

Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 5 December 2023 at Ashfield Service Centre

Meeting commenced at 6.32pm

Present:

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Chloe Smith	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor (attended via audio-visual link)
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
Philippa Scott	Councillor
Kobi Shetty	Councillor
John Stamolis	Councillor
Timothy Stephens	Councillor
Zoi Tsardoulis	Councillor
Peter Gainsford	General Manager
Simone Plummer	Director Planning
Ryann Midei	Director Infrastructure
Ruth Callaghan	Director Community
Kelly Loveridge	Director Corporate
Beau-Jane De Costa	Senior Manager Governance and Risk
Matthew Pearce	General Counsel
Daniel East	Acting Senior Manager Strategic Planning
Aaron Callaghan	Parks Planning and Ecology Manager
Manod Wickramasinghe	Traffic and Transport Planning Manager
Scott Mullen	Strategic Investments and Property Manager
Erin White	Senior Manager Operations
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator
Darcie Huisman	Business Paper Officer

APOLOGIES AND REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION:

Motion: (Howard/Scott)

That Council accept Councillor D'Arienzo's request to attend tonight's Council meeting via audio-visual link due to personal reasons.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Councillor Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 14 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 20 November 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 Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 42 - TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport and as this is a legal matter and out of an abundance of caution and to avoid any perception of conflict he will exit the chamber during discussion and voting of the item.

Councillor Shetty declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 14 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 20 November 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.

Councillor Scott declared significant, pecuniary interest in Item 40 - Lease of Lambert Park Sporting Ground as she lives in close proximity to the site. She will exit the chamber during discussion and voting.

Motion: (Da Cruz/Stephens)

That Council note the disclosures of interest.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: (Scott/Smith)

That the Minutes of the Council held on Tuesday, 21 November 2023 be confirmed as a correct record.

Motion Carried

For Motion: Crs Atkins, Byrne, Da Cruz, D'Arienzo, Drury, Griffiths, Howard, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and 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 6:41pm and vacated the Chair. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Smith, assumed the Chair.

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the meeting at 7:08pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Smith, vacated the chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne, assumed the chair.

C1223(1) Item 46 Mayoral Minute: Next Steps for Indigenous Justice

Motion: (Byrne)

1. That Council hold an event, in the new year, to thank local citizens who contributed to the Yes campaign and to provide a forum for discussion about the next steps in their collective advocacy for Indigenous justice.
2. That Council convene a roundtable forum, in partnership with Aboriginal and Torrens Strait Islander Advisory Committee, local Indigenous organisations and leaders, to discuss how the Inner West community can continue to contribute to the movement for Indigenous justice.

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/Stephens)

That Council allow Cllr Byrne to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 47.

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 (Shetty/Langford)

That a motion of dissent be moved in the Chairperson's ruling on the Point of Order raised by Councillor Shetty that a misrepresentation/misunderstanding had occurred during Item 47.

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

The Chairperson's ruling was upheld.

C1223(1) Item 47 Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Parklands

Motion: (Byrne)

1. That Council welcome the commitment of Roads Minister John Graham of an additional \$20 million from the NSW Government to Council to improve Rozelle Parklands and provide additional facilities within the local community.
2. That Council write to the Government thanking them for their acknowledgement of the need to further improve Rozelle Parklands and accepting their proposal to fund a new Masterplan which Council will undertake.
3. That Council receive a report at the February Ordinary Council Meeting about the Government's proposed \$20 million investment, including an initial assessment of what facilities and amenities could be provided in the Rozelle Parklands and in

nearby locations through the funding.

4. That Council note the advice from Transport for NSW that an all-weather sporting surface cannot be delivered under the existing conditions of consent for Rozelle Parklands and commence community consultation on nearby locations where an all-weather surface could be delivered by Council for the benefit of local clubs. Potential locations for the community to be consulted on include Waterfront Drive (Callan Park), Leichhardt no.2, Easton Park, and Balmain Road playing fields (Callan Park).
5. That Council commence the new Masterplan process as soon as possible, including holding an initial community consultation event at the pending opening of the Rozelle Parklands.
6. That Council write to local residents in Rozelle, Lilyfield, Annandale, Leichhardt, and Balmain to inform them of the \$20 million funding commitment by the NSW Government and Council's intention to commence the new Rozelle Parklands Masterplan.
7. That Council urgently convene a meeting with local sports Clubs and Transport for NSW to discuss the design of the new amenities block at Rozelle Parklands as well as expediting the availability of the sporting fields.
8. That councillors receive a report on the ongoing annual cost to the council to take on the care, control and management of the parklands, including depreciation costs, prior to accepting the \$20m and committing to take on this asset.

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: (Shetty/Atkins)

That Council allow Cllr Stamolis to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 48.

