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**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online  
**Time:** 7.00pm

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## **MAYORAL MINUTES**

### **MM11/22 SUPPORT FOR ARTSAKH – Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane and Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM**

**File Number:** MYR/07/10/20 - BP22/322

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In October 2020, City of Ryde Council considered a Mayoral Minute in relation to aggression against Artsakh and resolved in part to:-

Condemn the military aggression launched on 27 September 2020 by Azerbaijan and Turkey against the right of self-determination of the indigenous Armenian population of Artsakh, who have lived on those highlands for millennia

Previously, in 2019, Council voted unanimously on a resolution to form a Friendship City relationship with the capital of the Republic of Artsakh, Stepanakert.

Over the last month, Azerbaijan has unleashed the most serious attacks against the Republic of Artsakh since the November 9 ceasefire agreement.

These attacks include an over 20-day disruption of natural gas pipelines by Azerbaijan between Armenian and Artsakh, leaving 100,000 civilians without access to gas and heating, and military aggression against civilian-populated border regions, including the Parukh village forcing over 400 women and children to evacuate.

The recent violations are causing extreme concern amongst Armenians living in the Ryde municipality.

I have been asked by members of the Armenian community that Council support the people of Artsakh and the Armenian-Australian community through a symbolic solidarity motion and an Artsakh Flag raising ceremony in Ryde.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council support the people of Artsakh and the Armenian-Australian community through a symbolic solidarity motion and an Artsakh Flag raising ceremony in Ryde.

## **MAYORAL MINUTES (CONTINUED)**

### **MM12/22 PASSING OF NATALIE THOMPSON – FORMER COMPLIANCE RANGER – CITY OF RYDE – Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**File Number:** CLM/22/1/1/8 - BP22/333

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It is with great sadness that I report the recent passing of a former City of Ryde staff member, Natalie Thompson from Community and Ranger Services. Natalie made the difficult decision to take an early retirement in 2020 due to being diagnosed with a terminal illness.

Natalie was the longest serving Compliance Ranger at Council, having worked 14 years in the position at the City of Ryde. She also worked at Ashfield and Fairfield Councils as a Compliance Ranger and served a total of 27 years in Local Government prior to retiring.

Among her many achievements, Natalie was a leader with companion animal management and played a major role as a member of the Companion Animal Advisory Committee in 2011 to implement animal strategies and training programs to assist residents better manage and care for their animals. Natalie was instrumental in developing free microchipping days for resident's pets and although periodically enduring wounds and scratches, she was always positive and encouraging.

Natalie will be remembered as a loyal, dedicated and hard-working employee who strived to provide the best possible customer service to the community she served. She was always prepared to undertake any task no matter how difficult.

Above all, Natalie cared deeply about her fellow team members and was highly respected by her work colleagues and within the Ranger industry.

Natalie will be missed by all who knew her at the City of Ryde.

On behalf of Council, I would like to pass on my condolences to Natalie's family and friends for their loss.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the information regarding Natalie Thompson be noted.
- (b) That in consultation with Natalie's family, a plaque be installed on a suitable piece of park furniture at one of the many parks Natalie patrolled.
- (c) That Council resolve to observe a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

## **MAYORAL MINUTES (CONTINUED)**

### **MM13/22 CBDs REVITALISATION PROJECT – Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**File Number: MYR/07/10/20 - BP22/342**

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The State Government is currently encouraging eligible councils, businesses and cultural institutions to apply for funding to run activations and events that engage the local community and attract visitors.

Current applications (round 3) close on 26 April 2022 at midday.

As Macquarie Park is specifically mentioned in the grant information provided by Infrastructure NSW, and the funding on offer is substantial, I have asked the General Manager to explore the details of the grant and apply for funding.

The minimum grant amount is \$250,000 and the maximum grant amount is \$800,000.

Examples of eligible events and activations activities include, but are not limited to:-

- one-off events that encourage ongoing visitation to an eligible CBD
- event series that encourage ongoing visitation to an eligible CBD
- an art gallery running mid-week activities for children to create art attracting parents and children to the gallery
- a local council setting up a lunch time food event targeting workers to provide a reason to come into the office
- an entertainment business extending operating hours to run after hours special events
- a NSW government cultural institution running an exercise class in a unique location.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the application for funding under round 3 of the CBDs Revitalisation Program.
- (b) That Council note that this program offers grant funding from \$250,000 to \$800,000.
- (c) That Council note that any funding received, will be directed to Macquarie Park.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager

**File No.:** CLM/22/1/1/2 - BP22/297

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Council can determine those matters on the Agenda that can be adopted without the need for any discussion.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council determine the Items on Council's Agenda that will be adopted without debate.

OR

That Council determine all Items on the Agenda.

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 22 March 2022**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager**File No.:** CLM/22/1/1/2 - BP22/298

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice, a motion or discussion with respect to such minutes shall not be in order except with regard to their accuracy as a true record of the proceedings.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 4/22, held on 22 March 2022 be confirmed.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 MINUTES - Ordinary Council Meeting - 22 March 2022

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Council Meeting  
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 4/22**

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday 22 March 2022

**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde and Online

**Time:** 7.07pm

**Councillors Present in Chambers:** The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Deshpande, Lara-Watson, Laxale, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song.

**Councillors Present online via audio-visual:** Councillors Brown, Han and Yedelian OAM.

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Urban Strategy, Manager – Transport, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Operations, Manager – RALC, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, System Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

**PRAYER**

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Maggio offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The National Anthem was sung prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

**TABLING OF PETITIONS**

Councillor Maggio tabled a petition with nine (9) signatures in relation to a dangerous tree at 151 Charles Street, Putney.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
John Balassis	<b>Notice of Motion 6</b> – Significant Tree Register
Pamela Reeves (representing the Ryde Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society)	<b>Notice of Rescission 1</b> – Notice of Motion 9 – Public Safety – passed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 February 2022

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following persons made a written submission to Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Tony Abboud	<b>Item 4</b> – Determination of the Advisory Committees and appointment of Councillor Representatives
Virginia Coy (representing Stryder)	<b>Notice of Motion 5</b> – Disabled Street access for residents of Sky Gardens Apartments, 5 St Anne's Street, Ryde

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

The following person addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Michael Black	What happens when you ring up the Council or email and no reply

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Purcell)

That Council adopt Mayoral Minute 7/22, Item 2, Item 3, Item 6, Item 8, Item 9, Notice of Motion 1, Notice of Motion 2, Notice of Motion 3, Notice of Motion 4, Notice of Motion 5, Notice of Motion 7, Notice of Motion 8, Notice of Motion 9, Notice of Motion 10, Notice of Motion 12, Notice of Motion 13, Item 15 and Item 16 on the Council Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

**MM7/22 ATTACK ON UKRAINE BY RUSSIA – Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council condemn the military aggression launched on 24 February 2022 by Russian forces against the people of Ukraine.
- (b) That Council donate a sum of \$5,000.00 to be used for humanitarian purposes to support the residents of Ukraine via a suitable charity, funded from the appropriate reserve or base budget.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – Council Meeting held on 22 February 2022**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 3/22, held on 22 February 2022 be confirmed.

**3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 28 February 2022.

**6 REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the draft *Code of Meeting Practice (March 2022)*, to be placed on public exhibition from 23 March 2022 to 3 May 2022, in accordance with Section 361 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council at its meeting on 24 May 2022 setting out any submissions received and to consider adoption of the new draft Code of Meeting Practice.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**8 PLANNING PROPOSAL: HOUSEKEEPING REVIEW 2022**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council forwards the Planning Proposal for Gateway Determination under Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- (b) That Council request delegation to be the Local Plan-making Authority.

**9 DEVELOPMENT OF A DEDICATED PICKLEBALL CENTRE AT MEADOWBANK PARK**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council line marks six (6) courts at Brush Farm Park for Pickleball, funded through existing operational budgets.
- (b) That Council's relevant fees and charges be applied for use of these facilities for the purpose of Pickleball.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1 EXPANDING THE MARKETS IN THE CITY OF RYDE – Councillor Roy Maggio**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council prepare a report on options to expand markets in the City of Ryde that would be run by a suitably experienced operator.
- (b) That options for markets include a direct benefit to the Ryde community. Any future procurement process for a market operator to include an operating model that supports locally based stall holders and local charities.

**2 SYNTHETIC SURFACE ACTION PLAN – Councillor Roy Maggio**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council confirms it's Synthetic Surface Action Plan that was endorsed by the previous Council and the implementation plan for delivery of synthetic fields in the City of Ryde.

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- (b) That Council note the review of synthetic surfaces currently being undertaken by the NSW Chief Scientist at the request of the NSW Minister for Planning and due to be reported by mid 2022.
- (c) That the Synthetic Surface Action Plan be reviewed and a report be presented to Council by the end of June with recommendations of implementation.
- (d) That the report states which locations are suitable for detailed investigations to be undertaken, with particular consideration given to the environmental impact of conversion to a synthetic surface.
- (e) That the Mayor liaises with the state government Minister of Sport to provide a synthetic funding program to delivery the City of Ryde Synthetic Surface Action Plan.

**3 201 YEARS OF GREEK INDEPENDENCE – Councillor Roy Maggio**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council celebrate 201 years of Greek Independence on 25 March 2022 by:-

- (a) Flying the Greek flag at Kissing Point Park or other appropriate locations across the City.
- (b) That the Mayor writes to prominent leaders in the Greek community including the Archbishop and local clergy, and the Consul General of Greece acknowledging the contribution made by the large Greek community in the Ryde area.
- (c) That a flag raising ceremony be organised through the Mayor's office and budget on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March with all invites to be sent out immediately to the Archbishop, local clergy, the Consul General of Greece, Councillors and members of Parliament.
- (d) That Council promotes and produces content for Council's social media channels and e-news to mark the occasion.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**4 INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE INDOOR FACILITIES FOR DISABLED SPORT – Councillor Katie O’Reilly**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council commits to investigating options for any future expansion works at the Ryde Community Sports Centre and Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre being inclusive and accessible to disability sports and consider issues such as design, storage and access for the participants to the indoor court areas.
- (b) That a report be presented to Council detailing, what future planned works have been identified for accessible indoor facilities that Council controls and what other private facilities might be available in the Ryde LGA and surrounding area.
- (c) That council staff review our lease contracts as a part of our "Disability Inclusion Action Plan" strategy review, to implement a quota allowance for inclusion of disabled sporting groups.
- (d) That the Mayor write to the relevant NSW Government Minister(s) seeking access to be provided to sporting groups representing disabled participants, in the soon to be constructed Indoor Sports Facility on the Marsden High School site.

**5 DISABLED STREET ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS OF SKY GARDENS APARTMENTS, 5 ST ANNE’S STREET, RYDE – Councillor Katie O’Reilly**

Note: Virginia Coy (representing Stryder) made a written submission in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That staff investigate appropriate measures to be implemented in the public domain outside the Sky Gardens Apartments at 5 St Annes Street, Ryde to provide improved disabled access from the street to the building entrance.
- (b) That staff provide the investigation report and appropriate funding source back to council within 3 months.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**7 INSTALLATION OF A THIRD FLAGPOLE AT KISSING POINT WHARF  
– Councillor Penny Pedersen**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the City of Ryde:-

- (a) Note that when a third flag is raised at Kissing Point, the Aboriginal Flag needs to be removed to make way.
- (b) That staff purchase and install a third flagpole at Kissing Point.
- (c) That this be funded from the buildings maintenance base budget.

**8 INCREASED MAINTENANCE AT LACHLAN'S LINE NORTH RYDE –  
Councillor Penny Pedersen**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That the General Manager ask staff to prepare a report outlining the current maintenance regime on public areas at Lachlan's Line, North Ryde with reference to:-
  - oiling of street furniture.
  - stabilisation and repair of wooden infrastructure for street trees.
  - signage for heavy traffic on Jarvis/Epping Road – including repair of any signs that are loose.
  - current frequency of traffic patrols in the no stopping zones and bus precinct.
  - confirmation CCTV is functioning correctly or timeline for repair.
  - timeline for installation of signage to discourage the use of skateboards and scooters on footpaths.
  - exploring if sufficient resources have been allocated to address the identified works.
- (b) That business in the area have requested a loading zone, directly outside shops on Jarvis Circuit and that staff liaise with management at Lachlan's Square in order to investigate options to be brought back via the Ryde Traffic Committee.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**9 SAFETY. RESPECT. EQUITY – Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:-

- (a) Recognise gender inequality is pervasive and for real change to occur it needs to come from our leaders at all levels. City of Ryde Council has a history of supporting empowerment of intersectional disadvantage and will continue to champion change.
- (b) Request that the Mayor write to the Prime Minister The Hon. Scott Morrison, Senator the Hon. Marise Payne (Minister for Women), the Hon. Anne Ruston (Minister for Women's Safety), and the Hon. Jane Hume (Minister for Women's Economic Security) endorsing the message of Safety. Respect. Equity campaign and encourage the adoption of its recommendations.
- (c) Provide information to Council outlining the progress of the City of Ryde, as an employer, assessed against the principles for improvement in gender equality as outlined in the Safety. Respect. Equity. Campaign.

**10 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS – Councillor Sophie Lara -Watson**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:-

- (a) Recognise as a result of the increasing frequency of extreme weather events occurring in Ryde, there is a demand for responsiveness to attend to damaged infrastructure.
- (b) Display the “Report an Issue” prominently on council websites, social media channels and local newspapers during extreme weather events.
- (c) Recognises it may be difficult for citizens to delineate between the responsibilities of Local, State and Federal Government and its agencies.
- (d) Work with all levels of government to improve information sharing as part of its Emergency Response Plan.

