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Location: Council Chambers, Level 6, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde
Time: 7.30pm

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MAYORAL MINUTE**2/12 WHITE RIBBON FOUNDATION AND CITY OF RYDE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – The Mayor, Councillor Artin Etmekdjian****File Number:** GRP/09/4/6 - BP12/483

The White Ribbon Campaign aims to reduce violence against women by inviting men to make a difference, by swearing an oath never to commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women.

On 24 November 2009, Council unanimously resolved the following:

That Council tasks the recently established Status of Women's Advisory Committee to work with Council staff to establish strategies that enable Ryde to be formally registered as a "White Ribbon Community" by 2010, thereby ensuring that White Ribbon day is appropriately and effectively recognised within the City of Ryde in future years. The timeframe for action is significant given 2010 is the Year of Women in Local Government

City of Ryde has been associated with the White Ribbon Campaign since 2010, particularly through the work of the General Manager and myself who are ambassadors for the campaign.

On 5 June 2012, the General Manager and I will sign the 'Campaign Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the White Ribbon Foundation (Australia) and City of Ryde'. This occasion provides an opportunity to highlight Council's leadership and achievements in promoting a safer community for women and girls and to raise further awareness of White Ribbon principles.

All Councillors will be invited to attend the function at which the MOU signing will take place.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note the Mayor and General Manager's upcoming co-signing of the 'Campaign Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the White Ribbon Foundation (Australia) and City of Ryde.'

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

Councillor Artin Etmekdjian
The Mayor

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 24 April 2012

Report prepared by: Meeting Support Coordinator**Report dated:** 27 April 2012**File No.:** GRP/12/5/5/5 - BP12/482

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 6/12, held on 24 April 2012 be confirmed.

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- 1 Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting - 24 April 2012

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**Council Meeting
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 6/12**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 24 April 2012

Location: Council Chambers, Level 6, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde

Time: 7.30pm

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

Note: Councillor Butterworth left the meeting at 10.45pm and did not return. He was not present for consideration of Notices of Motion 2, 3, and 4 and Item 12.

Apologies: Councillor Salvestro-Martin.

Leave of Absence: Councillor Yedelian OAM.

Staff Present: General Manager, Group Manager – Community Life, Group Manager - Corporate Services, Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Acting Group Manager - Public Works, Chief Financial Officer, Media & Community Relations Officer and Service Unit Manager - Governance.

PRAYER

Reverend Nicholas Fried of Eastwood Uniting Church was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Petch disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 6 – Cox's Road Masterplan as the applicant is known to him.

Councillor Tagg disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 6 – Cox's Road Masterplan as the applicant is known to him.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons addressed the Council:-

No.	Name	Topic
1	Mr David Furlong (representing the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney / Holy Spirit Parish, North Ryde)	Item 6 - Cox's Road Masterplan
2	Mr Norm Cerreto (representing the landowners of Cox's Road)	Item 6 - Cox's Road Masterplan

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Li)

That Council allow those people listed under Public Participation on the Agenda to address the meeting at the beginning of the meeting.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

The following persons addressed the Council:-

Name	Topic
Ms Jackie Slaviero	Flooding at 11 First Avenue, Eastwood

MATTER OF URGENCY – FLOODING AT FIRST AVENUE, EASTWOOD

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency regarding flooding at First Avenue, Eastwood.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Ms Slaviero addressed Council and provided a submission to Councillors in relation to this matter and a copy is ON FILE.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That the General Manager investigate the issue of flooding on the southern side of First Avenue, Eastwood and provide a report to Council within three months outlining options for consideration.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

MATTER OF URGENCY – ARGYLE CENTRE – BUILDING CONDITION AND PROPOSED ACTIONS

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

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency regarding Argyle Centre – Building Condition and Proposed Actions.

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Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Campbell, Li, O'Donnell, Maggio, Perram, Petch and Pickering

Against the Motion: Councillor Tagg

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

That Council reconfirm its decision in respect of this matter at its meeting of 10 April 2012 subject to the following addendum:

That Council's delegation to the General Manager to determine the most effective option for the staff location include external leased accommodation.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Campbell, O'Donnell, Maggio, Perram, Petch and Pickering

Against the Motion: Councillors Li and Tagg

MAYORAL MINUTES

There were no Mayoral Minutes.

COUNCIL REPORTS

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 10 April 2012

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Petch)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 5/12, held on 10 April 2012 be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Campbell, Li, O'Donnell, Maggio, Perram, Petch and Pickering

Against the Motion: Councillor Tagg

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2 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 5/12 held on 17 April 2012

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That Council note that all Items of the Works and Community Committee meeting 5/12 held on 17 April 2012 were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

3 DRAFT FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2012/2016 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2012/2013

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Campbell and Pickering)

- (a) That this matter be deferred to allow the detailed information to be included into the draft Four Year Delivery Plan for public exhibition as requested by Council to be provided.
- (b) That Councillors be invited to provide any relevant feedback to the Councillor HelpDesk.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 INVESTMENT REPORT - March 2012

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Pickering and Campbell)

That Council endorse the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 10 April 2012 on Investment Report – March 2012.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Campbell, Li, O'Donnell, Maggio, Perram, Petch and Pickering.

Against the Motion: Councillor Tagg

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5 PLAN MAKING PROCESS - SUBMISSION ON THE DRAFT POLICY STATEMENT OF MORE LOCAL, MORE ACCOUNTABLE PLAN MAKING

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Perram)

That Council endorse that the issues outlined in this report form the basis of the City of Ryde submission to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure on the draft State Policy document – More local, more accountable plan making.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

6 COX'S ROAD MASTERPLAN

Note: Councillor Petch disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this Item for the reason that the applicant is known to him.

Note: Councillor Tagg disclosed a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this Item for the reason that the applicant is known to him.

Note: Mr David Furlong (representing the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney / Holy Spirit Parish, North Ryde) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

Note: Mr Norm Cerreto (representing the landowners of Cox's Road) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item and provided a submission, a copy of which is ON FILE.

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

- (a) That the draft Cox's Road Masterplan prepared by Council be publicly exhibited for a period of six weeks from 9 May 2012 to 20 June 2012.
- (b) That Council not accept the landowners draft Masterplan for Cox's Road.
- (c) That Council delegate to the General Manager the task of identifying ways of optimising community benefit including how Council land and land holdings should be integrated in discussion with land owners.
- (d) That negotiations be commenced with key landowners regarding a Voluntary Planning Agreement to ensure an appropriate public benefit is achieved from the uplift in zoning.
- (e) That a further report be prepared for Council's consideration following the targeted consultation of the draft Cox's Road Masterplan.

AMENDMENT: (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Tagg)

- (a) That Council receives and notes the Cox's report.

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- (b) That Council accepts the Landowner's draft Masterplan dated 6 December 2011 for Cox's Road to be publicly exhibited by Council for a period of six weeks from 9 May 2012 to 20 June 2012.
- (c) That Council Officers prepare a report on the outcomes of the public exhibition process to Council at a Council meeting in July 2012; and
- (d) That negotiations be commenced with all relevant Cox's Road Landowners on the development of appropriate voluntary planning agreements.

The Amendment was put and **LOST** there being four (4) votes For and six (6) votes Against.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Maggio, Pickering, Petch, and Tagg

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Campbell, Li, Maggio and Perram

FURTHER AMENDMENT: (Councillors Tagg and Petch)

- (a) That Council accepts the Landowner's draft Masterplan dated 6 December 2011 for Cox's Road and the draft Cox's Road Masterplan prepared by Council to be publicly exhibited by Council for a period of six weeks from 9 May 2012 to 20 June 2012.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council following the public exhibition period.

The Further Amendment was put and **CARRIED** there being seven (7) votes For and three (3) votes Against. The Further Amendment thereby became the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Li, Maggio, Pickering, Petch and Tagg

Against the Amendment: Councillors Campbell, O'Donnell and Perram

RESOLUTION: (Councillors Tagg and Petch)

- (a) That Council accepts the Landowner's draft Masterplan dated 6 December 2011 for Cox's Road and the draft Cox's Road Masterplan prepared by Council to be publicly exhibited by Council for a period of six weeks from 9 May 2012 to 20 June 2012.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council following the public exhibition period.

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Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Butterworth, Li, Maggio, Pickering, Petch and Tagg

Against the Motion: Councillors Campbell, O'Donnell and Perram

7 MACQUARIE PARK CORRIDOR - WORKING GROUP

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Pickering)

- (a) That Council endorses the Terms of Reference for the Macquarie Park Corridor Working Group.
- (b) That Council nominate staff as listed in the Terms of Reference for membership on the working group.
- (c) That should the Minister decide to launch the new group that Council participate in the launch.

Record of Voting

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Petch, Perram and Pickering

Against the Motion: Councillors Butterworth and Tagg

8 WIFI FOR LIBRARIES PROJECT

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Li and Petch)

- (a) That Council endorse an acceleration of the public WiFi for Libraries project. Noting that completion of the rollout to all library branches will be December 2012, replacing the previous timeframe of June 2015.
- (b) That Council approve an increase to the library operational budget by \$15,000 indexed annually to fund ongoing line costs and maintenance from the financial year 2012/13.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

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9 FLOOD MODELLING FEES & CHARGES

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Pickering)

- (a) That the fee for the purchase of Council's DRAINS model in the amount of \$2,200 be adopted.
- (b) That the fee for the purchase of Council's TUFlow model in the amount of \$4,950 be adopted.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

10 LEGAL SERVICES TENDER - COR-EOI-03/11

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and O'Donnell)

- (a) That the firms Storey and Gough, Sparke Helmore, Planning Law Solutions, PCR Law and Associates, Marsdens Law Group, Maddocks, Kells the Lawyers, and Heard McEwan Legal be appointed as members of the panel of legal providers to the City of Ryde to 30 June 2013 with an option of a further year at Councils discretion. It is intended that this will be effective immediately.
- (b) That notwithstanding (a) above, should any specialist legal advice or services be required that cannot be adequately provided by the appointed panel, the General Manager be delegated the power to appoint specialist legal services as required from other providers.
- (c) That Council acknowledges the possibility of the statutory threshold of \$150,000 expenditure being lawfully exceeded on any individual member of Council's panel or individual member of a State Government agency panel.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Perram, Petch, Pickering and Tagg

Against the Motion: Councillor Butterworth

11 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and O'Donnell)

That the report on Outstanding Council Reports be endorsed.

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Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNCILLOR O'DONNELL BY AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (ALGWA)

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Maggio)

That the correspondence be received.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NOTICES OF MOTION

1 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT WEST RYDE COMMUNITY CENTRE - Councillor Jeff Salvestro-Martin, Councillor Michael Butterworth

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Butterworth and Maggio)

That the General Manager urgently investigate the matter of pedestrian safety at the new West Ryde Community Centre and report those findings to the Ryde Traffic Committee for urgent action to improve resident safety at the new West Ryde Community Centre.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Butterworth left the meeting at 10.45pm and did not return. He was not present for consideration of Notices of Motion 2, 3, and 4 and Item 12.

2 MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY ROAD RESERVE - Councillor Justin Li

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Li and Petch)

(a) That Council approach the Roads & Maritime Services (formerly the RTA) and make them aware that:

- residents living near the County Road Reserve have complained about increased vermin as a result of lack of maintenance;
- grassland under their management requires regular mowing and maintenance; and

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- they have obligations under the Public Health (General) Regulation 2002 to take reasonable measures to keep their land free of vermin.

(b) That Council Environmental Health Officers take the necessary action to encourage the Roads & Maritime Services to act on this matter.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

3 PUBLIC DOMAIN AREAS - WEST RYDE - Councillor Terry Perram

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Perram and Petch)

That the General Manager report to the Works and Community Committee on the intended usability and presentation of the public domain areas on and around the new West Ryde (Coles) development site at the following stages of the project:

- (a) following opening of the Council underground carpark;
- (b) following opening the retail (Coles) development; and
- (c) for the duration of the construction of the residential units.

For the purposes of this report, the public domain includes the market place, footpaths, roads, traffic facilities, lighting, public art, furniture, street trees, signage and any other feature intended to be installed on public land as part of the complete development.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

4 PROPOSED SITE FOR HOUSING COUNCIL STAFF AND MOVEMENT OF STAFF TO NEW PREMISES - Councillor Victor Tagg

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Tagg and Petch)

That the General Manager report back to the Councillors on the proposed site (Civic Centre) for Council staff to be housed and Council meetings conducted. When the sale goes through and the expected turn around time from the winning tenders announced and the expected movement of staff to new premises.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Li, Maggio, O'Donnell, Petch, Pickering and Tagg.

Against the Motion: Councillors Campbell and Perram

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NOTICES OF RESCISSION

There were no Notices of Rescission.

QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY

There were no Questions by Councillors as per Policy.

12 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Petch and Tagg)

That the report of the General Counsel be received.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

NATIONAL ANTHEM

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

The meeting closed at 10.59pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2012

Chairperson

**2 REPORT OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
5/12 held on 1 May 2012**

Report prepared by: Meeting Support Coordinator**Report dated:** 8/03/2012**File No.:** GRP/12/5/5/5 - BP12/253

REPORT SUMMARY

Attached are the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting 5/12 held on 1 May 2012. The Minutes will be listed for confirmation at the next Planning and Environment Committee Meeting.

All Items (1, 2 and 3) were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

As a result, no Committee recommendations are submitted to Council for determination in accordance with the delegations set out in the Code of Meeting Practice relating to Charters, functions and powers of Committees.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note that all items of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting 5/12 held on 1 May 2012 were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

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- 1 Minutes - Planning and Environment Committee - 1 May 2012

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Planning and Environment Committee
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 5/12

Meeting Date: Tuesday 1 May 2012
Location: Committee Room 2, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde
Time: 4.02pm

Councillors Present: Councillors Pickering (Chairperson), Butterworth, O'Donnell and Yedelian OAM.

Apologies: Councillor Salvestro-Martin.

Staff Present: Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Service Unit Manager – Assessment, Service Unit Manager – Environmental Health & Building, Business Support Coordinator – Environment & Planning, Team Leader – Assessment, Team Leader – Major Development Team, Team Leader – Development Engineers and Meeting Support Coordinator.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Meeting held on 3 April 2012

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Yedelian OAM)

That the Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee 4/12, held on Tuesday 3 April 2012, be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This is now a resolution of Council in accordance with the Committee's delegated powers.

2 52 FARNELL STREET, WEST RYDE. LOT 15 DP 30562. Local Development Application for demolition, construction of multi dwelling housing containing 3 villas and strata subdivision. LDA2011/0462.

Report: The Committee inspected the property at 52 Farnell Street, West Ryde.

Note: A Memorandum from the Group Manager – Environment and Planning dated 26 April 2012 regarding Condition 20 – Section 94 Contribution was tabled in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

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Note: Mr Silvestro Lauria (objector), Mr Anthony Scotti (applicant) and Mr Sinisa Lazarevic (applicant's architect) addressed the Committee in relation to this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and O'Donnell)

(a) That Local Development Application No. 2011/0462 at 52 Farnell Street, West Ryde, being LOT 15, DP 30562 be approved subject to the **ATTACHED** conditions (Attachment 1), with an amendment to Conditions 20 and 26 to read as follows:-

20. **Section 94 Contribution** – A contribution for the services in Column A and for the amount in Column B shall be made to Council prior to the issue of the **Construction Certificate**.

A	B
Community and cultural Facilities	\$5,643.00
Open Space and Recreation Facilities	\$13,891.89
Civic and Urban Improvements	\$4,724.91
Roads and Traffic Management Facilities	\$644.52
Cycleways	\$402.58
Stormwater Management Facilities	\$1,279.62
Plan Administration	\$108.55
The total contribution is	\$26,695.07

This contribution is a contribution under the provisions of Section 94 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as specified in the Section 94 Development Contributions Plan 2007 (2010 Amendment) adopted by City of Ryde on 11/12/2007.

The above amount, if not paid within the quarter that the consent is granted, shall be adjusted for inflation by reference to the Consumer Price Index published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (Catalogue No 5206.0) on the basis of contribution rates that are applicable at the time of payment.

26. **Fencing.** Fencing is to be in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan and details of compliance are to be provided in the plans for the Construction Certificate. In this regard the distance between the slats on the upper part of the fence is to provide spacing to ensure that this part of the fence is 50% transparent. In addition, the fencing between 52 and 54 Farnell Street to be colourbond fencing at a height of 1.5 metres from the front of the adjoining property up until 3 metres from the street frontage when it is to be a maximum of 1 metre.

(b) That the persons who made submissions be advised of Council's decision.

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Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This is now a resolution of Council in accordance with the Committee's delegated powers.

3 7 DAYMAN PLACE, MARSFIELD. LOT 3 DP623320. Local Development Application for demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a new 3 storey boarding house containing 77 boarding rooms, 1 manager's residence and communal facilities. LDA2011/375.

Note: A Memorandum from the Group Manager – Environment and Planning dated 26 April 2012 regarding Condition 29 – Section 94 Contribution was tabled in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

Note: Ms Kerry Gordon (objector), Ms Lyndall Macris (objector) and Mr James Phillips (applicant) addressed the Committee in relation to this Item.