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

C1223(1) Item 48 Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Interchange

Motion: (Byrne)

1. That Council restate Council's longstanding concerns about the traffic impact from the opening of the Rozelle Interchange and the completion of Westconnex which have unfortunately been proven correct since the opening of the project.
2. That Council note that the repeated claims by the former NSW Government that traffic volumes would be reduced by 50% on Victoria Road have been proven false.
3. That Council convene a Rozelle Interchange public meeting on Thursday December 7 at 6:30 at Balmain Town Hall to brief the local community about the

traffic conditions and to identify measures to propose to the Government.

4. That Council write to the NSW Government calling for:

- a) the immediate release of traffic data for Victoria Road, the City West Link and the ANZAC Bridge on a daily basis in order to establish an evidence base for necessary mitigations;
- b) an immediate review of lane configurations on all roads connecting to the Rozelle Interchange to address the traffic chaos that is occurring; and
- c) the funding that the previous NSW Government failed to include in the State Budget for public domain and traffic infrastructure on Victoria Road to be made available now.

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

C1223(1) Item 49 Mayoral Minute: Inner West Creative Network

Motion: (Byrne)

1. That Council writes to the Chair of the Inner West Creative Network expressing Council's support for their work representing artists and creatives in the Inner West and acknowledging that they now have 411 members.
2. That Council provides \$25,000 from the Economic Development Budget to support the Inner West Creative Network.
3. That Council signs a Service Agreement with the Inner West Creative Network that covers the financial support detailed in the Mayoral Minute as well as in-kind support for workshops including usage of Council venues for workshops.

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

C1223(1) Item 50 Mayoral Minute: Humanitarian Crisis in Gaza

Procedural Motion (Scott/Byrne)

That the Byrne Primary Motion be voted on in seriatim.

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: (Byrne)

1. That Council notes that foreign affairs is the responsibility of the Commonwealth Government.

Motion Carried

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

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

2. That Council opposes the resumption of military hostilities in Gaza, reaffirms support for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza, and calls for the unimpeded humanitarian flow of aid to the people of Gaza.

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

3. That Council reiterates its condemnation of the October 7 attacks by Hamas on Israeli civilians.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Da Cruz

4. That Council calls for the immediate release of all hostages being held by Hamas.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Da Cruz

5. That Council supports a just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine, which can be achieved through a two-state solution and the creation of an independent Palestinian state.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Da Cruz

6. That Council notes that the Union Aid Abroad Gaza Emergency Appeal is advertised in the December newsletter and commits to ongoing promotion of the Appeal across Council's communications channels.

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

7. That Council recommits to the completion and implementation of Council's Anti-Racism Strategy, noting that this is a NSW first.

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

8. That Council thanks the members of the Multicultural Advisory Committee who have recently resigned for their contribution to policy development at Council and invites them to rejoin the Committee.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Da Cruz

Amendment (Griffiths/Lockie)

That Council amend point 2 with the following wording:

2. That Council opposes the resumption of military hostilities in Gaza, affirms support for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza, and calls for the unimpeded humanitarian flow of aid to the people of Gaza;

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

Amendment (Griffiths/Lockie)

That Council amend point 3 with the following wording:

3. That Council reiterated its condemnation of the October 7 attacks by Hamas and that the current conflict cannot be viewed in isolation to the occupation of Palestine and the forced displacement of millions of Palestinians' homelands and as a result, illegal settlements in the West Bank and continued dispossession experienced by Palestinians.

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

Amendment (Griffiths/Lockie)

That Council amend point 5 with the following wording:

5. That Council supports a just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine, which can only be achieved through an end to the occupation and apartheid laws.

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

Amendment (Lockie/Griffiths)

That Council amend point 5 with the following wording:

5. That Council supports a just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine.

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 (Byrne/Stephens)

That the meeting be adjourned for 10 minutes.

Motion Carried

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06pm

The meeting recommenced at 9:16pm

Procedural Motion (Scott/Howard)

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

1. Item 1 Post Exhibition - Blue-Green Grid Strategy and Implementation Plan
2. Item 4 Plan of Management - Pratten Park - Priority Actions
3. Item 15 Minutes of Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting
4. Item 21 Arts and Music Recovery Plan bi-monthly update
5. Item 30 Notice of Motion: Support For Local Manufacturing

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/Howard)

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

1. Item 1 Post Exhibition - Blue-Green Grid Strategy and Implementation Plan
2. Item 4 Plan of Management - Pratten Park - Priority Actions
3. Item 15 Minutes of Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting
4. Item 21 Arts and Music Recovery Plan bi-monthly update
5. Item 30 Notice of Motion: Support For Local Manufacturing

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

C1223(1) Item 1 Post Exhibition - Blue-Green Grid Strategy and Implementation Plan

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

That Council adopt the Inner West Blue-Green Grid Strategy and its associated Implementation Plan.