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**12 EXPANDING CHEMICAL CLEAN OUT DAY – Councillor Shweta Deshpande**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:-

- (a) Acknowledge's the Chemical Clean Up day on Saturday 26 March and is run by the NSW EPA.
- (b) Notes that Ryde residents do have access to the Community Recycling Centre at Artarmon for chemical and problem waste disposal.
- (c) Reinforces our support for sustainability and the value of having regular chemical clean out days for local residents.
- (d) Resolves to request from the EPA to hold a second CCOD in 2022, and then 2 every year into the future.
- (e) That if the EPA is not agreeable, that Council explore options and report back to Council via the CIB to have a second annual CCOD funded from the waste base budget.
- (f) Reports back to Council on results of the March 2022 clean out to inform future efficiencies.

**13 ENCOURAGING WOMEN TO USE TOOLS AND CONSIDER CAREERS IN TRADES AND ENGINEERING – Councillor Penny Pedersen**

**RESOLUTION:**

That the General Manger request staff investigate:-

- (a) Identifying a suitable partner venue in order to invite Supporting and Linking Trades Women (SALT) to run a workshop in the City of Ryde for women interested in trades or engineering.
- (b) That the workshop is publicised, involving all interested Councillors, through Council's regular communication channels and Councillors are also invited to attend the workshop.
- (c) That the workshop be funded from the Community and Ranger Services Base Budget.

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**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**15 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT 14/21 – CHIPPING AND MULCHING**

**RESOLUTION:**

That pursuant to Clause 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Council accepts the tender from TreeServe for the provision of Chipping and Mulching for the lump sum amount of \$336,000 (excluding GST) for a 3-year (2 year + 1 year option) Contract.

**16 REQUEST FOR TENDER - PROVISION OF SPECIALIST CLEANING SERVICES TO THE RYDE AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE**

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That pursuant to Clause 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Council accepts the tender from Tiara & H Holdings Pty Ltd for the Provision of Specialist Cleaning Services to the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre for the lump sum amount of \$209,608 (excluding GST).
- (b) That Council advise all the respondents of Council's decision.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MAYORAL MINUTES**

**MM7/22 ATTACK ON UKRAINE BY RUSSIA - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**MM8/22 AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS QLD AND NSW FLOOD APPEALS - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillor Maggio)

- (a) That the City of Ryde donate \$20,000 to the Australian Red Cross QLD and NSW Floods Appeal to assist impacted communities, funded from the Corporate Governance base budget.

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- (b) That Council advertise through its regular communication channels how residents and visitors can make a donation to assist those who have been impacted by the recent devastating floods.
- (c) That Council staff identify opportunities to support flood affected Local Government Area's through Local Government NSW and bring back a report that outlines opportunities to donate specific products or services that can support affected Local Government Area's.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**MM9/22 MEADOWBANK EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT PRECINCT  
OPENING COMMUNICATIONS - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**MOTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillor Yedelian OAM)

That Council:-

- (a) Produce an education campaign to inform Meadowbank residents and the school community of:-
  - (i) Parking and traffic rules around schools
  - (ii) Tips for students to get to and from school safely
  - (iii) Key contacts to report future issues with parking and transport management.
- (b) Provide information in key community languages.
- (c) Share resources on the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct between Council's Road Safety Officer and Schools Infrastructure NSW's Project Travel Coordinator.
- (d) Fund the campaign from the Transport Base Budget.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors O'Reilly and Purcell)

That Council:-

- (a) Produce an education campaign to inform Meadowbank residents and the school community of:-
  - (i) Parking and traffic rules around schools

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- (ii) Tips for students to get to and from school safely
- (iii) Key contacts to report future issues with parking and transport management.
- (b) Provide information in key community languages.
- (c) Share resources on the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct between Council's Road Safety Officer and Schools Infrastructure NSW's Project Travel Coordinator.
- (d) That the State Government fund the campaign.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was five (5) For and seven (7) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:-

- (a) Produce an education campaign to inform Meadowbank residents and the school community of:-
  - (i) Parking and traffic rules around schools
  - (ii) Tips for students to get to and from school safely
  - (iii) Key contacts to report future issues with parking and transport management.
- (b) Provide information in key community languages.
- (c) Share resources on the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct between Council's Road Safety Officer and Schools Infrastructure NSW's Project Travel Coordinator.
- (d) Fund the campaign from the Transport Base Budget.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MM10/22 COUNCIL ON THE AGEING (COTA) NSW - Mayor, Councillor Jordan Lane**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillor Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That City of Ryde becomes a Friend of Council on the Ageing (COTA) NSW.
- (b) That the annual fee of \$1,000 to become a Friend of COTA NSW is sourced from the Community and Ranger Services based budget.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 22 February 2022**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**4 DETERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVES**

Note: Tony Abboud made a written submission in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Deshpande)

- (a) That the following Advisory Committees be convened for the 2021-2024 term of Council:-
  - Heritage Working Group
  - Multicultural Working Group
  - Ryde Youth Council
  - Inclusion and Access Working Group
  - Status of Women Working Group
  - Festival and the Arts Working Group
  - Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
  - Sustainability Working Group
  - Small and Family Business Working Group

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- (b) That Council determines all Councillors are eligible to attend and participate in each City of Ryde Advisory Committee, without formal membership, in accordance with their Terms of Reference noting that the position of Chairperson on each of the Advisory Committees (with the exception of Ryde Youth Council) is to be held by the appointed staff convenor.
- (c) That all future Advisory Committee meetings are to be hybrid meetings with attendance either in person or via remote audio-visual attendance.
- (d) That Council confirm the commencement of an Expression of Interest process to identify interested and committed people from the City of Ryde community, to become members of each of these Advisory Committees, with priority given to Ryde residents, ratepayers and businesses.
- (e) That 'a bold and ambitious vision for Ryde's future', be incorporated into the Terms of Reference of each Committee.
- (f) That following Council's endorsement of the above recommendations, Council officers review and amend the Committees' Terms of Reference, which are subsequently to be confirmed at each Committee's first meeting and then reported back to Council.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Laxale)

- (a) That the following Advisory Committees be convened for the 2021-2024 term of Council:-
  - Arts Advisory Committee
  - Bicycle Advisory Committee
  - Heritage Working Group
  - Macquarie Park Forum
  - Multicultural Working Group
  - Ryde Youth Council
  - Inclusion and Access Working Group
  - Status of Women Working Group
  - Festival and Events Advisory Committee
  - Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
  - Sustainability Working Group
  - Small and Family Business Working Group
- (b) That Council determines all Councillors are eligible to attend and participate in each City of Ryde Advisory Committee, without formal membership, in accordance with their Terms of Reference noting that the position of Chairperson on each of the Advisory Committees (with the exception of Ryde Youth Council) is to be held by the appointed staff convenor.

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- (c) That all future Advisory Committee meetings are to be hybrid meetings with attendance either in person or via remote audio-visual attendance.
- (d) That Council confirm the commencement of an Expression of Interest process to identify interested and committed people from the City of Ryde community, to become members of each of these Advisory Committees, with priority given to Ryde residents, ratepayers and businesses.
- (e) That 'a bold and ambitious vision for Ryde's future', be incorporated into the Terms of Reference of each Committee.
- (f) That following Council's endorsement of the above recommendations, Council officers review and amend the Committees' Terms of Reference, which are subsequently to be confirmed at each Committee's first meeting and then reported back to Council.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was five (5) For and seven (7) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That the following Advisory Committees be convened for the 2021-2024 term of Council:-
  - Heritage Working Group
  - Multicultural Working Group
  - Ryde Youth Council
  - Inclusion and Access Working Group
  - Status of Women Working Group
  - Festival and the Arts Working Group
  - Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group
  - Sustainability Working Group
  - Small and Family Business Working Group
- (b) That Council determines all Councillors are eligible to attend and participate in each City of Ryde Advisory Committee, without formal membership, in accordance with their Terms of Reference noting that the position of Chairperson on each of the Advisory Committees (with the exception of Ryde Youth Council) is to be held by the appointed staff convenor.

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- (c) That all future Advisory Committee meetings are to be hybrid meetings with attendance either in person or via remote audio-visual attendance.
- (d) That Council confirm the commencement of an Expression of Interest process to identify interested and committed people from the City of Ryde community, to become members of each of these Advisory Committees, with priority given to Ryde residents, ratepayers and businesses.
- (e) That 'a bold and ambitious vision for Ryde's future', be incorporated into the Terms of Reference of each Committee.
- (f) That following Council's endorsement of the above recommendations, Council officers review and amend the Committees' Terms of Reference, which are subsequently to be confirmed at each Committee's first meeting and then reported back to Council.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**5 COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MEETING STRUCTURE AND SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Deshpande)

- (a) That Council endorse the draft Schedule of Meeting Dates as detailed in the report and provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1**, noting that the option of the May meeting to commence at 6.00pm is subject to one month's transition period to allow for public notices to be given.
- (b) That Council endorse a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December 2022, being 13 December 2022.
- (c) That Council note that the Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, 25 April 2023 has been moved to Wednesday, 26 April 2023 due to Anzac Day.
- (d) That Council endorse all other amendments listed in the report relating to Council's meeting structure, noting that these amendments will be incorporated in the Code of Meeting Practice report which is Item 6 to be considered at this meeting.
- (e) That in relation to tenders invited under s55 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) (Act)*, Council delegates to the General Manager the function:-

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1. Under s178(1) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (NSW) (**Regulation**) to either:-
  - (i) accept the tender that, having regard to all the circumstances, appears to it to be the most advantageous; or
  - (ii) decline to accept any of the tenders.
2. If the General Manager decides to accept a tender in accordance with s178(1)(a) of the Regulation, to finalise and execute the contract resulting from the acceptance of the tender.
3. This delegation does not apply to tenders for a contract that involves an estimated expenditure or receipt of an amount greater than \$1,000,000 plus GST.
4. If the General Manager exercises this delegation by declining to accept any of the tenders, a report must be provided to Council to enable Council to make a resolution under s178(3) of the Regulation.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**6 REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**7 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - Canberra - 19 to 22 June 2022**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and O'Reilly)

- (a) That Council endorse the attendance of the Mayor (or his nominee), Councillor Purcell and Councillor Laxale in addition to the General Manager (and/or his delegates) to attend the National General Assembly of Local Government held in Canberra on Sunday, 19 June 2022 to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.
- (b) That Council nominate the Mayor (or his nominee) to be the voting delegate to represent the City of Ryde during debates on Motions presented to the Assembly.

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**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council endorse the attendance of the Mayor (or his nominee) in addition to the General Manager (and/or his delegates) to attend the National General Assembly of Local Government held in Canberra on Sunday, 19 June 2022 to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.
- (b) That Council nominate the Mayor (or his nominee) to be the voting delegate to represent the City of Ryde during debates on Motions presented to the Assembly.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was seven (7) For and five (5) Against. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the attendance of the Mayor (or his nominee) in addition to the General Manager (and/or his delegates) to attend the National General Assembly of Local Government held in Canberra on Sunday, 19 June 2022 to Wednesday, 22 June 2022.
- (b) That Council nominate the Mayor (or his nominee) to be the voting delegate to represent the City of Ryde during debates on Motions presented to the Assembly.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**8 PLANNING PROPOSAL: HOUSEKEEPING REVIEW 2022**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

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**9 DEVELOPMENT OF A DEDICATED PICKLEBALL CENTRE AT MEADOWBANK PARK**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**10 INDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES REVIEW**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Deshpande)

- (a) That Council write to Mr Stuart Ayres MP NSW Minister for Sport, Mr Victor Dominello MP NSW Minister for Ryde and Federal Minister for Bennelong Mr John Alexander OAM MP to raise awareness about the project and to seek funding assistance to accelerate its delivery.
- (b) That the General Manager, and his delegated staff, engage with relevant State sporting bodies seeking opportunities for funds to assist to progress the project.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**11 PROCESS FOR NOMINATING AND MANAGING SIGNIFICANT TREES IN THE RYDE LGA**

Note: Councillor Han left the meeting at 8.55pm during discussion on this Item and was not present for voting on this Item.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lara-Watson)

That Council endorse the process for the addition of trees and their ongoing management as detailed in the Significant Tree Procedures Manual attached to this report.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Laxale)

That Council endorse the process for the addition of trees and their ongoing management as detailed in the significant tree procedures manual attached to this report with the following amendments:-

- (a) That The Significant tree procedures manual allow a tree to be nominated and subsequently recommended by the delegated officer, for inclusion on the significant tree register if it meets only one of the selection criteria.

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- (b) That the Removal of a tree from the register requires a council resolution and must come to council in a report citing recommended reasons for its removal.
- (c) That all trees listed on the register be regularly maintained as recommended by either council's or an independent arborist.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was five (5) For and six (6) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

**FURTHER AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lara-Watson)

- (a) That Council endorse the process for the addition of trees and their ongoing management as detailed in the Significant Tree Procedures Manual attached to this report.
- (b) That Council organise a further workshop to discuss implementation of the following amendments:-
  - That the Significant tree procedures manual allow a tree to be nominated and subsequently recommended by the delegated officer, for inclusion on the significant tree register if it meets only one of the selection criteria.
  - That the Removal of a tree from the register requires a council resolution and must come to council in a report citing recommended reasons for its removal.
  - That all trees listed on the register be regularly maintained as recommended by either council's or an independent arborist.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Further Amendment was Unanimous. The Further Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Unanimous

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The Mayor, Councillor Lane adjourned the Council Meeting due to a Councillor experiencing technical difficulties. The meeting was adjourned for five (5) minutes, the time being 9.11pm.

The meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, 22 March 2022 at 9.16pm.

**Councillors Present in Chambers:** The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Deshpande, Lara-Watson, Laxale, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song.

**Councillors Present online via audio-visual:** Councillors Brown and Yedelian OAM.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Urban Strategy, Manager – Transport, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, System Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

Note: Councillor Han returned to the meeting at 9.15pm.

**MEETING RECONVENED**

The Mayor, Councillor Lane reconvened the Council Meeting at 9.16pm on Tuesday, 22 March 2022.

**Councillors Present in Chambers:** The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Deshpande, Lara-Watson, Laxale, Maggio, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song.

**Councillors Present online via audio-visual:** Councillors Brown, Han and Yedelian OAM.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – People and Culture, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Urban Strategy, Manager – Transport, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Senior Coordinator – Community Services, System Support Officer, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

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**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council endorse the process for the addition of trees and their ongoing management as detailed in the Significant Tree Procedures Manual attached to this report.
- (b) That Council organise a further workshop to discuss implementation of the following amendments:-
  - That the Significant tree procedures manual allow a tree to be nominated and subsequently recommended by the delegated officer, for inclusion on the significant tree register if it meets only one of the selection criteria.
  - That the Removal of a tree from the register requires a council resolution and must come to council in a report citing recommended reasons for its removal.
  - That all trees listed on the register be regularly maintained as recommended by either council's or an independent arborist.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**12 RECONCILIATION ACTION WORKING GROUP**

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Maggio)

That Council defer consideration of the Reconciliation Action Working Group pending a workshop focused on the objectives and functions of the Group.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Laxale)

- (a) That Council endorses that the six original community members of the Reconciliation Action Working Group be reappointed for the remainder of this Council term.
- (b) That Council endorse that the membership of the Reconciliation Action Working Group is increased to up to ten community members and a meeting quorum of six community members.
- (c) That the terms of reference are amended to reflect the changes outlined in (b) above.
- (d) That Council endorse the nominations of Ms Melanie Gould and Mr Adam Whereat for a position on the Reconciliation Action Working Group.

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- (e) That Council writes to Ms Melanie Gould and Mr Adam Whereat officially welcoming them, as members of the Reconciliation Action Working Group.
- (f) That Council hold a workshop on the Reconciliation Action Plan focussed on the objectives and functions of the working group.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was seven (7) For and five (5) Against. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Deshpande, Lara-Watson, Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Han, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That Council endorses that the six original community members of the Reconciliation Action Working Group be reappointed for the remainder of this Council term.
- (b) That Council endorse that the membership of the Reconciliation Action Working Group is increased to up to ten community members and a meeting quorum of six community members.
- (c) That the terms of reference are amended to reflect the changes outlined in b) above.
- (d) That Council endorse the nominations of Ms Melanie Gould and Mr Adam Whereat for a position on the Reconciliation Action Working Group.
- (e) That Council writes to Ms Melanie Gould and Mr Adam Whereat officially welcoming them, as members of the Reconciliation Action Working Group.
- (f) That Council hold a workshop on the Reconciliation Action Plan focussed on the objectives and functions of the working group.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell, Song and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown and Maggio

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**13 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - FEBRUARY 2022**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Song)

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations from the meeting held in February 2022:

**(A) KHARTOUM ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK - RELOCATION OF EXISTING BUS ZONE & BUS STOP**

The following changes be made on Khartoum Road, Macquarie Park:

- a) The existing bus zone and bus stop on Khartoum Road adjacent to the frontage of 85-91 Waterloo Road be relocated and installed in accordance with the signage and line arrangements shown in Figure 2 of the attached report.
- b) All works associated with the proposed new bus stop & bus zone be provided by the developer at no cost to Council.

**(B) WASTE COLLECTION – 184-186 MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY  
NO PARKING – WASTE VEHICLES EXCEPTED – MONDAY**

The following changes be made on Morrison Road, Putney:

- a) Install a 17.5 metre long 'NO PARKING – WASTE VEHICLES EXCEPTED – MONDAY 5AM – 11AM' zone at the property frontage of 184-186 Morrison Road, Putney.

**(C) HERRING ROAD, MARSFIELD - EXTENSION OF NO STOPPING RESTRICTIONS**

The following changes be made on Herring Road, Marsfield:

- a) The existing No Stopping restrictions on the eastern side of Herring Road be extended by 20m south of the intersection with Kent Road.

**(D) PLUNKETT STREET, MARSFIELD - NO PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

The following changes be made on Plunkett Street, Marsfield:

- a) 15m of No Parking be installed across the two driveways associated with 2 & 4 Plunkett Street, Marsfield.

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**(E) 17 THOMPSON ST, GLADESVILLE - REMOVAL OF BUS STOP**

The following changes be made in Thompson Street, Gladesville:

- a) That prior to the bus stop outside 17 Thompson Street Gladesville being relocated to the eastern side of the roundabout along the Thompson Street side frontage of 47 Westminster Road, that Council attempt further written correspondence allowing them two weeks to respond.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell, Song and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

**14 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - MARCH 2022**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Pedersen)

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations from the meeting held in March 2022:

**(A) MEADOWBANK EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT PRECINCT (MEEP) - ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO MEEP WORKS**

The following changes be made on Macpherson Street and Bowden Street, Meadowbank:

- a) That the parking changes on Bowden Street outlined in **Figure 2 (ATTACHMENT 1)** be undertaken by the applicant (NSW Department of Education/School Infrastructure NSW), prior to the opening of the new Meadowbank schools at no cost to Council.
- b) That the right turn bay within Bowden Street be extended in accordance with **Figure 3 (ATTACHMENT 1)** to better accommodate the increased bus activity turning right from Bowden Street into Macpherson Street during peak school periods. This work is to be undertaken by the applicant (NSW Department of Education/School Infrastructure NSW), prior to the opening of the new Meadowbank schools at no cost to Council.

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- c) That the pedestrian (zebra) crossing be provided on the northern end of See Street at its junction with Macpherson Street **Figure 4 (ATTACHMENT 1)**. The installation of this pedestrian facility will be undertaken by the applicant (NSW Department of Education/School Infrastructure NSW), prior to the opening of the new Meadowbank schools at no cost to Council.

**(B) FARADAY LANE AND UNDERDALE LANE, MEADOWBANK - ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

The following changes be made on Faraday Lane, Underdale Lane and Constitution Road, Meadowbank:

- a) That Faraday Lane be extended in the north to connect with Constitution Road. Faraday Lane between Constitution Road and Underdale Lane is to be widened to provide a trafficable carriageway width of 9m between kerbs.
- b) That Underdale Lane between Bay Drive and Faraday Lane is to be widened to provide a trafficable carriageway width of 9m between kerbs.
- c) That a pedestrian crossing is to be provided within Faraday Lane approximately 50m south of Constitution Road to provide a safe pedestrian link across Faraday Lane (subject to referral of detailed design of the facility to Ryde Local Traffic Committee and subsequent endorsement).
- d) That the design of the proposed roadworks will be subject to a road safety audit, loading dock management plan and signage and linemarking plan required at the Construction Certificate stage to manage traffic and pedestrian safety associated with the new roadworks. These requirements can be imposed as conditions of consent.
- e) That all costs associated with the design and construction of the proposed roadworks are to be borne by the applicant.

**(C) TCS-4867 IVANHOE PLACE & HERRING ROAD, MAQUARIE PARK SIGNALISED INTERSECTION – SIGNAGE REVIEW**

The following changes be made at the intersection of Ivanhoe Place and Herring Road, Macquarie Park:

- a) The signage and line marking arrangements/changes on approach to the new signalised intersection of Herring Road and Ivanhoe Place, Macquarie Park to be installed as a part of the Macquarie Park Stage 2 (1B) Project.

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- b) The traffic signals to be commissioned and the intersection traffic arrangement to be implemented as per the approved design plans.
- c) Appropriate signage & line-marking to be in place by mid-March 2022. Appropriate VMS strategy advising the public travelling northbound & southbound on Herring Road of a new U-turn facility within Ivanhoe PI and upcoming signalisation of the intersection. The post-signalisation VMS strategy will be allowed for 2 weeks for the public.

**(D) BUNA STREET, RYDE - NO PARKING IN CUL-DE-SAC**

The following changes be made on Buna Street, Ryde:

- a) That Council install No Parking signage around the cul-de-sac of Buna Street, Ryde subject to prior agreement from surrounding residents”

**(E) WARATAH STREET, EASTWOOD - NO PARKING IN CUL-DE-SAC**

The following changes be made on Waratah Street, Eastwood:

- a) That No Parking signage be installed around the cul-de-sac of Waratah Street, Eastwood.

**(F) ROAD SAFETY UPDATE - ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS**

- a) The Road Safety report be received and noted

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1 EXPANDING MARKETS IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**2 SYNTHETIC SURFACE ACTION PLAN - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

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**3 201 YEARS OF GREEK INDEPENDENCE - Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**4 INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE INDOOR FACILITIES FOR DISABLED SPORT - Councillor Katie O'Reilly**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**5 DISABLED STREET ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS OF SKY GARDENS APARTMENTS, 5 ST ANNES STREET, RYDE - Councillor Katie O'Reilly**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**6 SIGNIFICANT TREE REGISTER - Councillor Jerome Laxale**

Note: John Balassis addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Laxale and Purcell)

- (a) That the City of Ryde reaffirms its commitment to reaching the NSW Government's 40% tree canopy cover target by no later than 2030.
- (b) That Council acknowledges the positive impact and value that retaining mature street trees has to our local environment and streetscapes.
- (c) That Council investigate the inclusion of the trees outside 151 and 119b Charles Street, Putney for inclusion on the City of Ryde Significant Tree Register and report back to Council at the April General Meeting.
- (d) That the General Manager arrange for urgent maintenance and repairs to the footpath, driveway, road and the trees at 151 and 119b Charles Street Putney.
- (e) That the General Manager prepare a report, if required, to identify funding for works listed in part (d).

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Lara-Watson and Deshpande)

- (a) That the City of Ryde reaffirms its commitment to reaching the NSW Government's 40% tree canopy cover target by no later than 2030.
- (b) That Council acknowledges the positive impact and value that retaining mature street trees has to our local environment and streetscapes.

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- (c) That Council acknowledges there is an official policy for the listing of trees on the Significant Tree Register, and promotes this procedure to Councillors and the community via the Councillor Information Bulletin and appropriate media channels.
- (d) That the General Manager arrange for urgent maintenance and repairs to the footpath, driveway, road and the trees at 151 and 119b Charles Street Putney.
- (e) That the General Manager prepare a report, if required, to identify funding for works listed in part (d).

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was seven (7) For and five (5) Against. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**RESOLUTION:**

- (a) That the City of Ryde reaffirms its commitment to reaching the NSW Government's 40% tree canopy cover target by no later than 2030.
- (b) That Council acknowledges the positive impact and value that retaining mature street trees has to our local environment and streetscapes.
- (d) That Council acknowledges there is an official policy for the listing of trees on the Significant Tree Register, and promotes this procedure to Councillors and the community via the Councillor Information Bulletin and appropriate media channels.
- (d) That the General Manager arrange for urgent maintenance and repairs to the footpath, driveway, road and the trees at 151 and 119b Charles Street Putney.
- (e) That the General Manager prepare a report, if required, to identify funding for works listed in part (d).

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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**7 INSTALLATION OF A THIRD FLAGPOLE AT KISSING POINT WHARF -  
Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**8 INCREASED MAINTENANCE AT LACHLAN'S LINE NORTH RYDE -  
Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**9 SAFETY. RESPECT. EQUITY. - Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**10 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS -  
Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**11 IMPROVING COMMUNITY GARDENS PROCESS - Councillor Shweta  
Deshpande**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Deshpande and Maggio)

- (a) The City of Ryde acknowledges that Community gardens have many benefits, including:-
  - (i) Promoting healthy lifestyles.
  - (ii) Social benefits through participant interactions
  - (iii) Environmental benefits due to decreased necessity for transporting goods and reducing/reusing waste material.
  - (iv) Motivating and developing skills residents can use in their everyday lives.
- (b) That council acknowledges the current Development Application process is difficult to interpret and implement for residents interested in participating in community gardens

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- (c) That council report back on a streamlined policy and process to help improve the experience of all parties interested in starting community gardens.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**12 EXPANDING CHEMICAL CLEAN OUT DAY - Councillor Shweta Deshpande**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**13 ENCOURAGING WOMEN TO USE TOOLS AND CONSIDER CAREERS IN TRADES AND ENGINEERING - Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**NOTICE OF RESCISSION**

**1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION: NOTICE OF MOTION 9 - PUBLIC SAFETY - Councillor Jerome Laxale, Councillor Bernard Purcell and Councillor Penny Pedersen**

Note: Pamela Reeves (representing the Ryde Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Purcell)

That Council rescind the previous resolution in relation to Notice of Motion 9 – PUBLIC SAFETY, passed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 February 2022, namely:-

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**9 PUBLIC SAFETY**

- (a) *That Council investigate the removal of the street trees and footpath repairs in Charles Street, Putney at the front of the properties at 151 and 119b, due to the danger and public safety that the surrounding residents consider the trees pose.*
- (b) *That a report be provided back to the next Council meeting on 22 March 2022.*

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**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

The Motion was **CARRIED** and the matter is now **AT LARGE**.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Deshpande and Han)

That Council:

- (a) Condemns misinformation in all its forms;
- (b) Acknowledges that majority of the public commentary related to two trees in Charles Street Putney over recent weeks has been based on deliberate misinformation;
- (c) Notes that a recent Notice of Motion relating to these trees was lodged prior to publication of an independent arborist's report, relating to only one of these trees;
- (d) Acknowledges that the safety of the community should always be of paramount concern;
- (e) Recommit to expanding canopy coverage in the City of Ryde; and
- (f) Re-promote a recent initiative to plant an additional 1,300 street trees in Ryde, via Council's media channels.

