

Council Meeting**AGENDA NO. 12/10**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 10 August 2010
Location: Council Chambers, Level 6
Time: 7.30pm

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1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting No. 11/10 held on 27 July 2010, be confirmed.

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City of Ryde

Council Meeting**MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 11/10**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 27 July 2010
Location: Council Chambers, Level 6
Time: 7.30pm

Councillors Present: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Petch, Perram, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin, Tagg and Yedelian OAM.

Staff Present: General Manager, Group Manager – Community Life, Group Manager - Corporate Services, Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Group Manager - Public Works, Place Manager, Information, Integration and Compliance Manager, Media & Community Relations Officer and Senior Administration Co-Ordinator.

PRAYER

Reverend Sue Willis of St Anne's Anglican Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

APOLOGIES: Nil**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Pickering disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 10 – RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2010 AND RYDE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2010 of the Council Meeting Agenda 11/10 for the reason that a former pro-bono client, community organisation – CAPO, opposes RCC's overdevelopment.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Salvestro-Martin)

That Standing Orders be suspended, the time being 7.35pm, for Council to recognise both the Laureate Award to Linda Shave – Information, Integration and Compliance Manager, City of Ryde, and Council's Award for the Government Category, that were

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received at the International 2010 Computerworld Honors Program held in Washington DC, USA in June 2010.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth, acknowledged Linda Shave, Council's Information, Integration and Compliance Manager, and her outstanding achievement in receiving her Laureate Award, in addition to receiving Council's Award. Linda Shave acknowledged the effort and support she had received from Council, the General Manager and staff.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Campbell and Etmekdjian)

That Standing orders be resumed at 7.38pm

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons addressed the Council:-

No.	Name	Address	Topic
1	Mr Paul Margereson	30 Simla Road, Denistone	Notice of Motion 4 – Affordable Housing
2	Ms Catherine Griffiths	4/2 Crowley Crescent, Melrose Park	Notice of Motion 1 – Community Fitness Initiatives

MAYORAL MINUTES

MM06/10: CANCER COUNCIL: Relay for Life

RESOLUTION: (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillor Yedelian OAM)

That the Mayor of the day be a local patron for the Cancer Council's Relay for Life event to be held on 25 and 26 September 2010.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

ITEM 1 (continued)**COUNCIL REPORTS****1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 22 June 2010**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Salvestro-Martin)

That the Minutes of the Council No. 10/10 held on 22 June 2010, be confirmed subject to amending the voting in respect of Notice of Motion 3 (page 14) of the minutes to indicate Councillor Pickering voted For the motion and not Against.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

2 MOTIONS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

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.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That the items be dealt with in seriatim.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillors Campbell, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillor Salvestro-Martin

3 REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - MANAGEMENT & OPERATION OF RYDE COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE (ELS HALL PARK)

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That the matter be deferred until consultation has been undertaken with the ELS Hall users and the Sport & Recreation Advisory Committee.
- (b) That the concerns raised by the Sport & Recreation Advisory Committee be circulated to all Councillors prior to commencing the consultation process.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

ITEM 1 (continued)**4 ALCOHOL FREE ZONES**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Maggio)

- (a) That Council accept the proposal for Alcohol Free Zones (ATTACHED).
- (b) That Council agree to public consultation on the matter, as stated in the Ministerial Guidelines.
- (c) That if no adverse public comments are received on the proposal, the Alcohol Free Zones as outlined in the report be adopted.
- (d) That Council receive a further report on the proposed Alcohol Free Zones if any adverse comment is received during the public consultation.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

5 MACQUARIE PARK PARKING STUDY - ADOPTION OF FINAL REPORT

Motion: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Petch)

That, subject to the minor revisions to the study identified in ATTACHMENT 1, the Macquarie Park Parking Study Report (circulated under separate cover) be adopted by Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

6 2010 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE - Albury 24-27 October 2010

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pickering):

- (a) That the Mayor of the day and four (4) Councillors be nominated as voting delegates, and one (1) other Councillor be nominated as an observer to attend the Local Government Association Conference 2010.
- (b) That Council note that the General Manager and/or his delegate/s will attend the Conference.
- (c) That Council endorse the Motions set out in Attachment 3 and the Local Government Association be advised accordingly.
- (d) That Council hold a workshop on 03 August 2010 to discuss the proposed

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Motions to be submitted to the Local Government Association Conference for consideration at the Committee of the Whole meeting on 03 August 2010.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

As a result of Council's resolution, nominations for delegates to the Local Government Association Conference were called.

Nominations were received from:

Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Maggio, O'Donnell, Petch, Pickering and Yedelian OAM.

As a result, a ballot was conducted for four (4) voting delegates (in addition to the Mayor) and one (1) observer. The result of the ballot was:

	Votes
Councillor Petch	11
Councillor Etmekdjian	10
Councillor Maggio	8
Councillor Yedelian OAM	7
Councillor Campbell	7
Councillor Pickering	6
Councillor O'Donnell	6
Councillor Butterworth	4
Informal	1

Councillors Petch, Etmekdjian and Maggio were declared voting delegates for the conference.

As Councillors Yedelian OAM and Campbell were tied at 7-all, a further ballot was undertaken to determine the other voting delegate.

The result of the ballot was:

	Votes
Councillor Yedelian OAM	7
Councillor Campbell	5

As a result, Councillor Yedelian OAM was elected as a voting delegate. Councillor Campbell was elected as the observer.

Summary

Voting Delegates: Mayor of the day and Councillors Petch, Etmekdjian, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Observer: Councillor Campbell

ITEM 1 (continued)**7 ONE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION - 2010**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Pickering)

That Council nominate Councillor Yedelian OAM to attend the One Association Convention to be held in Sydney on Monday, 16 August and Tuesday 17 August 2010.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

8 PITTWATER ROAD - UPGRADE (Status Update)

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Maggio)

- (a) That Council notes the Section 138 (Roads Act) Approval provided by Hunter's Hill Council of the proposed roundabout in Pittwater Road / Buffalo Reserve / Field of Mars (covering the eastern half within the Hunter's Hill Council LGA).
- (b) That Council as the road authority (within the City of Ryde LGA) approves the construction of the roundabout at Pittwater Road / Field of Mars Reserve / Buffalo Creek Reserve under Section 138 of the Roads Act for immediate construction.
- (c) That Council approves further development of the design of Pittwater Road from Carramar Avenue to High Street (excluding the roundabout in (b) above) to fully consider the cumulative environmental effects of all stages, consolidate the community consultation process to one project and to consider suggestions and comments made to date from environmental groups.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

9 INVESTMENT REPORT - June 2010

Note: Cllr Li left the Chamber and was not present for voting on this item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Etmekdjian and Salvestro-Martin)

That the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated 13/07/2010 on INVESTMENT REPORT – June 2010, be endorsed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

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Note: Councillor Li returned to the Chamber prior to discussion on Item 10, the time being 8.40pm.

10 RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2010 AND RYDE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2010

Note: Councillor Pickering declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Yedelian OAM)

That an administrative advisory note be placed in Ryde Development Control Plan 2010 advising of its status as an amending DCP.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Salvestro-Martin, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Pickering

11 REPORT ON OUTSTANDING RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Campbell)

That the Outstanding Resolutions report be endorsed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

12 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Salvestro-Martin)

That consideration of this matter be dealt with in Closed Session at the end of the meeting.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

There are no Precis of Correspondence items for Consideration

ITEM 1 (continued)**NOTICES OF MOTION****1 COMMUNITY FITNESS INITIATIVES - Councillor Salvestro-Martin**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Campbell)

That the General Manager provide a report on the feasibility of establishing a range of community fitness initiatives across the Ryde LGA to encourage and support increased physical activity, and also highlight the clear community benefits of improved physical activity. This initiative could encompass but not be limited to:

- establishment of a local walking club across the LGA – similar to those established in partnership with the Heart Foundation
- highlighting local walks, parks and fitness activities/exercise equipments, cycling tracks
- establishing strategic partnerships with fitness providers/businesses and promoting community fitness through media and other means
- building upon existing council events to include a fitness component
- establishing a specific 10,000 steps walkathon for Ryde
- Promote this initiative through the Advisory Committees

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

2 WEST RYDE PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT - Councillor Petch

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Tagg)

That this matter be referred to the Closed Session at the end of the meeting to allow Councillors to clarify some legal questions relating to this matter, prior to the Notice of Motion being considered by Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor O'Donnell

Note: This item was dealt with later in these minutes with the Notice of Motion being withdrawn.

ITEM 1 (continued)**3 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN RYDE - Councillor Tagg**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Petch)

That the General Manager bring back a report to Council, from his planning department on the possibility of affordable housing in Ryde.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

4 63-77 WEST PARADE, WEST RYDE - Councillor Pickering

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pickering and Yedelian OAM)

That the City of Ryde assess the possibility of undertaking legal proceedings in the Land and Environment Court in relation to the proposed development at 63-77 West Parade at West Ryde as advertised in the Sydney Morning Herald on 21st July 2010. Ryde's case should focus on the reasons given for council's previous rejection of Housing NSW's plans covering this site.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillors Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Yedelian OAM and Tagg

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors O'Donnell, Campbell and Salvestro-Martin

5 OFF-LEASH AREAS FOR DOGS - Councillor Perram

Motion: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That within 6 months of the commencement of the trial off-leash areas for dogs, approved by Council on 20 July 2010, the General Manager submit a report to Council considering:

- (a) the outcome of the trial; and if satisfactory
- (b) the possibility of extending off-leash areas to all parks in Ryde other than specific parks which are nominated by exception.
- (c) That dog owners in the City of Ryde receive educational material that provides information on their responsibilities as a dog owner

Amendment: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Pickering)

That within 12 months of the commencement of the trial off-leash areas for dogs, approved by Council on 20 July 2010, the General Manager submit a

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report to Council considering:

- (a) the outcome of the trial; and if satisfactory
- (b) the possibility of extending off-leash areas to all parks in Ryde other than specific parks which are nominated by exception.
- (c) that if dog owners do not remove their animal's waste a fine be imposed.

The AMENDMENT was put and **LOST**, there being three (3) votes for and nine (9) votes against.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Li, Pickering and Tagg

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM

The MOTION was then put and **CARRIED**, there being nine (9) votes for and three (3) votes against.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That within 6 months of the commencement of the trial off-leash areas for dogs, approved by Council on 20 July 2010, the General Manager submit a report to Council considering:

- (a) the outcome of the trial; and if satisfactory
- (b) the possibility of extending off-leash areas to all parks in Ryde other than specific parks which are nominated by exception.
- (c) That dog owners in the City of Ryde receive educational material that provides information on their responsibilities as a dog owner

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Salvestro-Martin, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Pickering, Tagg and Li

ITEM 1 (continued)**NOTICES OF RESCISSION****1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION - Councillor Petch, Councillor Perram, Councillor Li**

Motion: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Perram)

That Council rescind the previous resolution in relation to Item 4 – SKATE FACILITIES ACROSS THE CITY OF RYDE – Results from community consultation, passed at the Committee of the Whole 10/10 meeting held on 20 July 2010, namely:

- "(a) That Council commence planning and further community discussion on the provision of a Youth and Unstructured Recreation Precinct at Meadowbank Park;*
- (b) That Council commence planning and further community discussion on the provision of a Skate Spot at Blenheim Park;*
- (c) That Council commence planning and further community discussion on the provision of a Skate path along Shrimpton's Creek;*
- (d) That Council commence planning and further community discussion on the provision of a Skate path along the Ryde River Walk;*
- (e) That Council commence formal negotiations with Macquarie University for a managed facility at the Macquarie University;*
- (f) That Council allocate funding for the preparation of a feasibility study for a skate facility at the RALC;*
- (g) That Council allocate \$100,000 funding in the 2011/12 budget for the development of skate facilities in the City of Ryde."*

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillors Etmekdjian, Li, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors O'Donnell, Campbell, Salvestro-Martin and Maggio

The Motion to Rescind was **CARRIED** with seven (7) votes for and five (5) votes against.

The MATTER was then AT LARGE.

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Motion: (Moved by Councillors Pickering and Yedelian OAM)

That Council investigate three possible options for the location of a skate park in Ryde including:

- (a) That Council commence formal negotiations with Macquarie University for a managed facility at the Macquarie University;
- (b) That Council allocate funding for the preparation of a feasibility study for a skate facility at the RALC;
- (c) That Council investigate the possibility of a controlled facility at Blenheim Park
- (d) That Council allocate \$100,000 funding in the 2011/12 budget for the development of skate facilities in the City of Ryde."

Amendment: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Campbell)

That Council investigate four possible options for the location of a skate park in Ryde including:

- (a) That Council commence formal negotiations with Macquarie University for a managed facility at the Macquarie University;
- (b) That Council allocate funding for the preparation of a feasibility study for a skate facility at the RALC;
- (c) That Council investigate the possibility of a facility at Blenheim Park
- (d) That Council commence planning and further community discussion on the provision of a Skate path along the Ryde River Walk
- (e) That Council allocate \$100,000 funding in the 2011/12 budget for the development of skate facilities in the City of Ryde."

The AMENDMENT was put and **LOST** with five (5) votes for and seven (7) votes against.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors O'Donnell, Campbell, Etmekdjian and Salvestro-Martin

Against the Amendment: Councillors Li, Maggio, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

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The MOTION was then put and **CARRIED** with seven (7) votes for and five (5) votes against.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pickering and Yedelian OAM)

That Council investigate three possible options for the location of a skate park in Ryde including:

- (a) That Council commence formal negotiations with Macquarie University for a managed facility at the Macquarie University;
- (b) That Council allocate funding for the preparation of a feasibility study for a skate facility at the RALC;
- (c) That Council investigate the possibility of a controlled facility at Blenheim Park
- (d) That Council allocate \$100,000 funding in the 2011/12 budget for the development of skate facilities in the City of Ryde."

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Councillors Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Petch, Pickering, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Perram, Campbell, Salvestro-Martin and Etmekdjian

EXTENSION OF TIME

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Tagg)

That the meeting time be extended to allow Council to complete the business on the agenda, the time being 10.55pm.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Li, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors O'Donnell, Maggio and Salvestro-Martin

QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY

There are no Questions by Councillors as per Policy

ITEM 1 (continued)**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

No addresses were made to Council.

CLOSED SESSION**NOTICE OF MOTION 2 – WEST RYDE PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT****Confidential**

This item is dealt with in closed session due to Councillors seeking clarification on some legal questions, relating to this matter from the General Manager, prior to considering the Notice of Motion.

ITEM 12 - ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**Confidential**

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

This matter is classified confidential because it contains advice concerning legal matters that are:-

- (a) substantial issues relating to a matter to which the Council is involved.
- (b) clearly identified in the advice, and
- (c) fully discussed in that advice.

It is not in the public interest to reveal all details of this matter as it would prejudice Council's position in any court proceedings.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Etmekdjian)

That the Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the above matters.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth and Councillors Campbell, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Perram, Petch, Pickering, Salvestro-Martin, Tagg and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor O'Donnell

Note: The Council closed the meeting at 10.58pm. The public and media left the chamber.

Note: Councillor Salvestro-Martin left the meeting at this stage, the time being 10.58pm, and took no further part in debate or voting on the remaining items.

ITEM 1 (continued)**2 WEST RYDE PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT - Councillor Petch****Motion:**

That Council seek advice, on the following question, from Price Waterhouse Coopers (who represented Council in negotiating the West Ryde precinct development deed and drafted the deed for execution by Council);

"Is there any legal reason (based on the development deed or otherwise) prohibiting Council from dealings with West Ryde Developments Residential P/L or Adrian Mastronardo in relation to matters affecting the residential component of the West Ryde precinct development project contemplated by DA 559/2007 or MOD 2009/80?"

In relation to this question it is noted that:

- (a) Coles will be constructing the retail component of the retail/residential project;*

And

- (b) West Ryde Developments Residential P/L (a company associated with Adrian Mastronardo) will be constructing the residential component of the project*

But

- (c) at present, Council officers are not obligated, under the Development Deed with Coles, to deal with West Ryde Developments Residential P/L in relation to the project."*

Note: This matter was not formally considered in closed session, however several legal questions were raised by Councillors to the General Manager on this matter. The formal consideration of this Notice of Motion would be dealt with in Open Council..

12 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Petch)

That the report of the General Counsel on ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS be endorsed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

ITEM 1 (continued)**OPEN SESSION**

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Pickering)

That Council resolve itself into open Council.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous.

Note: Open Council resumed at 11.23pm.

On resuming business in Open Council, the General Manager formally reported the business transacted in Closed Session.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Petch)

That the General Manager's report of the business transacted in Closed Session be received and adopted as a resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NOTICE OF MOTION**2 WEST RYDE PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT - Councillor Petch**

Councillor Petch advised that this Notice of Motion be formally **WITHDRAWN**.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung at the conclusion of the meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.25pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 10TH DAY OF AUGUST 2010

Chairperson

2 MOTIONS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

File Number: GRP/10/3/001/6 - BP10/437

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 the recommendations in respect of items 3 and 4, as submitted to Council Meeting No. 12/10, be adopted with the exception of items as determined by the Council.

3 COUNTRY COUNCIL PARTNERSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Minutes 9 July 2010

Report prepared by: Manager - Governance

Report dated: 13/07/2010

File No.: GRP/10/3/001/6 - BP10/382

Report Summary

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee and for Council's endorsement of recommendations from the meeting that includes proposed projects to be undertaken.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council endorse Councillor Maggio's visit to Central Darling for up to three nights accommodation and to meet his costs of travel and meals as set out in the Provision of Expenses and Facilities to Councillors policy.
- (b) That Council write to the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club inviting them to nominate up to four (4) young representatives to accompany Councillor Maggio from their Club with Council meeting the costs of up to three (3) nights accommodation and reasonable expenses relating to meals and travel.
- (c) That Council endorse the General Manager nominating a staff member to visit and assist Central Darling in the assessment of heritage assets as detailed in the report.
- (d) That Council write to the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club requesting that their cricket event coincide with Council's Harmony Day on 20 March 2011 and offering use of Ryde Park and inclusion in Council's promotional material for the event, at no cost to the Club as detailed in the report.
- (e) That as part of the September Quarterly Budget Review that Council consider allocating \$10,000 towards the maintenance and development of the Country Council Partnership to meet the costs of the initiatives detailed in this report in addition to any other initiatives taken.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1** Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee Minutes - 9 July 2010 4 Pages

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ITEM 3 (continued)**Background**

On 29 October 2007, the City of Ryde and Central Darling Shire entered into a Memorandum of Understanding. Under the Memorandum both Councils have agreed to work together to provide assistance and explore opportunities to benefit the two Councils and their communities. The aim of the relationship is to create a unique opportunity for sharing ideas and challenging perspectives.

The vehicle for the partnership is the Country Council Advisory Committee. On Friday, 9 July 2010, the Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee met at Brush Farm House. A copy of the minutes from that meeting are **ATTACHED**.

Report

The following recommendations are submitted for Council's consideration as a result of the Advisory Committee Meeting held on Friday, 9 July 2010.

- Visit by Councillor/s and participants from local sporting groups

At the Advisory Committee Meeting, Councillor Maggio expressed a desire to travel to Central Darling to promote a sports program in the area, that follows up on the recent visit by four (4) students from Central Darling that was hosted by the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club. He suggested taking some young representatives from local sporting groups. This proposal was supported by the Committee and it was agreed that it would be included as a recommendation to Council.

There will be costs associated with this proposal. While funding for Councillors travel and accommodation is provided for within the 2010/11 Budget there is no current funding allocation to support the Country Council Partnership that could be used, should Council wish to support young representatives from local sporting groups accompanying Councillor Maggio as recommended. It is proposed that consideration of funding for the Country Council Partnership be included for consideration in the September Quarterly Review.

In addition, it is proposed that the young representatives (ie up to four (4) representatives), to visit Central Darling be from the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club on this occasion, given the relationship that has already been established from Central Darling's visit in March this year.

It is recommended that Council endorse Councillor Maggio's attendance to Central Darling, by providing three (3) nights accommodation and meeting reasonable expenses relating to meals and travel.

In addition, it is recommended for Council to write to the Ryde Hunter's Hill Cricket Club, inviting them to nominate up to four (4) young representatives from their Club to accompany Councillor Maggio. Council will meet the costs of accommodation and reasonable expenses for meals and travel of these representatives.

ITEM 3 (continued)*- Presentations to Committees*

It was agreed that presentations regarding the Country Council Partnership would be made at the Sport and Recreation Advisory Committee and the Principals' Committee.

A presentation was made to the Sport and Recreation Advisory Committee on Monday, 19 July 2010. There were a number of suggestions from attendees that will be investigated and presented to the next Country Council Advisory Committee Meeting.

A presentation is planned for the Principals' Meeting on 16 September 2010.

- Harmony Day

The Country Council Advisory Committee agreed that it would be beneficial for the Harmony Day cricket event being organised by Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club 'Pirates' for young people from Wilcannia, to coincide with the City of Ryde's Harmony Day on 20 March 2011.

It is proposed that a letter from the Mayor of both Councils be sent to Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club requesting this and offering Council's support for the event in the form of use of Ryde Park (normal charge \$400) and inclusion in related promotional material (value approximately \$200) at no charge.

- Visit by planning staff

Following the meeting, the General Managers of both Councils discussed the possibility of a staff member from the City of Ryde visiting Central Darling. Central Darling require the service of a planner to advise on the assessment of two heritage properties in Wilcannia.

Details of the requirements will be discussed with the General Managers and relevant Council staff.

It is anticipated that there will be travel and accommodation costs associated with this proposal and the overall estimate of this cost is projected to be approximately \$5,000.

Consultation

Internal Council business units consulted included:-

- Nil

Internal Workshops held:-

- Not applicable

City of Ryde Advisory Committees consulted included:-

- Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee

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The draft minutes were circulated on 13 July 2010 with comments requested by 20 July 2010. Councillor Maggio advised in relation to Item 6.(a) as follows;

"I suggested that the club be contacted for consultation as its the clubs concept not CoR ..CoR did not support this initiative and it needs to be mintued."

This has not been changed in the minutes as this suggestion was not made at the meeting. However, it should be noted that contacting the club is recommended in this report.

- Sports and Recreation Advisory Committee

External public consultation included:-

- There has been consultation with Central Darling Council.

Critical Dates

There are no critical dates or deadlines to be met.

Financial Impact

There are no funds provided for support of the Country Council partnership or any associated projects.

It is recommended that as part of the September Quarterly Budget Review that Council allocate \$10,000 towards the maintenance and development of the Country Council Partnership that will meet the costs of the initiatives detailed in this report in addition to any initiatives taken.

Policy Implications

There are no policy implications through adoption of the recommendation.

Other Options

Council could resolve to undertake one or all of the items in the recommendation.
Council could resolve to undertake additional projects.

Conclusion

The purpose of this report is to present the minutes of the Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee and details of recommended proposed initiatives for Council's endorsement.

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Subject:	Country Council Partnership Advisory Committee – Draft Minutes of Meeting	Page 1 of 4
File No:	COR2007/1806	
Document Ref:	D10 49378	
Venue:	Carpenter Room – Brush Farm House	
Date:	9 July 2010	
Time:	4pm to 6.30pm	
Chair:	The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth	
Meeting Support (MS):	Shane Sullivan, Manager – Governance	
Circulation:	Draft emailed – 13 July 2010 (comments requested for 20 July 2010)	

Participants

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		The Mayor, Councillor Butterworth (MB)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		The Mayor, Councillor Longfellow (RL)	Councillor	Central Darling
✓		Councillor O'Donnell (GO)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Petch (IP)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Yedelian OAM (SY)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Pickering (BP)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Campbell (NC)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Councillor Maggio (RM)	Councillor	City of Ryde
✓		Tim Hazell (TH)	General Manager	Central Darling
✓		John Neish (JN)	General Manager	City of Ryde
✓		Kym Fuller (KF)	Manager of Community and Economic Development	Central Darling
✓		Simone Schwarz (SS)	Group Manager – Community Life	City of Ryde
✓		Roy Newsome (RN)	Group Manager – Corporate Services	City of Ryde
✓		Baharak Sahebkhari (BS)	Manager, Community and Culture	City of Ryde
✓		Peter Montague (PM)	Acting Manager, Open Space	City of Ryde
✓		Shane Sullivan (MS)	Manager, Governance	City of Ryde
✓		Cheryl Riley (CR)		Community Rep
✓		Andrew Daff (AD)	Lane Cove Tourist Park	Community Rep
✓		Dr Lorraine Gibson (LG)	Macquarie University	Community Rep
	✓	Cr Graham Wellings	Councillor	Central Darling
	✓	Cr Artin Etmekdjian	Councillor	City of Ryde
	✓	Dale Halloran		Community Rep
	✓	James Sin		Community Rep

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Details	Action
<p>1. Opening of Meeting: Cr Michael Butterworth, Mayor, City of Ryde (Chair) opened the meeting and welcomed all members of the Committee to the meeting, especially Councillor Ray Longfellow, Mayor, Central Darling.</p> <p>Councillor Ray Longfellow, responded and thanked Councillor Butterworth for the City of Ryde's hospitality. He expressed his thanks for projects undertaken recently and said he looked forward to the outcomes of this meeting.</p>	Noted
<p>2. Apologies: Cr Graham Wellings, Cr Artin Etmekdjian, Dale Halloran and James Sin.</p>	Noted
<p>3. Confirmation of Minutes from 26 November 2009:</p> <p>Confirmed and endorsed.</p>	Noted
<p>4. Status Report – Roy Newsome</p> <p>Roy Newsome gave a brief overview of initiatives undertaken since the last meeting as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continued provision of information between the two Councils. - Art exhibition as part of NAIDOC Week at Brush Farm House. - Continued work in our Planning and Environment area for the development of the Wilcannia and Menindee Main street program. - Wilcannia youths joining the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club ('Pirates') event. Kym Fuller to give a presentation later in the meeting on this venture. <p>In addition, RN discussed future opportunities for the relationship including promoting the partnership agreement with local sporting groups through the City of Ryde Sports and Recreation Advisory Committee.</p> <p>He also advised that a similar presentation would be made to the Ryde Principals Committee in an attempt to establish relationships between schools.</p>	<p>PM and BS to arrange presentations at the respective meetings. Sport and Rec – 19 July 2010 Principals - 16 September 2010</p>
<p>5. Overview of Initiatives undertaken – Kym Fuller</p> <p><i>Cricket Visit</i> Kym Fuller made a presentation about the visit by Wilcannia youths to play cricket with the Ryde Hunters Hill Cricket Club. A copy of the presentation will be distributed to all Committee Members.</p> <p>KF also advised that Wilcannia Central School has committed to send representatives to the next Harmony Day event planned for 13 March 2011.</p> <p>KF described the experience for the young boys involved as 'life changing'.</p> <p><i>NAIDOC Exhibition</i> KF advised the meeting that Wilcannia arts is developing as a brand. The works on exhibition after the meeting are by Eddy Harris and were exhibited at Hazlehurst at the beginning of the year.</p> <p>It is hoped that this exhibition will assist in the obtaining of a grant to build a Wilcannia Arts Centre. There will be an exhibition/fund raiser organised by Regional Arts at the Hickson Road Wharves on 27 October 2010.</p>	Noted
<p>6. General Discussion</p>	

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Details	Action
(a) Councillors Campbell and Maggio recommended that the visit for Harmony Day proposed above coincide with the City of Ryde's Harmony Day on 20 March 2011. There was agreement from the meeting on this.	SS to note and action as required.
(b) Councillor O'Donnell suggested that there could be an opportunity to showcase art from Central Darling at the ALGWA Conference, perhaps at the Mayoral opening to be held at Brush Farm House. There was agreement from the meeting on this.	SS to investigate and arrange as appropriate.
(c) Councillor Campbell suggested an opportunity for Central Darling to partner with City of Ryde as part of the White Ribbon community initiative. Councillor Longfellow voiced his support for this proposal.	BS to investigate and arrange as appropriate.
(d) Councillor Maggio expressed a desire to travel to Wilcannia to promote a sports program in the area. He also suggested taking some young representatives from local sporting groups. Councillor Pickering supported this proposal and it was agreed that this would be a recommendation to Council as part of consideration of these minutes.	MS to include as a recommendation in Council report.
(e) Kym Fuller gave an outline of the Main Street project. Previously Nick Chapman and Nadine Croker from City of Ryde visited Wilcannia and assisted in the development of a Main Street upgrade. KF advised that there had been progress, particularly in relation to the former Post Office. There are also plans for the development of a Wilcannia Arts Centre. Cheryl Riley suggested an opportunity for a community greening project at the 'crossroads'. She suggested it could involve sponsorship from businesses and the awarding of prizes.	
(f) Councillor Pickering suggested that an exchange program, similar to the recent cricket example, be undertaken with Macquarie University to encourage and support gifted students. Dr Lorraine Gibson supported this idea and suggested a potential mentoring project. John Neish advised that Dunmore Lang or the colleges may assist with this proposal. Councillor Ray Longfellow emphasised that this should be considered for the whole of Central Darling Shire.	MS to obtain appropriate contacts and liaise with LG.
(g) Councillor Campbell raised the Menindee Nurses greening project as an opportunity to work with TAFE. Tim Hazell advised that the project is progressing, albeit slowly.	Noted.
(h) Tim Hazell discussed the need to focus on younger people (8-10 years old). Councillor O'Donnell suggested that this is an opportunity to connect with the Central Darling schools and the Ryde Youth Council. This will be raised at the Principal's meeting as noted above.	
(i) Councillor Petch enquired whether there had been any progress with regard to the exchange of flags. This will be pursued.	MS and KF to liaise.
(j) Councillor Petch asked whether there had been any progress regarding participation at the Granny Smith festival. It was agreed that this could be part of the City of Ryde stall at the festival.	SS to investigate and arrange as appropriate.
(k) Councillor Campbell raised the opportunity to cross promote the relationship with a focus on tourism potential. It was agreed that a link between the two websites would be created.	MS and KF to liaise.

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Details	Action
(l) Baharak Saheb suggested a potential video link in relation to the Children's Voices for Recognition event. There was support from the meeting for this.	BS to investigate and arrange as appropriate.
(m) Councillor Pickering suggested establishing links to the Ryde Business Forum or the Economic Development Committee. Andrew Daff asked on behalf of the Ryde Business Forum if it were possible to put the respective Chambers of Commerce in touch. It was agreed that this would be pursued with Kym Fuller as the appropriate contact at Central Darling.	MS to provide contact details to the RBF.
(n) Councillor O'Donnell asked that further thought be given to staff exchange opportunities. Further to this, Simone Schwarz raised the possibility of participation in the Corporate Leadership Cup. Some Councils participation in this with their Sister City Council's.	SS to provide further information.
7. Next Meetings: - It was agreed that the next meeting will coincide with the ALGWA Conference, perhaps on the Thursday night. - Tim Hazell offered to host a future meeting at Central Darling, perhaps in June 2011.	SS to advise date.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

4 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

Confidential

This item is classified CONFIDENTIAL under Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act, 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following: (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice as comprises a discussion of this matter, that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

This matter is classified confidential because it contains advice concerning legal matters that are:-

- (a) substantial issues relating to a matter to which the Council is involved.
- (b) clearly identified in the advice, and
- (c) fully discussed in that advice.

It is not in the public interest to reveal all details of this matter as it would prejudice Council's position in any court proceedings.

Report prepared by: General Counsel

Report dated: 30/07/2010

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

There are no Precis of Correspondence for Consideration

NOTICES OF MOTION**1 VEHICLE ENTRY TO CAR PARK - Dunbar Park - Councillor Perram****File Number:** GRP/10/5/001/6 - BP10/425

Motion:

That Council remove the chains preventing vehicle entry to the car park at Dunbar Park, except when needed in conjunction with a booking of the park.

2 PARKING - Sobraon Road, Marsfield - Councillor Perram**File Number:** GRP/10/5/001/6 - BP10/426

Motion:

That Council discuss with Macquarie University issues associated with parking by construction workers in the Sobraon Road area and explore with the University provision of parking for the University's construction workforce within the University grounds.

**3 RYDE COUNCIL AS A BREASTFEEDING FRIENDLY WORKPLACE -
Councillor Campbell****File Number:** GRP/10/5/001/6 - BP10/431

Motion:

I move that, as a legacy initiative of the Year of Women in Local Government, the General Manager initiates processes to ensure that Ryde Council becomes a breastfeeding friendly workplace with appropriate facilities provided for expressing and storing breast milk and implementation of lactation breaks for women employees to express their milk.

4 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER – DCP 2010 - Councillor Perram**File Number:** GRP/10/3/001/6 - BP10/453

Motion:

That for the purposes of administering the Tree Preservation Order contained in section 9.6 of City of Ryde DCP 2010, Council declares that despite anything shown on the urban bushland map referred to that section, urban bushland does not exist within three metres of any lawfully constructed building.

NOTICES OF RESCISSION

There are no Notices of Rescission