

**Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 20 February 2024 at
Ashfield Service Centre**

Meeting commenced at 6:01pm

Present:

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Chloe Smith	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor (attended via audio-visual link)
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor (attended via audio-visual link)
Philippa Scott	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Timothy Stephens	Councillor (attended via audio-visual link)
Zoi Tsardoulis	Councillor (attended via audio-visual link)
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
Matthew Pearce	General Counsel
Helen Bradley	Resource Recovery Planning Manager
Erin White	Acting Senior Manager Operations
George Georgakis	Administration Manager
Darcie Huisman	Business Paper Officer

APOLOGIES AND REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION:

Motion: (Byrne/Smith)

That apologies from Councillors Lockie and Shetty be accepted.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Motion: (Howard/Smith)

That Council accept Councillors Atkins, Langford and Tsardoulis' request to attend tonight's Council meeting via audio-visual link due to personal reasons and Councillor Stephens' request to attend via audio-visual link due to work commitments.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Nil

C0224(2) Item 1 FOGO (Food Recycling) Update - February 2024**Motion: (Howard/Da Cruz)****That Council receive and note the report.****Motion Carried****For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Nil**C0224(2) Item 2 Notice of Motion: More Support for Food Recycling in the Inner West****Motion: (Byrne/Howard)**

- 1. That Council note that the new food recycling service has resulted in 5900 tonnes of organic material being converted to compost, instead of being dumped at landfill, which has resulted in a reduction of approximately 12,358 tonnes of carbon (Co2) emissions.**
- 2. That Council provide a new opt-in weekly red bin collection service for households that wish to access it. This service is to be provided on the following terms:**
 - a) households are able to register for the service once and then receive the collection on an ongoing basis;**
 - b) no fee is to be charged for the service for a period of 2 years with the necessity of the service to be reviewed in 2026; and**
 - c) commencement of the new service is to be as soon as possible.**
- 3. That Council authorise funding for the service to be drawn from Council's waste reserve, with authority delegated to the General Manager to enter into any necessary contract with an external provider, to ensure expedited commencement of the service.**
- 4. That Council receive a report to the March 2024 Ordinary meeting on the commencement of the opt-in weekly red bin service and the outcome of any procurement process.**
- 5. That the 12-month implementation review of the FOGO service resolved by Council at its November 2023 meeting include an evaluation of the opt-in weekly bin service, including its level of uptake, its cost and any issues encountered.**

Motion Carried**For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulias**Against Motion:** Cr Da Cruz**Amendment (Atkins/Da Cruz)****In Paragraph 2b:**

- a) delete "2 years" and replace with "6 months"; and**
- b) delete "2026" and replace with "August 2024".**

Motion Lost

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

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

Amendment (Atkins/Da Cruz)

Add an additional point to read as follows:

That Waste Busters direct outreach and education to those households which have opted in to the weekly red bin collection with a view to moving them back to fortnightly service as soon as possible.

Motion Lost

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

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

Meeting closed at 6:32pm.

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on the 20th February, 2024 were confirmed as a correct record on this 5th day of March 2024.