On being put to the Meeting, Councillors Laxale, Pedersen, Purcell and Song abstained from voting and accordingly their vote were recorded Against the Motion.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Lane and Councillors Brown, Deshpande, Han, Lara-Watson, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Laxale, O'Reilly, Pedersen, Purcell and Song

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**15 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT 14/21 - CHIPPING AND MULCHING**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

**ITEM 2 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**16 REQUEST FOR TENDER - PROVISION OF SPECIALIST CLEANING SERVICES TO THE RYDE AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE**

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

The meeting closed at 10.33pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 26TH DAY OF APRIL 2022

Chairperson

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### **3 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

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**Report prepared by:** Chief Financial Officer  
**File No.:** GRP/21/8 - BP22/310

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 31 March 2022 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes Council's loan liabilities.

Council's rate of return on investments for the reporting period is 1.40%, which is 1.36% above the benchmark figure of 0.04%.

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$2,283K for the financial year to date, which is \$528K above the 2021/22 year-to-date adopted budget of \$1,755K.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 31 March 2022.

Report Prepared By:

**Aneesh Zahra**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Report Approved By:

**Mark Eady**  
**Director - Corporate Services**

### ITEM 3 (continued)

#### Discussion

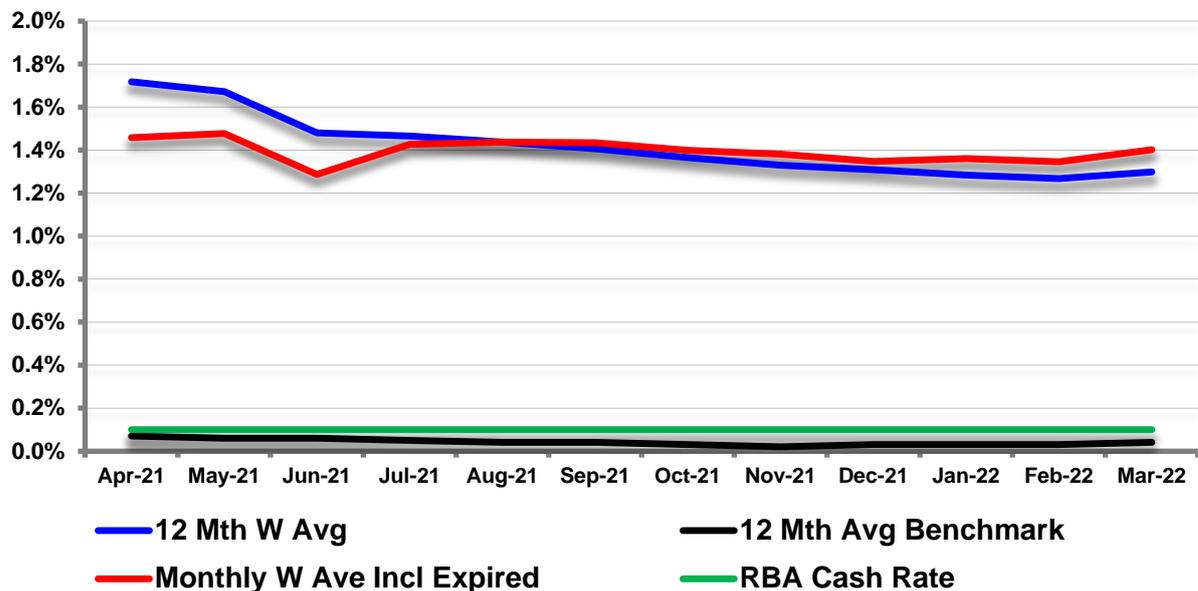
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

#### Investment Performance Commentary

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for March 2022 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	Mar	12 Mth	FYTD
<b>Council Return</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1.39</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	0.04	0.04	0.04
<b>Variance</b>	<b>1.36</b>	<b>1.26</b>	<b>1.35</b>

### Performance - All Investments



Council's investment portfolio as at 31 March 2022 was as follows:

Cash/Term Deposits	\$125.95M	56.76%
Floating Rate Notes	\$30.23M	13.62%
Fixed Bonds	\$65.72M	29.62%
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$221.91M</b>	

### **ITEM 3 (continued)**

Council continues to utilise the Federal Government's current guarantee (\$250K) investing in Term Deposits with a range of Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions (ADI's) on short to medium term investments (generally 30 days to 180 days maturity) where more competitive rates are available.

Council's income from investments continues to exceed budgeted expectations, primarily due to Council's cash reserves balances being higher than anticipated.

### **Loan Liability**

Council's loan liability as at 31 March 2022 was \$801K which represents the balance of two loans which were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

1. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 31 January 2014 at 180 day Bank Bill Swap rate (BBSW) of +175 basis points for the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 2. The interest rate for this loan is reset every six months.
2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.

### ITEM 3 (continued)

#### INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 31-Mar-22 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2022	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenc
Bank of Queensland	1. Bank of Queensland Floating Rate Note	AAA	Y	1,200	1.12	1.11	1.11	0.54	14/05/2025	1826
National Australia Bank	2. NAB Fixed Bond (Covered)	AAA	Y	3,748	3.24	3.10	3.10	1.69	16/03/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	3. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	1,500	3.16	3.16	3.16	0.68	18/01/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	4. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,999	3.13	3.14	3.13	1.35	8/02/2024	1826
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	5. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,000	1.56	1.57	1.57	0.90	29/08/2024	1827
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	6. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	1,995	1.67	1.67	1.68	0.90	29/08/2024	1805
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	1,998	1.69	1.70	1.70	0.90	16/01/2025	1827
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	8. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,984	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.34	29/08/2024	1612
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	9. ANZ Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	1,500	0.84	0.81	0.71	0.68	18/01/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	10. ANZ Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	2,000	0.98	0.95	0.95	0.90	9/05/2023	1826
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	11. ANZ Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	1.59	1.55	1.55	1.80	10/11/2022	2557
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group	12. ANZ Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	1.56	1.50	1.50	1.80	15/12/2022	2557
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	13. CBA Business Online Saver	AA-	Y	38,760	0.20	0.19	0.20	17.47		
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	14. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,995	3.41	3.42	3.42	1.80	25/04/2023	1916
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	15. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,498	3.28	3.27	3.27	1.58	16/08/2023	1826
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	16. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,489	3.23	3.23	3.23	1.57	11/01/2024	1826
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	17. CBA Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.80	0.49	0.51	1.80	22/02/2023	365
National Australia Bank	18. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,998	3.08	3.08	3.08	1.80	10/02/2023	1918
National Australia Bank	19. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,998	2.95	2.93	2.93	1.35	26/02/2024	1826
National Australia Bank	20. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	3,491	2.98	2.98	2.98	1.57	25/02/2027	1826
National Australia Bank	21. NAB Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	4,000	0.98	0.94	0.94	1.80	16/05/2023	1826
National Australia Bank	22. NAB Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	2,000	1.02	0.96	0.97	0.90	19/06/2024	1827
National Australia Bank	23. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.90	0.44	0.47	1.80	24/02/2023	365
National Australia Bank	24. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.52	0.40	0.43	1.80	11/11/2022	365
National Australia Bank	25. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.80	16/06/2022	273
National Australia Bank	26. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.30	0.43	0.37	1.80	16/06/2022	273
National Australia Bank	27. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.65	0.50	0.52	1.80	11/01/2023	365
National Australia Bank	28. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.35	3.35	3.35	1.80	18/09/2023	1827
National Australia Bank	29. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	2,000	0.55	0.52	0.52	0.90	2/12/2022	365
Westpac Banking Corporation	30. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,490	3.25	3.26	3.26	1.12	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac Banking Corporation	31. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,597	2.76	2.76	2.76	1.17	17/03/2025	1096
Westpac Banking Corporation	32. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.80	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac Banking Corporation	33. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.90	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac Banking Corporation	34. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.80	16/02/2024	729
Macquarie Bank	35. Macquarie Bank Fixed Bond	A+	Y	3,999	1.71	1.70	1.70	1.80	12/02/2025	1827
Suncorp-Metway	36. Suncorp-Metway Fixed Bond	A+	N	3,590	2.58	2.58	2.58	1.62	25/01/2027	1826
Suncorp-Metway	37. Suncorp Fixed Bond	A+	N	3,824	3.26	3.26	3.26	1.72	25/01/2027	1763
Suncorp-Metway	38. Suncorp-Metway Floating Rate Note (Covered)	A+	N	1,000	1.05	1.01	1.01	0.45	16/08/2022	1826
Suncorp-Metway	39. Suncorp-Metway Floating Rate Note	A+	N	1,200	1.19	1.17	1.17	0.54	24/04/2025	1823
Bank of Queensland	40. ME Bank At Call Account	BBB+	Y	2,795	0.34	0.53	0.51	1.26		
Bank of Queensland	41. BoQ Fixed Bond	BBB+	Y	3,794	2.14	2.14	2.14	1.71	27/10/2026	1826
Bank of Queensland	42. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	2.55	2.55	2.55	0.90	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	43. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	0.43	0.46	0.45	1.80	16/09/2022	365
Bank of Queensland	44. ME Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.90	16/06/2022	363
Bank of Queensland	45. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	2,000	0.70	2.73	2.39	0.90	9/12/2022	365
Bank of Queensland	46. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.80	15/11/2022	1804
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	47. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	2,000	3.54	3.54	3.54	0.90	25/01/2023	1826
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	48. Bendigo Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	3,742	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.69	17/03/2025	1096
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	49. Bendigo Bank Fixed Bond	BBB+	N	989	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.45	17/03/2025	1088

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#### INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 31-Mar-22 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2022	% of Total Invested	Maturity	Tenc
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	50. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Floating Rate Note	BBB+	N	1,999	1.18	1.15	1.15	0.90	25/01/2023	1532
Heritage Bank	51. Heritage Bank Floating Rate Note	BBB+	N	2,000	0.89	0.84	0.84	0.90	12/08/2022	1085
MyState Bank	52. MyState FRN	BBB+	N	1,500	0.76	0.69	0.69	0.68	16/06/2025	1461
MyState Bank	53. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.90	11/10/2023	730
MyState Bank	54. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	1.69	1.69	1.69	0.90	4/03/2024	732
MyState Bank	55. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.90	29/11/2022	365
MyState Bank	56. MyState Bank Term Deposit	BBB+	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.90	4/11/2022	365
AMP	57. AMP At Call Account	BBB	Y	398	0.51	0.50	0.50	0.18		
AMP	58. AMP Term Deposit	BBB	Y	1,000	0.75	0.76	0.75	0.45	2/08/2022	368
Auswide Bank	59. Auswide Bank Floating Rate Note	BBB	N	1,500	1.18	1.10	1.10	0.68	17/03/2023	1095
Auswide Bank	60. Auswide Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	1.24	1.62	1.59	0.90	5/02/2024	720
Bank Australia	61. Bank Australia Floating Rate Note	BBB	N	2,000	1.00	0.94	0.95	0.90	2/12/2022	1096
Credit Union Australia	62. Great Southern Bank Floating Rate Note	BBB	N	1,000	1.19	1.17	1.17	0.45	24/10/2024	1827
Credit Union Australia	63. Great Southern Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.90	31/01/2023	365
Defence Bank	64. Defence Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	0.85	0.50	0.52	0.90	8/02/2024	730
Newcastle Permanent Building Society	65. NPBS FRN	BBB	N	2,000	0.76	0.67	0.68	0.90	4/03/2026	1826
Newcastle Permanent Building Society	66. NPBS FRN	BBB	N	3,234	0.76	0.76	0.76	1.46	4/03/2026	1458
Police & Nurses Limited	67. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.45	2/11/2023	1821
Police & Nurses Limited	68. P&N Bank Term Deposit	BBB	N	2,000	1.52	1.52	1.52	0.90	31/01/2024	730
Teachers Mutual Bank	69. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,100	0.78	0.73	0.73	0.50	16/06/2026	1826
QPCU	70. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	0.89	0.79	0.80	0.45	22/03/2024	1096
QPCU	71. QBank Term Deposit	BBB-	N	1,000	0.65	1.15	0.98	0.45	30/09/2022	364
Railways Credit Union	72. MOVE Term Deposit	NR	?	1,000	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.45	19/05/2022	364
Railways Credit Union	73. MOVE Term Deposit	NR	?	1,000	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.45	12/05/2022	356
Warwick Credit Union	74. Warwick CU Term Deposit	NR	?	1,000	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.45	9/03/2023	728
				<b>221,904</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>1.42</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>100</b>		

\*Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

Return including Matured/Traded Investments	Mar	12 Mth	FYTD
Weighted Average Return	1.40	1.30	1.39
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	0.04	0.04	0.04
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.36	1.26	1.35

