

**Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 5 March 2024 at
Ashfield Service Centre**

Meeting commenced at 6:34pm

Present:

Darcy Byrne	Mayor
Chloe Smith	Deputy Mayor
Liz Atkins	Councillor
Marghanita Da Cruz	Councillor
Jessica D'Arienzo	Councillor
Mark Drury	Councillor
Dylan Griffiths	Councillor
Mathew Howard	Councillor
Justine Langford	Councillor
Pauline Lockie	Councillor
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
Scott Mullen	Strategic Investments and Property Manager
Manod Wickramasinghe	Traffic and Transport Planning Manager
Marea Getsios	Procurement and Contracts Manager
Ken Welsh	Coordinator Strategic Transport Planning
Chris Sleiman	Acting Chief Financial Officer
Katherine Paixao	Business Paper Coordinator
Darcie Huisman	Business Paper Officer

APOLOGIES AND REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION:

Nil.

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Councillor Shetty declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 11 December 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 Shetty declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 7 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 19 February 2024 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 Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 3 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 11 December 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 7 - Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting – 19 February 2024 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 53 - Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Parklands, as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport. As this is a legal matter that may impact Transport for NSW, and out of an abundance of caution so as to avoid any perception of conflict, he will remove himself from discussion and voting on the matter.

Councillor Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 52 - TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park, as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport. As this is a legal matter, and out of an abundance of caution so as to avoid any perception of conflict, he will remove himself from discussion and voting on the matter.

Councillor Howard declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 - Notice of Motion: Inner West Schools Active Travel as he works in the Office of the Minister for Transport which may have oversight of the grant program referenced in the Motion. Out of an abundance of caution, he will leave the meeting during discussion and voting on the matter.

Motion: (Smith/Scott)

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

*** Councillor Griffiths made a declaration later in the meeting.*

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: (Drury/Stephens)

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday, 13 February 2024 and the Extraordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday, 20 February 2024 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.

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 6:39pm

Councillor Howard left the Meeting at 6:42pm

Councillor Howard returned to the Meeting at 6:45pm

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne left the meeting at 6:50pm and vacated the Chair. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Smith, assumed the Chair.

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 7:01pm

The Mayor, Councillor Byrne returned to the meeting at 7:04pm. The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Smith, vacated the Chair and the Mayor, Councillor Byrne, assumed the Chair.

C0324(1) Item 1 Condolence Motion: Father Nikolaos Bozikis

Motion: (Tsardoulias/Byrne)

1. That Council record our sadness of the passing of Father Nikolaos Bozikis and write to the Bozikis family expressing our condolences.
2. That Council plant a tree in his honour and a plaque, with words to be determined by the family at a location to be determined in consultation with the Bozikis family.

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 Howard left the Meeting at 7:53pm as he declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 53 - Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Parklands, as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport and this is a legal matter.

Procedural Motion: (Drury/Smith)

That Council allow Cllr Byrne to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 53.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Howard

C0324(1) Item 53 Mayoral Minute: Rozelle Parklands

Motion: (Byrne)

1. That Council make use of the power available to it under the *Local Government Act* to enforce and expedite the clean-up of asbestos contamination in the Rozelle Parklands and surrounding areas.

2. That the Mayor and General Manager request to meet with the Minister for Environment and Water to discuss the range of issues which have affected the closure of the Rozelle Parklands.

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

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:

Councillor Griffiths declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 - Notice of Motion: Inner West Schools Active Travel as he is employed by the NSW Department of Education and could not determine prior to the meeting if there would be an impact regarding the grants. He will leave the chamber during voting and discussion.

Motion: (Drury/Da Cruz)

That Council note Councillor Griffiths' disclosure of interest.

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 8:11pm

C0324(1) Item 54 Mayoral Minute: Support for Inner West Brewing Sector**Motion: (Byrne)**

That Council, in partnership with the Inner West Brewers Association, hold a forum to discuss the challenges and opportunities for the craft beer and gin distilling sectors in the Inner West. The forum is to be held at a local craft brewery with a summary of the discussion to be reported to an Ordinary Council meeting.