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

C1223(1) Item 4 Plan of Management - Pratten Park - Priority Actions

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

- 1. That the architectural design and feasibility study for a future second story on the Pratten Park Bowling Club form part of the budget consideration for the 2024/25 financial year. That such a study includes key stakeholder engagement with local sporting clubs.**
- 2. That Council consider upgrading of the main car park at Pratten Park as part of the budget considerations for the 2024/25 financial year.**
- 3. Subject to a successful grant application Council provide funding and project delivery to support the grant with respect to lighting upgrades to the two synthetic tennis courts at Pratten Park.**

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

C1223(1) Item 15 Minutes of Audit Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting - 22 November 2023

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

That Council receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 22 November 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

C1223(1) Item 21 Arts and Music Recovery Plan bi-monthly update

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

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

C1223(1) Item 30 Notice of Motion: Support for Local Manufacturing

Motion: (Scott/Howard)

1. That Council request officers consider and report on the state of manufacturing in the Local Government Area (LGA), with a report coming back to Council no later than May 2024.
2. That Council request officers include the following information:
 - a) statistical data and trends on the number and diversity of registered manufacturers, manufacturing jobs and economic input to the local community from local manufacturers;
 - b) prevalence of light industrial and industrial zoning in the Inner West LGA and pressures on employment lands;
 - c) ways that Council supports local manufacturing and the protection of employment lands;
 - d) opportunities to deepen support for local manufacturing; and
 - e) opportunities to recognise and celebrate the industrial history of 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 Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

C1223(1) Item 2 Post Exhibition - Macarthur Parade Planning Proposal

Procedural Motion: (Drury/Stephens)

That the Motion be put.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Stamolis

Motion: (D'Arienzo/Drury)

1. That Council update the planning proposal to remove interiors as part of the heritage listing for these items.
2. That Council as the local plan-making authority, endorse the amendment to Schedule 5 of the *Inner West Local Environmental Plan 2022* listing 3, 7, 9, 11 & 13 Macarthur Parade Dulwich Hill as items of local significance.
3. That Council authorise the General Manager to finalise the Planning Proposal under section 3.36 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, including any necessary minor/technical modifications and forwards the planning proposal to the Department of Planning and Environment for publication.
4. That Council meet with the owners to advise the heritage listing incentives and what is possible with further development on these sites.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Byrne, Scott and Smith

Amendment (Langford/Griffiths)

That Council prepare a report that discusses potential new controls that would lead to outcomes which are sympathetic to retained historic homes. Topics to be investigated include:

- a) amending subdivision rules to encourage the transverse subdivision of a lot rather than its subdivision from front to back where an historic primary dwelling house is retained;
- b) increasing allowable secondary dwelling sizes to encourage two bedroom secondary dwellings, where an historic primary dwelling house is retained;
- c) encouraging Strata Title where an historic primary dwelling house is retained;
- d) easing laneway parking provisions for two storey secondary dwellings on laneways where an historic primary dwelling house is retained; and
- e) any other matter that will increase residential density while retaining historic or heritage buildings on a site.

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 (Byrne/Stephens)

That Council allow Cllr Howard to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 3.

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

C1223(1) Item 3 Post Exhibition - Mackey Park Plan of Management and Masterplan

Motion: (Howard/Langford)

1. That Council as Crown land manager of Mackey Park adopt the Plan of Management (Lot 70, Lot 71 DP 1066013 and Lot 7307 DP 1145332).
2. That the Concordia Club is recognised as a standalone entity with its own agreement with Crown Lands and as such the Master Plan be amended to reflect this, and that the aspects of the POM relating to the Concordia Club be further considered as part of a standalone plan of management process in early 2024.
3. That Council undertake further community engagement with the Concordia Club in early 2024.
4. That Council, concurrently, considers a further report in relation to a priority action plan for future key deliverables outlined in the draft Plan of Management.
5. That Council write to the Concordia Club Executive, confirming that upon adoption, the Plan of Management for Mackey Park requires that any future opportunity for the redevelopment of the Concordia Club as a shared community sports hub and commercial space (restaurant), by community tenants in Mackey Park would be subject to agreement by the Concordia Club and Crown Lands. This would require the development of a formal legal agreement between all parties. In the letter, Council should also note that a separate process will occur in early 2024 to finalise those aspects of the POM that involve the Concordia Club.
6. That Council note the urgent need for improved lighting on the pathway along the northern edge of Mackey Park and considers the upgrade as part of the budget considerations for the 2024/25 financial year.

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

C1223(1) Item 5 Plan of Management - Elkington Park and Fitzroy Avenue Reserve

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council adopt the Plan of Management for Elkington Park and Fitzroy Avenue Reserve as legally described in Table 1.0 of this report.
2. That a registered conservation architect be engaged to provide detailed design work to improve accessibility to the park including future lighting improvements and all abilities access to the Heritage Rotunda, while ensuring the integrity of the rotunda is retained and enhanced. Upon the completion of accessibility design works, budget estimates are finalised for upgrading accessibility to the rotunda as part of the 2024/25 operational plan and budget.
3. That Council proceed with the preparation and lodgement of a Development Application in relation to the adaptive reuse of the Elkington Park Cottage for community use, including options for short term activation, use for events, exhibitions and/or café.