#### Investment Income

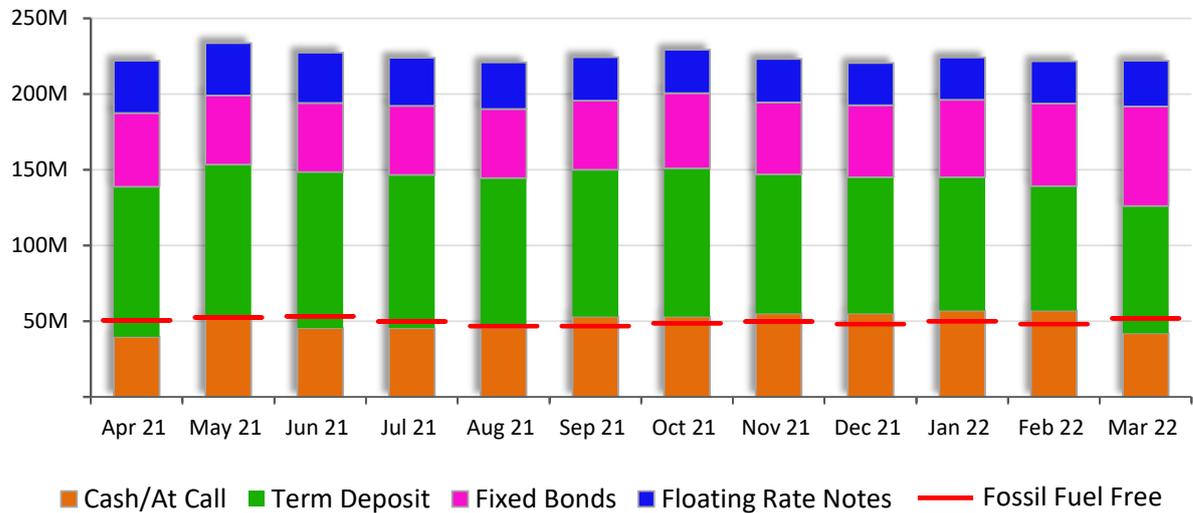
	\$000's
This Period	264
Financial Year To Date	2,283
Budget Profile	1,755
Variance from Budget - \$	<u>528</u>

#### Fossil Fuel Free (000's)

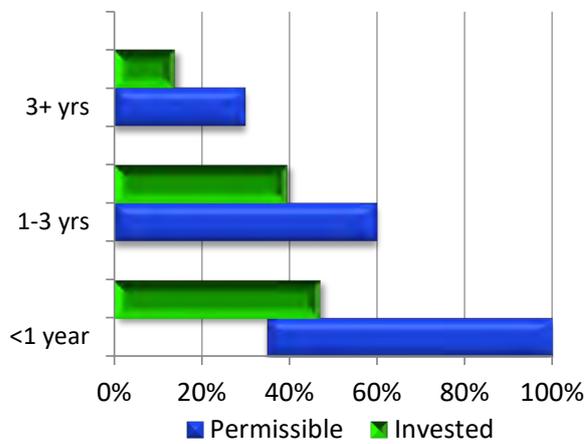
Yes	51,678
No	167,226
Unknown	3,000

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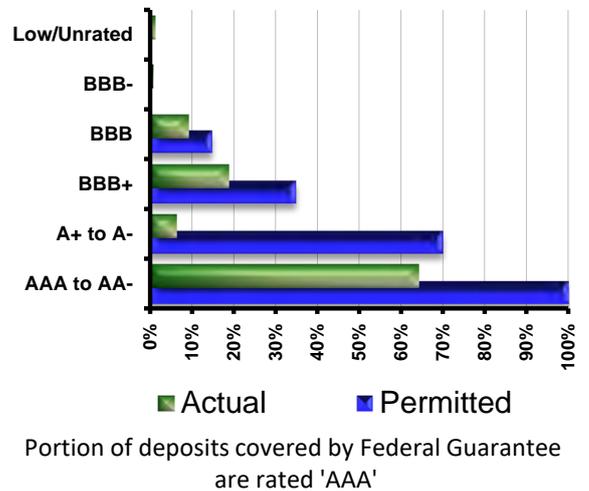
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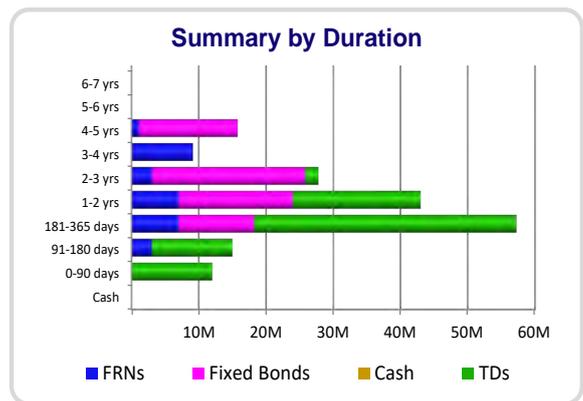
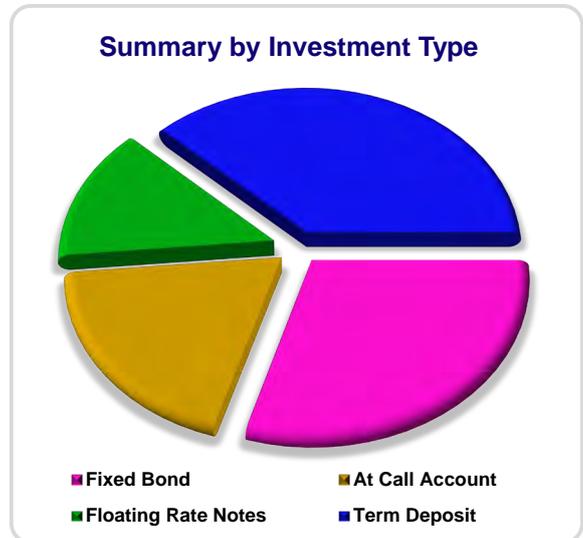
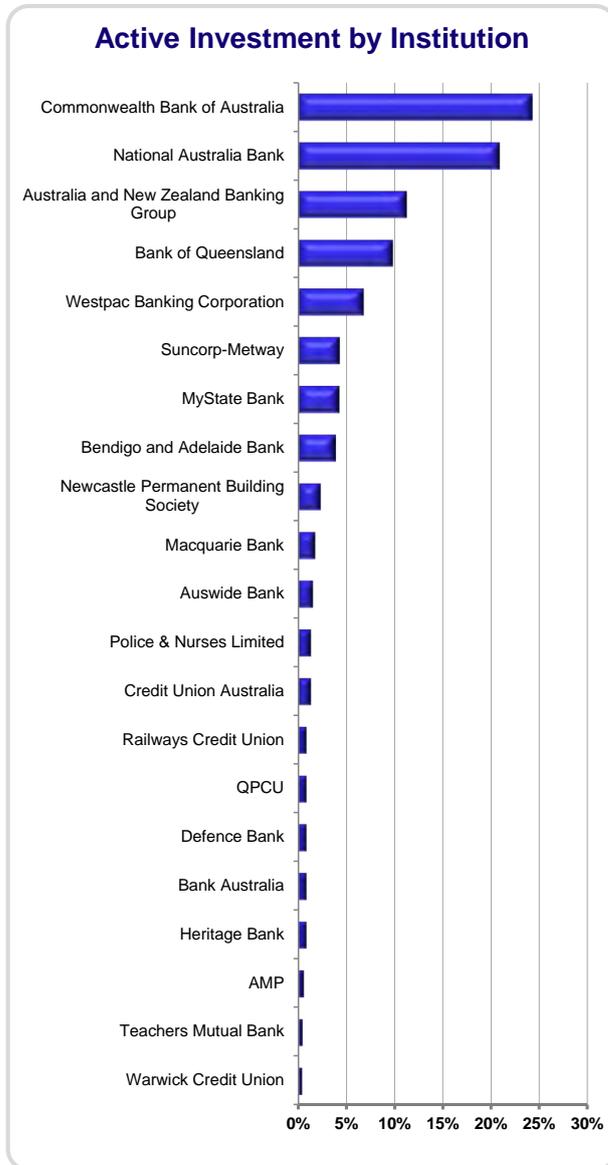
**Policy Limits on Maturities**



**Investment Summary by Rating**



**ITEM 3 (continued)**



	<365 days	>365 days
Cash/TDs	\$105.0M	\$21.0M
FRNs	\$10.0M	\$20.2M
Fixed Bonds	\$11.2M	\$54.5M
	<b>\$126.2M</b>	<b>\$95.7M</b>

**Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

Council uses the entity Market Forces to validate its classes of investments into either fossil fuel or non-fossil fuel aligned institutions. The figures below are conservative and do not include any financial institutions that have not declared if they are fossil fuel or non-fossil fuel aligned.

As at 31 March 2022, Council had a total amount of \$51.7M million invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, which is 23.9% of its total investment portfolio.

### **ITEM 3 (continued)**

While all efforts are made to increase Council's proportion of non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, a conflict arises with legislated credit rating requirements. This is because non-fossil fuel investment opportunities are in the main provided by smaller institutions that have lower credit ratings. If more of these were taken up, our overall percentage of lower credit rating institutions would result in a breach of legislated percentages set out elsewhere in this report.

This tension between Council's Cash Investment Policy and legislation will be examined as part of a review of the Policy this year with a recommendation coming back to Council.

### **Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.40%, which is 1.36% above the benchmark figure of 0.04%. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$2,283K for the period ending 31 March 2022 and is \$528K above the 2021/22 year-to-date adopted budget of \$1,755K.

### **Summary**

Council's investment portfolio continues to perform well with returns above benchmark. The recommendation in this report is consistent with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, which deals with the investment of surplus funds by Councils.

### **Certificate of the Chief Financial Officer (Responsible Accounting Officer)**

I certify that as at the date of this report, the investments listed have been made and are held in compliance with Council's Investment Policy and applicable legislation.

Aneesh Zahra  
Chief Financial Officer

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**4 DRAFT 2022/2026 FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PROGRAM INCLUDING DRAFT 2022/2023 ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN**

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**Report prepared by:** Chief Financial Officer  
**File No.:** FIM/22/59 - BP22/286

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report presents the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program, the separate One Year Operational Plan 2022/23 and the accompanying Draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges for Council to resolve to be placed on public exhibition for the period 2 May 2022 to 29 May 2022. Submissions on the Draft Delivery Program, Operational Plan and Fees and Charges will be sought from the public during the exhibition period.

All submissions received will be tabled and considered as part of the adoption of the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program (including One Year Operational Plan 2022/23) and Draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges at the June Council meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council, in accordance with legislative requirements, resolve to place the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program the One Year Operational Plan 2022/23 and the Draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges on public exhibition for a period 2 May 2022 to 29 May 2022 (inclusive).
- (b) That Council resolve to adopt all of the recommendations contained in this report.

**ATTACHMENTS – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**

- 1 Exhibition Draft 2022-26 Delivery Program
- 2 Exhibition Draft 2022-23 Operational Plan
- 3 Exhibition Draft 2022-23 Fees and Charges

Report Prepared By:

**Aneesh Zahra**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Report Approved By:

**Marnie Mitchell**  
**Acting Director - Corporate Services**

**ITEM 4 (continued)****Legislation**

New guidelines released in September 2021 under sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act, required Council to prepare a four year Delivery Program and a separate one year Operational Plan (including Council's Revenue Policy) which details Council's operating and capital activities over the period of the plan and how they are aligned to Council's strategic outcomes (Community Strategic Plan).

Council has prepared its draft Delivery Program with projections of capital works programs and consolidated income and expenditure estimates over the 4 years of the plan. Year 1 of the Draft Delivery Program forms the basis from which the detail of projects, actions and functions to be undertaken within the 2022/23 Operational Plan are drawn.

The Local Government Act requires the draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan be exhibited for a period of at least 28 days, during which time the public can make submissions. These submissions must be considered by Council before the draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan are adopted. Further details on consultation timeframes can be found at the 'Timetable and Public Consultation' section of this report.