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

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 13 Investment Report at 31 December 2023
2. Item 19 Update on Key Traffic Issues in the Marrickville-Midjuburi Ward
3. Item 20 Progress Report - Proposed Pedestrian Bridge over Dobroyd Parade
4. Item 28 Arts and Music Recovery Plan Bi-Monthly Update
5. Item 37 Notice of Motion: Drag Story Time
6. Item 41 Notice of Motion: Early Childhood Education and Care Workers
7. Item 42 Notice of Motion: Extending the swimming season at Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre
8. Item 44 Notice of Motion: Newtown Street Party

9. Item 45 Notice of Motion: Mardi Gras Fair Day**10. Item 46 Notice of Motion: Bird protection at Marrickville Metro****Motion Carried**

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/D'Arienzo)

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

1. Item 13 Investment Report at 31 December 2023
2. Item 19 Update on Key Traffic Issues in the Marrickville-Midjuburi Ward
3. Item 20 Progress Report - Proposed Pedestrian Bridge over Dobroyd Parade
4. Item 28 Arts and Music Recovery Plan Bi-Monthly Update
5. Item 37 Notice of Motion: Drag Story Time
6. Item 41 Notice of Motion: Early Childhood Education and Care Workers
7. Item 42 Notice of Motion: Extending the swimming season at Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre
8. Item 44 Notice of Motion: Newtown Street Party
9. Item 45 Notice of Motion: Mardi Gras Fair Day
10. Item 46 Notice of Motion: Bird protection at Marrickville Metro

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

C0324(1) Item 13 Investment Report at 31 December 2023**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 Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C0324(1) Item 19 Update on Key Traffic Issues in the Marrickville-Midjuburi Ward**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 Tsardoulias

Against Motion: Nil

C0324(1) Item 20 Progress Report - Proposed Pedestrian Bridge over Dobroyd Parade**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**C0324(1) Item 28 Arts and Music Recovery Plan Bi-Monthly Update****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**C0324(1) Item 37 Notice of Motion: Drag Story Time****Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

- 1. That Council thanks Council library staff and the communities directorate for organising and running the Drag Story Time event this past weekend.**
- 2. That Council thanks Rainbow Families NSW and Joyce Maynge for their work on the event, and thanks Inner West Police Area Command for their support of the event.**
- 3. That Council condemns homophobia and transphobia.**
- 4. That Council commits to holding a series of Drag Story Time events with Rainbow Families.**

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

C0324(1) Item 41 Notice of Motion: Early Childhood Education and Care Workers**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council note that 8 March 2024 is International Women's Day, and this is a key day for celebrating the wins of the women's movement and fighting for further systemic change.
2. That Council note that the gender pay gap of 28% persists in Australia, and that Australia has one of the most gender segregated labour forces in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), with most women working in systematically underpaid roles like early childhood education, school support, aged care and disability support, cleaning, hairdressing, nursing, and school teaching.
3. That Council note the recent recommendations of the Women's Equality Taskforce, and the recent reports of the early learning sector by the Australian Consumer Commission and the United Workers Union.
4. That Council note that in particular the Women's Economic Equality Taskforce stresses the importance of supporting a pay increase for early childhood educators, the universalisation of early childhood education & care for families, paid placements for feminised industries like health and education, and employment targets for women and minorities to address segregation in the workforce.
5. That Council note it plays a key role in the provision of long day care and pre-school in the area.
6. That Council commend early childhood educators in the United Workers Union for taking action on 8 March for a pay increase.
7. That Council reiterate support for the LGNSW motion to negotiate with the union, and requests an update from LGNSW on its progress.

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

C0324(1) Item 42 Notice of Motion: Extending the swimming season at Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council notes that Inner West aquatic centres will need to be a part of our strategy to deal with a heating climate.
2. That Council receive a report that considers extending the swimming season at Fanny Durack Aquatic Centre including any cost of upgrading lights at the pool to permit an extended season and opening hours, the report to be provided to permit consideration in the context of the 2024/25 Budget considerations.

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

C0324(1) Item 44 Notice of Motion: Newtown Street Party**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council notes that the Newtown Street Party celebrates the vibrant and diverse community of Newtown, and is an example of how Council can work with local businesses to support more live music, street pedestrianisation, and economic activation.
2. That Council notes that the event also serves as an important fundraising opportunity for Newtown Neighbourhood Centre, with more than \$10,000 in gold coin donations raised in the last two years of the event.
3. That Council thanks Young Henrys and Solotel's Courthouse Hotel for their ongoing partnership with Council to hold the event, noting that this event could not proceed without Council's support.
4. That Council supports holding the Newtown Street Party as a permanent annual event.
5. That Council support Young Henrys and the Courthouse Hotel to secure the future of the Newtown Street Party as an annual event, including providing support for arts and cultural funding applications.

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

C0324(1) Item 45 Notice of Motion: Mardi Gras Fair Day**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

1. That Council expresses disappointment that Mardi Gras Fair Day was cancelled in 2024 following asbestos contamination in Victoria Park.
2. That Council thanks the Mayor and senior staff for acting quickly and offering Inner West Council's parks and services as an alternative venue.
3. That Council requests officers meet with representatives from Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras to deepen engagement with Mardi Gras in future years.
4. That given the proximity of the Fair Day event to Inner West Council, and the number of Inner West residents who participate, request officers organise an Inner West Council stall at Mardi Gras Fair Day on an annual basis.