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

C1223(1) Item 6 Peace Reserve (Newtown) Masterplan and Public Domain Works

Motion: (Smith/Scott)

That Council adopt the Public Domain Masterplan for Peace Reserve and move forward with a capital works delivery program with project delivery to be completed in June 2024.

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 Griffiths left the meeting at 9:46pm

C1223(1) Item 7 Rozelle Parklands Masterplan Request - Update Report

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That in welcoming the NSW Government's announcement to fund a Plan of Management and Masterplan for the Rozelle Parklands, Council commits resources to the development of a Plan of Management and Masterplan in 2024.
2. That given the proximity of Easton Park to the newly formed Rozelle Parklands and the interacting public use of these two important parks, Council undertakes the development of a combined Plan of Management and precinct masterplan to ensure excellence in community engagement, open space design and recreation planning.
3. That Masterplanning considerations should include detailed community engagement and cost planning to ensure that future community recreation and sporting needs are adequately planned and that recurrent management costs to the community are transparently provided.
4. That as part of the Plan of Management process, the following key considerations are included in the project brief:
 - a) the provision of adequate car parking facilities around the perimeter of the Rozelle Parklands on Lilyfield Road, including the provision of bus bays to support ongoing school sport and access;
 - b) a review of accessibility provision to both parklands;
 - c) consideration of the need for accessible and safe connections with Easton Park;
 - d) consideration of an all weather playing surface at either Easton Park or the Rozelle Parklands;
 - e) provision of dedicated dog off leash spaces in both Easton Park and the Rozelle Parklands; and
 - f) Integration of the masterplan with the Lilyfield Road cycleway.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Griffiths

Councillor Griffiths returned to the meeting at 9:51pm

C1223(1) Item 8 Inner West Sporting Grounds Management and Refurbishment Report

Motion: (Drury/Byrne)

That Council consult with sporting bodies on the details in 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

Amendment (Langford/Da Cruz)

That Council commit to installing no more new All Weather / Synthetic playing surfaces.

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz, Griffiths and Langford

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

C1223(1) Item 9 Public Exhibition - Good Neighbour Policy

Motion: (Scott/Atkins)

1. **That Council publicly exhibit the draft Good Neighbour Policy, for a period of 28 days and seek community feedback on the proposed policy, subject to the following note being placed at the end of paragraph 6.2:**

Note: see 6.5 where immediate attention is required outside normal working hours, the police are the appropriate contact point.

2. **That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the Good Neighbour 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

C1223(1) Item 10 Inner West - Phasing Out Gas**Motion: (Griffiths/Stephens)**

1. That Council adopt the following operational gas transition targets:
 - a) Reduce gas consumption by 70% by 2025 compared to 2016/17 baseline; and
 - b) 100% gas free Council operations by 2030.
2. That Council review forward capital budgets to fund the required plant and equipment upgrades at Council facilities.
3. That Council notes that Lane Cove Council recently implemented a new Development Control Plan that requires all new development applications (residential and non-residential) to be fully electric.
4. That Council expand the scope of its draft Indoor Air Quality Development Control Plan by including electric hot water in the requirements for new residential development, as well as expanding the application of the all-electric requirements to apply to commercial development applications as well.
5. That Council publicly exhibit the expanded draft Indoor Air Quality Development Control Plan for a period of 28 days in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Framework.
6. That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the expanded draft Indoor Air Quality Development Control Plan 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

C1223(1) Item 11 Women's World Cup - Wall of Support Artwork, Water Tank Arlington Oval**Motion: (Smith/D'Arienzo)**

That Council notes the importance of a prominent location for the Women's World Cup Wall of Support and explores a suitable council owned wall within the LGA or a suitable wall from applications to the Perfect Match program and is brought to the February 2024 meeting for approval.

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 10:07pm

C1223(1) Item 12 War Memorials in the Inner West

Motion: (Stephens/Scott)

1. That Council consider the proposal to add an additional memorial wall or structure to Loyalty Square Balmain to recognise the fallen soldiers not currently listed on the existing war memorial as part of the 24/25 budget process.
2. The Council consider the resident proposal to update the Haberfield Roll of Honour Board with the additional 149 names so far identified as missing from the roll, by adding an additional board to the Honour Roll in Haberfield Library as part of the 24/25 budget process.
3. That Council Officers seek and/or apply for grants or funding sources for new war memorials in Balmain and Haberfield.
4. That Council Officers continue to consult with representatives from the RSL about the outcome of the heritage report and the proposal to build new structures.