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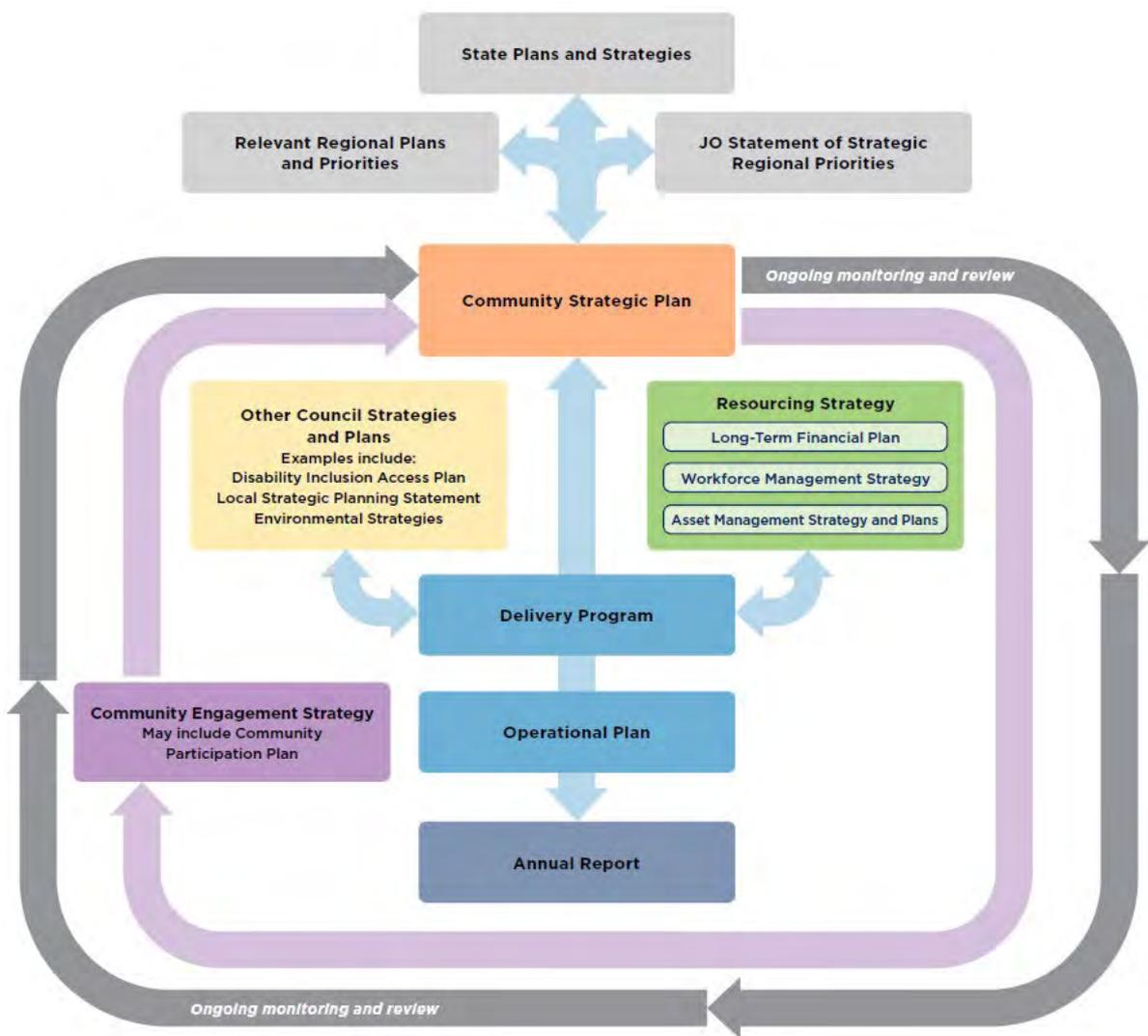
A summary of the proposed expenditure, income and working capital in the Draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program are detailed below:

<i>Table 1. Projected Operating Result</i>	<i>Proposed Budget 2022/2023 (\$'000)</i>	<i>Proposed Budget 2023/2024 (\$'000)</i>	<i>Proposed Budget 2024/2025 (\$'000)</i>	<i>Proposed Budget 2025/2026 (\$'000)</i>	<i>Four Year Total Estimates</i>
<b>INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>					
Rates and annual charges	103,643	105,831	108,066	110,349	427,889
User charges and fees	18,442	18,903	19,376	19,860	76,581
Interest and investment revenue	2,400	2,538	2,445	2,626	10,009
Other revenues	16,195	13,812	17,091	20,320	67,418
Grants & contributions provided for operating purposes	5,975	6,069	6,191	6,317	24,552
Grants & contributions provided for capital purposes	8,136	7,777	5,759	5,871	27,544
Net gain from the disposal of assets	100	100	100	100	400
<b>TOTAL INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>	<b>154,891</b>	<b>155,029</b>	<b>159,029</b>	<b>165,444</b>	<b>634,393</b>
<b>EXPENSES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>					
Employee benefits and on-costs	59,434	61,039	63,160	64,789	248,422
Borrowing costs	164	2,225	2,493	2,326	7,208
Materials and contracts	51,808	52,622	56,495	57,205	218,130
Depreciation and amortisation	25,589	25,845	25,211	25,422	102,067
Other expenses	6,539	6,686	6,837	6,992	27,055
Net loss from the disposal of assets	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS</b>	<b>143,534</b>	<b>148,418</b>	<b>154,196</b>	<b>156,734</b>	<b>602,882</b>
<b>NET OPERATING RESULT</b>	<b>11,357</b>	<b>6,612</b>	<b>4,834</b>	<b>8,710</b>	<b>31,512</b>
<b>Capital Expenditure and Repayments to Liability</b>					
Capital Expenditure	109,251	86,770	38,663	33,300	267,984
Loan Repayment	348	2,647	2,895	2,943	8,833
Lease Payment	2,986	3,081	1,594	-	7,661
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND REPAYMENTS TO LIABILITY</b>	<b>112,585</b>	<b>92,498</b>	<b>43,152</b>	<b>36,243</b>	<b>284,478</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED</b>	<b>101,228</b>	<b>85,887</b>	<b>38,319</b>	<b>27,533</b>	<b>252,967</b>
Net Reserves Movements	46,855	14,370	7,460	490	69,176
Depreciation Contra	26,889	27,300	26,659	27,043	107,891
Proceeds from Loan	27,484	44,216	4,200	-	75,900
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>101,228</b>	<b>85,887</b>	<b>38,319</b>	<b>27,533</b>	<b>252,967</b>
<b>NET BUDGET POSITION</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(0)</b>
<b>WORKING CAPITAL</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,500</b>

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The draft 2022-2026 Four Year Delivery Program including One Year Operational Plan 2022/23 has been prepared to align with the Ryde 2028 Community Strategic Plan and provides details on the projects to be delivered within each outcome area and program area.

The diagram below shows the relationship between the Community Strategic Plan, the Four-Year Delivery Program and the Operational Plan:



**ITEM 4 (continued)****Draft Four-Year Delivery Program 2022-2026 including One-Year Operational Plan 2022/2023 and 2022/23 Fees and Charges**

A copy of the draft 2022-2026 Four-Year Delivery Program including One-Year Operational Plan 2022/23 is **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** and the Draft 2022/23 Fees and Charges schedule is **ATTACHMENT 2 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

**ATTACHMENTS**

The draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan provides a comprehensive overview of the City of Ryde and its direction, detailing key projects (Capital and Non-Capital) and initiatives to be undertaken over the next four years with a specific focus for the 2022/2023 year. Also included in the document are Council's 2022/2023 Draft Budget and Fees and Charges.

In summary, the Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan provide the following information:-

- Overview of the City of Ryde's directions and priorities
- Projects by Program (for the next four years)
- Budget Overview
- Rating and Revenue Policy

**2022/23 Draft Operational Plan**

Key aspects of the Draft Operational Plan for 2022/23 include:

- Total operating expenditure budget is \$143.53 million, including \$1.35 million of one-off operating projects;
- Capital Expenditure in 2022/23 is budgeted at \$109.25 million, funded from Internal Reserves, Section 7.11 Contributions, Grants and other external sources of income, as well as a small proportion from Council's General Revenue (Working Capital);
- The Operating Result is projected to be a surplus of \$11.36 million, including Capital Grants and Contributions and \$3.22 million excluding Capital Grants and Contributions.
- In 2022/23, the City of Ryde will continue to provide significant subsidies to various community groups, sporting clubs and government organisations. Subsidies are provided by either reduced rentals on Council facilities, pensioner rate subsidies, reduced hire fees for Council facilities, grants to various organisations or sponsorship of events; and

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- The City of Ryde will make payments/contributions to NSW Government entities totalling \$9.53 million in 2022/23 (7% of the total operating expenditure budget).

It should be noted that Council forecasts its Section 7.11 and Section 7.12 related expenditure for the coming financial year based on receipts already received to ensure that Section 7.11 funds are not over-committed.

#### Project Expenditure (Capital and Non-Capital)

A summary of Council's proposed project expenditure of \$110.60 million for 2022/23 is detailed below.

Program	Capital Project \$M	Non-Capital Project \$M	Total Project \$M
City Development program	-	-	-
Community Culture & Wellbeing program	1.25	0.13	1.38
City Sport & Recreation program	6.25	0.20	6.45
Economic Centres & Neighbourhood program	4.14	0.10	4.24
Library program	0.15	-	0.15
Service Delivery Support program	3.65	-	3.65
Catchment & Waterways program	3.33	0.25	3.58
Resilience & Sustainability program	0.05	0.20	0.25
Traffic & Transport program	3.75	-	3.75
Waste & Recycling program	0.60	0.38	0.98
Strategic Property Management program	71.91	-	71.91
Roads program	12.32	-	12.32
Paths and Cycleways program	0.97	-	0.97
Governance & Corporate Services program	0.88	0.09	0.97
<b>Total</b>	<b>109.25</b>	<b>1.35</b>	<b>110.60</b>

#### Rates Income

For the first time in NSW, the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) prescribed rate peg for FY2022/23 will include a population factor. This factor introduces a variable in the rate calculation that will provide a different outcome for each Council in NSW depending on the level of population growth. While City of Ryde had an increase in population of 1.6%, the percentage of supplementary valuations was greater at 2.9%. This gap has resulted in Council receiving a 0% population growth factor in the calculation.

**ITEM 4 (continued)**

IPART has set the FY2022/23 rate peg at 0.7%. This rate peg calculation included the change in the Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) over the year to June 2021.

Prior to this change to the peg, Council had budgeted for a 2.6% increase for residential and business rates in its long-term financial plan. Accordingly, the FY2022/23 budget has been amended to reflect this reduction as has its long-term financial plan.

The total projected rates income is forecasted to be \$79.62m in FY 22/23 which represents 51.4% of Council's total revenue.

**Domestic Waste Management (DWM) Charge**

As per Section 504 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the charge for domestic waste must be calculated after taking into account the reasonable cost of providing these services.

In FY2022/23 it is expected that Council will spend \$23.98m in providing garbage, recycling, disposal and clean up services to the residents. The current standard waste management charge per household for the waste management services is \$442 per annum. This service consists of:

- Garbage Bin (140L) collected weekly;
- Recycling Bin (240L) and Green vegetation Bin (240L) collected fortnightly;
- Mulching and Chipping Service; and
- Clean-Up services (maximum of 5 per property per year).

For FY2022/23, the Domestic Waste Management Charge for each property will be reduced by \$12 for the above services including Eco and Premium Services. Council has made this decision to offset the impact of the rate increase on the average residential rate payer in response to recent events that have impacted the broader community. This decision will not adversely impact the delivery of waste services in Ryde as Council has maintained sufficient funds in its Domestic Waste Reserve to accommodate the reduction in the charge for the year.

These changes have been reflected in the Proposed Fees and Charges in the Attachment 3 Page 62.

**Proposed Rating Structure**

In determining its rating structure, Council undertakes modelling to ensure there is an equitable contribution across all residential and business ratepayers towards the delivery of Council services.

#### ITEM 4 (continued)

Since 2008/2009, Council's rating policy has been to use a 70% and 30% rates revenue generation split between residential and business properties respectively. Recent changes in the categorisation of high value properties in the Ryde area between residential and business have required major adjustments for FY2022/23 to mitigate any adverse impact on average rates and charges.

Council has determined that the new 69.5/30.5 split will provide the most equitable outcome across the community for the cost of delivering Council services in FY2022/23.

The below table reflects the impact of the approved rate peg increase of 0.7% and a reduction in the DWM charge of \$12.

#### FY 2022/23 - 69.5/30.5 split

	Split	Current Average Rate & Charge FY 21/22	Draft Average Rate & Charge FY 22/23	\$ (Decrease) / Increase	% (Decrease) / Increase
Residential	69.5%	\$1,516.38	\$1,516.26	(\$0.12)	(0.0%)
Business	30.5%	\$9,839.04	\$9,855.94	\$16.90	0.2%

#### Additional Special Variation (ASV)

Following the announcement of the rate peg by IPART in December 2021 and subsequently the concerns raised by Councils and others, the Minister for Local Government announced in March 2022, that a new additional rate variation opportunity for FY 22/23 would be provided to Councils.

This resulted in the Office of Local Government (OLG) issuing a Circular 22-07 to Councils outlining the process to be followed and the guidelines that would apply for this one-off special variation application process. In previous years, the rate peg has been on average around 2.5%, and the rate peg of 0.7% announced by IPART failed to factor in the impact of COVID and the increasing inflationary pressures to Councils.

As per the guidelines set out in the Circular, the percentage sought would be the lower of 2.5% (including the population growth) or the council's assumed 22/23 rate peg as exhibited in its 21/22 Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) including population growth.

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In order for this additional variation to be considered, Council will need to provide IPART with the following information:

- Council's 21/22 IP&R documentation budgeted for an income increase above the percentage specified for the Council for 22/23 under Section 506 of the Act; and
- that the 21/22 IP&R documentation forecasts an average Operating Performance Ratio (OPR) of 2% or lower or alternatively, provide evidence of the need for a permanent increase and
- Council has resolved to apply for the special variation under Section 508(2) of the Act.

Council in its 21/22 LTFP had budgeted for a rate peg of 2.6% for 22/23. It can also be demonstrated through modelling that Council's OPR would be on average 1.5% over the next five years with the approved rate peg of 0.7%.

It is therefore recommended based on the above that Council make an application to IPART for a permanent additional variation of an additional 1.8% above the rate peg of 0.7%. The amount generated from this additional income is approximately \$1.4m which can be transferred to Internal Reserves. The impact to the ratepayers and community is considered reasonable and Council will ensure that the average residential rates and charges is maintained at the same levels with this additional special variation. Should Council resolve to apply for this special variation, it is proposed that details be provided in the Council's Rating and Revenue Policy Statement as part of the Draft 2022-2023 Operational Plan.

As stated in the circular, IPART would not require councils to demonstrate community consultation outside of the processes outlined above. To demonstrate community consultation, IPART will consider the consultation undertaken through the IP&R process and consider the resolution to apply for a ASV to have met the requirements.