RESOLUTION: (Moved by Councillors O'Donnell and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Local Development Application No. 2011/375 at 7 Dayman Place Marsfield being LOT 3 DP623320 be approved via a "Deferred Commencement" consent subject to the conditions provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**, with amendments as follows:-

PART 1 – DEFERRED COMMENCEMENT

3. **Plan of Management.** The submission of an amended Plan of Management which incorporates the following amendments:-
- (g) The "Noise Policy" section shall include a requirement that no social gatherings (ie. BBQs, parties or the like) can occur in the external courtyard between the hours of 10pm and 9am on any day. This is for a trial period of 12 months from issue of Occupation Certificate.
 - (i) The "Noise Policy" section shall include a requirement that internal common areas are not to be used for social gatherings between the hours of 10pm and 9am on any day. This is for a trial period of 12 months from issue of Occupation Certificate.
 - (j) The Plan of Management shall include a section entitled "Responsibilities of Manager". This Section shall require the manager to control the behaviour of residents such that it does not impact upon the amenity of neighbours; address complaints of neighbours in a timely manner, log all complaints; respond to all complaints and provide follow up information to neighbours of action taken; ensure bins are placed appropriately out for collection no earlier than the day they are to be collected and placed back in the storage area as soon as practicable after collection; ensure furniture or other rubbish (including shopping trolleys) is not dumped by residents in the street and if it is then arrange its removal; enforce hours of use of

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external and internal common areas and monitor noise from such areas; ensure grounds are regularly and appropriately maintained; be available 24 hours a day, seven day a week by phone to ensure compliance with their responsibilities (with rotating shifts if necessary) and to respond to neighbours complaints in relation to the use of the site.

- (k) Any Macquarie University policies referred to in the Plan of Management are to be incorporated in the Plan of Management and not referenced so requirements are consistent.

PART 2 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 29. **Section 94.** A monetary contribution for the services in Column A and for the amount in Column B shall be made to Council prior to the issue of any **Construction Certificate:**

A – Contribution Type	B – Contribution Amount
Community & Cultural Facilities	\$103,363.25
Open Space & Recreation Facilities	\$254,458.75
Civic & Urban Improvements	\$86,546.66
Roads & Traffic Management Facilities	\$11,805.78
Cycleways	\$7,373.87
Stormwater Management Facilities	\$23,439.27
Plan Administration	\$1,988.28
The total contribution is	\$488,975.85

These are contributions under the provisions of Section 94 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as specified in Section 94 Development Contributions Plan 2007 (2010 Amendment) adopted by City of Ryde on 16 March 2011.

The above amounts are current at the date of this consent, and are subject to **quarterly** adjustment for inflation on the basis of the contribution rates that are applicable at time of payment. Such adjustment for inflation is by reference to the Consumer Price Index published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (Catalogue No 5206.0) – and may result in contribution amounts that differ from those shown above.

A copy of the Section 94 Development Contributions Plan may be inspected at the Ryde Planning and Business Centre, 1 Pope Street Ryde (corner Pope and Devlin Streets, within Top Ryde City Shopping Centre) or on Council’s website <http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au>.

- 79. The development must be operated in accordance with the Plan of Management approved subject to Part 1 Condition 3 of this consent for the purpose of providing accommodation for educational related purposes. The Plan of Management can only be amended with the agreement of Council in writing.

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81. Internal communal areas and external courtyards (including the external courtyard) must not be used for social gatherings (BBQs, parties or the like) outside the hours of 10pm to 9am – and shall accord with the required amendments of the Plan of Management (Part 1 Condition 3).

This is to be for a trial period of 12 months from issue of Occupation Certificate. At the end of 12 months, the applicant is to submit a Section 96 application to Council to vary this condition which is to be notified to all adjoining owners consistent with the original Development Application.

- (b) That the objectors be notified of Council's decision in this matter.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: This is now a resolution of Council in accordance with the Committee's delegated powers.

The meeting closed at 5.50pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 15TH DAY OF MAY 2012.

Chairperson

3 REPORT OF THE CIVIC PRECINCT COMMITTEE MEETING 2/12 held on 1 May 2012

Report prepared by: Meeting Support Coordinator

Report dated: 30/04/2012

File No.: GRP/12/5/5/5 - BP12/484

REPORT SUMMARY

Attached are the Minutes of the Civic Precinct Committee Meeting 2/12 held on 1 May 2012. The Minutes will be listed for confirmation at the next Civic Precinct Committee Meeting.

The following Committee recommendations for Items 1, 2 and 3 are submitted to Council for determination in accordance with the delegations set out in the Code of Meeting Practice relating to Charters, functions and powers of Committees:

1 AUDIO RECORDING OF CIVIC PRECINCT COMMITTEE MEETING - 1 May 2012

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

- (a) That the Civic Precinct Committee meeting of 1 May 2012 and all future Council and Civic Precinct Committee meetings be recorded for the purpose of:
- assisting in the preparation of minutes;
 - ensuring decisions are accurately recorded;
 - verifying the accuracy of minutes prior to their confirmation; and
 - preserving a recording of all meetings to be available to all Councillors on request.
- (b) That Council's Code of Meeting Practice be amended to provide for the recording of Council and Civic Precinct Committee Meetings in accordance with part (a) above noting that this amendment to the Code of Meeting Practice is not substantial.
- (c) That a report be provided to Council regarding opportunities to webcast Council and Civic Precinct Committee Meetings.

Record of Voting:

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

ITEM 3 (continued)**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Civic Precinct Committee Meeting held on 21 February 2012****RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Pickering and O'Donnell)

That the Minutes of the Civic Precinct Committee Meeting 1/12, held on Tuesday 21 February 2012, be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio and Tagg

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

3 THE CITY OF RYDE PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT STAGE 3 - STATUS REPORT

Note: Mr Gary Best, Partner, Clayton Utz made a presentation to the meeting in relation to this report. Mr Angus Hislop, International Property Group made a presentation to the meeting in relation to this report and a copy is ON FILE.

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Butterworth and Petch)

- (a) That the Ryde Civic Precinct Redevelopment Stage 3 Status report be received and noted.
- (b) That no further action be taken in relation to this matter and all future action cease.

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

- (a) That the Ryde Civic Precinct Redevelopment Stage 3 Status report be received and noted.
- (b) That a detailed report which recommends the most appropriate course of action for the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre site be prepared for Council by November 2012, which examines how Council can utilise a shared equity scheme, the National Rental Affordability Scheme and a partnership with a social housing company. The report to specifically include :-
 - (i) A detailed financial and cash flow model (including an option for Council to borrow funds) for developing each of options 2 and 3 for the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre as outlined in this report. The model

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be designed to deliver 10 to 15 affordable / key worker housing units and provides Council with the best sustainable revenue stream possible considering Council's appetite for risk.

- (ii) The most appropriate governance, procurement and management model required to manage redevelopment risk, oversee the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre site and manage any housing stock which Council may retain in its ownership for each of options 2 and 3 as outlined in this report.
- (iii) An open space concept plan relating to the future development of the Ryde City Bowling Club and the Argyle Centre site.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was six (6) all. The Mayor as Chairperson used his casting vote For the Amendment. The Amendment was **CARRIED**. The Amendment then became the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Maggio, O'Donnell, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Butterworth, Li, Petch, Perram, Salvestro-Martin and Tagg

The Motion was then put.

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

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On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Motion was six (6) all. The Mayor as Chairperson used his casting vote For the Motion. The Motion was **CARRIED**.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Maggio, O'Donnell, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Butterworth, Li, Petch, Perram, Salvestro-Martin and Tagg

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

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- 1 Minutes - Civic Precinct Committee - 1 May 2012

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**Civic Precinct Committee
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 2/12**

Meeting Date: Tuesday 1 May 2012
Location: Committee Rooms 2 and 3, Level 5, Civic Centre,
1 Devlin Street, Ryde
Time: 7.30pm

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

Apologies: Nil.

Staff Present: General Manager, Group Manager – Corporate Services, Group Manager – Environment & Planning, Development Director, Project Manager Development and Manager – Governance.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

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Record of Voting:

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

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Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Civic Precinct Committee Meeting held on 21 February 2012

RECOMMENDATION: (Moved by Councillors Pickering and O'Donnell)

That the Minutes of the Civic Precinct Committee Meeting 1/12, held on Tuesday 21 February 2012, be confirmed.

Record of Voting:

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio and Tagg

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

3 THE CITY OF RYDE PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT STAGE 3 - STATUS REPORT

Note: Mr Gary Best, Partner, Clayton Utz made a presentation to the meeting in relation to this report. Mr Angus Hislop, International Property Group made a presentation to the meeting in relation to this report and a copy is ON FILE.

MOTION: (Moved by Councillors Butterworth and Petch)

- (a) That the Ryde Civic Precinct Redevelopment Stage 3 Status report be received and noted.
- (b) That no further action be taken in relation to this matter and all future action cease.

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

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- (b) That a detailed report which recommends the most appropriate course of action for the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre site be prepared for Council by November 2012, which examines how Council can utilise a shared equity scheme, the National Rental Affordability Scheme and a partnership with a social housing company. The report to specifically include :-

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- (ii) The most appropriate governance, procurement and management model required to manage redevelopment risk, oversee the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre site and manage any housing stock which Council may retain in its ownership for each of options 2 and 3 as outlined in this report.
- (iii) An open space concept plan relating to the future development of the Ryde City Bowling Club and the Argyle Centre site.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was six (6) all. The Mayor as Chairperson used his casting vote For the Amendment. The Amendment was **CARRIED**. The Amendment then became the Motion.

Record of Voting:

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Maggio, O'Donnell, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Butterworth, Li, Petch, Perram, Salvestro-Martin and Tagg

The Motion was then put.

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

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- (ii) The most appropriate governance, procurement and management model required to manage redevelopment risk, oversee the redevelopment of the Argyle Centre site and manage any housing stock which Council may retain in its ownership for each of options 2 and 3 as outlined in this report.
- (iii) An open space concept plan relating to the future development of the Ryde City Bowling Club and the Argyle Centre site.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Motion was six (6) all. The Mayor as Chairperson used his casting vote For the Motion. The Motion was **CARRIED**.

Record of Voting:

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Etmekdjian and Councillors Campbell, Maggio, O'Donnell, Pickering and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Butterworth, Li, Petch, Perram, Salvestro-Martin and Tagg

Note: This matter will be dealt with at the Council Meeting to be held **8 MAY 2012** in accordance with the Civic Precinct Terms of Reference in Council's Code of Meeting Practice.

The meeting closed at 10.44pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 6TH DAY OF JUNE 2012.

Chairperson

4 DRAFT FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2012/2016 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2012/2013

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer**Report dated:** 26/04/2012**File No.:** FIM/07/6/2/2/4 - BP12/471

REPORT SUMMARY

This report is referred back to Council following Council's resolution on the 24 April 2012, to defer consideration of this matter to enable the detailed work schedules to be included in the Draft Four Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 and to allow further submissions from Councillors.

This report presents the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 for Council's consideration and endorsement for the Draft Plans to be placed on public exhibition for the period 16 May 2012 to 18 June 2012 to allow community consultation to be undertaken and submissions to be invited from the general community. All submissions received by Monday 18 June 2012 will be referred back to Council for its consideration at its meeting of 26 June 2012.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council, pursuant to Section 404 & 405 of the Local Government Act 1993, endorse the document titled "Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013", inclusive of the 2012/2013 Draft Budget, Fees and Charges and Capital Works Program, as its Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 of the City of Ryde, subject to Council's consideration of additional items detailed in part (b).
- (b) That Council determine the following projects, totalling \$220k, for inclusion in the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013, funded from Council's available Working Capital:
 - i. Table Tennis tables at Eastwood (\$10k)
 - ii. Improving the shop fronts in Eastwood (\$5k)
 - iii. Feasibility study for a community hub in Eastwood (\$80k)
 - iv. Feasibility study for expanding the library service in Eastwood (\$25k)
 - v. Part-time position to work on these projects and the White Ribbon campaign and assist the Status of Women's Advisory Committee (\$80k)
 - vi. Heritage Grant Scheme (\$20k)
- (c) That the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 be publicly exhibited for a period of not less than 28 days from 16 May 2012 to 18 June 2012.

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- (d) That following the public exhibition period detailed in part (c), Council consider all public submissions at its meeting to be held on Tuesday 26 June 2012 prior to formally adopting its Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including the One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013.
- (e) That pursuant to Section 529 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1993, a new sub-category of the Business Rate be determined for the major retail centre of activity at Top Ryde, known as the Top Ryde City Shopping Centre, as per the map titled "Business - Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde".
- (f) That the new sub-category of the Business Rate be named "Business - Major Retail Centre – Top Ryde" as per the attached map of the same title, noting that the projected rate will be equivalent to the ordinary Business rate for 2012/2013 and will increase over a four (4) year period to be equivalent to the sub-category Business - Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park.
- (g) That the existing sub-category of the Business Rate be renamed "Business - Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park" as per the attached map of the same title.
- (h) That a notice of change of categorisation be sent to all the properties affected by the new sub category "Business - Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde".
- (i) That Council liaise with Northern Sydney Region Organisation of Councils (NSROC), Division of Local Government (DLG), Local Government Association (LGA) and other industry groups to determine the full impact of the Carbon Tax on the City of Ryde.

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- 1 Business Major Retail Centre - Top Ryde
- 2 Business Major Retail Centre - Macquarie Park
- 3 Fees and Charges 2012/2013 additional fees and charges added since Councillor Workshop
- 4 Fees and Charges 2012/2013 - fees and charges deleted since Councillor Workshop
- 5 Draft Four Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 for Exhibition

Report Prepared By:

John Todd
Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Roy Newsome
Group Manager - Corporate Services

ITEM 4 (continued)**History**

This report was considered by Council at its meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2012 and was deferred to allow the inclusion of the schedules of works under the various infrastructure renewal and expansion projects in the draft Plans. Council also resolved to allow Councillors to provide any further feedback/submissions on the Draft Four Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 (Draft Plans).

The Draft Plans now include the work schedules and reflect the discussions and feedback received from Councillors at the workshops. Feedback received from Councillors at the last Council meeting has also been considered in presenting this report back to Council.

This action has been taken, together with a comprehensive check of the document that has been circulated under separate cover.

Discussion

Under Sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act, Council is required to prepare a Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013, which details the delivery program in respect to the Council's activities for at least the next four (4) year period, including Council's revenue policy for the 2012/2013 year. Council has prepared its Draft Plans for four years with a projected Capital Works Program and consolidated Income and Expenditure Estimates for the years 2012/2013 to 2015/2016.

The Local Government Act requires that the Draft Plans be exhibited for a period of at least 28 days, during which time the public can make submissions on any aspect of the Draft Plans. These submissions must be considered by Council before the Draft Plans are adopted.

It is proposed for the Draft Plans to be on exhibition from 16 May 2012 to 18 June 2012. All submissions received will be referred to Council for its consideration in adopting the Draft Plans, which is scheduled for Council's meeting on 26 June 2012.

Ryde 2021 Community Strategic Plan

In the formulation of the Draft Plans, consideration has been given to Council's adopted Ryde 2021 Community Strategic Plan. A summary of the proposed expenditure allocations for each of the Outcome areas in the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016, are detailed below:

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	Base (\$'000)	Projects (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)
A City of Connections	56.7	28.0	84.7
A City of Environmental Sensitivity	94.0	9.4	103.4
A City of Harmony & Culture	26.6	2.3	28.9
A City of Liveable Neighbourhoods	39.4	4.1	43.5
A City of Progressive Leadership	123.2	21.0	144.2
A City of Prosperity	0.7	9.5	10.2
A City of Well Being	<u>74.8</u>	<u>10.6</u>	<u>85.4</u>
	415.3	84.9	500.2

The Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 has been prepared in alignment with the Ryde 2021 Community Strategic Plan and provides details on the projects to be delivered within each Outcome area and Program area.

Council is on target to fully comply with the Integrated Planning and Reporting guidelines in reporting to its Community Strategic Plan. The Workforce Plan, Asset Management Plans and Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP), which all form part of the 'Resourcing Strategy', are due to be completed by 30 June 2012, ensuring that all plans will be fully integrated.

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



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Projected Working Capital

As reported to Council in the Quarterly Reviews of the Four-Year Delivery Plan 2011/2015 including One-Year Operational Plan 2011/2012, Council is on track with the 2011/2012 budget and is projecting a Working Capital surplus of \$4.42m, as at 30 June 2012.

In the preparation of the Draft Plans, the 2012/2013 Draft Budget has been formulated by Council keeping increases in its total rates income, fees and charges at reasonable levels. The Draft Budget is proposed to utilise \$1.14m of Working Capital, therefore the Working Capital is projected to be \$3.28m as at 30 June 2013.

If Council supports the additional projects totalling \$220k, being undertaken as detailed in Part (b) of the recommendation, then Council's projected Working Capital surplus as at 30 June 2013 is estimated to be \$3.06 million.

Rating Structure

Council at its workshop on the rates, fees and charges considered the rating structure for the 2012/2013 financial year and endorsed consideration of the creation of an additional Business Sub-Category.

Section 529 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1993 provides that Council may determine a sub-category of the Ordinary Rate and Section 529 (2) provides that the sub-category of the Business Category must be determined according to a Centre of Activity.

Council's current rating policy includes a sub-category of the Business Rate named "Business Centre of activity 1 (Macquarie Major retail Centre)" which enables a separate business rate to be made for the properties within that sub-category which may be higher or lower than the ordinary business rate. Council's present policy is for the current sub-category rate to be higher than the ordinary business rate. The properties currently categorised under the existing sub-category include the Macquarie Shopping Centre and an adjoining car park.

For the purposes of equity and to provide Council flexibility in its rating structure, it is proposed that a second sub-category be determined for the major retail centre of activity at Top Ryde. It is also proposed that there will be no additional increase in 2012/13 in the rate yield from properties which may be categorised under the new sub-category, above Council's normal rate peg increase. It is proposed that this sub-category will over the next four (4) years be equivalent to the existing business sub-category for Macquarie Park.