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

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 10:08pm

Councillor Lockie returned to the Meeting at 10:10pm

C1223(1) Item 13 Balmain Town Hall Working Party Report

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council consult with local business and the community on the design of a new pedestrian space surrounding the Balmain Town Hall and other short-term improvements in the precinct. These considerations to be included in the 2024/2025 Budget.
2. That Council continue advocating for community and public use of the Balmain Court House including engagement with the key State Government Agencies and the Museums of History NSW for a feasibility study undertaken to determine its viability as a Museum of Balmain, Birchgrove and Rozelle.
3. That Council support the Balmain Town Hall Working Group continuing to advise Council on proposed works in the Balmain Town Hall precinct through collaborative engagement.
4. That the Balmain Town Hall Working Group members be thanked for their generous collaboration and sharing of ideas as outlined in this report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Griffiths

Amendment (Stamolis/Shetty)

That Council do not include the Balmain Depot at this time but to open up a suitable consultation process at a future time.

Motion Lost

For Motion:

Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Langford, Lockie, Shetty and Stamolis

Against Motion:

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

Absent:

Cr Griffiths

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 10:16pm

C1223(1) Item 14 Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 20 November 2023

Motion: (Howard/Langford)

1. That Council receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 20 November 2023, with the exception of Item 11 (Collins Street, Tempe - Proposed 'No Parking' restrictions at dead-end), which is to be deferred for further consideration by the traffic committee.
2. That the Item 21 regarding Smith Street be deferred for further consultation with Inner Sydney Montessori School (ISMS).

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

C1223(1) Item 16 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting Schedule

Motion: (Drury/Griffiths)

1. That Council endorse the following Ordinary Council Meeting Schedule in 2024:

January – Recess
Tuesday 13 February
Tuesday 5 March
Tuesday 9 April
Tuesday 21 May
Tuesday 25 June
July – Recess
Tuesday 13 August
Tuesday 3 September (Caretaker)
Tuesday 8 October (Mayor and Deputy Mayor Election)
Tuesday 22 October
Tuesday 5 November
Tuesday 3 December

2. That Council approve the publication of the Council Meeting Schedule on Council's website and Service Centres.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Cr Stamolis

C1223(1) Item 17 Submission to the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal 2024

Motion: (Scott/Lockie)

That Council endorse and submit the proposed Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Submission in Attachment 2, by Thursday 21 December 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

Procedural Motion (Scott/Drury)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders and enter into Confidential Session to deal with all confidential items at this time.

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:

C1223(1) Item 39 Crown Land Management in Leichhardt Oval (Section 10A(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)

C1223(1) Item 40 Lease Of Lambert Park Sporting Ground (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

C1223(1) Item 41 Newtown Town Hall Pride Centre (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; AND (Section 10A(2)(d)(ii) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council

C1223(1) Item 42 TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park (Section 10A(2)(g) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege

C1223(1) Item 43 Camden Ville Park Upgrade RFT 32-23 - Tender Recommendation Report (Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed, confer

a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

C1223(1) Item 44 Resource Recovery Collection Contracts (Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND (Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*) that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

C1223(1) Item 45 Balmain Library and Town Hall 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

C1223(1) Item 39 Crown Land Management in Leichhardt Oval

Procedural Motion: (Byrne/Scott)

That the Motion be put.

Motion Carried

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

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

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

That Council adopt the recommendations contained in the confidential report, as is required by Crown Lands.

Motion Carried

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

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

Councillor Scott left the Meeting at 10:28pm as she declared a significant, pecuniary interest in Item 40 - Lease of Lambert Park Sporting Ground as she lives in close proximity to the site.

C1223(1) Item 40 Lease of Lambert Park Sporting Ground

Motion: (Drury/Byrne)

- 1. That Council approve the granting of a ten (10) + ten (10) year Lease of part of Lambert Park for use as a sporting ground, as per the proposed lease terms and conditions contained in this confidential report.**
- 2. That Council approves a 66.6% Accommodation Grant to be applied to the rent in accordance with Council's Land and Property Policy.**
- 3. That Council authorises the General Manager or delegate to negotiate, finalise terms and execute the Lease documentation.**
- 4. That Council approves the public notification of the proposed lease for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with the *Crown Lands Management Act 2016***

and Local Government Act 1993.

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

Councillor Scott returned to the Meeting at 10:31pm

C1223(1) Item 41 Newtown Town Hall Pride Centre

Motion: (Howard/Atkins)

1. That Council accepts the recommendation from the Evaluation Committee to proceed with Twenty10 to manage and operate the Newtown Town Hall as the Inner West Pride Centre.
2. That Council delegates approval to the General Manager to finalise the negotiations to enter into a lease with Twenty10 to manage and operate the Newtown Town Hall as the Inner West Pride Centre.

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 Howard left the Meeting at 10:35pm as he declared non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 42 - TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport and this is a legal matter.