Applications are due by 29 April 2022. IPART will then publish the applications to enable community consultation for a period of at least three weeks and Council will be notified of IPART's decision no later than 21 June 2022. If successful, Council will be advised at the 28<sup>th</sup> June Council meeting.

**Fees and Charges**

Council's Fees and Charges account for 12% of council's total operating income.

In framing the 2022/23 Operational Plan and Budget, Council has increased most 'discretionary' fees by approximately 2.5%. This increase would generate approximately \$552,000 in additional income. Income derived from fees and charges is a function of both price and demand. In addition to those activities that are no longer generating any income, there is likely to be reduced demand from a range of other fee related activities, further compromising Council's financial position. It is in this context that any changes to fees and charges for 2022/23 should be considered.

## ITEM 4 (continued)

### Councillor Engagement

The following workshops were conducted with Councillors in the formulation of the Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan:

- Base Budget including Rates, Fees & Charges - 08 Feb 2022
- Projects (Capital/Non-Capital) - 08 Mar 2022

### Timetable and Public Consultation

The following timetable is proposed in respect of Council's consideration of the Draft Four-Year Delivery Program 2022-2026 the One-Year Operational Plan 2022/23:

Date	Action
26 April 2022	Consideration by Council of Draft Plans for Public Exhibition.
2 May 2022	Commencement of Public Exhibition period of Draft Plans.
29 May 2022	Completion of Public Exhibition of the Draft Plans and closing date for receipt of all public submissions
28 June 2022	Consideration by Council of public submissions on Draft Plans and amendments. Draft Plans for consideration and adoption, including the setting of rates, fees and charges for 2022/23.

The following consultation / advertisement is proposed to promote Council's Draft Plans.

- Public notification in the Weekly Times of Draft Plans.
- Public exhibition of Draft Plans between 2 May 2022 and 29 May 2022.
- Draft Plans will be available for viewing on Council's website.

### Financial Implications

In preparing the Draft 2022-2026 Four-Year Delivery Program including One-Year Operational Plan 2022/23, there are a number of external risks that are foreshadowed to have a negative impact on Council's financial position.

Changes in legislation made by the State Government, primarily relating to Planning and Development matters, may result in a change in how fees and charges may be levied in the future. Some of the impacts have already been factored into the budget (timing of Payments of Section 7.11 and 7.12 contributions) where others (Complying Development Levies) have yet to be factored in the draft budget. This may result in a reduction of service levels to the community if a reduction in Council's revenue eventuates.

**ITEM 4 (continued)**

The Draft Plans maintain Council's sound financial position with a forecast Working Capital balance of \$4.50 million, whilst delivering a Capital Works Program of \$109.25 million.

**Conclusion**

The Draft 2022-26 Delivery Program and 2022/23 Operational Plan has been developed using prudent financial management principles and assumptions.

A key feature of the Draft 2022-2026 Delivery Program and 2022/23 Operational Plan is that all existing services and service levels are maintained and are aligned with the aspirational targets outlined in Council's Community Strategic Plan.

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## 5 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS RETURNS FROM RECENTLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS

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**Report prepared by:** Governance Specialist  
**File No.:** GRP/22/48 - BP22/280

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### REPORT SUMMARY

Under Clause 4.21 of the City of Ryde *Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct*, Councillors must complete and lodge a Pecuniary Interest Return within 3 months of their appointment as a Councillor.

This report provides a summary of all Pecuniary Interest Returns received from new and returning Councillors, who were recently elected as a result of the 2021 Local Government Election.

### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives the tabled Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests Returns from recently elected Councillors, as required under Clause 4.21 and Clause 4.25 of the *Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct*.

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## **ITEM 5 (continued)**

### **Discussion**

Under Clause 4.21 of the City of Ryde *Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct*, a Councillor must complete and lodge a Pecuniary Interest Return within 3 months following their appointment as a Councillor.

Following the 2021 Local Government Election, all new and returning Councillors were required to lodge a Pecuniary Interest Return with the General Manager by 21 March 2022.

Council is advised the following Councillors have lodged a Pecuniary Interest Return in accordance with Clause 4.21:-

- The Mayor – Councillor Jordan Lane
- Councillor Sophie Lara-Watson
- Councillor Roy Maggio
- Councillor Penny Pedersen
- Councillor Shweta Deshpande
- Councillor Katie O'Reilly
- Councillor Bernard Purcell
- Councillor Sarkis Yedelian
- Councillor Trenton Brown
- Councillor Daniel Han
- Councillor Jerome Laxale
- Councillor Charles Song

In accordance with Clause 4.25 of the *Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct*, the Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest Returns from recently elected Councillors are tabled.

### **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.

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**6 2022 AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
(ALGWA) NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - 7 TO 9 JULY 2022**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Support Officer  
**File No.:** CLM/22/1/1/2 - BP22/183

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report is presented to Council for its consideration of Councillor attendance at the 2022 Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) NSW Annual Conference, to be held at the Fairfield Showground and the Holiday Inn at Warwick Farm on Thursday, 7 July 2022 to Saturday, 9 July 2022.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council consider Councillors Pedersen, Laxale and Purcell's request to attend the 2022 Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) NSW Annual Conference, including attendance fees and other associated expenses.
- (b) That Council determine whether other Councillors are to attend, and if so, who are to be the nominated participants.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 2022 ALGWA Conference Program

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## **ITEM 6 (continued)**

### **Discussion**

#### Conference

The 2022 Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) NSW Annual Conference will be held from 7 to 9 July 2022 at the Fairfield Showground Pavilion and the Holiday Inn at Warwick Farm and will be hosted by Fairfield City Council. A draft copy of the Conference Program is provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

The Australian Local Government Women's Association is the peak body for women in local government. It is a voluntary run organisation, that support both employees and elected representatives.

The 2022 ALGWA Annual Conference is designed to provide training and support for Councillors and staff, whether they are new to local government or have experience in the industry. It is an opportunity to learn and grow from speakers and from each other.

A notice was placed in the Councillor Information Bulletin dated 8 March 2022 inviting Councillors to indicate their interest to attend the Conference by 1 April 2022. As a result, an expression of interest was received from Councillors Pedersen, Laxale and Purcell in relation to attending the Conference.

#### Attendance at the Conference

Councillors can attend the Conference using their own vehicle and receive reimbursement on the travel expenses per kilometre should they wish to drive. Alternatively, Councillors may prefer to catch public transport to and from the Conference and receive reimbursement for fares or taxi e-tickets can be issued to Councillors for travel to and from the Conference.

As the Conference is held in the Sydney Metropolitan area, accommodation will not be provided.

### **Financial Implications**

The following is a summary of costs that would be incurred per person for attendance to the Conference:-

- Early bird registration – by 30 April 2022                      \$1,025.00  
(includes Mayoral Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner)

In the 2021/2022 Budget there is an allocation of \$34,170.00 for the Mayor and Councillors to attend conferences. There is currently a balance of \$16,093.00 remaining and is subject to Council's resolution on the number of Councillors participating in this Conference.

**ITEM 6 (continued)**

**Policy Implications**

There is no policy implication through adoption of the recommendation. The Policy on the Expenses and Facilities for the Mayor and other Councillors sets out the entitlements for Councillors attending such Conferences.

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**ATTACHMENT 1**



**Thursday 7 July 2022 – Fairfield Showground**

5.00 – 6.00pm	Registration
6.00 – 8.00pm	Mayoral Welcome Reception

**Friday 8 July 2022 – Holiday Inn**

8.00 - 8.45am	Registrations
9.00am	Welcome – Ellen Fanning
9.35am	Speaker – Louise Mahler
10.35am	Morning Tea
11.10am	Speaker – Kiersten Fishburn
12.10pm	Sponsor Speaker
12.35pm	Lunch
1.50pm	Speaker – Amanda Rose
2.50pm	Afternoon Tea
3.15pm	ALGWA Discussion Panel
4.10pm	Sponsor Speaker
4.25pm	Close
6.00pm	Activity

**Saturday 9 July 2022 – Holiday Inn**

7.00am	Morning Activity
9.00am	Welcome
9.10am	Speaker – Deb Wallace
10.10am	Sponsor Speaker
10.25am	Speaker – Neryl East
11.25am	Morning Tea
12.00pm	Activity
12.15pm	Discover Fairfield
12.35pm	Lunch
1.45pm	Speaker – Jana Pittman
2.45pm	Hotspots
3.45pm	ALGWA Close
6.00pm	Gala Dinner

Program and speakers are subject to change



**AUSTRALIAN LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S  
ASSOCIATION  
NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH**



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**7 CITY OF RYDE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT STRATEGY 2041**

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Transport Planning  
**File No.:** PM21/43269 - BP22/191

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

City of Ryde recently completed the draft *Integrated Transport Strategy 2041*. This is a Strategy that looks to the future and identifies what transport network improvements will be necessary for the City of Ryde to accommodate increasing levels of development and population. The Strategy is being released as part of a package of transport initiatives, including City of Ryde's new *Sustainable Transport Strategy* and an updated *Bicycle Strategy*.

After consulting key stakeholders during the development process, the draft Integrated Transport Strategy was placed on extended public exhibition during December 2021 – March 2022. All submissions received have now been carefully considered and some enhancements have been made to the draft Strategy.

The final version of *Integrated Transport Strategy 2041* is now being tabled for Council's consideration, endorsement and public release.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council endorses the *Integrated Transport Strategy 2041* and the accompanying Consultation Report.
- (b) That Council thank all parties who participated in the development of the Integrated Transport Strategy 2041, including those people who submitted feedback through the public exhibition.

**ATTACHMENTS – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**

- 1 FINAL 2022-04-05 Integrated Transport Strategy
- 2 Section 1 - Consultation Report ITS Council 0422 FINAL
- 3 Section 2 - Council Report ITS Submissions 0422 FINAL

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## ITEM 7 (continued)

### Discussion

City of Ryde has long recognised the important link between transport and land use planning, releasing an Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) in both 2008 and 2016. By properly integrating the transport system into the built environment, it is possible to reduce the distances people need to travel whilst encouraging the use of more sustainable travel modes. City of Ryde's aim is to develop a sustainable, safe, accessible and convenient transport system for the benefit of residents.

The Strategy builds on Council's previously adopted transport and land use strategies by identifying and prioritising major transport infrastructure and services that will improve the customer experience and sustainably accommodate future demand. The Strategy supports City of Ryde's 'Our connected and accessible city' outcome.

City of Ryde's *Integrated Transport Strategy 2041* encourages the use of active and public transport in place of private transport trips, while exploring ways of reducing the need to travel. A balanced mix of 58 priority transport projects have been identified across all types of transport, ranging from smaller local area improvements through to large infrastructure projects currently being considered or to-be considered by the State and Federal Governments.

The Strategy will be an over-arching document that guides City of Ryde's future transport planning. It is intended that this Strategy will be a resource for advocacy work that will help ensure that City of Ryde secures the attention and funding it deserves from other levels of government.

The Strategy will be used to advocate for transport improvements to occur sooner than may otherwise be the case, using innovative funding arrangements. Progress towards implementing each priority transport project will be tracked on a regular basis, with responsibilities assigned to relevant sections of City of Ryde.

A copy of the final version of the Strategy is provided as **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** for consideration, accompanied by a summary report of the feedback received during public exhibition, and provided as **ATTACHMENTS 2 and 3 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. The summary report lists the main issues raised by stakeholders and provides a response by the ITS project team, indicating whether feedback was incorporated and why or why not. The majority of feedback received during the public exhibition period was accommodated through enhancements to the draft ITS.

**ITEM 7 (continued)****Financial Implications**

As the ITS is a strategy, adoption of the recommendation is not expected to have any significant direct financial implications. The timelines identified in the strategy are for investigation only, and no firm deadlines are provided for delivery. Many of the larger projects are the responsibility of the State Government to deliver and Council's role on these projects is advocacy and collaboration. Smaller projects identified in the Strategy can generally be accommodated through expenditure from recurrent funding sources within the Transport department budget.

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**8 CITY OF RYDE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT STRATEGY 2022 - 2032**

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**Report prepared by:** Senior Coordinator - Environment**File No.:** GRP/09/6 - BP21/811

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

Council's Environment Department have developed the Sustainable Transport Strategy 2022-2032 (STS 2022-2032) provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** for the City, addressing the community's request for Council demonstration of environmental leadership and innovation in the transport space. The STS 2022-2032 has been designed and developed in alignment with the City of Ryde's overarching Integrated Transport Strategy 2041 and Council's revised Bicycle Strategy, both seeking Council's endorsement for public release in 2022.

While the Integrated Transport Strategy 2041 will guide City of Ryde's future transport planning for the next two decades, the STS 2022-2032 aims to encourage and assist our community to adopt sustainable travel options over private vehicle use and outlines a pathway of proactive directions Council will undertake or support, community lowering our emissions from transport and improving liveability in our city. It does not seek to address strategic infrastructure direction or major projects that the ITS does but responds to community interest in improving sustainable transport solutions for the city.

The STS has a strong focus on advocacy both to State Government for improving our active connections, in policy development and outcomes, in the role of technology, and in supporting community by promoting the benefits and diversity of sustainable options reducing car numbers and congestion in the city as we grow.

The structure of the strategy defines 'Priority Areas' for action, responsibilities and timing for delivery. Priorities outlined in the Strategy align with assisting community to reducing carbon emissions towards Net Zero, the priorities of the North District Plan, Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) 2020 and Future Transport 2056 Strategy.

The Strategy implementation is designed to be delivered over a staged 10-year period incorporating ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the response areas to track delivery. Community consultation for the Strategy was undertaken from 20 September until 11 October 2021 and received a total of 8 community responses.