A map detailing the affected area is attached to this report. The new sub-category is proposed to be called "Business - Major Retail Centre – Top Ryde". **(Attachment 1)**

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It is also proposed, for administrative purposes, that the current business sub-category be renamed from “Business Centre of Activity 1 (Macquarie Major Retail Centre)” to Business – Major Retail Centre – Macquarie Park. A map detailing the affected area is attached to this report. **(Attachment 2)**

Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013

A copy of the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013 has been **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER (Attachment 5)**. These Draft Plans are for Council's consideration, with any amendments being made prior to being finalised for exhibition from 16 May 2012.

The Draft Plans provide 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 (4) years with specific focus for the 2012/2013 year. Also included in the document is Council's 2012/2013 Draft Budget and Fees and Charges.

Rates

The yield from Ordinary Rates has been pegged at the Minister's approved rate pegging limit of 3.6%, with Council maintaining its rating structure whereby 70% of Council's Ordinary Rates Income is derived from residential properties and 30% from business properties.

There has not been a General Revaluation of properties for the 2012/2013 financial year.

In summary the Draft Plans provide the following information:

- Overview of the City's directions and priorities
- Outcomes by Program (including 1 year of Projects)
- Projects by Program (for the next 4 years)
- Budget Overview
- Revenue Policy (including Rating Policy)

Fees and Charges

Draft Fees and Charges are proposed to increase by an average of 3.8%, which equates to the Local Government Cost Index as determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART). The proposed fees have been rounded together with some benchmarking of certain fees with other Councils within our region. The Draft Fees and Charges were considered at Council's workshop on 14 February 2012 and are detailed in the Draft Plans as endorsed by Council.

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Since that workshop a review of the fees and charges has been done and the following revisions made in the draft for Council's consideration to endorse for public exhibition.

- The fees and Charges for Open Space have been set in the draft at 3.8%, in line with other fees and charges, pending the review that is currently underway.
- Some additional fees and charges have been proposed and these are detailed in **Attachment 3**.
- Some fees and charges have been deleted and these are detailed in **Attachment 4**.
- Some minor alterations to the wording of some of the fees and charges.
- The different fees for Open Space for Non-Ryde users have been added as these were not included in the listing for the workshop.

Carbon Tax (pricing)

As most Councillors would be aware the Federal Government has approved legislation which allows for the commencement of a Carbon Tax (pricing) from 1 July 2012.

A review of the prevailing legislation has been done, along with staff attending a number of seminars and the following are the impacts for Council's budget.

- Inclusion of an additional \$300k for landfill disposal costs, most of which will be absorbed by the Domestic Waste charge. This is being charged by the landfill operator, as such Council cannot access any subsidies for this.
- Inclusion of an increase in electricity pricing of 10%.
- A reduction in real-terms of the amounts available under the budget, due to increased costs of all goods and services due to the passing on of the impacts of the carbon tax (pricing).

As Council is rate-pegged, Council cannot simply expand its budget to allow for this increase, other than the 0.4% increase that IPART allowed in the rate pegging amount. However, this was discounted by 0.2% as a result of the productivity amount imposed by IPART. IPART have calculated the total increase due to the Carbon Tax (pricing) at 0.6% for 2012/2013.

This report recommends for Council to continue to liaise with Northern Sydney Region of Councils (NSROC), the Division of Local Government (DLG), the Local Government Association (LGA) and other industry groups in confirming the full impact of the carbon tax on the City of Ryde.

ITEM 4 (continued)**Additional Projects**

Council at its workshops on projects held on 13 March 2012 and 27 March 2012, considered a number of proposals and sought for the following projects to be further considered at this meeting for inclusion in the Draft delivery and Operational plans.

- Table Tennis Tables at Eastwood - \$10k
- Improving the shopfronts in Eastwood - \$5k
- Feasibility study for a community hub in Eastwood - \$80k
- Feasibility study for expanding the library service in Eastwood - \$25k
- Part-Time position to work on these projects, the White Ribbon campaign and assist the Status of Womens' Advisory Committee - \$80k
- Heritage Grant Scheme - \$20k

Council needs to determine which, if any, of these projects that it would like to include in the Four-year Delivery Plan and One-Year Operational Plans. Also Council will need to consider the source of funding for these projects totalling \$220k. An option for Council is to fund these projects from Council's available Working Capital, which if endorsed, will result in a projected balance for Working Capital of \$3.06m as at 30 June 2013.

Summary - Key Initiatives and Key Performance Indicators in the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013

Key aspects and financial indicators included in the Draft Operational Plan for 2012/2013 are:

- Total budget (Operating & Capital Expenditure including depreciation) is \$118.44m.
- The Operating Result before Depreciation provides for a surplus of \$11.19m.
- Forecasted Working Capital as at 30 June 2012 is \$4.42m and as at 30 June 2013 is projected to be \$3.28m, subject to Council's consideration of the additional projects detailed in the report.
- The budget provides for 471.3 full time equivalent employees with a total headcount of 694 staff.
- Debt Service Ratio is estimated to be <1% as at 30 June 2012.
- Capital Expenditure in 2012/2013 is budgeted at \$20.65m representing a Council funded program of \$20.31m
- City of Ryde will in 2012/2013, 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.
- City of Ryde will make payments/contributions to NSW Government entities totalling \$9.35m in 2012/2013.

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- The principal areas of project expenditure in 2012/2013 are:
 - Capital Expenditure - \$20.65m
 - Non-Capital Expenditure - \$3.06m
 - Total Projects - \$23.69m

Council funded projects \$23.69m

Program	Capital Projects \$M	Non-Capital Projects \$M	TOTAL \$M
Catchment	2.07	0.02	2.08
Centres and Neighbourhood	2.57	0.21	2.77
Community and Cultural	0.16	0.28	0.44
Customer and Community Relations		0.25	0.25
Economic Development	0.05	0.22	0.27
Environmental		0.04	0.04
Foreshore			
Governance and Civic		0.02	0.02
Internal Corporate Services	3.29	0.22	3.51
Land Use Planning		0.80	0.80
Library	0.64		0.64
Open Space, Sport & Recreation	2.53	0.11	2.64
Organisational Development		0.13	0.13
Paths and Cycleways	1.67		1.67
Property Portfolio	1.98		1.98
Regulatory	0.37	0.26	0.63
Risk Management		0.08	0.08
Roads	4.14		4.14
Strategic City			
Traffic & Transport	0.57	0.28	0.85
Waste and Recycling	0.62	0.15	0.78
Total	20.65	3.04	23.69

Details of both the Macquarie Park Special Rate (which was approved by the Minister for Local Government for 2006/2007 on an ongoing basis) and the Stormwater Management Service Charge are contained in the Revenue Policy within the Draft Plans. All of the funds raised from these sources will be dedicated to the purposes raised and will address priority work relating to the current condition of Council's infrastructure valued at \$1.3billion. These works are detailed in the Projects by Program section of the Draft Plans.

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In summary, the Draft Plans, Draft Budget and Draft Fees and Charges for 2012/2013 maintain the current level of services to the community whilst continuing to deliver a substantial Capital Works Program. As forecasted in the Draft Plans, Council's funded Capital Works Program is projected to reduce over the four (4) years to a program of \$18.86m in 2015/2016, unless other sources of funds are found.

Council is continuing to address the condition of the City's infrastructure and in particular the renewal of existing infrastructure. Council's proposed Infrastructure Capital Works Program of \$20.65m for 2012/13 provides for approximately \$11.59m of renewal of existing assets next year.

Council's Long Term Financial Strategy recommends Council spend \$18 - \$20m per year on asset renewal of its existing assets, based on asset management principles. This level of capital expenditure includes the use of \$10.93m from Reserves on hand for 2011/12.

It should be noted that Council's Operating Result Before Capital (including depreciation) is projected to be a loss of \$8.86m, which represents the level of additional funding that is required for annual asset renewal.

This shortfall will need to be addressed and additional funding identified in supplementing our future Capital Works Program otherwise the condition of the City's infrastructure will deteriorate to a level that will not be sustainable in the longer term.

Council is continuing to work to address the challenge of funding this shortfall to ensure that public infrastructure continues to be maintained at a satisfactory standard that is acceptable to the community. A comprehensive review of Infrastructure Assets and their funding is currently being undertaken and will result in new Asset Management Plans being formalised.

Timetable and Public Consultation

The following timetable is proposed in respect of Council's consideration of the Draft Four-Year Delivery Plan 2012/2016 including One-Year Operational Plan 2012/2013:

Date	Action
8 May 2012	Consideration by Council of Draft Plans for public exhibition
16 May 2012	Commencement of public exhibition of Draft Plans
16 May 2012 – 18 June 2012	Presentation to key community forums, community groups and council advisory committees advised of exhibition period of Draft Plans

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18 June 2012	Completion of public exhibition of the Draft Plans and receipt of all public submissions
26 June 2012	Consideration by Council of public submissions on Draft Plans and amendments. Draft Plans adopted and rates, fees and charges established for 2012/2013

As noted above, during the public exhibition of the Draft Plans, additional consultation will be undertaken, with staff providing presentations of the Draft Plans, to key stakeholders at various community forums and meetings.

Council also will be providing information to all Advisory Committees seeking feedback on the exhibition of the Draft Plans.

Financial Implications

The Draft Plans maintain Council's sound financial position of a forecasted Available Working Capital surplus of \$3.28 million, whilst delivering a Capital Works Program of \$20.65 million, noting Council is not aware of any contributed assets that are due to be completed and handed to Council during the next 12 months.

Council's Long Term Financial Plan projects a continuing decline in its \$1.3b infrastructure assets, based on the need to spend approximately \$18 - \$20m per annum on asset renewal. The LTFP will be updated by 30 June 2012 to fully align with Council's integrated Ryde 2021 Community Strategic Plan and will also incorporate the revised Asset Management Plans and the Workforce Plan, which are to be developed by 30 June 2012.

Context

Council is due to consider its Draft Plans for public exhibition, at this meeting on Tuesday 8 May 2012. Following the exhibition period inviting public comment and submissions, Council will consider the Draft Plans for formal adoption at its Council meeting on 26 June 2012.

Consultation with relevant external bodies

Internal Council Service Units consulted included:

- Executive Team
- All Council Service Units

Internal Workshops held:-

- Councillor workshops - In the preparation of the Draft Plans, workshops have been held with Councillors as follows:
 - Workshop 1 8 Nov 2011 (Overview & Timeframe)
 - Workshop 2 14 Feb 2012 (Rates, Fees & Charges)

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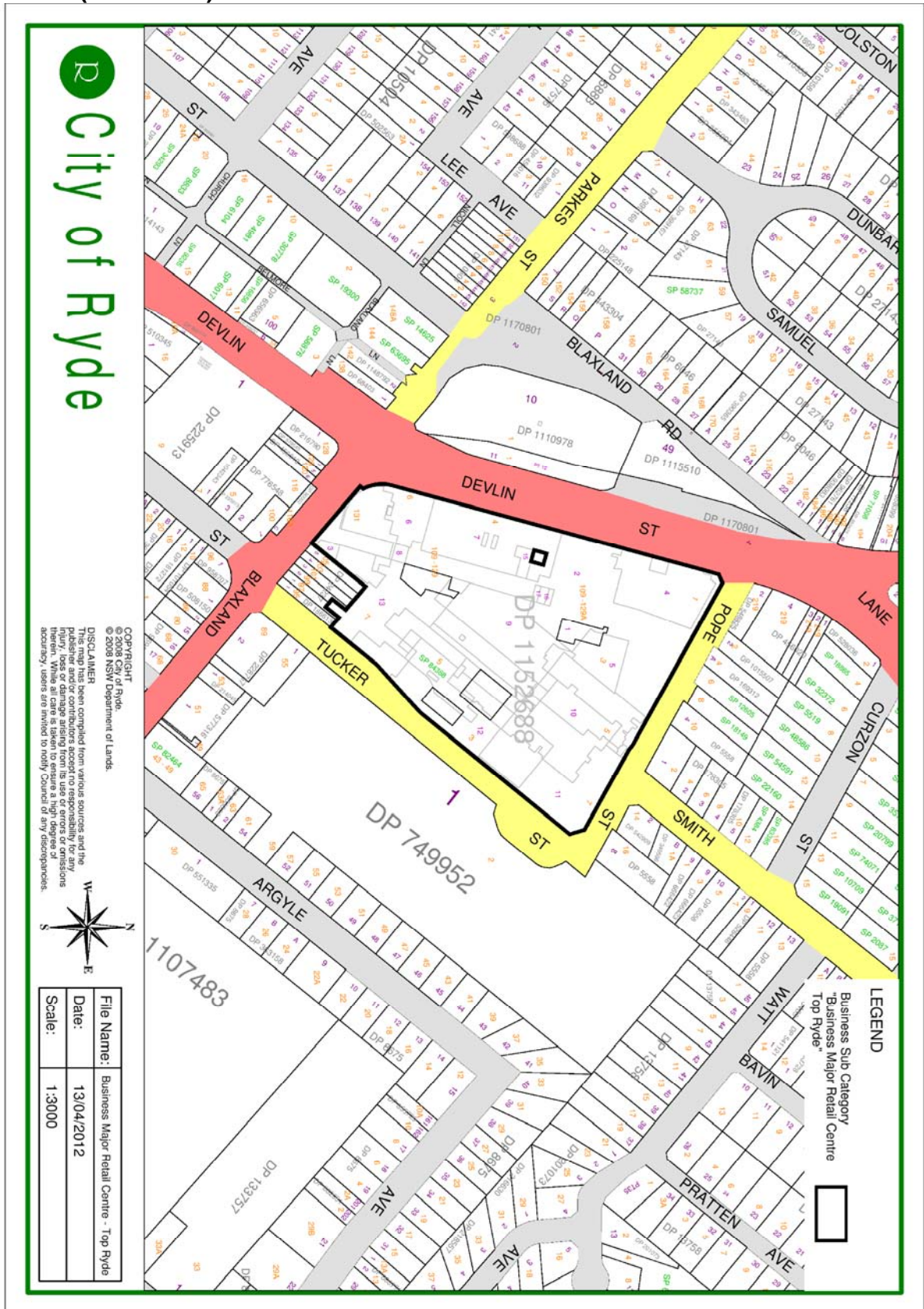
- Workshop 3 28 Feb 2012 (Base Budget)
 - Workshop 4 13 Mar 2012 (Projects)
 - Workshop 5 27 Mar 2012 (Projects)
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- Councillors were also requested at the commencement and during the budget process to submit their priority projects
 - Staff workshops - In the preparation of the Draft Plans, workshops have been held with staff for each Outcome area, under the Community Strategic Plan, to consider Projects that would meet the goals and strategies within the Community Strategic Plan.

External public consultation includes:

- Proposed public exhibition of Draft Plans between 16 May 2012 and 18 June 2012.
- Presentations provided to various community forums and meetings.
- Advice to Community Groups and Council's Advisory Committees.