C1223(1) Item 42 TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park

Motion: (Stephens/Lockie)

That all amounts of compensation received from TfNSW's compulsory acquisition of part of Camdenville Park under s56 (3) *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991* be placed in a restricted reserve for open space and expended solely on the acquisition of land for public open space to be used for active and passive recreation.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Howard

Councillor Howard returned to the Meeting at 10:37pm

C1223(1) Item 43 Camdenville Park Upgrade RFT 32-23 - Tender Recommendation Report

Motion: (Drury/Smith)

1. That Council adopt the recommendations contained in *Confidential Attachment 1*.
2. That Council confirms Peter Bulger Wetlands are a key and integral part of this project and that a councillor briefing note be provided detailing this element of the project with how Inner West Council will use the Commonwealth funding and

timelines for the wetlands realisation.

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

C1223(1) Item 44 Resource Recovery Collection Contracts

Motion: (Howard/Byrne)

1. That Council endorse the extension of the existing Cleanaway collection contract for the West Service Area from 31 March 2024 to 30 March 2025 through an existing option in the contract.
2. That in accordance with Section 55(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council approve a 12-month contract with United Resource Management (URM) for recycling collection services for the North Service Area from 31 March 2024 to 30 March 2025, in accordance with the current contract terms, due to extenuating circumstances as detailed in the body of this confidential report.
3. That in accordance with Section 55(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council approve a 12-month contract with United Resource Management (URM) for recycling collection services for the South Service Area from 31 March 2024 to 30 March 2025, in accordance with the current contract terms, due to extenuating circumstances as detailed in the body of this confidential report.
4. That Council note that a tender process will be completed for a single collection contract across the Local Government Area, with the new contract to commence 31 March 2025 as per the following nominated contract collection services for each area:
 - a) North Service Area (Leichhardt) – Recycling;
 - b) West Service Area (Ashfield) - Garbage, Recycling, Food & Garden Organics (FOGO); and
 - c) South Service Area (Marrickville) - Recycling

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Crs Griffiths and Stamolis

Amendment (Langford/Da Cruz)

That Council move to bring all waste collection services in-house at the earliest possible time and receive a report at the next Council meeting in February 2024.

Motion Lost

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

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

Procedural Motion (Shetty/Howard)

That Council extend the meeting for 20 minutes until 11.20pm

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

C1223(1) Item 45 Balmain Library and Town Hall Tender

Motion: (Byrne/Scott)

That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to award the tender for the renewal of the Balmain Library and Town Hall, and finalise its budget as part of the 2023/24 December Quarter budget review.

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/Scott)

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

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/Byrne)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward the following items to be dealt with at this time and adopt the recommendations contained within.

1. Item 19 FOGO – Food recycling update
2. Item 25 Notice of Motion: Library Membership Drive
3. Item 27 Notice of Motion: Perfect Match: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participation
4. Item 28 Notice of Motion: Consultation on Dual Naming of Major Inner West Parks and Ovals
5. Item 31 Notice of Motion: Household Rainwater Tanks
6. Item 32 Notice of Motion: Biodiversity in the Inner West
7. Item 34 Notice of Motion: Parramatta Road at Bland Street, Ashfield Bus Shelter
8. Item 35 Notice of Motion: Mort Bay Park

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

C1223(1) Item 19 FOGO – Food recycling update

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

That Council receive and note the report.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1223(1) Item 25 Notice of Motion: Library Membership Drive

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

That Council undertake a comprehensive library membership drive in 2024, including:

- a) reviewing the criteria and process for obtaining library membership to remove any barriers that may be unreasonably preventing residents from joining the library;
- b) working with the NSW Public Libraries Association to increase membership in our Local Government Area;
- c) prominently including information about library membership in the Inner West Community news, with a link to the online membership form;
- d) promoting library membership through social media and other channels;
- e) actively encouraging, and enabling, residents to join our libraries at mobile customer service stalls, council events and at other opportunities; and
- f) producing information about library membership in community language.

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

C1223(1) Item 27 Notice of Motion: Perfect Match: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participation

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council investigate setting a target to engage artists contracted under the Perfect Match program who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.
2. That Council consult with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee and local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists on the proposal of a target.
3. That Council ask Officers to report back on this consultation by March 2024 and if supported by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee, include recommendations for a realistic, meaningful target.

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

C1223(1) Item 28 Notice of Motion: Consultation on Dual Naming of Major Inner West Parks and Ovals

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council consider dual naming of major Inner West parks and ovals that may have particular significance for local Aboriginal people with Aboriginal place names.
2. That Council consult with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee on the initiative.
3. That if the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee supports dual naming of major Inner West parks and ovals, report back by March 2024 on a plan to consult the community on the proposal, beginning with the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council and concluding with a completed consultation report coming to Council by July 2024.