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

C0324(1) Item 46 Notice of Motion: Bird protection at Marrickville Metro**Motion: (Scott/D'Arienzo)**

That Council write to the management of the Marrickville Metro Shopping Centre requesting that following the deaths of native birds, they take action to eliminate bird strikes on the glass walkway connecting the two halves of the shopping centre over Smidmore Street.

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/Atkins)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders and bring forward Item 22.

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 Tsardoulias

Procedural Motion (Griffiths/Stamolis)

That the public speaker in the gallery be allowed to speak on Item 2 for a period of 2 minutes.

The Chairperson ruled the Procedural Motion out of order as it is not in line with the Code of Meeting Practice.

Procedural Motion (Griffiths/Shetty)

That a motion of dissent be moved in the Chairperson's ruling on the Procedural Motion.

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 Tsardoulias

The Chairperson's ruling was upheld.

Procedural Motion (Byrne/Drury)

That the meeting be adjourned for 3 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 8:19pm

The meeting recommenced at 8:23pm

C0324(1) Item 2 Update on the development of the Inner West Museum of Rugby League at Leichhardt Oval

Motion: (Byrne/Scott)

1. That Council endorse the proposal to proceed with short term initiatives for the museum whilst building works are undertaken.
2. That Council open an expression of interest (EOI) process for interested parties to participate in the project control group for the Inner West Museum of Rugby League.

Motion Carried

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

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

C0324(1) Item 3 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 11 December 2023

Motion: (Drury/Griffiths)

That Council receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 11 December 2023, subject to:

1. Council committing to the expedited delivery of *LTC1233 (1) Item 8* traffic calming measures around Cardinal Freeman Village:
 - a) that Council Commits to the planned works being delivered in both the 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years and that Council will seek opportunities to fund and deliver the works sooner;
 - b) that Plan 1 (a) Victoria St, mid-block between Clissold Street and Seaview Street be delivered as the first project, as a matter of urgency; and
 - c) that Item 8 program of works be referred to the Major Projects Committee for oversight.
2. The following being referred to the Local Traffic Committee for investigation, in relation to *LTC1223(1) Item 8*:
 - a) that Council investigate traffic calming measures on intersections of Norton Street and Carlisle Street, and Norton and Lapish Avenue; and
 - b) that Council continue consultations with Guide Dogs NSW/ACT and other stakeholders with the aim of developing safe and inclusive pedestrian crossings in our community.
3. The following amendments to *LTC1223(1) Item 7* to include urgent action being

taken to improve visibility of the pedestrian crossing at Illawarra Road at Yirran Gumal Early Learning Centre, including:

- a) a report including designs to improve visibility at the crossing be brought to the next possible Local Traffic Committee Meeting, considering options to raise the crossing, implement flashing lights, or any other measure to improve safety; and
- b) that upon approval by the Local Traffic Committee and Council, these works be immediately prioritised and undertaken, funded through the quarterly budget update.

4. The following amendments to *LTC1223(1) Item 3*:

- a) that the clause on page 7 of the policy that allows for crossings to be provided at less than the numerical warrant be amended to read as follows:
'A pedestrian (zebra) crossing may also be considered at locations where there is a deviation from meeting the warrant, such as where the pedestrian crossing would serve as an essential link to an overall network of pedestrian facilities, or for a vulnerable group such as children, the elderly or mobility impaired'; and
- b) that a report be provided to Council 12 months after the adoption of the policy about any new pedestrian crossings that have been approved or refused under the new policy, with reasons for the approvals and refusals to be included 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

C0324(1) Item 4 National General Assembly of Local Government 2024

Motion: (Drury/Scott)

- 1. That Council determine the Councillors attending the National General Assembly of Local Government 2024 are Cirs Byrne, Drury, Atkins, Langford, Lockie, Griffiths and Da Cruz.
- 2. That Council determine the one (1) Councillor that will be the voting delegate is Cir Byrne.
- 3. That Council endorse the following motion to be submitted to the 2024 National General Assembly:

This National General Assembly calls on the federal government to improve the ethically and environmentally responsible investment options for Councils by developing legislation that requires all banks to offer fossil fuel free investment options.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Amendment (Da Cruz)

That Council endorse the following Motions to be submitted to the 2024 National General Assembly:

- a) *That this National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to ensure sufficient funding of regulation of the Waste industry including monitoring handling of Construction Waste in the Circular Economy in particular the handling of hazardous materials.*
- b) *This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to urgently standardise Bins and include funding for education in schools curriculum and to councils for education in the community (at work and play) about key components of the waste strategy such as what goes into the different coloured kerbside bins but also more generally, where and how the content is processed and other initiatives the Government is taking to reach a circular economy with regard to domestic waste.*

The Chairperson ruled the amendment out of order as they are listed in the business paper as Notices of Motion.

C0324 (1) Item 5 Mort Bay Park-Tree Management and View Corridors

Motion: (Byrne/Stamolis)

That Council endorses a two year tree management implementation plan for the following:

- a) removal of three large Acacia trees generally adjacent to Phillip Street (May 2024);
- b) assessment of view corridors and consequent tree management and maintenance along Phillip and Short Streets;
- c) removal of all existing Coastal Banksia within Site C (Banksia integrifolia) which was mistakenly planted in 2006 and replace these trees with Heath Banksia and understory planting. (May 2024 onward); and
- d) other tree removals to include the removal of self-sown Acacia, Tuckeroo and Casuarina trees. To minimise ecological and biodiversity impacts tree removals will involve the creation of some carefully selected stag trees (branch removal and pruning) which will be supported by the implementation of an intensive winter planting regime (removal and replanting from May 2024 onward).

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

C0324(1) Item 6 InnerWest@40 Study - Post Public Exhibition

Motion: (Stephens/Lockie)

1. That Council adopt the *InnerWest@40 “Investigation in Potential Local Road Speed Limit Reductions”* Study and seek approval and funding from Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to expedite the implementation of 40km/hr speed limits on all local streets within the Inner West Local Government Area.

2. That Council forward the InnerWest@40 “Investigation in Potential Regional and State Road Speed Limit Reductions” Study to Transport for NSW to inform:
 - a) the introduction of consistent speed limits, of 50km/hr or less, on Regional Roads within the Inner West Local Government Area;
 - b) the introduction of consistent speed limits on State Roads within the Inner West Local Government Area, as appropriate to each road’s function and adjacent land uses;
 - c) the establishment of speed limits consistent with adjacent speed zoning at the 9 key locations identified in the Study; and
 - d) the establishment of 40km/hr high pedestrian activity areas in the 8 key locations identified in the Study.
3. That Council update the Policy Register and publish, as applicable, internally, and externally the adopted InnerWest@40 Studies.
4. That authority be delegated to the General Manager to make minor editorial amendments for clarity or correction following adoption of InnerWest@40.

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/Lockie)

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 8:57pm

The meeting recommenced at 9:09pm

C0324(1) Item 7 Local Traffic Committee Meeting - 19 February 2024**Motion: (Howard/Scott)**

1. That Council receive the minutes and adopt the recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 19 February 2024.
2. That Council officers meet with Marrickville Metro management to discuss strategies for reducing the amount of shopping trolleys left on streets surrounding Marrickville Metro.
3. That Council officers table a report back to the April Ordinary Council meeting with outcome of the meeting and strategies for mitigating the issue of abandoned shopping trolleys.

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

C0324(1) Item 8 Post Exhibition - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Procurement Strategy

Motion: (Howard/Drury)

1. That Council adopt the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Procurement Strategy, with the addition of a note stating that Council will review the Strategy after one year with the view of assessing council's progress in meeting the proposed target for procurement from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Suppliers or products and seeking to at least double the target each year in the next five years.
2. That as part of that review, Council undertake engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers to ensure that the procurement strategy is adequately servicing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned businesses.
3. That Council specifically target the GreenWay project for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander procurement and identify opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers.
4. That Council hold training and awareness sessions with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers and organisations regarding opportunities to work with Inner West Council and Council's tender processes.

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

C0324(1) Item 9 Update on Creative Use of Town Halls

Motion: (Howard/Byrne)

1. That Council endorse the immediate procurement of audio, lighting, and other necessary technical equipment to support the activation of creative spaces within the town halls, to be funded through the third quarter budget review process.
2. That Council note the inclusion of a capital works program for refurbishment works for Marrickville Town Hall within the draft FY24/25 draft budget.
3. That Council thank and acknowledge the work of the community representatives who participated in the Marrickville Town Hall Steering Committee.
4. That an event be held in the next three months, funded through the third quarter budget review process, to showcase the work undertaken by the Committee and Inner West Council to activate our town halls and featuring performances by local artists, musicians and performers, inviting:
 - a) representatives from arts and cultural organisations from across Sydney, with an emphasis on local organisations and organisations from

- multicultural arts organisations;
 - b) relevant media;
 - c) the Australian Federal Minister for the Arts, NSW Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism and Federal and State representatives; and
 - d) members of the Marrickville Town Hall Steering Committee, (and that the contribution made by these volunteers be acknowledged at the event).
- 5. That advertising banners and flags noted in the report are in place at all town halls prior to this event.
- 6. That the Inner West Council website host a page promoting the use of our town halls by artists and creative industries, and that printed collateral promoting this initiative be made available at our libraries, community centres, and other locations, and that a feature article promoting the initiative be included as part of an upcoming edition of the Inner West Community News.
- 7. That Council report back to the April Ordinary Council meeting about options to promote the initiative more broadly, including on bus stop advertising, social media advertising and more broadly, with costs to be absorbed through the third quarter budget review process.
- 8. That Council endorse the Community Venue Hire Grants and Fee Scale Policy being amended as below and placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days to seek community feedback on the proposed amendment:

That Table 1: Schedule of Scaled Fees and Categories of Organisation be amended to include all creative individuals or groups requesting use of Town Halls or their associated spaces in the 100% scaled fee waiver category, where the activity or event to be held is not primarily a fundraising event.
- 9. That following the conclusion of the exhibition period, the draft amended Community Venue Hire Grants and Fee Scale 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

C0324(1) Item 10 Household Rainwater Tanks

Motion: (Howard/Stephens)

- 1. That Council endorse the renewed approach to the Rainwater Tank Incentive Scheme which will make it more accessible to residents across the Inner West by:
 - a) making the engagement component available online on a regular basis, supported by other web resources;
 - b) for residents who seek a face-to-face seminar, utilising the space at Council's Sustainability Hub at Summer Hill to provide engagement with staff; and
 - c) removing the need for a staff member to physically inspect residents'

homes, relying instead on photographs supplied by residents and professional certification from licensed tradespeople.

2. That Council set a target for annual residential household uptake through the Rainwater Tank Incentive Scheme and report back to Council on a bi-annual basis about the target, strategy to reach it and progress via councillor briefing.
3. That Council include information about the Rainwater Tank Incentive Scheme in an upcoming edition of the Inner West Community News and on social media, include information about the scheme in publications associated with rates notices, and ensure information about the scheme is accessible to residents via the council website.
4. That Council write to the NSW Minister for Planning, the Hon. Paul Scully, noting the limitations of the current Complying Development SEPP with respect to installing household rainwater tanks, particularly in relation to lot size and heritage protection, and ask for this to be reviewed.
5. That Council write to the Minister for Better Regulation and Fair Trading, the Hon. Anoulack Chanthivong MP, asking that action be taken to support residential tenants to install solar panels, batteries and household rainwater tanks.
6. That Council write to the Federal Minister for Water, the Hon. Tanya Plibersek MP, and the NSW Minister for Water, the Hon. Rose Jackson MLC, requesting funding to local governments to provide support to households looking to install household rainwater tanks.
7. That Council investigate options to expand the Rainwater Tank Incentive Scheme to include the installation of rainwater connections to residential laundries and toilets.

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

C0324(1) Item 11 Inclusive Playgrounds Progress Update

Motion: (Howard/Drury)

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That noting the 5 best sites put forward for the inclusive playground program meant a gap in the Ashfield ward, the program is to investigate the inclusion of the Ashfield ward by adding an additional site to the current program, with the results of the investigation reported to the Major Projects Committee for consideration.

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

C0324(1) Item 12 Council Streetscape Services Website Improvements**Motion: (Howard/Scott)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That progress on the proposed website updates to publicise street cleaning (including high pressure cleaning), weed spraying, park mowing, park cleaning schedules and the Civil Works maintenance work schedules be reported to each meeting of the Customer Service Committee until completion and then to Council.
3. That spreadsheets detailing data on service delivery for verge mowing and each of the above services continue to be updated and published on the website each quarter.

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**C0324(1) Item 14 Investment Report at 31 January 2024****Motion: (Drury/Da Cruz)****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/Atkins)****That Council note that \$276 million of Rate and Tax Payer funds are held by Council and invested as at January 2024.****Motion Lost****For Motion:** Crs Atkins, Da Cruz, Griffiths, Langford and Shetty**Against Motion:** Crs Byrne, D'Arienzo, Drury, Howard, Lockie, Scott, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis**C0324(1) Item 15 FOGO Monthly Report****Motion: (Howard/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 Tsardoulis**Against Motion:** Nil

C0324(1) Item 16 FOGO Opt-in weekly Red Bin Service**Motion: (Howard/Byrne)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council commence registration for the opt-in weekly red bin collection on 18 March with the service to commence on 25 March. For the first 3 weeks of registration priority will be given to set categories of residents with the most need. During this period households with small children in nappies, residents with medical conditions and disability and large households with 5 or more residents will be able to register.
3. That from 8 April other residents not listed in the categories above will be able to register for the opt-in weekly service.
4. That registrations will be taken by phone only with the requirement for a short survey to obtain necessary information, and agreement for the Council's Wastebusters team to be able to contact the resident in the future.
5. That information about the registration process for the opt-in weekly red bin collection is to be provided clearly on the Council website.

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**C0324(1) Item 17 Recycling of Soft Plastics and Polystyrene****Motion: (Howard/Shetty)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council again write to major supermarkets and the Australian Consumer and Competition Commission Soft Plastics Taskforce noting the recent recommencement of soft plastics recycling through some trial stores in Melbourne, requesting that similar trials be held in the Inner West Local Government Area, and noting the responsibility of major supermarket retailers to manage soft plastics and hard to recycle waste.
3. That Council write to the Commonwealth Government noting our eagerness to participate in future trials of kerbside soft plastics recycling under the National Plastics Recycling Scheme.
4. That Council officers report back in April 2024 with the results of the tender for the expansion of soft plastics recycling services and that costs be factored into the development of the 2024-2025 Budget.
5. That Council continue to explore options for the use of an EPS extruder that would allow the collection of polystyrene through community recycling centres.

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

C0324(1) Item 18 Update on Rozelle Interchange and Rozelle Parklands**Motion: (Byrne/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

C0324(1) Item 21 Electric Vehicle Public Charging Update**Motion (Smith/Atkins)**

- 1. That Council receive and note the report.**
- 2. That Council commit to the installation of at least two public charging stations, one to be located kerbside and one to be located in a council car park, by no later than September 2024.**
- 3. That Council receive a bi-monthly report on the progress of installing EV public charging infrastructure in the LGA, including at the two locations mentioned above, as well as other kerbside locations, council car parks, and depots.**

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 allow Clr Shetty to speak for 1 additional minute on Item 22.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Scott/Stephens)

That Council allow Clr Byrne to speak for 2 additional minutes on Item 22.

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

C0324(1) Item 22 Community Engagement Outcomes - All weather surface sporting field

Motion: (Scott/Byrne)

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council continue investigation into the installation of all-weather surface at one or more of Leichhardt 2, Easton Park, Waterfront Drive (Callan Park) and Balmain Road (Callan Park).
3. That Council staff engage representatives from the sporting clubs that made submissions including Balmain District Football Club, Leichhardt Saints, Leichhardt Wanderers Cricket Club, Balmain Junior Rugby Club, Balmain South Sydney Cricket Club, Balmain Little Athletics, Glebe District Hockey Club, Inner West Harbour Cricket, Cricket NSW, Canterbury District Football Association and Football NSW and with a view to supporting them to agree jointly to a suitable location, and including discussion of how clubs that do not prefer an all-weather surface can be accommodated at other venues.
4. That Council note the Chief Scientist and Engineer's *Independent review into the design, use and impacts of synthetic turf in public open spaces 13 October 2022* recognises that "in a context of constrained resources and climate futures, councils have the challenging task of managing competing values and interests, including availability and application of open space."
5. That Council note that the report identifies that environmental impact is highly dependent on site-specific factors, and identifies potential ways to mitigate negative environmental issues when planning and delivering, (e.g. design features, like a dropped level of field relative to surrounding area, can limit transport of plastics).

Motion Carried

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

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

C0324(1) Item 23 Living Streets Program 2023-24**Motion: (Smith/Atkins)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council undertake an additional advertising push on social media and in the next Council newsletter encouraging participation in the Living Streets and Adopt-A-Spot programs.

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

C0324(1) Item 24 Direct Employment of people with a disability - bimonthly report**Motion: (Howard/Scott)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council share the Job Role and Accessibility and Inclusion Audit with the Inner West Council Access Advisory Committee and seek feedback.
3. That the May bi-monthly report include a table of recommendations from the Job Role and Accessibility and Inclusion Audit, noting those that are supported, supported in principle or opposed, with rationale as to council staff's recommendations and including a possible timeline for implementation in the case of those that are supported or supported in principle.
4. That bi-monthly reports indicate the number of people with disability employed at council, and specifically employed in the roles identified in the Job Role and Accessibility and Inclusion Audit.
5. That elected Councillors be invited and facilitated to undertake the "Building a Culture of Accessibility and Inclusion" training before June 2024 and that the number of councillors and staff who have completed the training be reported to the July 2024 meeting.
6. That the 2024-2025 Budget specifically include funding and information about programs to support disability inclusion in the Inner West Council workforce and to support the direct employment of people 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

C0324(1) Item 25 Tempe Streets and Laneways – Strategy to Improve Streetscape and Amenity**Motion: (Howard/Langford)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council write to all residents of Tempe, St Peters and Sydenham outlining the works being undertaken and noting the blitz of the suburbs to be undertaken throughout the next three months to 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**C0324(1) Item 26 Biennale - Local Businesses Meeting Outcomes and Promotional Plan****Motion: (Byrne/Scott)**

1. That Council fund the provision of a mini bus and driver to provide a shuttle bus service connecting patrons going to the Biennale at White Bay Power Station to Darling Street Balmain and Rozelle. The Service is to be provided on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the festival with the route and pick-up and drop-off location to be determined in consultation with Balmain/Rozelle Chamber of Commerce.
2. That Council urgently write to Transport for NSW seeking a joint funding contribution toward the cost of this bus service, immediate assistance in hiring the bus, securing a driver and implementing the route and pick up/drop off locations.
3. That funds for this be identified in the next quarterly 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 (Scott/Stephens)****That Council Suspend Standing Orders and bring forward Items 51 and 52 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:

C0324(1) Item 51 Quarterly Strategic Investment Property Report – January 2024
 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.

C0324(1) Item 52 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

REPORTS WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

C0324(1) Item 51 Quarterly Strategic Investment Property Report – January 2024

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 Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Councillor Howard left the Meeting at 10:22pm as he declared non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 52 - TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park as he works in the Ministerial Office of the Minister for Transport and this is a legal matter.

C0324(1) Item 52 TfNSW Litigation - Camdenville Park

Motion: (Drury/Stephens)

That the Council, in the event of any negotiations, endorse the General Manager and General Counsel to negotiate compensation for the Acquired Land in respect of the Land and Environment proceedings.

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

Procedural Motion (Smith/Lockie)

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, Langford, Lockie, Scott, Shetty, Smith, Stamolis, Stephens and Tsardoulis

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Cr Howard

Councillor Howard returned to the Meeting at 10:24pm.

Procedural Motion: (Atkins/Langford)

That Council Suspend Standing Orders and bring forward Item 40.

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 40.

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

C0324(1) Item 40 Notice of Motion: Trans Day of Visibility Rally - 31 March 2024

Motion: (Atkins/Lockie)

1. That Council note that on Transgender Day of Visibility Council already flies either the Progress Pride flag or the transgender flag at its town halls and lights Camperdown Memorial Rest Park in the colours of the transgender flag.
2. That Council endorse and publicise on social media the Trans Day of Visibility Rally to be held on Sunday 31 March 2024 at 2pm at Pride Square.
3. That Council prioritise consideration of an application for up to 4 stalls at Pride Square before the rally to give the atmosphere of a small community fair.

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

Foreshadowed Motion (Howard/D'Arienzo)

1. That Council note that the international Transgender Day of Visibility takes place on 31 March 2024.
2. That Council note that under previous Council decisions the Progress Pride Flag or transgender flag will be flown at the Town Halls and lights at Camperdown Memorial Rest Park will be lit with the colours of the transgender flag.
3. That Council notes other work that Inner West Council is doing to support transgender and gender diverse people in our community, including but not limited to the establishment of an Inner West Pride Centre, programming Trans and Gender Diverse Swim nights, supporting our LGBTQ Working Group, advocating for significant law reform, and activation and support offered through the Pride Inner West program.

4. That Council again highlight the work of local trans and gender diverse activists and organisations in an upcoming edition of Inner West Council News to mark Trans Day of Visibility.
5. That Council prioritise consideration of an application for up to 4 stalls at Pride Square before the rally to give the atmosphere of a small community fair.

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

C0324(1) Item 27 Perfect Match: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Participation**Motion: (Scott/Da Cruz)****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

C0324(1) Item 29 Reconciliation Action Plan Quarterly Update**Motion: (Howard/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

C0324(1) Item 30 Customer Service in Development Assessments - Bi-Monthly Report**Motion: (Scott/Atkins)**

1. That Council receive and note the report.
2. That Council hold a short, online, follow-up industry professionals workshop advertised to the original invitees and participants, providing them with a copy of the Action Plan, seeking feedback about the proposed service improvements and the external review, and seek their willingness to continue to be involved in service improvements.
3. That Council record feedback from the follow up session and provide it with the

next report to Council on Customer Service in Development Assessment.

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

C0324(1) Item 31 Mandatory Reporting of Reports Sent to Council by Fire and Rescue NSW

Motion: (Scott/Lockie)

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

C0324(1) Item 32 Notice of Motion: Review Inner West Aquatic Centre Fees

Motion: (Da Cruz/Atkins)

That Council request a review of fees and charges at the Inner West Council's 5 aquatic centres to be provided in time for the adoption of new fees on 1 July 2024. The Terms of Reference for the review to include:

- a) the costs of running each of the aquatic centres; and
- b) an explanation of how the council's aquatic centre fees and charges are calculated, taking into account:
 - i. direct debit and credit card charges;
 - ii. costs and sources of Income for each of the 5 aquatic centres;
 - iii. training of lifeguards and other staff such as personal trainers and nutritionists;
 - iv. fees for school carnivals;
 - v. fees for squad training;
 - vi. minimum and maximum adult and children annual costs to swim, use the gym and other facilities based on weekly use for six months - including actual use, income and days/hours open 1 July – 31 Dec 2023;
 - vii. aqua aerobics fees for adults and seniors at each pool;
 - viii. access to each pool – public transport, population living within 400m, cycling and parking including transport for staff;
 - ix. how a seasonal fee could work;
 - x. extending the hours and days each centre is available to the public or available for private use (self provision of Life Guards etc.);
 - xi. upgrades required to move away from gas (co-gen), costs and grants;
 - xii. operation of Moveable Floor at Ashfield;
 - xiii. comparative costs at Pools within our LGA and adjacent LGAs; and
 - xiv. consultation with the community and centre users.

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 Tsardoulias

C0324(1) Item 33 Notice of Motion: Review Domestic Waste Charge

Motion: (Da Cruz/Stamolis)

1. That Council notes the considerable dissatisfaction in the community about the rollout of FOGO.
2. That Council review the Domestic Waste Charge in time for adoption of new fees on 1 July 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 Tsardoulias

C0324(1) Item 34 Notice of Motion: Queer Rights Street Rally 18 February 2024

Motion: (Atkins/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 Tsardoulias
Against Motion: Nil

Procedural Motion (Howard/Stephens)

That Council allow C/r Byrne to speak for an additional 1 minute on item 35.

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

C0324(1) Item 35 Notice of Motion: 26 January

Motion: (Atkins/Lockie)

1. That Council note the distress and trauma caused to First Nations people when we celebrate on 26 January.
2. That Council note that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Advisory Committee advises that local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are not focused on 26 January as Australia Day or a day for citizenship but focus on Yabun as a celebration of survival and culture. Council continues to support Yabun annually

and that the Committee did not express a view about when Council holds citizenship ceremonies.

3. That Council decide that citizenship ceremonies not be held on 26 January in the future.

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

Councillor Griffiths left the Meeting at 10:52pm as he declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 - Notice of Motion: Inner West Schools Active Travel as he is employed by the NSW Department of Education and could not determine prior to the meeting if there would be an impact regarding the grants.

Councillor Howard left the Meeting at 10:52pm as he declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 36 - Notice of Motion: Inner West Schools Active Travel as he works in the Office of the Minister for Transport which may have oversight of the grant program referenced in the Motion.

C0324(1) Item 36 Notice of Motion: Inner West Schools Active Travel

Motion: (Shetty/Stephens)

1. That Council acknowledges the mental, physical and environmental benefits of having more school students walking, cycling and scootering to school.
2. That Council notes the NSW Government's recently announced Active Transport to School program offering an additional \$10 million to councils to fund active travel to school projects.
3. That Council undertakes a report into establishing an Inner West Primary Schools Active Travel pilot program identifying primary schools in the Local Government Area with potential to be involved in a multi-disciplinary education and pedestrian infrastructure improvement program to encourage more walking, cycling and scootering to school.
4. That Council investigates potential funding sources for the program, including external sources such as TfNSW's Get NSW Active grant program.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Absent: Crs Griffiths and Howard

Councillor Griffiths returned to the Meeting at 10:53pm

Councillor Howard returned to the Meeting at 10:53pm

C0324(1) Item 38 Notice of Motion: Waste Education (Motion for National General Assembly)

Motion: (Da Cruz/Griffiths)

1. That Council endorse the following motion to be submitted to the 2024 National General Assembly:

This National General Assembly calls on the Australian Government to urgently standardise Bins and include funding for education in schools curriculum and to councils for education in the community (at work and play) about key components of the waste strategy such as what goes into the different coloured kerbside bins but also more generally, where and how the content is processed and other initiatives the Government is taking to reach a circular economy with regard to domestic waste.

2. That the first sentence of the Summary of Key Arguments be amended to read: "The ongoing rollout of FOGO, which is a State and National initiative, present challenges for local council and communities."

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 Items 39 and 43 be deferred to the 9 April 2024 Ordinary Council meeting.

Motion Carried

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

Against Motion: Nil

Meeting closed at 11.02pm

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Item #	Speaker	Suburb
Item 5:	Jacquie Stratford	Birchgrove
	Frank Portegys	Birchgrove
	Robert Clark	Birchgrove
Item 6:	Will Atkins	Balmain East
	Sharon Laura	Haberfield
Item 7:	Margo Cashman	Dulwich Hill
Item 21:	Stan Baker	Birchgrove
Item 22:	Matthew Bowen	Lewisham
	David Cook	Mosman
	Dr Mick Battam	Box Hill
	Louisa Larkin	Balmain
	Terrence Kelly	Newington
	James Murray-Prior	Olympic Park
	Garnet Brownbill	Tempe
	Hall Greenland	Leichhardt
	David Birds	Balmain
Item 40:	Wei Thai-Haynes	Ashfield
Item 42:	Jaroslav Jeremy Urbaniak	Petersham
	Naomi Cooper	Lewisham

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 5th March, 2024 were confirmed as a correct record on this 9th day of April 2024.