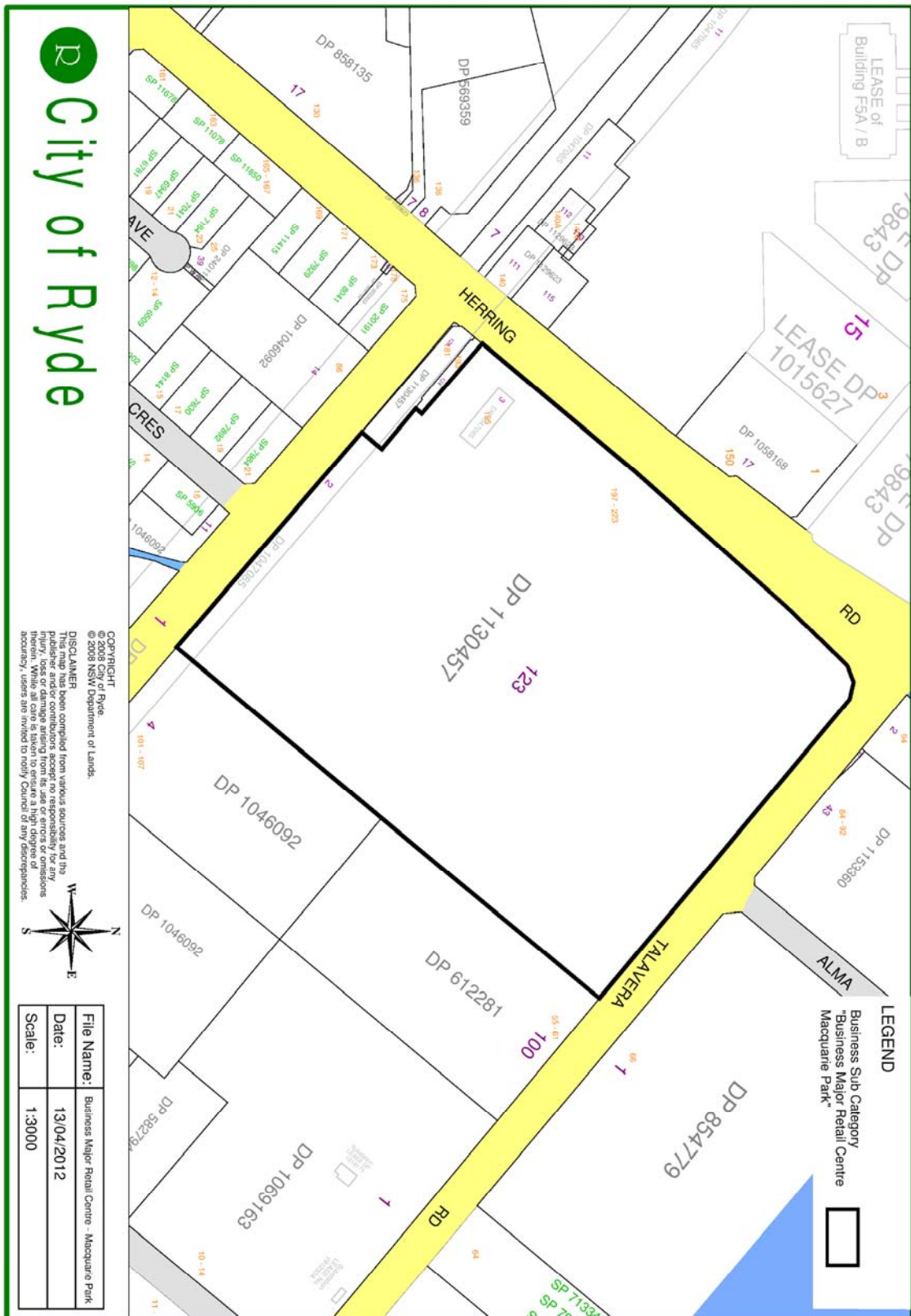
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Description	City of Ryde - Fees and Charges		Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ % Change	CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Include d
	2011/2012	2012/2013								
	2011/2012	2012/2013								
Visiting Delegations - Additional DWM - 240 litre green bin	1500.00							per hour	F	N
Additional cooling tower	41.00				42.56	3.8%		per additional tower	A	N
Complying Development Applications					50.00	NA			A	N
a) Change of use or new use (development not involving the erection of a building, the carrying out of work, the subdivision of land or the demolition of a building or work)	220.00				228.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority plus cost of Private Certifying Authority plus cost of Private Certifying Authority plus cost of Private Certifying Authority plus cost of Private Certifying Authority plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
b) Development that includes the erection of a building, carrying out of work or the demolition of a building or work									A	N
- up to \$20,000	110.00				228.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$20,001 to \$50,000	170 to 305				305.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$50,001 to \$250,000	52 to 1080				1,160.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$250,001 to \$500,000	160 to 1745				1,745.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$500,001 to \$1,000,000	45 to 2565				2,615.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$1,000,001 to \$10,000,000	15 to 15,575				4,000.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
-\$10,000,001+	15,575+				8,000.00			plus cost of Private Certifying Authority	A	N
1) Sweet and Savoury Family Favourites, a collection of recipes and family memories from Ryde's residents	10.40				15.60	50.0%		Priced at cost plus 50% (processing fee)		Y
g) New Publications								Priced at cost plus 50% (processing fee)		Y
a) Children's Activities	6.00				6.20	3.3%		Children's activities \$0 - \$30	Y	Y
b) Special Children's Activities								Special activities at cost	Y	Y
c) Youth Activities					10.00	NA		Youth activities \$0 - \$90.	Y	Y
d) Special Youth Activities					20.00	NA		Special activities at cost	Y	Y
e) Adult activities					20.00	NA		Adult activities \$0 - \$150 - 50% concession available for designated activities, determined by Library Manager	Y	Y
f) Special Adult Activities								Special activities at cost - 50% concession available for designated activities, determined by Library Manager		Y
g) Workshops and training sessions					10.00	NA		Change to conduct session, including key speakers and library staff as tutors, \$0 - \$150, 50% concession available for designated sessions, determined by Library Manager		Y
h) Bookclub membership					30.00	NA		Annual membership fee per group		Y
i) Library bags					1.50	NA		Annual membership fee per group		Y

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Description	2011/2012		2012/2013		% Change	CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Included
	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost					
- Food stalls for temporary events (including local festivals)			30.00		100.0%			E	Y
\$500,000+ Referral of fire engineering reports to Fire and Rescue NSW (consultancy services)			2,600.00			Quotation based on cost of service - A price should be provided on the actual cost of the assessment/management of the development Per day. Legislated requirement.	A	N	
a) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata)	50.00		60.00	0.20		per tree		N	N
b) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata)	129.00		150.00	0.16		1 - 3 trees per tree		N	N
c) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata) 50% pensioner discount			30.00			Proof of pensioner status must be provided		N	N
d) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata) 50% pensioner discount			75.00			1 - 3 trees Proof of pensioner status must be provided		N	N
e) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Commercial and other properties including strata properties.			120.00			per tree		N	N
f) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Commercial and other properties including strata properties.			300.00			1 - 3 trees		N	N
g) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata) - Urgency Fee			400.00			For permit determination within 3 working days		N	N
h) Request for additional inspection by Tree Management Officer			110.00			per visit		N	N
i) Arboricultural consultation fee			140.00			per hour		N	N
j) Non-refundable charges for Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation			40.00			per application		N	N
k) Non-refundable charges for Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Pensioner discount			20.00			per application		N	N
e) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Commercial and other properties including strata properties.			120.00			per tree		N	N

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Description	2011/2012		2012/2013		CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Included
	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost				
f) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Commercial and other properties including strata properties.		300.00		300.00		For permit determination within 3 working days	N	N
g) Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Residential dwellings (non strata) - Urgency Fee		400.00		400.00		1 - 3 trees	N	N
h) Request for additional inspection by Tree Management Officer		110.00		110.00		per visit	N	N
i) Arboricultural consultation fee		140.00		140.00		per hour	N	N
j) Non-refundable charges for Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation		40.00		40.00		per application	N	N
k) Non-refundable charges for Tree Permit Applications under DCP Part 9.6 - Tree Preservation Pensioner discount		20.00		20.00		per application	N	N
l) Request for review of decision of Tree Permit Applications RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS Skate Boarding Clinics	50.00		60.00	0.20		per session	N	N
RALC - Casual Hire - Aquatic		17.00		17.00	NA	Surf Attraction including entry - half hour	G	Y
RALC - Casual Hire - Aquatic		12.00		12.00	NA	Groups bookings by negotiation	G	Y
RALC - Groups		25.00		25.00	NA	Surf Attraction - half hour - additional fee	G	Y
RALC - Groups		33.00		33.00	NA	Groups bookings by negotiation	G	Y
RALC - Groups		20.00		20.00	NA	Birthday Party - Supervised per head - NO FOOD	G	Y
RALC - Groups		149.00		149.00	3.5%	Sandwich Platter - full	G	Y
b) Urgency Fee (5 working days)	144.00					Sandwich Platter - Children's serve in addition to normal processing charges	E	Y
Engineering Plan Assessment and Works Inspection Fees for works associated with developments								
a) External to site - footpaths per metre	17.50		18.20	4.0%		(minimum fee \$134.00)	D	N
b) Internal to site - footpaths per metre	34.00		35.50	4.4%		(minimum fee \$134.00)	D	N
c) Part Road Construction per metre (ie. Road shoulder/Kerb & gutter)	34.00		35.50	4.4%		(minimum fee \$134.00)	D	N
d) Drainage structures (ie. pits etc) & gutter)	139.00		144.00	3.6%		each	D	N
e) New road construction per metre (ie. Road pavement/ Kerb & gutter)	69.00		71.50	3.6%		(minimum fee \$670.00)	D	N
f) Common driveways per metre	16.50		17.10	3.6%		(minimum fee \$134.00)	D	N
Sister City/Country Council Partnership								
Category 1 Land 2						Provision of an interpreter (On a cost recovery basis at the expense of the visiting delegation)		
Category 2		3,000.00				per hour		

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		City of Ryde - Fees and Charges				Proposed Draft Scheduled Fees 2012/13			
		2011/2012		2012/2013					
Description	Flood Modelling	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculate d Cost	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ % Change	CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Include d
a) Drains Model			2,200.00						
b) TUFLOW Model			4,950.00						

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Description	2011/2012		2012/2013		% Change	CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Included
	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculated Cost	Fee Commercial	Non CoR/ Calculated Cost					
A0: Ryde City is divided into approximately 4 (A0) quarters	103.00		107.00		3.9%		each	F	Y
A0: Ryde City is divided into approximately 4 (A0) quarters	631.00		655.00		3.8%		for all 4 quadrants	F	Y
A3: Ryde City is divided into 33 (A3) sheets	31.00		32.00		3.2%		each	F	Y
A3: Ryde City is divided into 33 (A3) sheets	464.00		482.00		3.9%		for all 33 sheets	F	Y
a) Engineering requirements for development projects	49.50		51.50		4.0%		per copy	E	Y
b) Subdivision road requirements - complete	49.50		51.50		4.0%		per copy	E	Y
- Long Inspection (more than 30 minutes duration)	139.00		144.00		3.6%		per inspection	F	Y
- Large Retail and Food Service	144.00		149.00		3.5%		per hour (minimum of 1 hour, followed by 15 minute increments)	F	Y
- Additional Cooling Towers	31.00		32.00		3.2%		each	F	Y
	5.20		5.40		3.8%		per \$1,000 over \$5,000	F	Y
	4.20		4.40		4.8%		per \$1,000 over \$100,000	F	Y
	210.00		218.00		3.8%		per \$1,000 over \$250,000	F	Y
a) Children's Activities	6.00		6.20		3.3%		\$6 maximum fee for children, \$10 maximum fee for adults on each occasion where fee is applicable. Special Activities at cost.	D	Y
b) Internet Courses	15.75		16.30		3.5%		each	G	Y
Concession rate - applicable for pensioner concession card holders	10.50		10.90		3.8%			E	Y
c) HSC Seminars	6.30		6.50		3.2%		confirmation cost	D	Y
c) Administration Fee	0.00		0.00				per service	D	N
d) Daily per Child	36.00		37.50		4.2%			D	N
e) Vacation Care Kids Club	541.00		562.00		3.9%		Overnight (for sales and exhibitions)	E	Y

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Proposed Draft Scheduled Fees 2012/13

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Description	2011/2012		2012/2013		% CSO	Additional Information	Fee Category	GST Includable
	Fee	Non CoR/ Commercial	Fee	Non CoR/ Commercial				
b) Change of use and land use matters								
(i) Minor	309,000		321,000		3.9%		D	Y
(ii) Major	515,000		535,000		3.9%		D	Y
d) Check before you sign	144,000		149,000		3.5%	per hour (minimum of 1 hour, followed by 15 minute increments)	D	Y
- First or only Cooling Tower	72,000		74,500		3.5%	Children's activities \$0 - \$30	E	Y
a) Children's Activities	6,000		6,200		3.3%	Special activities at cost	Y	Y
b) Special Children's Activities			10,000	10,000	NA	Youth activities \$0 - \$90,	Y	Y
c) Youth Activities			20,000	20,000	NA	Special activities at cost	Y	Y
d) Special Youth Activities						Adult activities \$0 - \$150 - 50% concession available for designated activities	Y	Y
e) Adult activities								
f) Special Adult Activities						Special activities at cost - 50% concession available for designated activities	Y	Y
g) Workshops and training sessions			10,000	10,000	NA	Charge to conduct session, including key speakers and library staff as tutors, \$0 - \$150, 50% concession available for designated sessions	Y	Y
h) Bookclub membership			1,500	1,500	NA	each	Y	Y
i) Library bags			1,500	1,500	NA	each	Y	Y
Security deposit is payable upon lodgement of construction certificate or complying development application and provides security for:								
Security deposit is payable upon lodgement of development application or complying development application								
a) Driveways/Footway Crossing (as per standard drawing - no site specific design)	216,000		224,000		3.7%	per driveway	E	Y

City of Ryde - Fees and Charges

Proposed Draft Scheduled Fees 2012/13

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5 LIVI'S PLACE STATUS REPORT - PROJECT UPDATE

Report prepared by: Service Unit Manager – Open Space**Report dated:** 18/04/2012**File No.:** GRP/09/4/6 - BP12/443

REPORT SUMMARY

Council, in partnership with the Touched By Olivia Foundation (TBOF), has undertaken design of an all abilities playground that is proposed to replace the existing playground at Yamble Reserve, Ryde. The final concept plan was subject to the public exhibition and Council's Works and Community Committee consideration on 20 September 2011, a copy of which is an attachment to this report.

Whilst the detailed design is almost complete, at this point in time, Council does not hold in its accounts all of the funds required to complete Stage 1 of the project scope, due to the status of a number of grant funding applications and the current status of collection of community funding pledges. This report recommends that the procurement for the project does not commence until Council has adequate funds at hand to complete Stage 1. This will delay the project temporarily.

As part of the development of the project, the TBOF has had the services of Lend Lease Corporation (Project Management and Construction) and Aecom as a major sponsor for the provision of detailed design, documentation and construction management services. These services are being provided pro bono to the project. A simple service agreement between Council and Lend Lease Corporation has been signed by both parties. Recent verbal advice received by the TBOF indicates that the Land Lease has decided to withdraw their sponsorship offer for this project thus making their service agreement with Council void. This withdrawal of Land Lease will affect the procurement strategy for the project, which will now involve formal tender, delaying the completion of works.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council postpone the continuation of the project until such time as the TBOF received all outstanding pledges and Council holds within its accounts the required funds to complete Stage 1 of the project.
- (b) That Council seek formal confirmation from Lend Lease Corporation regarding their ongoing sponsorship offer for services relating to this project, and thank them for their assistance to date.
- (c) That Council request the General Manager to develop an agreement with the Touched by Olivia Foundation that covers the receipt and payment of the charitable funds raised for this project on their behalf.
- (d) That Council endorse the unexpended funds for this project in 2011/2012 to be carried over to the 2012/2013 financial year.

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ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

Tatjana Domazet
Service Unit Manager - Open Space

Report Approved By:

Danielle Dickson
Group Manager - Community Life

Terry Dodds
Group Manager - Public Works

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Discussion

Background

Council, in partnership with the TBOF, proposed for the Yamble Reserve (Quarry Road, Ryde) to become destination parkland for children with special needs and their carers. The design of the Reserve and playground aspires to offer a parkland experience that will be fully integrated, universally accessible environment for people of all ages and abilities. The Yamble Reserve Plan of Management that was adopted by Council in October 2010 includes an inclusive playground.

The aim of the play area is to enable children with and without disabilities to have opportunities to play together, encouraging all children to explore, imagine, create, learn and just have fun playing with friends. The focus of the design of the playground and the wider parkland areas is to allow children with disabilities to participate and join in and no longer be segregated and watch from the sidelines as other kids have fun.

The project did not originally form part of the Operation Plan for Council for 2011/12 but was included as a late project following consideration of the Concept Plan.

The current estimated cost of design, project management and construction of the proposed all abilities playground is \$1.5m. The playground includes the following components:

- The all abilities playground as defined by those elements inside the playground fence and connecting path to Clermont Avenue car park
- Clermont Avenue car park modifications to provide adequate drop off and turning area for mini buses
- Quarry Road car park modifications to provide a mini bus parking and drop off area
- Modifications to the existing amenities building including the provision of an adult change table and to meet current Building Code of Australia standards

All of the above elements of the proposed playground were requested by the TBOF and are deemed essential for the playground to be fully compliant with relevant codes and standards.

The delivery of the playground and associated facilities is subject to funding availability and as a result, Council has proposed a 2 staged approach to the project with the following stages being clearly identified to date:

Stage 1

Construction of all abilities playground, Quarry Road carpark, pathways and drop off and turning area for mini buses, modifications to amenities building and associated landscape works.

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Stage 2

Creation of mini bus parking areas at Quarry Road.

Partnerships

As part of the development of the project, the TBOF has had the services of Lend Lease Corporation as a major sponsor for the provision of documentation and construction management services. These services are being provided pro bono to the project. A simple service agreement between Council and Lend Lease Corporation has been signed by both parties. Recent verbal advice received by the TBOF indicates that the Land Lease has decided to limit their sponsorship offer for this project thus terminating their service agreement with Council. Council intends to seek formal confirmation from Land Lease regarding their ongoing sponsorship offer for the project.

It should also be noted that the TBOF has had the services of Aecom as another sponsor that provided detailed design for the playground.

Statutory Considerations

Council is required to operate within the provisions of the Local Government Act and the tendering guidelines as well as Council's own procurement procedures. By its complex nature, this project was difficult to fit within these guidelines due to the proposed levels of community donation of both funds or in kind materials or labour to assist in the delivery of the project. Advice has been sought from Council's Internal Audit and General Counsel.

Financial Implications

The working estimate for the Stage 1 of the project is \$1.5 mil (including the amenities building). These include estimated construction cost of \$1.297 mil.

Funding	Committed	Available in 2011/12	Available in 2012/13	Comment
\$350,000	Yes, Council	\$350,000		Playground Renewal and Construction Budget
\$50,000	Yes, Council	\$50,000		Savings from Park Planting and Playground Softfall Budget
\$170,000	Yes, Council		\$170,000	Playground Renewal and Construction Budget
\$150,000	Yes, Council	\$150,000		Savings from Sportsground Amenities Upgrades Renewal

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Funding	Committed	Available in 2011/12	Available in 2012/13	Comment
\$147,000	Yes, Federal Grant Funding	\$147,000		Confirmed and spent on playground equipment purchase
\$200,000	Yes, State Government contribution	\$200,000		Confirmed and received
\$50,000	Yes, Department of Sport and Recreation	\$50,000		Confirmed and received in part
\$100,000	Yes, Lend Lease	\$100,000		In kind contribution (to complete design documentation)
\$80,000	Yes, AECOM	\$80,000		In kind contribution (to complete detail design)
\$116,789	Yes, TBOF	\$116,789		To be transferred to Council once agreement in place
\$141,350	No, TBOF	\$141,350	\$141,350	Could be collected from outstanding pledges
Total Available without outstanding pledges		\$1,243,789	\$1,413,789	
Total Available with outstanding pledges		\$1,385,139	\$1,555,139	
Total required		\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
(Shortfall)/Surplus without outstanding pledges		(\$256,211)	(\$86,211)	
(Shortfall)/Surplus with outstanding pledges		(\$114,861)	\$55,139	

As can be seen from the above, to deliver this project, the TBOF had \$258,139 worth of pledges with \$116,789 collected to date and expected to be received by Council from the TBOF. Whilst none of these funds are currently held in Council accounts, verbal agreement has been reached with the TBOF and advice received that the cheque for the collected amount is forthcoming.

Council has also applied for a number of grants to fund the shortfall and the future project stages however, all but one, Metropolitan Green space grant, have been unsuccessful to date.

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In addition to the shortfall, it is recommended that Council develop an agreement with the TBOF in relation to the receipt, management and authority to spend the funds raised by the community for the delivery of this project to ensure that the funds are transparently accounted for.

Since the inception of this project, Council has improved its understanding of the asset condition of its playgrounds across the City. In addition, all of Council's playgrounds are being assessed against the recent changes to the Australian Standards in order to determine if further pieces of equipment will require removal. To respond to this, Council is preparing a Children's Play Implementation Plan that will inform Council's management of these assets within our existing budget allocation. It should be noted that a significant proportion of the current and coming financial year budget allocation for the maintenance of these assets is being directed to the capital delivery of Livvi's Playground. This investment will be reduced if Council is successful in the above grant applications.

Options

Council should not tender or commence the project until all funds are available. If Council wishes to proceed immediately, additional funds would need to be allocated to cover the projected shortfall.

Council could delay the project until all funds, including funding of Stage 2 for the project, have been raised.

6 PUTNEY PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN UPDATE

Report prepared by: Open Space Planner**Report dated:** 27/04/2012**File No.:** GRP/09/4/6 - BP12/479

REPORT SUMMARY

The Putney Park Plan of Management was adopted by Council on 11 October 2011 and guides the future development and management of Putney Park. The Plan of Management recommends a series of actions that support the sustainable management and conservation of Putney Parks' natural, cultural and indigenous resources while promoting public recreation and leisure within the Park. The management actions are aimed at meeting current and future demands on the Park while improving the quality of the Park, responding to the needs of the community, and reinforcing the community values of the Park.

During exhibition and adopting process of the Plan of Management, Council requested a further report to be provided on the high priorities for Putney Park as identified by the community. This report provides further information and financial considerations on these items.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive and note the information contained in the body of this report.

ATTACHMENTS

1 Masterplan and Action Plan for Council

Report Prepared By:

Fiona Morrison
Open Space Planner

Report Approved By:

Tatjana Domazet
Service Unit Manager - Open Space

Danielle Dickson
Group Manager - Community Life

ITEM 6 (continued)**Discussion**

At its meeting on 11 October 2011, Council adopted the Putney Park Plan of Management and resolved, in part, the following:

- (b) *That a further report be provided to Council regarding a plan of action addressing the following matters:*
- *to improve the site from Pellisier Road to the punt (relocation of gates);*
 - *the upgrading and remediation of the triangular park;*
 - *the improvement to the sea wall;*
 - *the removal of the Camphor Laurel trees;*
 - *the pruning of trees throughout the park to improve the security;*
 - *the development of the perimeter track; and*
 - *the exploration of provision of accessible equipment in the southern playground.*

The Putney Park Plan of Management includes a Masterplan and an Action Plan that contains actions that respond to the community needs for the Park. These two items are contained in **ATTACHMENT 1**. The report provides information on the timing and financial impact for the implementation of the Plan of Management and Masterplan.

Recommended Actions

The Putney Park Plan of Management has been prepared with a series of actions linked to the values of the reserve. Strategies, actions, priorities, responsibilities and performance measurement are outlined in more detail in Section 5 of the Plan (and as attached), and are to be used for projects bidding for future budgets and work programs.

The Plan's Action Plan has been prepared to coordinate the future management of Park. The Plan contains actions needed to:

- Improve the quality of the Park;
- Respond to the needs of the community and Park users;
- Achieve the core objectives of the Local Government Act and the Crown Lands Act; and
- Reinforce the values of the Park.

All actions have been assigned a priority rating of short, medium, long or ongoing. In addition, during the exhibition process, the community has identified a number of high priority actions for Putney Park. All of these actions together with approximate costs are listed in the table below.

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Priority Ranking	Key Actions	Approx Cost	Notes:
Short Term	• Expand the southern playground	\$200,000	Proposed for 2012/13
	• Prepare a Bush Care Management Strategy	\$15,000	
	• Design and construction of the foreshore path	\$500,000	
	• Bindii weed management	\$80,000	Additional works are required to change grass species
Sub-total for Short Term priorities		\$796,000	
Community High Priority	• Upgrading and remediation of the triangular park;	\$60,000	
	• Improvement to the sea wall;	\$200,000	To scope the extend of the repairs and conduct geotechnical investigations
	• Removal of the Camphor Laurel trees;	\$30,000	Review underway
	• Pruning of trees throughout the park to improve the security;	\$30,000	Works programmed
	• Apply the Ryde River Walk Masterplan to Putney Park that includes development of the perimeter track and implementation of the parkland loop path network;	\$550,000	Project delayed to allow for additional community consultation
	• Improve the site from Pellisier Road to the punt (relocation of gates);	\$230,000	Project not commenced due to lack of funding
	• Provision of accessible equipment in the southern playground.		<i>Note: consideration to the inclusion of accessible equipment will be undertaken during the design process</i>
Sub-total for community high priorities		\$1.103 mil	
Medium Term	• Implement natural and cultural heritage interpretation signage and art works throughout the Park	\$57,500	Estimated at 10 signs located throughout the Park.
	• Construction of a path within the southern triangular area of the	\$20,000	

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Priority Ranking	Key Actions	Approx Cost	Notes:
	Park		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of additional seating throughout the Park 	\$440,000	
Sub-total for Medium Term priorities		\$517,500	
Long Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a connection between the punt ferry and the Park 	\$50,000	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition of southern toilet block and replace with a new facilities closer to the southern playground area 	\$500,000	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of an interpretation strategy 	\$30,000	
Sub-total for Long Term Priorities		\$580,000	
TOTAL		\$2,996,500	

Timeline for implementation

The implementation of a complex Plan of Management such as Putney Park requires a long term commitment. While the Plan of Management provides direction on the priority of works, a timeframe for the implementation of these priorities is dependent upon the funding available.

Financial Implications

The estimated value identified in the Putney Park Plan of Management Action Plan is approximately \$2.9 million.

Council's commitment to the management and maintenance of this park over a long period of time has been significant. The ultimate implementation of all actions identified within the Plan of Management will require a sustained investment over a long period of time.

The majority of actions identified in the Action Plan are capital upgrades of the Park. Resourcing these upgrades will need to be identified through council's long term financial plan and yearly capital works programs within the operational plan. Sources of funding will include general funds, Section 94, grants, sponsorship and partnership contributions.

In the draft 2012/13 budget, \$200,000 has been allocated towards the expansion of the southern playground.

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Council's adopted Plan of Management for Putney Park including an Action Plan. Some of the high priorities actions that have been identified in the Action Plan are being addressed through the operational plan whilst the expansion of playground has been identified in 2012/13 budget.

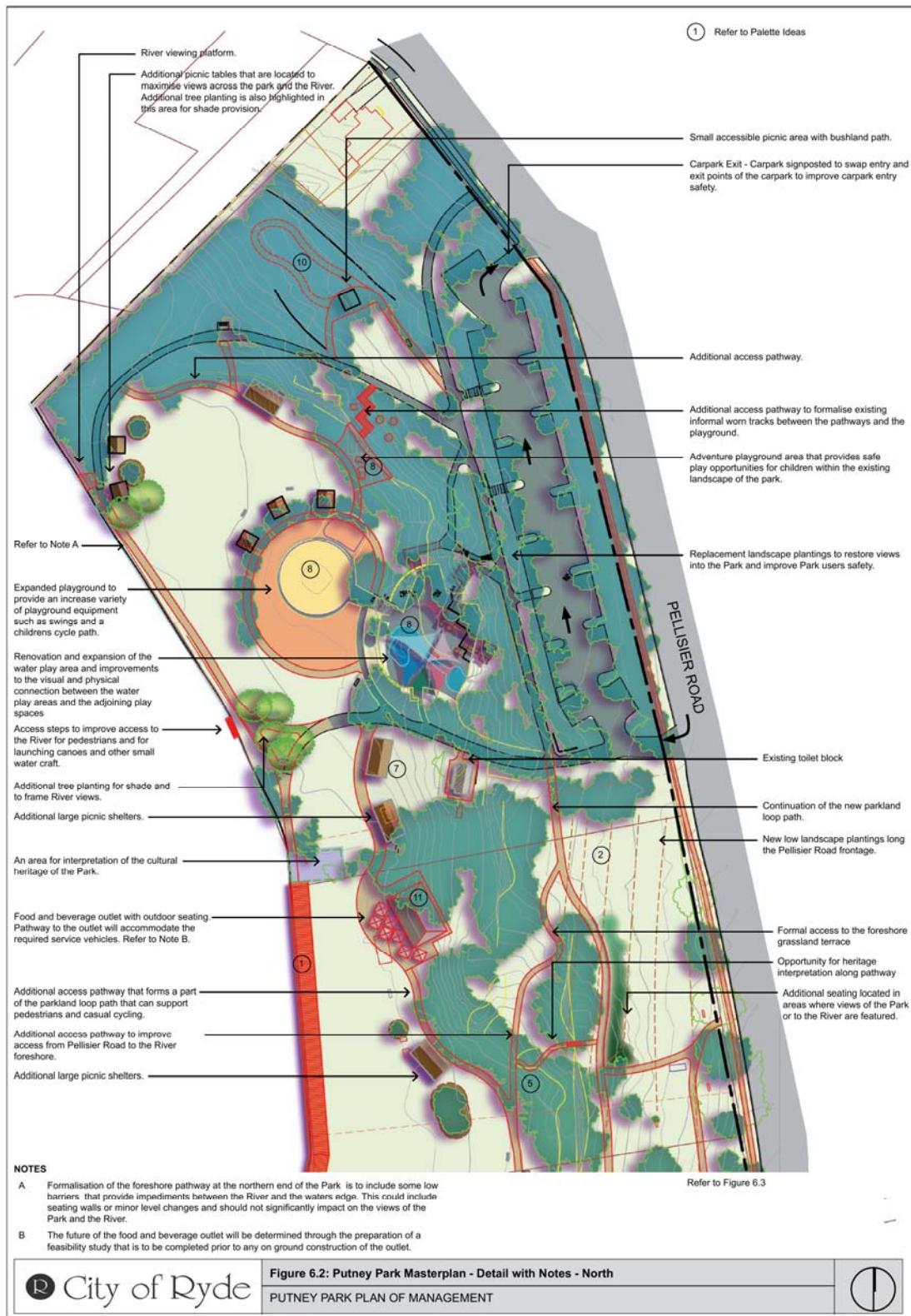
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<p>IMAGE</p> 	<p>NOTE</p> <p>1. Boardwalk along Foreshore: To provide an opportunity for connection with the foreshore and between other park elements, particularly the historic Putney Park baths.</p>	<p>IMAGE</p> 	<p>NOTE</p> <p>7. Picnic Shelters: To provide a consistent appearance of picnic shelters, including both large and small sizes. The style propose has been used in other City of Ryde standard shelter.</p>
	<p>2. Ornamental Shrubs and Garden: To revive the concept of the "pleasure garden" which was in Putney Park in the 1920's. There is an opportunity to highlight the natural features of the park in this area.</p>		<p>8. Playgrounds: North Play Area: The existing playground is expanded to increase play value The propose play space would build upon the existing use of the sandstone rock shelf being used as a climbing wall. Included in this playground would be "parkour" play items.</p>
	<p>3. Heritage Interpretation: To provide an opportunity to celebrate the historic sites in Putney Park such as Lunnhilda / Dunhope House and the Putney Baths through interpretation such as sculptures and ground plan artworks.</p>		<p>South Play Area: This playspace is replaced with a themes playground that is built around the tree canopy and heritage character of the Park. Element in this playspace could include a "ruins trail" with imaginary heritage exploration elements.</p>
	<p>4. Heritage Planting and Garden: To enhance the heritage interpretation of the historic Lunnhilda / Dunhope House site and protect the existing plantings that are remnants of the House's original garden.</p>		<p>9. New Amenity Block: To provide a safe amenity block located at the southern end of the Park. An adjacent shelter should ne used by nearby playground users.</p>
	<p>5. Native Plants and Gardens: To highlight the rich array of landscape elements at Putney Park such as the sandstone rock shelf between the upper level of the Park and the foreshore.</p>		<p>10. Bushcare and Interpretation Trial: To provide and opportunity for signage that identifies comes of the native plants species grown in the Park. To provide an opportunity for public art to be incorporated within the bushland areas as another from of environmental education.</p>
	<p>6. Viewing Areas: To provide opportunities to enjoy the great views available over the Parramatta River. The viewing areas are purposed where there are natural break in the existing vegetation.</p>		<p>11. New Kiosk / Cafe: To provide a food and beverage outlet in Putney Park that takes advantage of the great views.</p>
<p>City of Ryde</p>	<p>Figure 6.4: Putney Park Masterplan - Ideas Palette PUTNEY PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT</p>		

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7. ACTION PLAN

The overall management for Putney Park is to preserve it as a regional community resource. This can be achieved by maintaining and strengthening the features of the Park, providing suitable parklands facilities, strengthen the interface between the Park and the foreshore and to maximise opportunities for a wide range of leisure and recreational uses. Building on from the values and roles of the Park, it is important to establish some management principles against which the opportunities for the future management and development of the Park can be assessed against.

The following Action Plan (as listed in the tables and shown on Figure 7.1) has been prepared to coordinate the future management of Park. The Plan contains actions needed to:

- Improve the quality of the Park
- Respond to the needs of the community and Park users
- Achieve the core objectives of the Local Government Act and the Crown Lands Act
- To reinforce the values of the Park.

All actions have been assigned a priority rating.

Table 71 Priority Rankings

TERM	ACTIONS
Short Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Issues • Park functional improvements • Severe environmental rectifications • Management of unauthorised use
Medium Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preventative and remedial maintenance • Resolution of park users conflicts • Moderate environmental rectifications • Improve park user use and enjoyment
Long Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long term quality improvements • Reduction of maintenance costs
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular actions for the life of the Plan of Management

Each action is also accompanied by a notation of legislative compliance and the key for this is contained in Table 7.2 below.

Table 7.2 Legislative Compliance

LEGISLATION	DETAILS	ACTION PLAN NOTATION
Crown Lands Act		
Section 11	Observe environmental protection principles in relation to the management and administration of Crown land.	1
	Conserve the natural resources of Crown land (including water, soil, flora, fauna, and scenic quality) wherever possible.	2
	Encourage public use and enjoyment of appropriate Crown land.	3
	Encourage multiple use of Crown land, where appropriate.	4
	Use and manage Crown land in such a way that both the land and its resources are sustained in perpetuity, where appropriate	5
	Occupy, use, sell, lease, license, or otherwise deal with Crown land in the best interests of the State, consistent with the above principles.	6

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LEGISLATION	DETAILS	ACTION PLAN NOTATION
Local Government Act		
Section 36E - Natural Areas	To conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function in respect of the land, or the feature or habitat in respect of which the land is categorised as a natural area.	36E (a)
	To maintain the land, or that feature or habitat, in its natural state and setting.	36E (b)
	To provide for the restoration and regeneration of the land.	36E (c)
	To provide for community use of and access to the land in such a manner as will minimise and mitigate any disturbance caused by human intrusion.	36E (d)
	To assist in and facilitate the implementation of any provisions restricting the use and management of the land that are set out in a recovery plan or threat abatement plan prepared under the Threatened Species Conservation.	36E (e)
Section 36G - Park	To encourage, promote and facilitate recreational, cultural, social and educational pastimes and activities.	36G (a)
	To provide for passive recreational activities or pastimes and for the casual playing of games.	36G (b)
	To improve the land in such a way as to promote and facilitate its use to achieve the other core objectives for its management.	36G (c)
Section 36J - Bushland	To ensure the ongoing ecological viability of the land by protecting the ecological biodiversity and habitat values of the land, the flora and fauna (including invertebrates, fungi and micro-organisms) of the land and other ecological values of the land.	36J (a)
	To protect the aesthetic, heritage, recreational, educational and scientific values of the land.	36J (b)
	To promote the management of the land in a manner that protects and enhances the values and quality of the land and facilitates public enjoyment of the land, and to implement measures directed to minimising or mitigating any disturbance caused by human intrusion.	36J (c)
	To restore degraded bushland.	36J (d)
	To protect existing landforms such as natural drainage lines, watercourses and foreshores.	36J (e)
	To retain bushland in parcels of a size and configuration that will enable the existing plant and animal communities to survive in the long term.	36J (f)
	To protect bushland as a natural stabiliser of the soil surface.	36J (g)
Section 36N - Foreshore	To maintain the foreshore as a transition area between the aquatic and the terrestrial environment, and to protect and enhance all functions associated with the foreshore's role as a transition area.	36N (a)
	To facilitate the ecologically sustainable use of the foreshore, and to mitigate impact on the foreshore by community use.	36N (b)

7.1 Implementation of the Plan of Management

Once the Council and the Lands Minister adopts this Plan of Management, it is incumbent on the Reserve Trust to "carry out and give effect to it" (Section 114 of the Crown Lands Act 1989). The Trust must only allow operations or development that is in accordance with the Plan of Management.