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

C1223(1) Item 31 Notice of Motion: Household Rainwater Tanks

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council request Officers report to Council no later than April 2024 on ways Council is working to increase the uptake of household rainwater tanks across the Inner West Council Area, noting the likelihood we are entering a period of extended drought.
2. That as part of the report:
 - a) provide data on the uptake of the Inner West Council Rainwater Tank Incentive Scheme, Rainwater Tank Rebate Program, and other initiatives;
 - b) note ways Council is working with the NSW State Government, Sydney Water, Australian Federal Government, and other councils to expand the number of household rainwater tanks in the Inner West;
 - c) barriers to residents installing household rainwater tanks and opportunities to eliminate or minimise these barriers;
 - d) a brief overview of planning regulations governing the installation of rainwater tanks and any opportunities to remove or minimise regulatory barriers at the State or local government level;
 - e) opportunities to assist renters, social housing tenants and residents living in multi-unit dwellings to harvest and store water;
 - f) ways Council could increase the uptake of household water tanks; and
 - g) other information of note.

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

C1223(1) Item 32 Notice of Motion: Biodiversity in the Inner West

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council notes that Inner West Council's Biodiversity Strategy was due to be developed by June 2023, however staff shortages have meant the Strategy's development has been delayed to June 2024.
2. That Council notes that protecting, enhancing, and managing biodiversity is a key priority of Council's Community Strategic Plan.
3. That Council notes that baseline data exists for biodiversity in the former Marrickville and Leichhardt Local Government Areas (LGA), but a full mapping is yet to be undertaken for the Inner West LGA.
4. That Council affirms that all adopted Council reports and plans of management for parks, green spaces, foreshores, and waterways should include a strategy for protecting, enhancing, and managing biodiversity in those areas.
5. That Council commits to undertaking a full and comprehensive mapping of biodiversity data for green spaces, waterways, and foreshores for the Inner West LGA.
6. That Council commits to working in partnership with local environmental and bushcare groups on collection and use of biodiversity data.
7. That Council recommits to development of the Biodiversity Strategy by June 2024.

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

C1223(1) Item 34 Notice of Motion: Parramatta Road at Bland Street, Ashfield Bus Shelter

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

That Council enter into discussions with OohMedia! concerning the installation of bus shelters at the stops on Parramatta Road at Chandos Street and Bland Street, Ashfield.

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

C1223(1) Item 35 Notice of Motion: Mort Bay Park

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council receive a report to the February 2024 meeting on how the requirement to maintain and protect view corridors around Mort Bay Park will be upheld. This should include consideration of pruning and replacement of trees and the requirement for additional planting of trees within the Park.
2. That Council undertake immediately any pruning that is required by the Plan of Management in order to maintain view corridors.

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 (Lockie/Byrne)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders to bring forward Item 24 to be dealt with at this time.

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

C1223(1) Item 24 Notice of Motion: Multicultural Advisory Committee

Motion: (Lockie/Byrne)

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

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 10:53pm

Councillor Shetty left the Meeting at 10:54pm

C1223(1) Item 18 Customer Service in Development Assessments - Bi-Monthly Report

Motion: (Scott/Da Cruz)

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council staff table a report at the February 2024 Ordinary Council meeting with a summary of the feedback received during the Planning Industry Professionals heritage assessment workshop.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Griffiths and Shetty

Amendment (Da Cruz/Stamolis)

1. That Council review PreDA step with a view to making the overall DA process more effective for all stakeholders, including Council officers assessing the proposal.
2. That Council develop a video introduction to lodging a DA including how to check what controls apply to site.
3. That Council improve website to provide information on prerequisites for DA, pre-DA and better access to planning instruments on website

Motion Lost

For Motion: Crs Da Cruz and Stamolis

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

Absent: Crs Griffiths and Shetty

Councillor Shetty returned to the Meeting at 10:55pm

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 10:56pm

C1223(1) Item 20 Marrickville Town Hall - Recommendations for Technical Fit Out

Motion: (Howard/Langford)

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council consider expenditure for the fit-out of town halls for artistic purposes, including Marrickville Town Hall, as part of the budget workshop process in early 2024, considering a baseline of equipment that can activate spaces and harmonise the experience of hirers and patrons in our town halls.
3. That in the event of resident complaints about any events being conducted at Marrickville Town Hall, Council staff will act within the framework of the Good Neighbour Policy which was reviewed by Council at the 5 December 2023 ordinary meeting.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

C1223(1) Item 22 Cycling Infrastructure Signage, Designation and Enforcement

Motion: (Stephens/Griffiths)

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

Amendment (Da Cruz/Shetty)

That Council allocate \$80,000 in the 2024/2025 budget to a bicycle infrastructure audit and consult the Bicycle Advisory Group on what is to be audited and how before commissioning the audit.

Motion Lost

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

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

C1223(1) Item 23 Direct employment of people with a disability - Bi-monthly Report

Motion: (Howard/Byrne)

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That the March Report on the Direct Employment of People with Disability include a detailed audit of positions within the Council that could be targeted for the direct employment of people with disability, and positions that could be modified to remove barriers for potential or existing employees with disability.