With a strong emphasis on advocacy, collaboration, education and innovation, the strategy aims to support ongoing emissions reductions from transport in our city, improve air quality, urban mobility and wellbeing, while providing community and Council practical information to achieve more sustainable transport outcomes.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt the City of Ryde Sustainable Transport Strategy 2022-2032.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 2022-2032 Sustainable Transport Strategy - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

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**ITEM 8 (continued)****Discussion**

The Sustainable Transport Strategy (STS) 2022-2032 is a comprehensive action plan, developed to help community prioritise sustainable transport options over private vehicle use.

It sets a vision for Ryde as a more connected City where residents and visitors have safer, convenient, and reliable access to sustainable travel options that contribute to reducing emissions from transport and where active, public, and shared transport modes are prioritized over single occupancy car trips improving long term community health and wellbeing through innovation.

As we continue to grow in population, the impact of congestion through the city in peak demands continues to worsen. In our community engagement for the 2028 Community Strategic Plan, community rated traffic congestion, development and concerns for the environment as top ranking priorities for Council action.

Even prior to this engagement process, Council was already undertaking numerous sustainable transport initiatives from grant projects to progress trials of personal mobility devices (a first in Sydney at the time), facilitating our Shop Ryder community bus service to reduce single person car passenger trips, improving wayfinding signage and increasing and improving our footpath connections and bike paths.

In 2022, increasing pressures continue for local governments to respond to not only growth and development, but the increasing risk and pressure associated from climate and for limiting carbon emissions from transport. The NSW State Government's Net Zero Plan; Stage 1 identifies the role of transport in limiting carbon emissions, developing a standalone NSW Electric Vehicle Strategy (2021) to slowly transition Australia to low emissions and electric options.

The transport sector in NSW is identified as the second highest carbon emitter with 28 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>-e annually, just behind electricity generation at 51.1 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>-e (2017). Transport therefore, plays a vital role in limiting further entry of carbon into the atmosphere to limit further global temperature rises above 1.5c and associated ecosystem, societal and economic devastation in perpetuity.

This temperature trajectory is only set to increase unless intervention for lowering emissions is rapidly undertaken. For Ryde to be able to reach its own future Net Zero target and obligations under the State target of Net Zero by 2050, a shift from private vehicle use to low emissions vehicles or active transport modes is necessary.

The strategy outlines a framework for driving this through actions across active travel and public transport, mobility services, electric vehicles and new technologies and within major developments.

**ITEM 8 (continued)**

Over half of our residents use a private vehicle, and our levels of congestion in Ryde are already above average for greater Sydney, impacting the liveability of our suburbs and community health long term if not actioned. The Strategy combines the city's direction for integrated transport and sustainable transport initiatives into one document and aims to reduce our community's reliance on private vehicle use and to actively connect our city.

**Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no direct financial impact as the Strategy serves to highlight the actions, outcomes or direction that Council will take towards progressing sustainable transport solutions throughout the city. It does not serve to lead key infrastructure projects, as this will be covered in Council's overarching Integrated Transport Strategy to be released in 2022. Smaller projects not within existing service delivery will apply for individual funding under Council's Project Bidding process and approved on a case-by-case submission by Council.

Actions and priorities listed in the STS are stated in terms that do not pose any risk to Council. The document is a shared responsibility for transport outcomes between all levels of government and community with a focus on advocacy and partnerships for outcomes to be delivered. Other areas of key focus guiding the delivery are largely within education, investigation of opportunities and working with partners in collaborative efforts to improve sustainable transport outcomes. These are expected to be covered under existing budgets under a business as usual delivery with any additional projects leveraging collaboration opportunities across Council and State Government grant funding where possible.

**Consultation**

Community consultation was undertaken via Council's 'Have your Say' process and occurred from Monday 13 September to Sunday 10 October 2021 during which time the community could provide feedback via an online form or written submission. The consultation was promoted on the City of Ryde 'Have Your Say' website, advertisement in the local newspaper (The Weekly Times) and Council newsletters (Smarter Cleaner Greener and Your City News).

A total of eight responses were provided by seven Ryde residents. Feedback overall supported and commended Council in its proactive approach for improving transportation solutions within and across the city and is outlined below with Council responses:

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Feedback	Council response	Report changes
<p>Support for skateboards to be considered as part of Sustainable Transport for the 'last mile'.</p> <p>Building of skate features along pathways for pump track style features for bicycles, skateboards and scooters.</p>	<p>Noted however at this time the inclusion of skateboards is not specifically recognised with traditional, identified modes of 'transport' but more as a recreational vehicle.</p> <p>Suggestion of pathway pump track features forwarded to Transport team for future consideration.</p>	<p>Nil at this time as suggestion falls outside of the direct scope of Strategy and intention.</p>
<p>Feedback on State Government 'Keoride' initiative and support to have it reinstated.</p> <p>Comment on ingress of people to the city for work as a transport issue and links with business hubs and through the city.</p>	<p>Council noted and agreed with positive impact of the 'Keoride' ride share service offered. Council has actively lobbied the State Government to ask for reinstatement of the service to support sustainable transport initiatives.</p> <p>Workers travelling to Ryde from outside of the LGA, business hub and linkage comments were forwarded to Council's Transport Team for consideration into their Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) 2022.</p>	<p>Nil at this time and to be considered by Council's ITS</p>

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<p>Prioritise take up of bike share and personal mobility devices to safely link shared active transport corridors in the LGA to help families use cycleways safely. Noting use of shared road infrastructure for cycleways felt to be unsafe for families in some areas of the city. Of note safely cycling between Meadowbank, Top Ryde city and Macquarie Park. A safe cycling corridor across the LGA from South to North is non-existent.</p>	<p>Noted for future collaborative works with the Transport Team in relation to future cycle paths and connections. Feedback provided to Transport Team for consideration in Bicycle Strategy 2022.</p>	<p>Nil as the Strategy does not identify specific links/ areas of issue as this will be covered in the Bicycle Strategy 2021 and future Greenlinks Masterplan 2022.</p>
<p>Support for goals of the STS. Request for greater detail on impacts of climate change from transport sector to assist readers with examples of impacts with data including health impacts from pollution. Other comments relating to bike racks, docking stations, bike education, work from home offices to reduce trip miles and looking at pedestrian focused city.</p>	<p>Noted – report changes made to include climate change data and links to transport and health as related to car pollution and liveability. Information on bike sharing/ docking stations provided to Transport Team for Bicycle Strategy consideration and planning. Bike education run annually by Council. Opportunity for collaboration on possible bike share project in the future.</p>	<p>Report amended to include climate change data and links to transport and health as related to car pollution and liveability. Priority action within the Strategy identifies bike docking stations as a possible future project and feedback provided to Council's Greenlink Masterplan and Transport team for future installation.</p>

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<p>Commendation and thanks to Council on Strategy and content. General comments provided on the state of electric vehicle incentives for purchasing and equitable infrastructure provisioning. Comment on Government action needed to increase to enable broad community access.</p>	<p>Council agreement on broad EV issue, noting limitations within local government control to influence purchasing prices and incentives from the State Government. Noting Council lobbying that has been undertaken to State Government to support increased incentives and delivery of necessary infrastructure under new planning controls.</p>	<p>Nil – comment noted and aligns with priority existing within the Strategy.</p> <p>In late 2021, the State Government announced EV grants for increasing public charging infrastructure and rebates for public who purchase an EV. Council is reviewing.</p>
<p>Suggestions for public transport improvements in specific areas of the city, on-demand service suggestions to improve gaps, support for bicycle sharing programs, parking, vandalism issues, the value of regional partnerships, carpooling and design of a phone app for Ryde residents.</p>	<p>Noted and reviewed against the current STS Strategy priorities and noted as being aligned with aims of the Strategy outcomes.</p> <p>Feedback provided to Council's Transport Team for inclusion in the Bicycle and Integrated Transport Strategies where relevant.</p>	<p>NA as many of the overarching suggestions are supported and outlined by Council within the STS Strategy.</p> <p>Some feedback provided exceeds the Strategy outcomes and is more closely aligned to Council's Transport Team's business implementation. This has also been provided to the Transport team.</p>
<p>Comment on the lack of access to public transport hubs and associated cost, congestion, liveability outcomes and support for on-demand services and request for reinstatement.</p>	<p>Noted, with Council lobbying the State Government (2021) to return the service to assist residents in reducing single car passenger trips into the future.</p>	<p>NA as the request was seeking Council support to reinstate the service by which Council does not have direct control to do however does support, and is noted within the Strategy.</p>

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<p>Feedback on speeding cyclists on shared user paths and dangers to pedestrians. Comment value of pedestrian in sustainable transport mix.</p>	<p>Noted with Council acknowledging role of individual users and pedestrians in sustainable transport. Comments on speeding bike users forwarded to Transport Team for consideration and planning.</p>	<p>Nil – information provided as safety / reporting concerns to Council which has been actioned. Other comments are noted but do not change the intention or direction of document requiring modification.</p>
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**Options**

Council could choose not to support the STS 2022-2032; however this is not preferred as the Strategy does not provide any implicit actions that will cause serious or detrimental impact to Council reputation or finance.

The Strategy seeks Council’s endorsement to be publicly released as a package of transport initiatives, including the overarching City of Ryde Integrated Transport Strategy 2041 and Council’s revised Bicycle Strategy. It aims at consolidating the direction and priority for the City outlining ways in which it will support community towards transitioning to lowered emissions options and improving the way we connect our city and its people.

Community consultation also provided support for the strategy, commending Ryde on being proactive in this space addressing issues that were nominated in Council’s Community Strategic Plan 2028 related to congestion under growth. Adoption of the Strategy will also support Council in continuing both its work in the Net Zero emissions reduction space and also continue to demonstrate environmental leadership to Community, also a priority nominated in the Community Strategic Plan engagement process.

Should Council choose not to support the Strategy, then direction of sustainable transport options will not be addressed under a proactive plan for action as they are not covered within the accompanying Bicycle or Integrated Transport Strategies but complement to address these areas.

Not adopting the Strategy may also reflect negatively on the works undertaken in this space to date and those proposed as future actions which is not aligned with outcomes such as supporting lowered emissions technology transport (electric vehicles).

**9 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL**

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**Report prepared by:** Civic Services Manager**File No.:** GRP/22/48 - BP22/299

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This Report is submitted to Council to review the status of outstanding reports and confirm the date reports are due to be provided to Council as at 19 April 2022 (listing provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1**).

It should be noted that when this report was last presented to Council on 8 June 2021, there were 56 reports listed and following consideration of that report there were 29 overdue reports due to Council.

There are currently 61 reports listed in the attachment and following consideration of this report, there will be 19 overdue reports due to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report on Outstanding Council Reports be endorsed.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Outstanding Reports to Council - as at 19 April 2022 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

Report Prepared By:

**Amanda Janvrin**  
**Civic Services Manager**

Report Approved By:

**John Schanz**  
**Manager - Corporate Governance****Marnie Mitchell**  
**Acting Director - Corporate Services**

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **1 ELECTRONIC NOTICE BOARDS - Councillor Roy Maggio**

**File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/348**

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#### **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council investigate to implement the placement of electronic notice boards in town centres or strategic places to advertise Council services and events throughout the LGA.
- (b) That a report be brought back to Council within 6 months.

### **2 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF NSW (CWA) - Councillor Roy Maggio**

**File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/349**

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#### **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council host a Mayors civic morning tea for the Country Women's Association of NSW (CWA) on Monday, 2 May 2022 in celebration of their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, to be funded from the Mayoral budget.
- (b) That Council officers liaise with CWA and the Mayor's office to organise the morning tea.
- (c) That the CWA are asked to provide their scrumptious scones if in agreement.
- (d) That a plaque be erected to commemorate this milestone.
- (e) That the Mayors civic morning tea for the Country Women's Association of NSW event be promoted through all media channels.

**NOTICES OF MOTION (CONTINUED)**

**3 HAZARD FOR CYCLISTS AT THE WATERVIEW ROUNDABOUT -  
Councillor Roy Maggio**

**File Number: CLM/22/1/1/6 - BP22/350**

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**MOTION:**

- (a) That Council investigate a proposed solution to the engineered hazard facing cyclists at the Waterview roundabout, which breaches just about every cycling safety principle with an immediate action to be taken, if required.
- (b) That this issue be placed on the Agenda of the new Sport, Recreation and Leisure Working Group with a report to be presented to Council within 3 months.

## **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

### **10 SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT - PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION COR-RFT-05/21 - PROVISION OF SPECIALIST CLEANING SERVICES TO THE RYDE AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE**

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#### **Confidential**

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**Report prepared by:** Manager - Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre

**File No.:** GRP/22/51 - BP22/317

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### **11 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT-15/21 CRUSHING AND SCREENING SERVICES**

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**Report prepared by:** Construction Recycling Manager

**Report approved by:** Manager - Business Infrastructure; Director - City Works

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**12 OFFER TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT IN RELATION TO LDA2021/160 AT 67-75 EPPING ROAD MACQUARIE PARK TO UTILISE INCENTIVE PROVISIONS UNDER CLAUSE 6.9 OR RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2014**

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**Report prepared by:** Development Contributions Coordinator

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**13 OFFER TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT BY THE TRUST COMPANY LIMITED AFT LAV AUSTRALIA SUB TRUST 5 IN RELATION TO DEVELOPMENT OF 40-52 TALAVERA ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK**

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**Report prepared by:** Development Contributions Coordinator

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