Implementation of the Plan will be monitored annually with the preparation of annual performance standards and capital works programs. Performance standards and works programs for administration, maintenance and upgrading works are revised each year to meet allocated budgets and works priorities determined in Council's Management Plan.

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7.1.1 Review of this Plan of Management

Alteration of the adopted Plan of Management may be undertaken under Section 115 of the *Crown Lands Act*, and may be required after a period of five years to keep abreast of government legislation and policy, Ministerial directions, to cater for the changing expectations and requirements of the community, to recognise completed actions, and to ensure the Plan of Management remains useful and relevant. Review of this Plan of Management should also take into account the outcomes of periodic reviews of Council's strategic and operational plans. The Action Plan tables have a shorter life and therefore require more frequent reviews and updating. The Action Plan tables should be reviewed and revised yearly in accordance with Council's budgets, Capital Works Program and changing priorities.

Funding for management of the Reserve will be sought from a range of Government, Council and community sources.

7.1.2 Funding Sources and Opportunities

There are a number of approaches that Council and Crown Reserve Trusts can take in funding the implementation of this Plan of Management. City of Ryde, as Trust Manager and Owner, is likely to fund most of the proposed improvements to the Reserve.

Reserve Trust proceeds

Under Section 106 of the *Crown Lands Act 1989*, the Minister may direct that proceeds from a sale, lease, easement or licence (including a temporary licence) of a Crown reserve be paid to:

- Another Reserve Trust to be used for care, control and management of the other Trust's reserve.
- The Consolidated Fund or to a Public Reserves Management Fund under the *Public Reserves Management Fund Act 1987*.

The Public Reserves Management Fund provides loans or grants that assist Crown Reserve Trusts in the management, planning and development of Crown reserves. The fund principally relies on levies on coastal caravan parks, and repayments of loan principal and interest. A 15% levy on the proceeds from leases and licenses that can then be applied for the care and maintenance of reserves also contributes to the Public Reserves Management Fund. Funds are distributed on a merit basis to Trusts that apply for grant funds for specific projects.

Council funding

The implementation of this Plan of Management is achieved through its linkage with Council's Management Plan, Operational Budget, and Capital Works Program. Funding is integral to implementing the Plan.

Funding arrangements for the foreshores need to address recurrent costs of management and maintenance, together with capital costs for new facilities or upgrading works. Council currently funds management and maintenance costs through its annual budget allocation, and uses capital funds and Section 94 funding for capital and non-recurrent works.

Funding for construction of new facilities is generally through the annual budgeting process, but special projects may be partly funded through State government grant allocations, which may involve matching funding from Council.

Staging of works will need to occur because Council cannot meet the cost of every single item of work proposed at one time, due to other financial commitments throughout the City. Actions listed in the Action Plans have been prioritised, which will assist in preparing forward open space work programs and annual budgets. This Plan will therefore provide direction for future works in the foreshore parks.

- Section 94A contributions - Council currently enters into planning agreements, or levies contributions or works in kind from developers towards the cost of upgrading facilities, including parks, to meet the needs of new development.

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- Partnerships - Local residents and corporate groups participate in bushcare activities. There is an opportunity to develop further partnerships with residents and interested people in relation to park improvements and ongoing management.
- Rental income - Income from the Reserve is generated by lease and licence fees, and from applicants for approved functions and events.
- Rationalisation and disposal - Revenue for park projects and improvements may be raised from the sale of assets, such as surplus or inappropriate land.

Grants

A number of Commonwealth and State government grants are available to assist with capital works along the foreshore area. While not exhaustive, the following list gives an indication of the range of available grant programs through which improvements to the Reserve consistent with its size, catchment and intended uses could be funded.

Table 7.3 Grant Funding Opportunities

GRANT	ORGANISATION	PURPOSE
Commonwealth		
Natural Heritage Trust	Department of Environment and Heritage	Bushcare Program: conserving and restoring habitat for native flora and fauna
Public Art Program	Ministry for the Arts	Grants of up to \$4,000 are available to assist in the commissioning of concept proposals by artists. Matching grants of up to \$20,000 are available for commissioning public art.
Australia Council for the Arts	Australia Council	Community cultural development, visual arts / crafts, theatre, dance, music
State		
Public Reserve Management Fund	Department of Lands	Assists Crown Reserve Trusts in the management, planning and development of Crown reserves.
Metropolitan Greenspace Program	Department of Planning	Planning and improvement of regionally significant open space in Sydney.
Capital Assistance Program	Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation	Community-oriented sporting and / or recreational facilities.
Regional Sports facilities Program	Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation	High quality sporting facilities with a regional catchment.
Environmental Trust: Integrated Environmental Program	Department of Environment and Conservation	Environmental restoration and rehabilitation to prevent or reduce pollution, waste or other environmental degradation.
Regional Cycleway Network	Roads and Traffic Authority	The RTA matches Council funding for regional cycleway routes.
Heritage Study and Promotion Projects	NSW Heritage Office	Studies, promotion, interpretation and presentation, histories and other projects for heritage items in NSW.
Sharing Sydney Harbour Access Program	Department of Planning	Improve public access to and enhance the recreational enjoyment of Sydney Harbour and its tributaries for the people of Sydney and visitors to the city. Funding for specific capital works projects such as walking tracks, cycle paths, new public waterfront parks, jetties, pontoons and boat launching facilities.

7.1.3 Reporting

Under Section 122 of the *Crown Lands Act* 1989, a Reserve Trust must furnish a report on its activities for the previous financial year. Contents of the report are listed in Clause 32(2) of the *Crown Lands Regulation* 2006.

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7.2 Putney Park Masterplan

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Putney Park Masterplan	To implement the Putney Park Masterplan as a component of the plan of management implementation	Undertake community consultation, design and implementation of the Masterplan in accordance with all relevant Council's policies, legislation and Australian Standards.	Ongoing	Implementation of the Masterplan	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Cultural Environment Access & Linkages	1.2.3.4.5	Sections 36E, 36G, 36J and 36N
		Prepare a business case(s) to obtain funding for the implementation of the Masterplan.	Short	Funds provided via Council, grant or other sources of funding.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Cultural Environment Access & Linkages	1.2.3.4.5	Sections 36E, 36G, 36J and 36N
		Implement the Masterplan in accordance with Masterplan and Plan of Management priorities.	Ongoing	Implementation of the Masterplan	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Cultural Environment Access & Linkages	1.2.3.4.5	Sections 36E, 36G, 36J and 36N

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7.3 Recreation

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Recreation	That Putney Park is managed as a regional park within the City of Ryde open space network.	Recognise Putney Park as a regionally significant parkland within the strategic planning of open space within the City.	Short	Listing of Putney Park as a regional park within the Integrated Open Space Strategic Plan.	Recreation	3, 5	36G, 36E
		Update all park promotional material to market the Park as a regional park.	Medium	All park marketing material updated.	Recreation	3, 5	36G, 36E
		Revised all service level agreements relating to Putney Park to reflect the regional status of the Park and ensure maintenance expectations are revised accordingly.	Short	Revised service level agreements for park maintenance	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Environment	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To provide a range of quality unstructured recreational opportunities based on identified community needs.	Implement the Masterplan which incorporates new and upgraded recreation opportunities for all ages.	Short	Implementation of the Masterplan	Recreation	2, 3	36G, 36E
		Construct additional areas for passive recreation that includes walking paths, playgrounds, picnic areas, viewing areas and complementary landscaping.	Short	Provision of additional passive recreation areas in alignment with the Masterplan	Recreation Open Space & Landscape	3	36G
		Undertake community consultation, design and implementation of the Masterplan in accordance with all relevant Council's policies, legislation and Australian Standards.	Ongoing	Implementation of the Masterplan	Recreation Open Space & Landscape	3	36G, 36E
		Engage with the local community and park users during the design and implementation of the Masterplan.	Ongoing	The community and park users are engaged and informed during the implementation of the Masterplan.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Cultural Environment Access & Linkages	3, 5	36G, 36E

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	To limit negative impacts from Park activities on surrounding private residential areas.	Engage with the local community during the design and implementation of the Masterplan to mitigate impacts on local residents.	Ongoing	The local community is engaged and informed of the implementation of the Plan of Management and Masterplan.	Recreation	3	36G, 36E
	To ensure that the quality of the environment and landscape remains the focus of the recreational experience at Putney Park	Ensure the implementation of the Masterplan protects and enhances the opportunities for environmental focused recreation, such as bush walks, bush care and viewing of the River.	Ongoing	The landscape of the Park is enhanced through the implementation of the Masterplan.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Environment	2,3,5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Children's Playgrounds	To ensure all park playground facilities are safe for use.	Review and audit all Park playgrounds regularly for compliance with the relevant safety standards and issue repairs as necessary.	Ongoing	Playground equipment and surrounds comply with relevant Australian Standards.	Recreation	3	36G
		Prepare suitable service level agreements for the maintenance of the playgrounds as regional playgrounds	Short	Service level agreements for playground maintenance prepared and adhered to.	Recreation	5	36G
		Review the provision of shade sails or trees at the playground areas and install / plant where necessary.	Medium	Adequate provision of shade at all playgrounds.	Recreation	5	36G
		Conduct routine safety audits on all playgrounds where all defects and noncompliance is reported to Councils for action.	Ongoing	Periodic safety audits completed and referred to Council for action.	Recreation	5	36G
		Replace playground equipment as required.	Ongoing	Playground equipment replaced when necessary.	Recreation	5	36G
	To expand the northern play area to provide a additional play opportunities for all ages and amenity for parents and carers.	Expand the footprint and play value of the northern playground in accordance with the Masterplan and community needs.	Short	Playground expanded	Recreation	3	36G
		Provide additional seating areas within the vicinity of the northern playground for park users.	Short	Additional seating installed	Recreation	3	36G

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
		Incorporate into the expansion of the playground and the foreshore path a low informal barrier between the playground and the River, such as a sitting wall.	Medium	Informal barrier installed between the playground and the foreshore.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Access & Linkages	3	36G
	To improve the water play area for users.	To improve safety and reduce risk of user injury, consider the use of softer surface treatments within the water play area, such as soft fall rubber.	Medium	Installation of softer surfaces within the water play area.	Recreation	3.5	36G
		Provide additional seating areas within the vicinity of the water play area for parents and carers. Seating areas must be located to allow clear view lines for parents / carers to the water areas.	Short	Installation of additional seating in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation	3	36G
		Improve the physical and visual interface between the water play area and the northern playground and the River.	Long	Sight lines and access between the two play areas are improved in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape	3	36G
	To promote the safe use of the water play area .	Instal signs that remind children not to run within the water play area.	Short	Installation of signage.	Recreation	3	36G
	To ensure the water play area is safe for use.	Ensure the water play areas is maintained to meet all relevant water quality control standards.	Ongoing	Water quality complys with relevant Australian Standards.	Recreation	3	36G
		Conduct routine water testing and take action as necessary.	Ongoing	Programmed water quality inspections completed.	Recreation	3.5	36G, 36E, 36J
	To expand the southern play area to provide a additional play opportunities and amenity for parents and carers.	Expand the existing playground to provide a suitable alternative play area for younger children with a high play value and incorporated landscape.	Medium	Expanded playground constructed.	Recreation Open Space & Landscape Environment	3	36G
		Provide additional seating and picnic areas near the playground for park users.	Medium	Additional seating installed.	Recreation	3	36G
		Provide a pathway that connects the southern playground to the play opportunities at the northern end of the Park.	Medium	Pathways constructed.	Recreation Access & Linkages	3	36G

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Dog Walking & Exercising	To provide a safe and accessible park for dog walking.	Install and maintain signage that encourages dog owners to act responsibly keep out of bushland and playground areas, keep their dog under control at all times & to pick up after their dog.	Short	Installation of signs and minimal complaints from Park users and the community.	Recreation Environment	2,3,5	36E, 36G, 36J, 36N
	To minimise the potential conflicts between dog owners and other Park users.	Install dog waste bins and water bowls throughout the park.	Medium	Installation of bins and water bowls	Recreation	3	36G
Ryde River Walk	To apply the Ryde River Walk Masterplan to Putney Park.	Maintain regular and prompt attention by Council Rangers to matters relating to dogs acting contrary to notices at the Park. Design and construct a loop path within the Park that connects to the Ryde River Walk .	Ongoing	Minimal complaints from Park users and the community.	Recreation	3.5	36G
		Install signage at key locations to inform users of the Ryde River Walk of Putney Park and the amenities within the Park.	Short	Construction of a loop path within Putney Park	Recreation Access & Linkages	3	36E, 36G
		Install seating along the path to provide rest areas for Ryde River Walk users.	Short	Installation of signage	Recreation Access & Linkages	3	36E, 36G
		Improve the park entry points and connections to the surrounding street	Medium	Installation of seating	Recreation	3	36G
		Investigate future foreshore connection between Kissing Point Park and Putney Park	Medium	Install Pathways that connect entry points and paths	Access & Linkages	3	36G
Food and Beverage Facility	To improve foreshore connections between Kissing Point Park and Putney Park	Conduct a feasibility study on the provision of a food and beverage outlet within the Park.	Long	Connection between Kissing Point Park and Putney Park made.	Recreation	3	36E, 36G
	To provide a food and beverage outlet within the Park.	Implement the findings of the feasibility study	Medium	Completion of feasibility study.	Recreation	3.6	36G
	To control vehicle access for private service vehicles to ensure the safety of park users	Limit the operation of all coffee carts, ice cream vans and similar to the southern carpark or other designated car park areas.	Medium	Actioning the feasibility study.	Access & Linkages	3.6	36G
			Ongoing	No food selling vehicles driving in the Park.	Recreation Access & Linkages	2.6	36G

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7.4 Park Elements

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Tree Management	To review and implement the recommendations of the Tree Survey (2008) - Appendix C.	Conduct a review of the Tree Survey and identify all tree management actions required.	Short	Actions in the Tree Survey are implemented	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
		Develop and implement a program for tree works as a result of the review of the Tree Survey.	Short	Actions in the Tree Survey are implemented	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
	To manage the tree assets sustainably.	Council arborists are to conduct regular inspections and monitor the health and condition of the trees as a part of regular Park maintenance. Undertake tree surgery, removal and replanting as required.	Ongoing	Ongoing inspections are undertaken and recommendations implemented	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
		Council arborists are to conduct regular inspections as a part of regular Park maintenance and to identify the occurrences of tree vandalism and report to the regulatory officers for action is appropriate.	Ongoing	Ongoing inspections are undertaken and recommendations implemented	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
		Undertake habitat assessment prior to the removal of any tree or limbs.	Ongoing	Habitat inspections completed prior to any tree or limb removal	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
	To protect the significant trees planted within the Park.	Identify all significant trees located within Putney Park and register these trees on the City of Ryde Significant Tree Register.	Short	Significant trees registered and management appropriately	Open Space and Landscape Environment Cultural	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E
	Enhance the landscape character of the Park.	Ensure all replacement tree plantings are consistent with the landscape character of the Park and maintain Park users safety.	Ongoing	Unhealthy trees are removed and replace with appropriate species	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J
		Use only high branching tree habits for tree plantings along the Parramatta River foreshore to protect views to the River.	Ongoing	Key view lines in and through park are protected	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Prepare and implement a Succession Planting Plan for <i>Ficus rubiginosa</i> and other significant tree within the Park	Short	Succession planting scheme developed and implemented	Open Space and Landscape Cultural	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N

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		Plant additional trees in those areas identified in the Masterplan.	Ongoing	Masterplan implemented	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Vegetation Management	To manage the Park's vegetation so as to complement the recreation role of the Park.	Undertake a programmed bindii weed management program for all turfied areas.	Ongoing	Bindii weed management program and infestation of Bindee weed reduced	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3, 5	36G
		Review the vegetation planting within the vicinity of the northern carpark and modify to increase sight line into and out of the Park.	Short	Sight lines around north car park are improved	Open Space and Landscape	1, 3, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Provide additional landscape areas to complement picnic areas and rest areas and in accordance with the Masterplan.	Medium	Masterplan implemented	Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 3, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To improve the landscape and visual access to the park area located to the south of the punt access road.	Conduct a program of vegetation management that focuses on removal of weed species and replanting with appropriate species.	Short	Weeds removed and replaced with suitable plant species	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Improve River viewing areas through the management of vegetation and weed species removal.	Ongoing	Sight lines to the River are improved and or protected	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure all community involvement with bush care within the Park is managed in accordance with Council policies and priorities.	Prepare and implement a Bush Care Management Strategy to define areas and priorities for all bush care activities within the Park.	Short	Bush Care Management Strategy implemented	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Ensure all community members volunteering are inducted as specified in Council's policies and procedures prior to undertaking any works on site.	Ongoing	All bush care volunteers follow Council direction and procedures	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	Enhance vegetation corridors along the Parramatta River	As a part of the Bushland Management Strategy, identify areas within the Park for planting to enhance vegetation corridor along the Parramatta River	Short	Bush Care Management Strategy implemented	Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Park Furniture	To install park furniture that is suitable for a foreshore location and a palette complementary to other parks in Ryde.	To undertake a program of furniture replacement to standardise all furniture within the park.	Ongoing	Older furniture replaced with Council standard furniture range	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N

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	To increase the provision of seating, picnic areas, BBQ's and shelters	Provide new picnic and informal areas within the Park in accordance with the Masterplan.	Short	Additional picnic areas provided across the Park	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E
		Create larger picnic and BBQ areas that can accommodate larger family and community gatherings. These should be located in alignment with the Masterplan.	Medium	Additional large picnic areas provided across the Park	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3, 4	36G
		Increase seating and picnic opportunities along the foreshore areas where viewing of the River can be enjoyed.	Short	Additional seating and viewing areas provided across the Park	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3, 4	36G
Park Lighting	To improve safe evening access to the Park	Complete a lighting plan to along key pathways (as identified in the Masterplan) to increase the availability of the Park for recreation into the evening.	Medium	Preparation and implementation of a lighting plan for the Park	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Install all lighting in accordance with the relevant Australian Standards	Ongoing	All lighting designed and installed to meet all relevant Australian Standards	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Signage and Public Art	To increase legibility of the foreshore pathways, connection, regional links and connections to public transport.	Prepare a signage plan for the Park then install entry signage and directional signage accordingly.	Short	Preparation and implementation of a signage plan	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Include references to the Ryde River Walk on all directional signage to promote the Walk within the park and its surrounds.	Ongoing	Ryde River Walk references placed on all relevant signage within the Park	Open Space and Landscape Recreation Access and Linkages	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Review all signage in car parking areas and ensure all sign meet all regulatory requirements.	Ongoing	Appropriate regulation signage installed	Open Space and Landscape Access and Linkages	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To tell the story of the Parramatta River and the local history of Putney Park.	Develop an interpretation strategy for the Park and its surrounds that is complementary to the Ryde River Walk and the Draft Ryde Foreshore Natural and Cultural Study.	Long	Interpretation strategy developed and implemented	Open Space and Landscape Access and Linkages Cultural	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N

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		Create opportunities for public art and community art within the Park.	Ongoing	Public art installed in the Park	Open Space and Landscape Cultural	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Public Toilets	To provide quality facilities Park users.	Maintain the public toilet facilities to a suitable level.	Ongoing	Customer satisfaction	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G
		Consider the demolition of the southern toilet facilities and construction of a new facilities within the vicinity of the expanded southern playground	Long	New toilet facilities constructed	Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E, 36J
	Embrace environmental design principles.	Incorporate environmental design principles in the future development of public toilets within the Park.	Long	New toilet facilities constructed	Open Space and Landscape Recreation Environment	1, 3	36G, 36E, 36J

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7.5 Access and Movement

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Pathway Network	To have a network of pathways that encourage the use and enjoyment of the park for people of all abilities.	Develop a pathway network within the Park that includes a loop path and a networks that enables users to enjoy the variety of landscape settings.	Medium	Pathway network developed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	3	36G, 36E
		Create a pathway link between the northern / water play area with the southern playground.	High	Pathway network developed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Access and Linkages	3	36G, 36E
		Establish a path networks that offers opportunities for cycling within the Park.	Medium	Pathway network developed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Access and Linkages	3, 4	36G, 36E
		Install signage and seating along pathway network.	Medium	Provision of information and rest areas along the path network.	Recreation Access and Linkages	3	36G, 36E
	To formalise the access between the Punt and the Park and the park area to the south east.	Create a pathway connection between the vehicular ferry and the Park to improve the safety of Park users.	High	Pathway constructed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Access and Linkages	3, 4	36G
		Establish a pathway connection that traverses the southern triangular area of the Park.	Medium	Pathway constructed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	3, 4	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To provide accessible access into the Park.	Aim to provide suitable grade access throughout the Park.	High	Suitable grade access provided throughout the Park.	Recreation Access and Linkages	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To enhance the connection along the River Foreshore.	Develop a foreshore pathway in alignment with the Masterplan, that connects the southern and northern sections of the Park.	High	Foreshore pathway constructed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	3	36G, 36E, 36N
		In the design of the pathway, resolve the ongoing tidal inundation issues during king tides events.	High	Tidal inundation across the Park is eliminated.	Environment Open Space and Landscape	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E, 36N

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
		Incorporate into the foreshore path a low informal barrier between the northern playground and the River, such as a sitting wall.	Medium	Foreshore pathway constructed in accordance with the Masterplan.	Recreation Open Space and Landscape	1, 3	36G, 36E, 36N
		Investigate opportunities to provide public art or interpretation signage along the foreshore pathway.	Medium	Interpretation opportunities are created along the pathway network	Cultural Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	2, 3	36G, 36E, 36N
Entry Points	To promote the Park through carefully considered and formalised park entry points.	Formalise the main entry points within the Park.	Medium	Entry points formalised	Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	3	36G
Car Management	To provide adequate on and off street car parking for Park Users.	Any further provision of off street car parking areas must not impact on the recreation values of the Park and should be design to minimise impact local resident amenity.	Long	Additional carparks no not impact on local residential area or on the recreation value of the Park	Recreation Open Space and Landscape Access and Linkages	3	36G
		Install line markings on the existing 90 degree parking area at the southern end of the Park to maximise capacity of the existing car parking area and to provide no parking areas across the Park entry points.	Short	Line markings painted in the southern car park area	Access and Linkages	3	36G
	To improve the safety of park users in car park areas.	Swap the entry and exit points of the northern carpark to improve access and visibility into the main Park carpark.	Short	Entry signs repositioned	Access and Linkages	3	36G
		Install signage to alert drivers of children in the area and directions to additional parking.	Short	Signage installed	Access and Linkages	3	36G
	To upgrade the access between the car park areas and the Park.	Replace existing steps with ramps and resurface existing refuge islands in the northern car park to improve the interface and accessibility between the car park and the park pathway	Medium	Access between carpark and park pathway network improved	Access and Linkages Recreation	3	36G

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
	To ensure private vehicles cannot access the Park or encroach onto the Park.	Manage private car encroachment along the section of Pellissier Road south of McGowan Street heading towards the small wharf at the end of the Road. The use of bollards or other landscape elements to prevent cars parking or driving onto the Park areas is required.	Medium	Private vehicles cannot park on parkland	Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Ongoing operational management of all entry gates is needed to ensure private vehicles cannot freely access the Park.	Ongoing	Council staff lock gates at all times	Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape Recreation	3	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
		Due to the Park's role in hosting community events, control vehicular access has been provided for in the Masterplan. There must be strict operational control on the access of vehicles within the Park.	Ongoing	Vehicles within the Parks for events purposes (only) are limited to specific locations at all times	Access and Linkages Open Space and Landscape Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 6	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
Mortlake Ferry Punt	To improve the safety of Punt and Park users along the access road to the Ferry.	Create a vehicle turning area located at separation point of Pellissier Road and the two lane access road to the punt ferry. This turning area should also be sign posted to advise drivers of ferry operation times	Medium	Turning area and signage installed	Access and Linkages	3, 4	36G
		Install signage and road markings to provide a safe pedestrian crossing point across the two lane access road to the punt ferry. This should include removal of vegetation to improve sight lines.	Short	Safe crossing area and signage installed	Access and Linkages	3	36G,
		Create a connection between the Park and the Ferry to provide safe pedestrian access of people visiting the Park from the southern foreshore of the Parramatta River.	Short	Safe crossing area and signage installed	Access and Linkages	3	36G

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
	To educate the community on the history of the Ferry.	Erect signage that provides information on the history of the Punt as an example of a form of transport once relatively common on New South Wales rivers and harbours prior to the advancement of bridge building technology that enabled the bridging of large or wide waterways.	Long	Signage installed	Cultural	3	36G
	To apply an operational land classification on the access road to the Ferry.	Consider future consideration of reclassifying the punt access road to operational land.	Long	Reclassification of punt road area	Access and Linkages	3, 4, 6	36

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7.6 Foreshore Open Space

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Views and access to the River	To protect the views to the River from within the Park.	Ensure the placement of park buildings, park infrastructure (including playgrounds, picnic shelters etc.) and vegetation does not excessively block or obstruct important views throughout the Park.	Ongoing	River views are protected	Open Space and Landscape Cultural	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
		Ensure all future improvements within the Park consider future impacts on views and where possible, these improvements should be located and designed to frame and or enhance views towards the River.	Ongoing	River views are protected	Open Space and Landscape Cultural	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
	To provide safe access to the Parramatta River.	Repair access pathways to the River at the southern end of the Park.	Short	Pathway improved	Recreation Access and Linkages	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
		Provide access to the River along the western foreshore of the Park as indicated in the Masterplan.	Short	Masterplan implemented	Recreation Access and Linkages	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
Sea Wall	To ensure the sea wall is in good repair.	Repair the sea wall as required with suitable materials	Ongoing	Implement upgrades to sea walls	Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
		As a part of the design of the pathway, resolve the ongoing tidal inundation issues during king tides events through modify the existing sea wall where necessary.	High	Tidal inundation across the Park is eliminated.	Recreation Open Space and Landscape Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N
Beaches and Tidal Areas	To manage the use of watercraft within and adjoining the Park.	Remove all authorised dinghy storage within the Park.	Ongoing	Unauthorised dinghies removed	Recreation Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36N

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7.7 Natural and Cultural Heritage

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Natural Heritage	To retain and rehabilitated the sandstone scarps as a significant natural feature in the park.	Install signage to provide information on the geology of the Park and the vegetation communities that would have existing in the Park prior to European settlement. Ensure no park furniture to infrastructure is sited on or adjacent to scarps.	Medium	Signage installed	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E 36J
		Ensure no planting of additional native or exotic plant species on or adjacent to scarps.	Ongoing	Scarps are protected	Cultural Environment Recreation	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E 36J
Cultural Heritage	To manage and protect the Park's heritage elements	Erect interpretive signage that provides information on the transformation of the Park from its industry history to the Park it is today.	Ongoing	Scarps are protected	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E 36J
	To conduct investigations on the history of the Park including Lunnhilda house and the houses associated features.	Research potential through archaeological investigations of Lunnhilda house and the houses associated features.	Medium	Signage installed	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E
	To represent the site of Siazenger's boat yard, which operated during the Second World War to supply the allied armies with boats and craft for the Park	Erect interpretive signage and or public art that provides information on the location of the House, the role the House had in the social history of the Ryde Community, colonial house layout and uses, cultural plantings associated with the house and nineteenth century garden design and trends. Erection of interpretive signage and or public art.	Long	Archaeological investigations completed	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E
			Medium	Signage installed	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E
			Medium	Signage and or public art installed	Cultural Environment	1, 2, 3	36G, 36E, 36N

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7.8 Event Management

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Event Management	To provide facilities that can accommodate a range of opportunities for social and cultural activities	Park amenities and services to accommodate a range of size gatherings including shelters, food preparation areas	Ongoing	Park can accommodate community events	Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 5, 6	36G
		Develop three distinct event spaces on the lower grass waterfront of the Park that can be hired for suitable private and community events.	Short	Three areas identified and are sign posted	Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 5, 6	36G
		Modify Council Fees and Charges Register in accordance with the creation of designated events areas within the Park.	Short	Fees and charges are modified to reflect the events management in Putney Park.	Recreation	3, 4, 5, 6	36G
	To ensure the event function of the Park has minimal impact local residents	The ongoing assessment, determination and subsequent management of all future events and activities within the Park must be done so as to protect the availability of the Park to the general public and to minimise impacts, such as noise, lighting and access etc. on local residents	Ongoing	Community satisfaction and no complaints to Council	Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 5, 6	36G
	To ensure private events do not impact on the role of the park as a public open space.	Ensure all events are held only within designated areas and adhere to Council's standard conditions of hire.	Ongoing	Community satisfaction and no complaints to Council	Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 5, 6	36G
	To establish a program of events and festivals focused on the use of the Park.	Coordinate existing program of events and develop potential new events with a publicised calendar	Long	Community events calendar formulated	Recreation Cultural	3, 4, 5, 6	36G

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7.9 Supplementary Actions

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Land Zoning	To ensure appropriate environmental protection and recreation zoning are applied to the Putney Park.	Recommended future environmental protection zoning applied to the Park includes E3 (Environmental Management).	Long	Recommendations are incorporated into future reviews of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (LEP)	Environment	5	36E, 36G
		Rezone areas within the Park in accordance with the Review of Environmental Protection Zones Report, January 2011.	Long	Recommendations are incorporated into future reviews of the Ryde (LEP)	Environment	5	36E, 36G
Park Categorisation	To ensure appropriate land categorisation under the Local Government Act 1993 are applied to the Park.	Consider the future re-categorisation of the community land within the Park to compliment the future zoning of the Park.	Long	Changes made to the categorisation of community land within the Park	Environment	5	36E, 36G

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7.10 Park Maintenance

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						GROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE	LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
Park Maintenance	To carry ensure grass cover is adequate and weed free.	Implement mowing program. Undertake turf maintenance as required.	Ongoing	High quality and durable grass cover	Recreation Open Space and Landscape	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure healthy and attractive garden beds	Minimum monthly garden bed maintenance. Clean up and mulch garden beds. Undertake horticultural maintenance.	Ongoing	Garden beds are free of weeds and rubbish, well-mulched. Healthy, viable plants	Environmental Open Space and Landscape	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure safe surfaces of footpaths and steps	Maintain footpaths and steps. Remove weeds. Barricade dangerous / broken pavement and arrange for repairs	Ongoing	Paths and steps are clear of obstructions and weed free. Path surface are even, free draining and clean.	Recreation Access and Linkages	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure maintenance of lighting furniture and fixtures	Check lighting monthly. Repaint damage annually. Replace or repair items within 2 weeks of being notified	Ongoing	All lights are operational and with posts and fittings of good quality	Open Space and Landscape	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To provide comfortable and safe, drinking fountains, picnic shelters and seats	Check seating monthly. Replace or repair or clean as required.	Ongoing	Seats are good quality, clean and fixed to ground.	Open Space and Landscape	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure signs are functional	Check signage monthly for damage and cleanliness	Ongoing	Signs are clean and undamaged	Open Space and Landscape Access and Linkages	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To ensure maintenance, operation and cleanliness of toilets	Check toilets daily for cleanliness, replacement of items and other repairs as required.	Ongoing	Toilet buildings are clean and in good condition, toilet paper and soap available, lights working.	Recreation	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N
	To minimise use of water on turf sporting fields.	Investigate opportunities for water harvesting and reuse in the Park.	Ongoing	Develop plan for water management practices to be implemented	Environmental	3, 4, 5	36G, 36E, 36J, 36N

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						CROWN LANDS ACT PRINCIPLE LOCAL GOVT ACT CORE OBJECTIVE
	To discourage encroachments on the open space of the Park.	Identify park boundaries and determine encroachments. Remove encroachments and dumped refuse.	Ongoing	No reports of encroachments.	Open Space and Landscape	3, 4, 5 36G, 36E, 36J, 36N

7 ACCUMULATED LIBRARY FINES

Report prepared by: Group Manager - Community Life**Report dated:** 12/04/2012**File No.:** GRP/09/3/2/7 - BP12/405

REPORT SUMMARY

In 2010 Councils Internal Audit section completed a "*Review of the Cash Handling Procedures – Library Services Unit*".

Following commencement of the current Group Manager Community Life it has become clear that not all of the recommendations of the review have been implemented and verified. This is now underway, with the key gap in the implementation of the review being the subject of this report.

This report recommends a short term resolution to improve the management of the outstanding accumulated Library Fines held in Council's Library Management System and in the medium term the development of a Policy and Procedure to assist staff to manage this issue across the organisation.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council request the General Manager to write off as unrecoverable debts \$521 549.16 of library fines and fees registered in the Library Management System from prior to 2006/7 until the current financial year.
- (b) That Council promote an amnesty period for the month of June 2012, and that the General Manager, or his delegate, is given authority to waive accumulated fines and fees for 'lost' items returned to the library in good condition.
- (c) That Council commence appropriate external debt recovery procedures in July 2012 for all fines and fees accumulated in the current financial year that remain following (b) and exceed \$50 per library member.
- (d) That Council endorse the exclusion of borrowers who are aged under 18 or over 65 from the debt recovery process.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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Report

In 2010 Councils Internal Audit section completed a “*Review of the Cash Handling Procedures – Library Services Unit*”. The implementation of this report was accepted by the Management Team in Community Life. Following commencement of the current Group Manager Community Life it became clear that not all of the recommendations of the review had been implemented and verified. This is now underway, with the key gap being the subject of this report.

One of the primary issues identified in the review was the need to resolve the accumulated overdue library fines and fees. The current outstanding debt is made up as follows:

Year	Total outstanding fines and fees <small>(note 1)</small>	Recoverable outstanding fines and fees <small>(note 2)</small>
All years prior to 30/6/2007	\$564,521.40	\$376,491.34
FY2007/08	\$58,396.18	\$36,606.83
FY2008/09	\$58,544.46	\$35,507.91
FY2009/10	\$58,046.16	\$37,134.66
FY2010/11	\$63,423.92	\$35,808.42
FY2011/12	\$57,750.64	\$41,615.74
TOTAL	\$860,682.76	\$563,164.90

There are a number of key items to note in regard to this table:

- The outstanding fines and fees are currently held in the Library Management System and do not appear in Council’s Financial Systems
- The total debt fluctuates daily. Existing fines are paid and new fines are generated
- Column (1) shows totals that are not totally recoverable as library processes allow borrowers the choice of:
 - Returning items and paying overdue fines and fees, or
 - Paying lost item and associated fees
 This process leads to the waiving of either the fines or the lost fees
- Column (2) shows the figures that are the recoverable component of the figures contained in Column (1).
- The statute of limitations applies to these charges, meaning that any fines older than three years are unable to be pursued through Debt Recovery.

This amount of un-recovered public funds is a concern that needs to be resolved. This report recommends a two stage approach to the issue and has been developed following analysis of the source of the above figures.

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The preceding overall total is made up of many small fines. Currently here are 16,723 borrowers with outstanding fines, of these only 3,249 are current active library members and the vast majority of fines are for less than \$300. There are only 457 borrowers who have fines and charges greater than \$300.