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

C1223(1) Item 26 Notice of Motion: Tempe Streets and Laneways

Motion: (Howard/Langford)

1. That Council undertake an inspection of streets and laneways in Tempe and St Peters to identify issues with potholes and road maintenance, damaged footpaths, street lighting, litter, delayed verge maintenance, damaged Council assets and rubbish bins and other issues.
2. That Council brief councillors from the Marrickville-Midjubi Ward and any other interested councillors on the issues identified, a schedule to undertake works and opportunities to promote Council beautification programs like Perfect Match.
3. That Council investigate the serious concerns of residents regarding notification of road and construction works associated with the Bunnings project in Tempe and provide a briefing to Councillors from the Marrickville-Midjubi Ward and other interested councillors on the issues identified to date around the notification on residents and compliance responses from Council.

4. That Council develop a strategy to improve the streetscape and amenity of the Princes Highway in Tempe and St Peters and report back to Council no later than March 2024.
5. That Council schedule a future inspection of Sydenham streets and laneways as per point 1 and develop a schedule of works to address any shortfalls.
6. That Council investigate putting art decals on bins around Tempe and St Peters and Sydenham, in main street locations as deemed appropriate.
7. That Council work with Transport for NSW to investigate putting a Perfect Match artwork on Bedwin Road Bridge, St Peters to address resident concerns about graffiti.
8. That Council investigate further opportunities for town centre revitalisation for Tempe, St Peters and Sydenham, in response to resident concerns about perceptions of neglect and that Council officers bring a report back on potential quick wins and some ideas and costings early in 2024.

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

C1223(1) Item 29 Notice of Motion: Citizenship Ceremonies**Motion: (Scott/Byrne)**

1. That Council thank Council staff for their work to organise and conduct citizenship ceremonies.
2. That Council investigate returning to the practice of gifting a native plant or tree to residents accepting citizenship at citizenship ceremonies in the Inner West.
3. That Council increase support to Council's community nurseries to supply native plants for this purpose.
4. That Council include information about Council services in the citizenship welcome pack issued by Council at ceremonies, including information on early childhood education, memberships to community libraries and aquatic centres, and other key services.
5. That Council investigate whether there is more Council can do to support new citizens enrolling to vote, given that the Australian Electoral Commission no longer provides an in-person representative or paper forms.
6. That Council invite a representative from a local organisation or a first responder from NSW Police, Fire and Rescue or NSW Ambulance to attend and speak in addition to State and Federal MPs.
7. That Council provide an update via councillor briefing note in early 2024.
8. That Council reach out to ANTAR Inner West to discuss the possible provision of a flyer outlining the First Nations History of the inner west at Council's citizenship ceremonies, subject to consultation with the Council's Indigenous Advisory

Committee.

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 D'Arienzo retired from the Meeting at 11:06pm

C1223(1) Item 33 Notice of Motion: Cooling centres

Motion: (Scott/Stephens)

1. That Council identify cooling centres within each suburb, create a list and publicise them on Council's website, media and social media, from December 2023 to February 2024, to be amplified on days above 40°C or when the NSW Department of Planning and Environment and NSW Health Air Quality Indicator is Poor or worse.
2. That emergency contingency plans be established for late night opening of Council buildings in the event of the Bureau of Meteorology issuing a severe or extreme heatwave warning for the Inner West Local Government Area.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr D'Arienzo

Councillor D'Arienzo was present during voting on the amendment in Item 33 but retired from the meeting prior to voting on the primary motion.

Amendment (Da Cruz/Atkins)

That Council develop a climate change adaption plan as a matter of urgency and clarify with the department of health about the education and emergency planning so, that we do not issue conflicting messages. They have a beat the heat information at [Beat the heat \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/beat-the-heat)

Motion Lost

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

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

Meeting closed at 11.06pm

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 49:	Tim Stackpool	Lilyfield
Item 1:	Rosa Brown	Lilyfield
	Beth Allen	Ashfield
	Laura Wood	Ashfield
Item 2:	Philip Bull	Marrickville
	Justin Simon	Summer Hill
	Mark Skelsey	Dulwich Hill
	Peter Olive	Marrickville
	Jud Agius	Dulwich Hill
	Jason Gravanis	Dulwich Hill
Item 10:	Mamoon Reza	Newtown
	Dr Emma Skowronski	Leichhardt
Item 12:	Ron Glew OAM	Balmain-Rozelle RSL
Item 13:	Agnieshka Kiera	Balmain
	Desmond Kennedy SC	Rozelle
	Lisa Tatman	Birchgrove
Item 14:	Reliza Pangan	Tempe
	John Zezovski	Tempe
Item 33:	Margaret Vickers	Balmain
Item 35:	Robert Clark	Birchgrove
	Susan Allen	Birchgrove
	Shirley (Nyin) Cameron	Birchgrove

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 5th December, 2023 were confirmed as a correct record on this 13th day of February 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON