

**Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 12 September 2023 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 (attended via audio-visual link)
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
Manod Wickramasinghe	Acting Director Infrastructure
Ruth Callaghan	Director Community
Beau-Jane De Costa	Acting Director Corporate
Matthew Pearce	General Counsel
Daniel East	Acting Senior Manager Strategic Planning
Ken Welsh	Coordinator Strategic Transport Planning
Melanie Gurney	Senior Manager Customer Experience and Service Transformation
Michael Spikmans	Manager Customer Experience and Transformation
Chris Sleiman	Acting Chief Financial Officer
Helen Bradley	Resource Recovery Planning Manager
Erin White	Manager Resource Recovery and Fleet Services
Scott Mullen	Strategic Investments and Property Manager
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator
Pamela MacIntyre	Business Paper Officer

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:**

Councillor Scott declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 51 Lambert Park as her residence is in close proximity to the site that is the subject of the tender. She will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for this item.

Councillor Lockie declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 25 Notice of Motion: Newtown Festival as she works at the City of Sydney in the Office of the Lord Mayor. She will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for this item.

Councillor Drury declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 12 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Study & Plan and Flood Management Advisory Committee Minutes 27 July 2023 as his residence is identified as being significantly affected by flooding. He will leave the meeting during discussion and voting for this item.

Councillor Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 11 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 21 August 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

Councillor Shetty declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 11 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 21 August 2023 as she is the State Member for Balmain and has a representative on the Local Traffic Committee. She will remain in the meeting during discussion and voting as the vote of the State Member is exercised through a representative.

**Motion: (Stephens/D'Arienzo)****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 Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil**Motion: (Scott/Lockie)****That Council accept Councillor Griffiths' request to attend tonight's Council meeting via audio-visual link due to being interstate.****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**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****Motion: (Da Cruz/Scott)****That the Minutes of the Council held on Tuesday, 8 August 2023 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:**

- **Item 11 387-389 Illawarra Rd Marrickville Works in Kind Agreement that Clr Da Cruz abstained from voting which is to be recorded as voting against.**

**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**PUBLIC FORUM**

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

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the Meeting at 6:41 pm and vacated the chair. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott assumed the chair.

Councillor Drury left the Meeting at 6:51 pm.

Councillor Drury returned to the Meeting at 6:53 pm.

Councillor Shetty left the Meeting at 6:57 pm.

Councillor Shetty returned to the Meeting at 7:07 pm.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the Meeting at 7:11 pm.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott left the Meeting at 7:16 pm and vacated the chair. The Mayor, Councillor Byrne assumed the chair.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott returned to the Meeting at 7:24 pm.

**C0923(1) Item 1      Condolence Motion: Vale Alice Kershaw**

**Motion: (Da Cruz/Shetty)**

- 1. That Council write to Ms Kershaw's daughters expressing our Condolences on her passing.**
- 2. That Council recognises Ms Kershaw for her work as a strong and committed community activist and plant a memorial tree in Rozelle (or Annandale, where she had connections with the Abbey).**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 53      Mayoral Minute: Callan Park Swim Site**

**Motion: (Byrne)**

- 1. That Council thank Council officers and the Parramatta River Catchment group for their work in developing plans for the Callan Park Tidal Baths.**
- 2. That Council note the support of Maritime NSW and the Environmental Protection Agency for the location of the Callan Park Tidal Baths following two years of extensive water quality testing, environmental impact research, river depth and floor quality testing.**
- 3. That Council note the commitment of \$2 million to the project from the NSW Government.**
- 4. That Council receive a report to the October 2023 Ordinary meeting outlining the process and timeline for planning, approval and delivery of the Callan Park Tidal Baths.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 54      Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Parklands****Motion: (Byrne)**

- 1. That Council welcome the agreement from the new State Government to work with Inner West Council to undertake a new Masterplan for Rozelle Parklands.**
- 2. That Council welcome the NSW Government's commissioning of an independent review of air quality associated with the Rozelle Interchange exhaust stacks, with terms of reference to be determined in consultation with the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer.**
- 3. That Council write to the Minister for Roads indicating Council's willingness to cooperate with the Government on the Masterplan on the basis that:**
  - a) It includes detailed community engagement and cost planning to ensure that future community recreation and sporting needs are adequately met and that recurrent management costs to the community are transparently provided and disclosed; and**
  - b) The costs of the Masterplan are met by the NSW Government.**
- 4. Propose the following key considerations to be included in the Masterplan:**
  - a) The provision of adequate car parking facilities (including accessible spaces) to service the Rozelle Parklands, including the provision of bus bays to support access for school sport;**
  - b) The provision of 4 multi-purpose courts;**
  - c) The provision of an all-weather sporting surface;**
  - d) Inclusive and accessible toilet facilities near the children's play area;**
  - e) Female friendly changerooms/amenities that also provide kiosks and storage for local sporting clubs;**
  - f) The need for accessible and safe connections with Easton Park;**
  - g) Consideration of connections to active transport routes in the local area; and**
  - h) Replacement trees to address the loss of tree canopy associated with WestConnex.**
- 5. That Council receive a report at the November Ordinary meeting confirming the process and timeline for commencement of the Masterplan.**
- 6. Convene a meeting at Easton Park in Rozelle to update local residents in Rozelle, Lilyfield and Annandale about the status of Rozelle Parklands and the inform them about the new Masterplan process.**

**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

Councillor Smith left the Meeting at 8:00 pm.

Councillor Smith returned to the Meeting at 8:02 pm.

**C0923(1) Item 55      Mayoral Minute: Alcohol-free zone at Loyalty Square Balmain****Motion: (Byrne)**

1. That Council write to the Leichhardt Area Police Command and the Member for Balmain requesting additional resources be allocated to mitigate anti-social behaviour in Loyalty Square Balmain.
2. That Council seek advice from local social service providers about what outreach can be conducted to assist people who are exhibiting anti-social behaviour at Loyalty Square Balmain.
3. That Council receive a report at the October 2023 Ordinary Council meeting on the process, possible benefits and disadvantages of designating Loyalty Square Balmain as an alcohol-free zone.

**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 (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

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

1. Item 6 - Updated VPA Policy - Public Exhibition
2. Item 8 - 2023 Inner West Council Annual Grants
3. Item 10 - Framework for a Community to Community Relationship with Barahkshetra Municipality 3
4. Item 13 - Public Interest Disclosures Act Policy
5. Item 14 - Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes
6. Item 19 - Progress on meeting 5 year (2016 - 2021) housing supply target
7. Item 33 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Inclusive Events
8. Item 34 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Gender Affirmation Leave
9. Item 35 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Support for Early Childhood Education in the Local Government Sector
10. Item 40 - Notice of Motion: Dwelling Target Calculations
11. Item 52 - Appointment of Independent ARIC member

**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 (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

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

1. **Item 6 - Updated VPA Policy - Public Exhibition**
2. **Item 8 - 2023 Inner West Council Annual Grants**
3. **Item 10 - Framework for a Community to Community Relationship with Barahkshetra Municipality 3**
4. **Item 13 - Public Interest Disclosures Act Policy**
5. **Item 14 - Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes**
6. **Item 15 - Response to issues raised during public exhibition of Delivery Program 2022-26 (year 2), Operational Plan and Budget 2023-24 and Long Term Financial Plan 2023-33**
7. **Item 19 - Progress on meeting 5 year (2016 - 2021) housing supply target**
8. **Item 33 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Inclusive Events**
9. **Item 34 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Gender Affirmation Leave**
10. **Item 35 - Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Support for Early Childhood Education in the Local Government Sector**
11. **Item 40 - Notice of Motion: Dwelling Target Calculations**
12. **Item 52 - Appointment of Independent ARIC member**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 6 Updated VPA Policy - Public Exhibition****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. **That Council publicly exhibit the draft Voluntary Planning Agreements Policy for a period of 28 days.**
2. **That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the draft Voluntary Planning Agreements Policy be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 8 2023 Inner West Council Annual Grants****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

**That Council approves the funding recommendations for the Inner West Council 2023 Annual Grant Program contained in *Attachments 1-6*.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 10 Framework for a Community to Community Relationship with Barakhshetra Municipality 3****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

**That Council develop a Framework for the implementation of Community to Community Relationships for consideration.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 13 Public Interest Disclosures Act Policy****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

- 1. That Council adopt the Public Interest Disclosures Policy, as attached to the report.**
- 2. That the adopted Public Interest Disclosures Policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days, with a report to be brought back to Council if any feedback is received that requires an amendment to the Public Interest Disclosures Policy.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 14 Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Minutes****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

**That Council adopt the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 16 August 2023.**



**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

**C0923(1) Item 19 Progress on meeting 5 year (2016 - 2021) housing supply target**

**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 33 Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Inclusive Events**

**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

- 1. That Council note that Inner West community is proudly LGBTQIA+ inclusive.**
- 2. That Council note that pride and visibility should not be something that LGBTQIA+ residents experience just once per year, and Council facilities such as public libraries, swimming pools, sporting facilities and community centres are ideal venues for local inclusive events.**
- 3. That Council note that there has been a recent rise in homophobia and hate speech targeted at the LGBTQIA+ communities, including organised disruption of 'Drag Story Time' programs.**
- 4. That Council submit the following motion for consideration at the Local Government NSW 2023 Annual Conference.**

**Text of motion**

**That Local Government NSW:**

- 1. Encourages and facilitates member councils to organise local events that are inclusive for LGBTQIA+ residents year-round.**
- 2. Supports councils to facilitate community driven safety solutions to ensure that drag story time and similar events can take place at council facilities safely for performers and attendees.**
- 3. Encourages member councils to ensure that drag performers receive payment in full for events that are cancelled.**



**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

**C0923(1) Item 34 Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Gender Affirmation Leave**

**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council note that:
  - a) Workers who are undergoing gender transition through surgeries and other gender affirmation procedures can require six weeks or more recovery time;
  - b) Very few employees have sufficient leave stored up for these processes - particularly in the wake of Covid-19. A lack of access to leave can effectively force trans, non-binary, and otherwise gender-diverse employees to leave their employment to undergo gender transition procedures;
  - c) Gender affirmation leave is not commonly available for workers, including in local government.
2. That Council submit the following motion for consideration at the Local Government NSW 2023 Annual Conference.

**Text of motion**

**Topic: Support for Gender Affirmation Leave for Council Workers**

That Local Government NSW consult with the union and trans health providers to develop a policy for paid annualised gender affirmation leave for employees of local government.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 35 Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Support for Early Childhood Education in the Local Government Sector**

**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council note that:
  - a) Local government is the largest provider of public early childhood education. Access to public early childhood education is vital to support working families, and the economic independence of families, and particularly women;
  - b) The sector is currently undergoing a crisis, with 74% of the workforce planning on leaving within the next three years due to low wages and high workloads, and

relatively few students entering the sector to replace them;

- c) Unpaid placements currently require students to sacrifice thousands of dollars in pay, in order to enter into a sector they are likely to ultimately leave;
- d) Child-care fees are rising substantially and there are large parts of the State, especially in regional NSW, where families cannot access any services for their children; and
- e) The costs of addressing this crisis should be borne by state and federal governments, not by councils who face increasing financial pressure, or early childhood educators who are some of the lowest paid essential workers in our communities.

2. That Council submit the following motion for consideration at the Local Government NSW 2023 Annual Conference.

**Text of motion**

That Local Government NSW commits to supporting councils to recruit and retain early childhood educators by:

1. Calling on the NSW State Government to:

- a) increase support for public early childhood education services, including extending the paid placement funding offered to Early Childhood Teacher students to Diploma and Certificate III students; and
- b) support councils to expand high quality early childhood education and care through long daycare, out of hours care, pre-school, and occasional care.

2. Bargaining with the United Services Union and its members in good faith to achieve an increase to wages for early childhood educators above inflation, as well as leave provisions and hazard pay that reflect the risk of infection associated with work in early childhood education.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 40 Notice of Motion: Dwelling Target Calculations**

**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

That Council write to relevant NSW Government Ministers to advocate for all forms of housing to be counted in their dwelling target calculations (including boarding houses), and that Council be assessed on the number of housing approvals (i.e. development approvals or complying development certificates for additional housing) as this is what Council's planning controls have influence over rather than dwelling completions.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 52 Appointment of Independent ARIC member****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

**That Council resolves to appoint Pete van der Eijk as an Independent Member to the Inner West Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee, for a period of four years, with an option for re-appointment for a further four years, subject to a formal review of the members performance.**

**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 (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

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

- 1. Item 27 - Notice of Motion: Cumulative effect of Additional Equipment for Telecom Towers**
- 2. Item 28 - Notice of Motion: Henson Park Lighting**
- 3. Item 43 - Notice of Motion: Initiating PAYG Tax Withholding for Councillors**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 27 Notice of Motion: Cumulative effect of Additional Equipment for Telecom Towers****Motion (Scott/DA Cruz)**

**That this item be withdrawn.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 28 Notice of Motion: Henson Park Lighting****Motion (Scott/DA Cruz)****That this item be withdrawn.****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**C0923(1) Item 43 Notice of Motion: Initiating PAYG Tax Withholding for Councillors****Motion (Scott/DA Cruz)****That this item be withdrawn.****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**C0923(1) Item 2 Draft Blue-Green Grid Strategy - Public Exhibition****Motion: (Drury/Langford)**

- 1. That Council publicly exhibit the draft Blue-Green Grid Strategy for a period of 28 days and seek community feedback on the proposed Strategy.**
- 2. That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the draft Blue-Green Grid Strategy be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.**

**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**C0923(1) Item 3 Iron Cove Creek Masterplan - Public Exhibition****Motion: (Drury/Langford)**

- 1. That Council publicly exhibit the Draft Iron Cove Creek Masterplan a period of 28 days and seek community feedback on the proposed Masterplan.**
- 2. That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the Draft Iron Cove Creek Masterplan be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.**
- 3. That Council include a letterbox drop alerting residents in the immediate vicinity of the community consultation and opportunity to provide feedback.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 4 Parks and Open Spaces Commercial Dog Walking Policy - Public Exhibition**

**Motion: (Howard/Shetty)**

**That the Item be deferred to the December 2023 Council meeting, and that a councillor briefing be held before this time, addressing:**

- a) **The extent of public concern regarding the issue;**
- b) **Whether the proposed definition of an applicant and commercial dog walking business adequately targets intended commercial dog walking entities and does not inadvertently target others;**
- c) **The selection of parks and the impact on other parks that have not been included;**
- d) **Consultation with neighbouring councils and any knock-on impacts that may be caused by implementing this policy;**
- e) **Whether the proposed limitation on times commercial dog walkers can use parks and the number of permissible commercial dog walkers allowed to use each park each day will sufficiently meet demand, balanced against the amenity of non-commercial dog walkers and other park users;**
- f) **How the policy will be enforced; and**
- g) **The quantum of the proposed fee and how any revenue collected will be used.**

**Motion Carried**

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

**Procedural Motion (Scott/Stephens)**

**That Council allow Cllr Drury to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 5.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 5 Post Exhibition - Hammond Park Plan of Management**

**Motion: (Drury/D'Arienzo)**

That Council adopt the Plan of Management for Hammond Park, legally described as Lot 1 DP65178, Lot 3-9 DP433, Lot3 A, 4A,5A,6A DP1455 and Lot DP724792, subject to:

- a) Amending all references in the Masterplan to the cricket pitch to say “The current cricket pitch will be replaced in its current location with by either a new “synthetic” or “roll out” pitch.
- b) Amending all references in the Masterplan to clarify as follows; “ upgrade and expand existing amenities to include toilets changing rooms and storage areas for sporting teams that are accessible and inclusive”.

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Crs Da Cruz and Stamolis

**C0923(1) Item 7 Draft Customer Experience Strategy - Public Exhibition**

**Motion: (Scott/Atkins)**

1. That Council publicly exhibit the Draft Inner West Customer Experience Strategy for a period of 28 days and seek community feedback on the proposed Strategy, subject to the following updates:

- a) The strategy’s timeframe is revised to be fully implemented in three years;
- b) Language in SP1 around staff being “empowered” is changed to reflect that staff are “delegated”;
- c) An additional Strategic Goal and supporting actions are added under SP2.1 ‘Build 24/7 access to Council information and service’ to include customer service engagement via social media channels;
- d) That the following actions are brought forward to FY23/24:
  - i. Conduct staff workshops to embed first contact resolution and service standards;
  - ii. 1.2.4 Deliver annual service performance reporting
  - iii. 1.4.3 Local tours and training in staff induction program
  - iv. 1.5.4 Establish request management & reporting standards
  - v. 1.5.5 Develop a case management process
  - vi. 2.1.6 Redesign the service portal and make it easier to track progress
  - vii. 4.1.1 Embed industry standard customer experience metrics.
- e) That a one-page “plan on a page” is developed and included as the first document in the public exhibition of the strategy.

2. That Council staff immediately prioritise action on the resolution of August 2023 that Council establish an Facebook Online Customer Service page to respond to resident requests and join local resident groups and respond to issues.
3. That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the draft Strategy be brought back to Council for consideration for adoption.

**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 (Byrne/D'Arienzo)**

**That the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8.46pm

The meeting recommenced at 9.02pm

**C0923(1) Item 9 2024 Lunar New Year Celebration**

**Motion: (Drury/Griffiths)**

1. That Council undertake additional Lunar New Year activities in 2024 as outlined in this report.
2. That Council support Lunar new year activities in Ashfield and consider activations in the Council Courtyard, Hercules St and the Laneways around Ashfield and add ASHBIZ to the organisations consulted.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 11 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 21 August 2023**

**Motion: (Drury/Howard)**

**That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 August 2023 be received and the recommendations be adopted subject to the following amendments:**

1. Item 3 Carrington Road, Marrickville - Cycleway Upgrade:
  - a) That the proposed Carrington Road Cycleway, line marking and signage modifications plan (drawing no's IWC2023-01 to IWC2023-05) be approved subject to the flexible bollards not extending into the kerb radius at each of the intersections along Carrington Road, Marrickville; and
  - b) That the Local Traffic Committee give further consideration to the installation of an additional pedestrian crossing at Carrington Road and Renwick Street in the context of the Carrington Road cycleway upgrade;



- 2. Item 2 Jagers Lane, Balmain - Proposed Permanent Full Road Closure (Baludarri - Balmain Ward/ Balmain Electorate/ Leichhardt PAC) – That Council defer this item to allow for further engagement with neighbours prior to Council approving in principal.**

**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

Councillor Drury left the Meeting at 9:10 pm as he declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 12 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Study & Plan and Flood Management Advisory Committee Minutes 27 July 2023 as his residence is identified as being significantly affected by flooding.

**Procedural Motion (Smith/Stephens)**

**That Council allow Cllr Howard to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 12.**

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Drury

**C0923(1) Item 12 Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Study & Plan and Flood Management Advisory Committee Minutes 27 July 2023**

**Motion: (Howard/Da Cruz)**

- 1. That Council adopt the Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal Flood Risk Management Study and Plan.**
- 2. That Council officers write directly to impacted residents within the study area notifying them of the adoption of the Flood Risk Management Study and Plan.**
- 3. That a future flood education strategy for the wider local government area be developed and presented to the Flood Management Advisory Committee.**
- 4. That the Minutes of the Flood Management Advisory Committee held on the 27 July 2023 be received.**
- 5. That Council determine that when the Dobroyd Canal and Hawthorne Canal flood risk management study and plan are reviewed, priority will be given to reassessment of flood mitigation measures for the six Dobroyd and Hawthorne hotspots identified in the November 2020 plan.**
- 6. That a review be undertaken of the Flood Management Advisory Committee, including consideration of meeting schedule, terms of reference and other governance measures and that this report be received by Council in or before December 2023.**

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Drury

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

**C0923(1) Item 16 Investment Report at 31 July 2023**

**Motion: (Scott/Stamolis)**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 15 Response to issues raised during public exhibition of Delivery Program 2022-26 (year 2), Operational Plan and Budget 2023-24 and Long Term Financial Plan 2023-33**

**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, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0923(1) Item 17 Investment Report at 31 August 2023**

**Motion: (Scott/Stamolis)**

**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

**Procedural Motion: (Shetty/Byrne)**

**That Council recommit the vote for Scott/Byrne motion on Item 18.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 18      Terms of Reference - Development Assessment and Environmental Health and Building Regulation**

**Motion: (Scott/Byrne)**

- 1. That Council receive and note the report, subject to the following amendments to the Terms of Reference.**
- 2. Development Assessment - The review will consider the following:**
  - a) The current development assessment (DA) process with the goal of identifying ways to reduce the time taken to resolve a DA; reducing the complexity of the application process by identifying and where possible removing duplicative processes; interrogating timelines to see where processes could run in parallel rather than in sequence; and improving the experience of the applicant in engaging with Council's staff and applications; noting work that has been undertaken with Procure Spot (process mapping) to identify opportunities for improvement including best practice guidelines, forms, report and condition templates, and relevant details on the Council's website.**
  - b) Review the role and processes of the heritage assessment team in the context of the DA process, with the goal of identifying ways to streamline and make consistent any heritage feedback on DAs, and alignment with the Inner West Council's strategic goal of creating more affordable housing.**
  - c) Assess the customer experience by reviewing the end-to-end customer experience for development application assessment.**
  - d) Use the results of the recent customer experience survey for this area, review 2023 referrals to the Internal Ombudsman, and feedback from the 2023 engagement session with industry stakeholders to conduct the reviews in points 1-3.**
  - e) Give particular consideration to the experience of applicants in securing on-site meetings with staff and whether there are improvements in internal culture and practice that could improve that experience.**
  - f) Review the current use of available technology and opportunities for future technology to assist in improving the service.**
  - g) Benchmark DA performance, workload per officer, internal referrals and KPI's over time.**
  - h) Review staff resourcing, team structure, culture, cost implications and identify opportunities and constraints for future recruitment and career opportunities.**
  - i) Review the current approach with the Legal Services team with respect to the coordination of litigation matters in the Land and Environment Court and Local Court.**
- 3. Environmental Health and Building Regulation - The review will consider the following:**
  - a) Assess the customer experience by reviewing the end-to-end customer experience for Environmental Health and Building Regulation, undertaking a detailed analysis of the customer experience for the five main areas:**

- i. **Development compliance matters;**
  - ii. **Fire safety;**
  - iii. **Regulation of food safety and public health;**
  - iv. **Investigation of all pollution; and**
  - v. **Public safety complaints.**
- b) **Review results of recent customer experience survey for this area and review 2023 referrals to the Internal Ombudsman for this area.**
  - c) **Review the current use of available technology and opportunities for future technology to assist in improving the service.**
  - d) **Review the relevant policies and procedures that provide the framework for decision making.**
  - e) **Benchmark performance by analysis of Customer Request Management, workload per officer, and KPI's over time.**
  - f) **Review staff resourcing, team structure, culture, cost implications and identify opportunities and constraints for future recruitment and career opportunities**
4. **That following consideration of this report, a detailed brief will form part of a procurement process to find suitable consultants. A draft report is to be provided for review within 8 weeks of commencement. The final report is to be presented to a Councillor workshop and the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee, Customer Service Sub-Committee, and then brought to Council.**

**Motion Carried**

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

**Amendment (Atkins/Da Cruz)**

**That the terms of reference ensure that the interests of impacted neighbours are taken into account in the review.**

**Motion Lost**

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

\*Cr Griffiths did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore, in accordance with Clause 11.4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (as shown below), he is recorded as voting against the motion:

*A Councillor who is present at a meeting of Council but who fails to vote on a motion put to the meeting is taken to have voted against the motion.*

**C0923(1) Item 20 Report on meetings with key stakeholders on the Local Environmental Plan****Motion (D'Arienzo/Langford)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council notes the key stakeholder meeting for Ashfield and Marrickville showed that there is consensus on several planning principles:
  - a) Provision of affordable housing;
  - b) Need for mix of dwelling types and sizes;
  - c) Adaptation to climate change;
  - d) Good amenity / high quality development; and
  - e) Planning for local communities.
3. That Council notes the varied views on:
  - a) Heritage;
  - b) Parking; and
  - c) Location of new housing ie. near public transport or spread throughout area.
4. That Council recommits to survey the community seeking input on principles for planning through the LEP and will widely promote the survey and make it available at Council street stalls.

**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: (Byrne/Smith)**

**That Council allow Cllr Howard to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 21.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 21 FOGO Service (Food Recycling) Monthly Update****Motion: (Howard/Scott)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That prior to 9 October 2023, Council recommence the reusable sanitary item and nappy rebate and allocate \$30,000 from the Domestic Waste Reserve.

3. That from 9 October 2023 to 30 June 2024, households will be able to drop off sealed bags of excess disposable nappies, incontinence aids, sanitary products and cat litter to the Community Recycling Centres in Leichhardt and St Peters, and the Summer Hill Sustainability Hub.
4. That specific education materials be created around ways to reduce odours associated with these household waste items.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 22      Cost and Logistics Report for the distribution of Council branded products**

**Motion: (Scott/Stephens)**

**That Council receive and note the report and approve:**

- a) The giveaway of the remaining 200 Inner West Council tote bags at the weekly community engagement stalls;
- b) The use of the already allocated \$2,500 for production of inner west t-shirts and coffee cups to be available at the weekly community engagement stalls; and
- c) In order to respond to the staff comment that a distinctive design for community products is required, that a public design competition is held for that design, with a \$500 prize for the winner.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 23      Notice of Motion: Making the Rainbow Tunnels Permanent**

**Motion: (Lockie/Smith)**

1. That Council notes the successful collaboration between Transport for NSW and Inner West Council that saw three rainbow lighting artworks installed in Transport for NSW-owned pedestrian tunnels in Newtown, Petersham and Ashfield during Pride Inner West and Sydney WorldPride.
2. That Council notes that these works were produced and funded by Transport for NSW as part of its reVITALise 2023 Creative Program and Safer Cities Program.
3. That Council notes that these artworks were created by local LGBTQIA+ artists and were extremely well-received by the community.
4. That Council notes that, since these artworks were deinstalled in April/May 2023, there have been requests from the community for them to be reinstalled.

**5. That Council asks the Mayor to write to the Minister for Transport to:**

- a) Request that Transport for NSW works with Inner West Council to make the Rainbow Tunnel artworks permanent; and
- b) Reiterate concerns raised by council's letter, sent on 9 May 2022, to advocate for the installation of flood mitigation infrastructure and improved lighting for the Ashfield pedestrian tunnel.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 24 Notice of Motion: Balmain Road/Orange Grove crossing****Motion: (Stamolis/Byrne)**

1. That Council renew the surface of the road crossing that it is responsible for, along with the immediately adjacent footpath, from the Lilyfield shops to the Orange Grove School (i.e. across Balmain Road) as soon as possible.
2. That if the surface is not Council's responsibility, Council contact Transport for NSW to renew the surface.

**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

Councillor Lockie left the Meeting at 9:50 pm as she declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 25 Notice of Motion: Newtown Festival as she works at the City of Sydney in the Office of the Lord Mayor.

**C0923(1) Item 25 Notice of Motion: Newtown Festival****Motion: (Atkins/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council note that the Newtown Neighbourhood Centre has announced that it will no longer hold a Newtown Festival.
2. That Council note that the suburb of Newtown is partly in the Inner West Council area, and partly in the City of Sydney Council area, with King Street being the border between the two councils.
3. That Council note that the Inner West Council has a strong program of community festivals, some of which include main street closures.
4. That Council note the City of Sydney has a Sydney Streets program where major streets including high streets are closed once or twice a year to traffic, to celebrate neighbourhoods, and that the streets to be included in the annual program are selected following consultation.



5. That Council ask the Mayor to write to the Lord Mayor of the City of Sydney to discuss the possibility that a Sydney Streets closure could be held in Newtown, organised in coordination with the Inner West Council.
6. That Council notes the additional money Council has allocated in the budget to support festivals, the expansion of St Anmore Festival into all wards, the recent hosting of World Pride including a screening of Mardi Gras in Newtown, the Celebrate South King festival in Newtown, and screenings for the Women’s Football World Cup, one of which was held in Newtown.

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Lockie

**Amendment (D'Arienzo/Scott)**

That point 6 be amended to ‘That Council notes the additional money Council has allocated in the budget to support festivals, the expansion of St Anmore Festival into all wards, the recent hosting of World Pride including a screening of Mardi Gras in Newtown, the Celebrate South King festival in Newtown, and screenings for the Women’s Football World Cup, one of which was held in Newtown’.

**Motion Carried**

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

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

**Absent:** Cr Lockie

As this amendment was carried, it was incorporated into the primary motion.

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

**C0923(1) Item 26 Notice of Motion: Good Neighbour Policy**

**Motion: (Scott/Byrne)**

1. That Council consider expanding the ‘Good Neighbour Policy’ beyond live music venues and licensed premises to include artistic, creative and sporting clubs and activities, and commercial and retail businesses, excluding construction businesses and the Development Assessment process.
2. That Council staff bring back report on the regulatory implications of this course of action and a draft amended version of the policy to Council for approval before the end of 2023.

**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

Councillor Atkins left the Meeting at 9:56 pm.

Councillor Atkins returned to the Meeting at 9:59 pm.

**C0923(1) Item 29 Notice of Motion: White Bay Cruise Ship Terminal Impacts****Motion: (Stamolis/Shetty)**

1. That Council notes that a NSW Parliamentary Inquiry in 2015 found that it was a serious error to locate the cruise ship terminal at White Bay.
2. That Council supports the Balmain community and local advocacy group's calls to protect the local community from air and noise pollution coming from cruise ships docking at White Bay.
3. That Council writes to the Minister for Transport seeking information about:
  - a) when shore power is expected to become operational at White Bay Wharf 5;
  - b) whether use of shore power will be mandatory for all cruise ships at White Bay Wharf 5 (once implemented) and if not, why not;
  - c) what plans for future use of White Bay Wharf 4 are being made and whether shore power will be provided;
  - d) what plans are being made to improve fuel quality used by cruise ships within Sydney Harbour;
  - e) what fuel quality regulations will be required for ships at berth (i.e. during arrival and preparation for departure of cruise ships); and
  - f) how the impact of noise from cruise ships on the local community will be addressed.
4. That Council advises the Minister for Transport of the ongoing impact of cruise ships operations at White Bay including air and noise pollution.
5. That Council welcomes the recommitment of the NSW Government and the Transport Minister to the introduction of shore power in Balmain and Glebe Island and the Minister's public statements that:
  - a) Shore power is expected to become operational at White Bay Wharf 5 at the end of 2024; and
  - b) That Cruise and or bulk ships that have the capacity to take shore power will be required to do so if shore power is available.

**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

**C0923(1) Item 30 Notice of Motion: Clontarf Cottage Consultation****Motion: (Stamolis/Shetty)**

That Council undertake consultation with Friends of Clontarf Cottage, the community and the Access Committee about capital works, funding and future use of Clontarf

**Cottage.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 31 Notice of Motion: State Housing: Occupied Dwellings Fall**

**Motion: (Stamolis/Byrne)**

**That Council write to the Minister for Housing requesting information about:**

- a) **Why there has been a fall in occupied dwellings across the Inner West which are used for State Housing;**
- b) **The current number of occupied and unoccupied private dwellings in the Inner West which are provided as State Housing (by suburb, if possible); and**
- c) **Plans for new building or expansion of public housing in the Inner West.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 32 Notice of Motion: LGNSW 2023 Annual Conference – Ban Gas in New Housing**

**Motion: (Atkins/Scott)**

- 1. **That Council note the desirability of ceasing provision of gas in new housing to reduce emissions and improve indoor air quality.**
- 2. **That Council submit the following motion for consideration at the Local Government NSW 2023 Annual Conference.**

**Text of Motion**

**That Local Government NSW calls on the NSW Government to introduce a ban on gas in new housing to reduce emissions, improve indoor air quality in homes and reduce cost of living pressures by removing an unnecessary utility bill.**

**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

Councillor Shetty left the Meeting at 10:07 pm.

**C0923(1) Item 36 Notice of Motion: Naming of Rozelle Parklands and elements within**

**Motion: (Stamolis/Da Cruz)**

1. That Council note the disruption and impacts that the building of the Rozelle Interchange has imposed on our community including businesses, residents and wildlife habitat.
2. That Council note the Rozelle Parklands are being created on the Interchange to provide much needed open space and sports facilities for the Inner West.
3. That Council note there has been no community consultation on the masterplan for the parklands.
4. That Council calls on the Minister for Transport to consult the community on the future use of the parklands and adjacent areas including addressing issues such as air quality and the impacts of climate change.
5. That Council report back on progress in regard to naming the Rozelle Parklands.
6. That Council advice the Minister that it wishes to initiate a broad based engagement process to name key elements within the Rozelle Parklands.

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Shetty

Councillor Shetty returned to the Meeting at 10:09 pm.

**Procedural Motion (Stephens/Smith)**

**That Council allow Clr Howard to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 37.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 37 Notice of Motion: Councils Flyer "We Are About Respect"**

**Motion: (Stamolis/Atkins)**

**That Council refer the flyer to the Customer Service Sub-committee for review.**

**Motion Lost**

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

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

**Procedural motion (Atkins/Byrne)**

**That Council allow Clr Shetty to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 38.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 38 Notice of Motion: Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre – Deep Water Pool**

**Motion: (Shetty/Griffiths)**

1. That Council notes the petition to IWC with 1,262 signatures urging Council to retain the deep water pool.
2. That Council notes the lack of publicly accessible deep water pool facilities across Greater Sydney for both diving and underwater rugby.
3. That Council reviews the depth of the pool during the design phase in consultation with key stakeholders including Diving NSW, UNSW Whales Underwater Rugby Club, Sydney Underwater Rugby Club and others.
4. That Council brings a report back to Council that includes design options that could accommodate a 3.8m depth in part of the pool, including cost estimates.

**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

**Procedural Motion: (Scott/Drury)**

**That Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward items 49,50 and 51 to be dealt with at this time and 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:

**C0923(1) Item 49 RFT 16-23 Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre Re-Cladding Works** (Section 10A(2)(c) and (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**C0923(1) Item 50 RFT 06-23 Sanitary and Hygiene Product Services** (Section 10A(2)(c) and (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

**C0923(1) Item 51 Lambert Park Tender** (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.

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING CLOSED SESSION**

**C0923(1) Item 49 RFT 16-23 Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre Re-Cladding Works**

**Motion: (Drury/Stephens)**

1. That the tender submitted by Tecorp Pty Ltd be accepted for Annette Kellerman Aquatic Centre Re-Cladding Works for Inner West Council with the lump sum amount of \$1,995,132 including GST .
2. That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to authorise any variations to this contract within the amount 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 Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**C0923(1) Item 50 RFT 06-23 Sanitary and Hygiene Product Services**

**Motion: (Drury/Scott)**

That from the tenders submitted the following tenderer be accepted for the above RFT, the trustee for Shea Group Trading Trust trading as Enviro LCS Pty Ltd to provide sanitary / Hygiene servicing and the period product vending machine services for Council for period of 3 years, with options for 1 year + 1 year extensions, resulting in a combined value of all selected services of \$526,819.00 per annum Incl GST. (\$2,634,095.00 Incl GST for period of 5 years).

**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 Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott left the Meeting at 10:36 pm as she declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 51 Lambert Park as her residence is in close proximity to the site that is the subject of the tender.

**C0923(1) Item 51 Lambert Park Tender**

**Motion: (Drury/Stephens)**

1. That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to award the tender for the synthetic field renewal at Lambert Park.
2. That Council allocate capital funding to the synthetic field renewal at Lambert Park through the Quarterly Budget review process.

**Motion Carried**

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

**Against Motion:** Cr Da Cruz

**Absent:** Cr Scott

**Amendment (Da Cruz)**

**That Council review the site to see if there is an opportunity for additional tree planting.**

The amendment lapsed for want of seconded.

**Procedural Motion (Howard/D'Arienzo)**

**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, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

**Against Motion:** Nil

**Absent:** Cr Scott

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Scott returned to the Meeting at 10:41 pm.

**C0923(1) Item 39 Notice of Motion: Additional Funding for Norton St Italian Festa**

**Motion: (Shetty/Atkins)**

**That Council allocate an additional \$10,000 to fund Norton Street Italian Festa 2023.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 41 Notice of Motion: Energy Efficiency Service Pilot**

**Motion: (Smith/Scott)**

1. **That Council allocate \$25,000 to pilot a trial energy efficiency service for low-income households in the Inner West, per the adopted 2023/24 budget.**
2. **That Council engage with relevant local groups on the planning and delivery of the trial service, including local community energy groups, community housing providers, tenant advocacy groups, and other relevant organisations.**
3. **That Council require that applicants for tender to deliver the service be not-for-profit and have local expertise.**
4. **That Council endorse the pilot service to be targeted at low-income households and tenants, who are impacted most by rising energy costs.**
5. **That Council trial the service for a period of nine months, with an interim report to be provided to Council after five months and a final report to be provided following the conclusion of the trial.**



**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: (Byrne/Howard)**

**That Council allow Clr D'Arienzo to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 42.**

**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

**C0923(1) Item 42 Notice of Motion: Congratulations Gabby Rennard**

**Motion: (D'Arienzo/Lockie)**

**That Council thanks and congratulates Gabby Rennard for her dedication and service to the Inner West 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

Meeting closed at 10.55pm.

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS:**

<b>Item #</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Suburb</b>
<b>Item 3:</b>	Anna Sorden	Ashfield
	Neil Tonkin	Lilyfield
<b>Item 4:</b>	Louisa Larkin	Balmain
	Peter Hoermann	Balmain
<b>Item 5:</b>	Annette Alexander	Ashfield
	Rina Chmait	Ashfield
	Christine Gough	Ashfield
	Nick Kambounias	Earlwood
	Andrew McFarland	Ashfield
	Josephine Pinto	Ashfield
<b>Item 11:</b>	Benjamin Peak	Waterloo
<b>Item 33:</b>	Bryle Leano	Ashfield
	Damien Nguyen	Ashfield
	Charlie Murphy	Ashfield
<b>Item 34:</b>	Riley Brooke	Ashfield
	Charlie Murphy	Ashfield
<b>Item 38:</b>	Ben Maslen	Coogee
	Gillian Brooker	Tenambit
	Lyle Taulai	Five Dock
<b>Item 39:</b>	Mark Chapman	Leichhardt