Council's Public Domain, Wayfinding and Gateway Signage Program;**
 - h) **Actions to:**
 - i. **Look for an all-weather sporting surface in the middle of the LGA; and**
 - ii. **Work with the state government to deliver the full Rozelle Parklands Masterplan that restores the elements promised to the community in the Working Group report of June 2021.**

- i) **Removing the reference to a 2030 target date for all weather playing surface at Leichhardt Oval No 2**

and invite submissions from the community. As part of the exhibition period, Council officers present the strategy and action plan to the May 2023 Inner West Council Sports Forum.

- 3. **That a further report be brought back to Council following the completion of the community engagement process.**
- 4. **That Council hold either a physical or online forum to elaborate on the non-organised sport parts of the strategy.**

Motion Carried

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

C0523(1) Item 4 Preparation of a Draft Plan of Management - Hammond Park

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Griffiths)

- 1. **That Council publicly exhibit the Draft Plan of Management for Hammond Park for a period of 42 days and seeks public feedback on the proposed plan of management and master plan for the park.**
- 2. **That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the Park Plan of Management be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.**

Motion Carried

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

Procedural Motion (Griffiths/Langford)

That the Da Cruz/Atkins amendment be voted on in seriatum.

Motion Lost

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

Amendment (Da Cruz/Atkins)

- 1. **That Council undertake a Traffic Study paying particular attention to Parking and Pedestrian and Cyclist safety, also the provision of bicycle parking.**
- 2. **That Council reduce the additional hours allocated to organised sport on Sundays to a half day and consult the Ashfield Pirates whether they would prefer Morning or Afternoon access to the ground.**
- 3. **That Council enable Ashfield Pirates to continue to use their food trailer instead of a permanent Kiosk.**

4. That Council include the use of the ground by Schools and Cricket Players.
5. That Council investigate whether traffic noise on the park.
6. That Council develop a strategy to manage the impact of sports training in the evenings.

Motion Lost

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

C0523(1) Item 6 Preparation of Draft Plan of Management - Blackmore Park

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

That Council as land manager of Blackmore Park endorse the Draft Plan of Management (Lot 649 DP 729259) and refer this to the Minister for Crown Land and Waters for owners' consent and putting the Plan on public exhibition for 42 days before reporting the outcome back to Council.

Motion Carried

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

C0523(1) Item 7 Fishing along Foreshore Reserves

Motion: (Drury/Stephens)

That Council maintain current servicing and management of foreshore parks.

Motion Carried

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

Procedural Motion (Stephens/Howard)

That Council allow Councillor Smith to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 8.

Motion Carried

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

C0523(1) Item 8 Electric Vehicle Encouragement Strategy

Motion: (Smith/Langford)

1. That Council adopt "*Powering Ahead*" - *Electric Vehicle Encouragement Strategy (2023)* as policy to inform its future implementation of initiatives to encourage electric vehicle uptake in the Inner West.

2. That Council investigate ways to support residents who live in existing unit blocks in the LGA to install charging stations.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 9 Sustainable Fleet Transition Plan**Motion: (Griffiths/Smith)**

1. That Council adopt FY 2030/31 as the interim target for the complete transition of the Inner West Council fleet to Electric vehicles (EV).
2. That Council investigate and report back on opportunities to bring forward the target for the complete transition of the Inner West Council fleet to EVs by the October meeting of Council.
3. That Council commence the installation of charging infrastructure at Ashfield Service Centre, Leichhardt Service Centre, and Leichhardt Depot, and investigate and report back at the October meeting of Council on opportunities to maximise charging infrastructure at Balmain and Summer Hill depots.
4. That Council initiate planning for the roll out of comprehensive EV charging at St Peters Depot as part of the St Peters Depot Masterplan project.
5. That Council commence replacement of existing pool vehicles now with EV's, where fit for purpose and cost-effective models are available.
6. That Council commence a trial of heavy vehicle plant to understand the current operational capacities of EV heavy vehicles and support their innovation.
7. That Council be updated on progress with the EV fleet transition through quarterly operational plan reports.
8. That Council adjust the draft FY 2023/24 capital budget to include \$740,000 for charging infrastructure at Ashfield Service Centre, Leichhardt Service Centre and Leichhardt Depot.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Stephens left the Meeting at 8:41 pm.

C0523(1) Item 10 Little Villages Signage**Motion: (Howard/Lockie)**

1. That Council proceed on the development of designs for the Little Village gateway and wayfinding signs in Petersham, Marrickville and Leichhardt.
2. That work continue on identifying locations for giant lettering signs for Little Greece and Little Portugal.

3. That work continue regarding the design, fabrication and costs for giant lettering signs of Little Italy and Little Vietnam, and that this work include comprehensive consultation with the Leichardt and Marrickville resident and business communities, the Italian and Vietnamese communities through their community ethnic organisations, and that the consultation include options for locations of the signs.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Stephens

Councillor Stephens returned to the Meeting at 8:43 pm.

C0523(1) Item 11 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill Interim Heritage Order and proposed Heritage Listing

Motion: (Drury/Langford)

1. That Council authorise the time extension of the Interim Heritage Order on the property '11 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill' by an additional six months in line with Section 29(2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*.
2. That Council authorise the placing of an Interim Heritage Orders on 7, 9 and 13 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill for six months in line with Part 3 of the *Heritage Act 1977* and the NSW Government Gazette No. 28 of 12 July 2013.
3. That Council authorise the General Manager to immediately notify the property owners and the public via a Government Gazette of Council's decision to extend the Interim Heritage Order on 11 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill and the placing of Interim Heritage Orders for 7, 9 and 13 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill.
4. That Council authorise the preparation of a draft Planning Proposal to amend Schedule 5 of the *Inner West Local Environmental Plan 2022* for 7, 9, 11 and 13 Macarthur Parade, Dulwich Hill as a Group Item and 3 Macarthur Parade, Dulwich Hill as an Individual Item.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Scott

Procedural Motion (Scott/Lockie)

That the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.51pm

The meeting recommenced at 9.02pm

Councillor Drury left the Meeting at 9:02pm as he declared a significant, pecuniary interest in *Item 13 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Plan* as his street is referred to as a hotspot.

C0523(1) Item 13 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Plan**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

That Council defer the Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Plan until such a time as the plan can be duly considered by the Inner West Council Flood Management Advisory Committee.

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

Councillor Drury returned to the Meeting at 9:07 pm.

Procedural Motion (Scott/Stephens)

That Council allow Councillor Drury to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 14.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C0523(1) Item 14 Investment Policy Update****Motion: (Stamolis/Drury)**

That the updated Inner West Council Investment Policy be adopted.

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**C0523(1) Item 16 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 17 April 2023****Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 17 April 2023 be received and the recommendations be adopted.

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

C0523(1) Item 19 Renters Rights**Motion: (Smith/Griffiths)**

That Council convenes a Renters Rights town hall to engage and consult with advocates on Council's legislative and regulatory objectives in support of renters rights. The town hall should include representatives from tenant advocacy groups, social service and housing organisations, and invitations to be extended to the Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading, and the Minister for Housing. The town hall will be cofacilitated by Clr Smith and Clr Griffiths.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 20 Creative Use of Council Venues - Outcome of EOI process**Motion: (Scott/Lockie)**

That Council receive and note the report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 21 Investment Report at 30 April 2023**Motion: (Drury/Stamolis)**

That Council receive and note the report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 22 Notice of Motion: Gas free council, gas free Inner West**Motion: (Griffiths/Smith)**

1. That Council note that the Climate and Renewables Strategy Responding to the Climate Emergency aims to phase out natural gas in council facilities and increase the environmental performance of buildings in the Inner West.
2. That Council, recognising that pool heating is a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions, commit to investigating emerging technologies and feasible alternatives as our community pools are upgraded and maintained.
3. That Council note our pursuit of incentive-based approaches to improve the environmental performance of new developments such as the proposed Low Carbon Precincts in Marrickville and Dulwich Hill.
4. That Council write to NSW Ministers for Planning and for Energy & Environment, to

advocate that they restrict use of natural gas in new developments or otherwise provide mechanisms that allow local government to restrict use of natural gas in new residential developments without incentivising developers.

5. That Council receive a consolidated report by the end of 2023:
 - a) outlining those council facilities that remain gas dependent and a strategy for their electrification. The report will also include a discussion of adopting a target for transitioning away from gas; and
 - b) regarding Waverly council's recent DCP amendments that are reported to be a 'win for the environment' by 'preventing the installation of gas stoves, gas ovens and gas space heating in residential development' and if opportunities exist for Inner West Council to do similar.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 24 Notice of Motion: High staff turnover at Inner West Council

Motion: (Stamolis/Atkins)

1. That Council receive a briefing on the high staff turnover being experienced by Inner West Council since the merger.
2. That the matter of Council's high staff turnover be reported to ARIC for their assessment and reporting back to Council.

Motion Lost

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

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

C0523(1) Item 25 Notice of Motion: Wests Tigers NRLW games at Leichhardt Oval

Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)

That the Mayor and Deputy Mayor write jointly to the CEO of the Wests Tigers Justin Pascoe and, the Wests Tigers Board to:

- a) Express disappointment that none of the West Tigers NRLW round matches will be played at Leichhardt Oval in 2023.
- b) Ask for an explanation as to why Leichhardt Oval will not host any NRLW round matches in 2023.
- c) Seek a commitment to work with the NRL and Council to schedule:
 - i. at least one West Tigers NRLW finals match played at Leichhardt Oval in 2023, if the NRLW Tigers make the finals; and
 - ii. at least one West Tigers NRLW home game round match and one final played at Leichhardt Oval in 2024.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 26 Notice of Motion: Iron Cove Walk and Cycleway

Motion: (Scott/Drury)

1. That Council notes that consultation on the Blue Green Grid Strategy has just closed, which was currently actively seeking missing links projects.
2. That Council notes that the Iron Cove Creek Masterplan project including the Iron Cove Walk and Cycleway fits within the parameters of the Blue Green Grid Strategy.
3. That Council notes initial engagement to gauge community support for the project has been completed with further engagement on the draft masterplan including design and location of the shared path to occur later in 2023.
4. That Council notes the importance of including east-west active transport links between the GreenWay and the Iron Cove Creek walk and Cycleway, including on the south side of Parramatta Rd, in the Blue Green Grid strategy.
5. That Council approves that the Iron Cove Creek Masterplan project is incorporated into the Blue Green Grid Strategy, and Council staff to bring a report back to Council on the timeline for implementation of the Blue Green Grid Strategy and its component projects.
6. That Council notes that work to create the Inner West Harbour Walk – a continuous harbourside walkway around Balmain, Glebe, White Bay, Rozelle Bay, Blackwattle Bay and the Fish Markets, part of the early works of the Parramatta to Sydney Foreshore Link – continues and that linking Iron Cove and Ashfield to that walk via the Bay Run would add to value to the project.
7. That Council writes to the NSW Government seeking engagement on the Blue Green Grid Strategy, the Iron Cove Creek Masterplan and Iron Cove Creek Walk and Cycleway, and the Inner West Harbour Walk.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 28 Notice of Motion: Camdenville Park upgrades and Peter Bulger wetlands

Motion: (Howard/Smith)

1. That Council receive a report at the June council meeting about opportunities to bring forward and complete planned works as soon as possible given the delay of several years to works at Camdenville Park, St Peters, due to WestConnex.

2. That Council reaffirm its support for the establishment of the Peter Bulger Wetlands at Camdenville Park and request funding options for the wetlands be included as part of the June report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Howard/Griffiths)

That Council allow Councillor Smith to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 29.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 29 Notice of Motion: Community Batteries

Motion: (Smith/Drury)

That Council submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) application for the Commonwealth Government's Community Batteries Funding Round 1 before close of applications on 30 June 2023, and that Council explore opportunities to partner with Ausgrid as part of the EOI application.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 30 Notice of Motion: Good Neighbour Policy

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

1. That Council affirm its commitment to the Good Neighbour Policy as the best way to mediate and support both the amenity of residents and the commercial viability of local pubs, clubs and licensed venues.
2. That Council write to all businesses in the LGA where the policy may be relevant to inform them of the policy.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Stamolis

C0523(1) Item 32 Notice of Motion: Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Langford)

1. That Council notes the Council resolutions on 13 September 2022 to defer consultation on the LEP and 8 November 2022 to receive a report from the Department of Planning for a local government wide LEP approach.

2. That Council notes the Council is awaiting a response from the Department of Planning advising on options for a planning proposal covering a significant portion or the whole local government area.
3. That Council survey the community seeking input on principles for planning through the LEP.
4. That Council continue heritage investigations and assessments identified in the urban design studies and bring a report to Council.
5. That Council plan meetings with key stakeholders across all wards to provide input to the Council on the process for developing Council's LEP and principles for the LEP.
6. That Council hold the first meeting with key stakeholders from both the Ashfield/Djarrawunang and Marrickville/Midjuburi ward. Invite representatives from Community Groups: Save Dully, South Dully, Save Marrickville, City for Everyone: Sydney YIMBY; Renter advocacy groups: Inner West Legal Centre, Shelter NSW, Marrickville Legal Centre; Business Chambers: Ashbiz, Marrickville Chamber of Commerce, Dulwich Hill Urban Centre Committee; Business operators: Marrickville Business Association, Dully Locals, Heritage advocates: Marrickville Heritage Society, Ashfield and District Historical Heritage Society; Social Housing Provider, Metro Community Housing, and bring a report back once the meeting has been held.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 33 Notice of Motion: Revised Social Media Policy for Councillors

Motion: (Stephens/D'Arienzo)

1. That Council place the revised Social Media Policy for Councillors on public exhibition for 28 days.
2. That Council consider the results of the public exhibition process when adopting the final Social Media Policy for Councillors.
3. That Council delete point 5 'Emergencies' from the revised Social Media Policy for Councillors, noting that it can be reconsidered in future proposals that relate exclusively to official Council social media channels that are managed by Council officers.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Motion: Howard/D'Arienzo)

That Council enter into Confidential session.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Smith, 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:

C0523(1) Item 39 Update on the 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 (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.

C0523(1) Item 40 Deed of Agreement (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)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

C0523(1) Item 41 Tender Recommendation for RFT 04-22-2 Electrical Contractors 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

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Howard)

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

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING CLOSED SESSION

C0523(1) Item 39 Update on the Acquisition of Investment Properties

Motion: (Lockie/Howard)

That Council receive and note the report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 40 Deed of Agreement

Motion: (Stephens/Atkins)

That Council authorises the General Manager or delegate to negotiate a deed as detailed in the Confidential Report in *Attachment 1* and authorises the General Manager to execute the agreed deed.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C0523(1) Item 41 Tender Recommendation for RFT 04-22-2 Electrical Contractors Panel

Motion: (Drury/Langford)

That Council enter a Contract with the selected electrical 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 (which is based on the estimated cost of electrical building maintenance across Councils Building Portfolio for Reactive and Scheduled Maintenance).

Accept the following 4 providers to form a panel:

- 1. Sydney Electrical and Data Pty Ltd**
- 2. Macsparx Electrical & Data Pty Ltd**
- 3. SJ Electric Group (NSW) Pty Ltd**
- 4. Rees Electrical Pty Ltd**

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Meeting closed at 10.35pm.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 3:	Andrew Tighe	Marrickville
Item 4:	Yaying Dong	Ashfield
	Nick Kambounias	Earlwood
	Jean Kouriel	Marrickville
	Josephine Pinto	Ashfield
	Annette Alexander	Ashfield
	Rob Honeybrook	Ashfield
	Claudia Martinoris	Ashfield
Item 6:	Luke Wright	Leichhardt
Item 7:	Annette Hartmann	Balmain East
Item 8:	Tim Hand	Balmain
	Stan Baker	Balmain
Item 11:	Mark Skelsey	Dulwich Hill
Item 29:	Dr Margaret Vickers	Balmain
Item 32:	Justin Simon	Summer Hill
Item 42:	Ray Stevens	Balmain
	Mat Wilk	Rozelle