Library fines and fees are essentially in place to encourage members to return books on time to allow their access and availability to others. Council's current fine regime and communication with borrowers to recover these charges is as follows:

- Items are generally borrowed for 3 weeks, excluding DVDs and magazines which are borrowed for 1 week.
- At the point of borrowing a date due slip is issued that provides item details, due date and contact information if a renewal is required
- An email notification is sent 3 days before the due date to remind borrowers that their item is due. This courtesy service was introduced in 2010 and is only available to those borrowers who have provided an email address
- Once an item is overdue, renewal or further borrowing is not allowed
- An overdue notice is generated when items are 1 week overdue. This notice is mailed or emailed to the borrower. The generation of the notice incurs a fee of \$5.
- A weekly fine of \$2.50 per item is added to the borrowers record at the end of the second overdue week, and each subsequent week up until the eighth overdue week. This means that the maximum fine per item is \$17.50
- At the end of the eighth week, the item is considered to be long overdue and declared 'lost'.
- The fine (of \$17.50 per item plus the \$5 notice fee) is waived and is replaced by the purchase price of the lost item plus a processing fee of \$16.20 per item.
- A 'long overdue' notice is mailed to the borrower. This notice is a formal tax invoice and provides the detail, cost and fees associated with each item
- If the item is found and returned after the 8 week overdue period
- In cases where a borrower is able to show genuine hardship or an emergency library procedures provide a process whereby a fine can be waived or reduced. These transactions are documented and reviewed quarterly

From July 1 2012 the long overdue fines and charges will be managed through a debt recovery process. As such the amount outstanding in the library management system will be removed, although the borrower will remain barred until confirmation is provided by finance that the debt has been cleared.

Financial Implications

Any write off of these fees and fines have no impact on working capital as the income is not recognised in the Financial System until it is received by the Council.

ITEM 7 (continued)

The library service generates about \$60,000 income annually from fines and charges. This sum includes library fines, notice and processing charges, lost item charges and sale of replacement cards. Recent benchmarking indicates that our charge regime is high and the process protracted. A review of this process is underway and is expected to inform the development of the coming delivery plan. The aim of this review is to ensure that the process is fair, transparent and consistent with the overall objective of ensuring ongoing access to library materials to the community without discouraging participation in this service.

As an immediate step outstanding debts will be listed for financial recovery and reported monthly to the Group Manager Community Life and the Group Manager Corporate Services.

The approach recommended by this report is expected to recover less than \$15,000 in revenue given the age of the debt and the costs of any external debt recovery.

Policy Implications

As a result of the review undertaken into the implementation of this Internal Audit report Council has assembled a working party to address the issue of debt recovery across the organisation. This will include the preparation of a policy and procedure in relation to the management of debts, once implemented this will ensure that debts are not allowed to accumulate and are managed in a timely manner.

Other Options

Council could choose to transfer all debts to an external debt recovery agency for action. This not recommended due to the age of many of the amounts and the likelihood that many of the contact details for the members of the public would be outdated. This will affect the potential for recovery of funds. The statute of limitations applies to these charges, meaning that any fines older than three years are unable to be pursued through Debt Recovery

In the absence of a clear Policy and Procedure on Debt Recovery Management this would represent a significant change in practice and may conflict with Councils encouragement of the community's involvement and support of 2012 as the National Year of Reading. This option is not recommended.

8 WASTE COLLECTION & DISPOSAL TENDER EXTENSION - PWS/03/05 & PWS/04/05

Report prepared by: Manager - Business Infrastructure**Report dated:** 26/04/2012**File No.:** GRP/11/3/6/7 - BP12/478

REPORT SUMMARY

The current Council Waste Collection & Disposal contract tender periods are due for conclusion in early May 2013. NSROC are progressing in the process of investigating the options of a Joint Regional Waste Disposal Tender which will include new infrastructure and processes to assist in avoiding waste going to landfill with a draft timeline of 2014/15 depending on resources and NSROC Councils agreement.

Due to this initiative this report seeks Council approval for the extension of the existing Waste, Recyclable Material, Green Waste and Household Clean Up Waste Collection Services Contract (PWS/03/05) and Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services (PWS/04/05) for the City of Ryde, for a period of two years to better coordinate with the NSROC initiative and continue to benefit from the current tender arrangement.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That the current Council Waste Disposal PWS/04/05 and Collection PWS/03/05 tenders be extended for a period of two years to align with the NSROC Joint Regional Disposal Tender initiative.
- (b) That SITA Australia Pty Ltd be notified of Council's decision in this matter.
- (c) That the General Manager be authorised to sign the deed of agreement regarding additional clauses in the Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services (PWS/04/05) tender contract.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 SITA correspondence regarding extension of Collections tender - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 2 SITA correspondence regarding extension of Disposal tender - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 3 Wright Corporation Independent Market Analysis Report - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 4 Financial Implications - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL

Report Prepared By:

George Dedes**Manager - Business Infrastructure**

Report Approved By:

Terry Dodds**Group Manager - Public Works**

ITEM 8 (continued)**Discussion**

The provision of domestic waste services is one of the primary functions of Local Government and is critical for the general health of the residents of the City of Ryde.

The Waste Avoidance & Resource Recovery Act (WARR Act 207) requires Council to meet a target of 66% diversion of waste to landfill by 2014. The four key waste avoidance and resource recovery goals and targets are:

1. Preventing and avoiding waste
2. Increasing recovery and use of secondary materials
3. Reducing toxicity in products and materials and
4. Reducing litter and illegal dumping

Currently Council is sitting at 48% waste diversion from landfill. To enable Council to meet the State Government target, Council needs to investigate ways to reduce waste from landfill. This could be by removing food waste from our waste bin or by investigating new technology and infrastructure which processes the waste stream to reduce the residual from landfill. The existing Alternate Waste Treatment facilities (AWT) within Sydney are either at capacity or do not comply with Council's existing collection system.

The NSROC group are in the process of investigating the possibility of a Joint Regional Waste Disposal Tender. This would enable Council's to maximize diversion rates, minimize environmental footprints and look at economically viable regional solutions through engaging a large private organization to develop an end to end process plant for the regions waste. Several forums have been held to date with Councillors attending.

The cost of disposal of waste to landfill is becoming more expensive each year, with the Waste Levy now reaching \$90.42 including GST per tonne with further increases of \$10 plus CPI per year. The current gate fee for residents to dispose of waste at a transfer station is \$250 per tonne all inclusive. Added to this is the Carbon Tax which is to be introduced in July 2012.

To enable Council to proceed with this process, Council would benefit by remaining with our existing collection contract until a decision on the best method of disposal can be achieved.

A summary of the services provided by SITA across both tenders included the following:

- Disposal of residual domestic waste from the 140L & 240L red waste bin
- Collection of 140L & 240L red domestic waste bin
- Collection & disposal of 660L & 1100L waste bins from Multi Unit Dwellings
- Collection of 240L yellow domestic co-mingled recycling bin (*product owned by SITA*)
- Collection of 240L green domestic greenwaste bin (*product owned by SITA*)

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- Provide runner service to Multi Unit Dwelling with a bin bay area within 15 metres of the kerbside
- E-waste at call domestic pick up service
- Collection and Disposal of Council Domestic Household Cleanup including separate metals and greenwaste 5 times per year.
- Collection and disposal of 240L park waste bins
- Collection and Disposal of 240L, 660L, 1100L & 3 cubic metres commercial waste bins
- Collection of 240L park co-mingled recycle bins
- Collection of 240L commercial co-mingled recycle bins
- Collection of 140L street co-mingled recycling bins
- Collection and disposal of Council hall & event bins as required
- The Weighmate (RFID) radio frequency identification device technology which provides increased productivity for council staff and greater scrutiny of contractor truck movements and claims for payment.

Due to the need to coordinate with the NSROC Joint Regional Disposal tender, Council requested SITA Australia to confirm pricing of our current Collection and Disposal contracts in line with current tender specifications for a further two year period.

Correspondence has been received in regards to both tenders, (see **ATTACHMENTS 1 AND 2 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL**).

The Waste, Recyclable Material, Green Waste and Household Clean Up Waste Collection Services Contract (PWS/03/05) contract lift rates will remain unchanged and increase only by the CPI rate annually as per the existing contract. SITA's only condition being the extension is for a minimum two (2) year term which assists SITA in regards to truck leasing extensions therefore eliminating an increase in rates to Council.

The Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services (PWS/04/05) contract rates have increased to bring them in line with legislative increases which have occurred during the past 5 years of the contract.

These include amendments to the Protection of the Environment Operations (POEO) Act 1997 as amended which impacted operational cost and the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, who issued a Determination on the Eastern Creek DA subject to Sections 80, 95, 97 and 98 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979). This imposed a series of special conditions on WSN at that time which was directed by the Commission of Inquiry. WSN at that time sought variation claims from all Councils utilising the landfill as well as applying these charges to all casual customers delivering material to the landfill. Due to the conditions of the current City of Ryde disposal contract these price increases could not be passed on but did impact all other SITA Council customers.

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SITA have also requested two clauses be added to the existing contract, a limitation of liability and change in law clause (see **ATTACHMENT 2 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL**).

Council has engaged Wright Corporation to conduct an independent market analysis on the proposed pricing. A report detailing the findings is included, (see **ATTACHMENT 3 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL**).

In respect of the proposed collection rates Wright Corporation found:

- *the collection rates proposed by SITA to Council are fair and represent acceptable value to Council in the current market;*

In respect of the proposed disposal rates Wright Corporation found:

- *The current and future disposal rates proposed by SITA to Council are fair and represent good value to Council in the current market*
- *Council is unlikely to receive a more favourable offer if competitive tenders were called for the two year extension and*

In respect of the proposed changes in law request Wright Corporation found:

- *Council agree to an appropriately worded change to the contract provisions relating to changes in law, and*
- *Council seek immediate indication from SITA as to the additional cost that Council will (might) incur after 1 July 2012 in respect of the carbon tax.*

The General Counsel has partially agreed with this advice and has not accepted the Limitation of Liability clause change as it is sufficiently covered in the existing tender contract and has requested SITA's legal representative to draft a Deed of Amendment to the Contract in respect of the change in law clause.

As recommended above, Council has sort confirmation from SITA as to their position on the carbon tax cost, and we have received a response (see **ATTACHMENT 4 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL**).

Following an assessment of all the options, consultation with relevant other Council units including Council's, General Counsel, Risk & Audit Unit and independent market advise the recommended course of action which is to extend the current waste contracts by 2 years to align with the NSROC joint disposal tender initiative is a sound business decision.

Financial Implications

There is no impact to the Waste, Recyclable Material, Green Waste and Household Clean Up Waste Collection Services Tender (PWS/03/05).

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There will be a budget impact in regards to the two (2) year extension of the Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services Tender (PWS/04/05) after normal contract CPI increases currently estimated at 3% and excluding the carbon tax (see **ATTACHMENT 4 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL**).

The market analysis conducted by Wright Corporation in regards to the disposal rates found that comparable rates for other Council's (*escalated by 2 years*) currently in the market would be higher than the rate offered by SITA, (see page 2 of **ATTACHMENT 3 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL**).

The impact therefore on the budget would be greatly reduced by accepting the increased SITA disposal rates when compared to the possible options in the market.

The extra funding required is provided for by the annual waste rate and the Domestic Waste Reserve.

The extension of these contracts will have a positive financial impact as it locks in for another two years the excellent range of rates received by Council in 2006.

Context

The following deadlines are required to be met:

- If an extension is not granted then Council will need to go to tender without delay.

The continuation of the current tenders compliments Council's current strategic waste action plan.

Internal Council service units consulted included:-

- Risk & Audit;
- General Counsel;
- Finance.

The Service Unit Manager – Risk and Audit has reviewed the information and circumstances related to the proposed contract extensions, and has provided detailed comments from a procurement and probity aspect. He has concluded that based on the information provided, there would appear to be a reasonable case to pursue an extension of the contract.

The General Counsel advise in regards to the extension is, *"I concur with the comments and views expressed by Council's Manager Audit and Risk and am of the opinion that the proposed contract extension does not offend against Section 55 of the Local Government Act or the associated Regulations"*.

ITEM 8 (continued)**Options**

1. Disregard the NSROC initiative and proceed to tender for a 5-7 year timeframe. This option would mean Council could miss out on the benefits of a combined NSROC tender.
2. Council to advertise for a disposal tender for 2 years to align with the NSROC regional combined disposal tender initiative timetable. This option would mean that the rates received would be less competitive due to the short timeframe and the lack of competition in the market, since the sale of WSN to SITA, as confirmed by Wright Corporate Strategy see attachment.

History

Council at its meeting dated 10 October 2005 considered the “*Waste Collection Tender report PWS/03/05 & the Waste Disposal Tender report PWS/04/05*” which advised Council on the tenders received for the procurement of Waste, Recyclable Material, Green Waste and Household Clean Up Waste Collection Services (PWS/03/05) and the tenders received for the procurement of Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services (PWS/04/05) for the City of Ryde, and to recommend acceptance of the tenders for a period of seven years.

At its meeting of 10 October 2005, in respect of tender report PWS/03/05, Council resolved:

- (a) That the tender PWS/03/05 for procurement of Waste, Recyclable Material, Green Waste and Household Clean Up Waste Collection Services for a seven year period from WSN Environmental Solutions (ABN 93 524 709 106) be accepted, subject to negotiations being successful on entering into a contract agreement as provided for in the tender documents.*
- (b) That council adopt a commingled bin system for recycled collection.*
- (c) That the General Manager be delegated the authority to amend the contract on matters which are not material.*
- (d) That the General Manager be delegated the authority to negotiate and sign contract agreements with WSN Environmental Solutions for Tender PWS/03/05 (Waste Collection) in accordance with the tender documents, and that the unsuccessful tenderers be advised of Council’s decision.*

At its meeting of 10 October 2005, in respect of tender report PWS/04/05, Council resolved:

- (a) That the tender PWS/04/05 for procurement of Waste Transfer, Processing and Disposal Services for a seven year period from WSN Environmental Solutions (ABN 93 524 709 106) be accepted, subject to negotiations being successful on entering into a contract agreement as provided for in the tender documents.*

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- (b) That the General Manager be delegated authority to make changes to the contract on the commencement date and on matters which are not material.*

- (c) That the General Manager be delegated the authority to negotiate and sign contract agreements with WSN Environmental Solutions for PWS/04/05 (Waste Disposal) in accordance with the tender documents, and that the unsuccessful tenderers be advised of Council's decision.*

The tenderers were notified in October 2005 and with WSN Environmental Solutions contract commencing in 1 May 2006.

**9 REMEDIAL WORKS TO CULVERT UNDER HILLVIEW ROAD &
PROGRESS AVENUE, EASTWOOD - Request for Tender - COR-RFT 22/11**

Report prepared by: Section Manager - Projects Delivery**Report dated:** 19/03/2012**File No.:** GRP/11/3/6/7 - BP12/295

REPORT SUMMARY

This report is to advise Council of a Request for Tender (COR – RFT – 22/11) for the Remedial Works to the Culvert under Progress Avenue, Eastwood. Tenders closed on 21 February 2012.

The tender was for all the works required to complete the remediation for the culvert, which acts as a bridge over the watercourse under Hillview Road and Progress Avenue, Eastwood.

The tender was split into two parts, with the scope of **Part B** intended to match the funds available in Council's current 2011/12 budget, and the remaining **Part A** works was an option for Council to consider depending on the prices received. However, all the prices received for Part B alone exceed the currently available budget in 2011/12.

As the contract period will extend into 2012/13, the difference in funds can be resolved by using the 2012/13 budget for bridge repair works.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council endorse the Tender Assessment Panel's recommendation as circulated for the Respondents – Remedial Works to Culvert under Progress Avenue, Eastwood, Separable Part B.
- (b) That the accepted Respondent provide details of the required insurance (i.e. Public Liability and Workers Compensation), and other conforming documents for approval within fourteen (14) days from the date of the acceptance of the Tender.
- (c) That all Respondents be advised of Council's decision.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 COR-RFT-22-11 Tender Evaluation Report (Rev) - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 2 COR-RFT-22-11 Tender Evaluation Report Appendix - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL

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Terry Dodds
Group Manager - Public Works

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Discussion

As part of Council's Assets Condition Monitoring, the culvert under Hillview Road and Progress Avenue, Eastwood was found to be Condition 5 which requires urgent remedial works. Concrete Repair Consulting, was engaged to prepare the scope of works and specifications for the tender to procure the services to carry out the remedial works to the culvert.

The scope of the project is for the carrying out of the necessary remedial works to the culvert under Hillview Road and Progress Avenue, Eastwood in accordance with the recommendations of the condition investigation report provided by Concrete Repair Consulting.

The RFT -22/11 was advertised through TENDERLINK and Sydney Morning Herald.

Tender submissions closed on Tuesday, 21 February 2012 at 2:00pm.

The following Ten Contractors submitted their tenders for these works:

1. Australian Concrete Repair Group Pty Ltd
2. Australian Prestressing services Pty Ltd
3. Eptech Pty Ltd
4. Freyssinet Australia Pty Ltd
5. ITS Trenchless Pty Ltd
6. Marine & Civil Maintenance Pty Ltd
7. Metropolitan Restoration Pty Ltd
8. Preservation Technologies Pty Ltd
9. Savcor Art Pty Ltd
10. Excel Concrete Works Pty Ltd

The following table outlines the tender evaluation schedule:

Tasks	Critical Dates
1. Advertise Request for Tender (RFT 22/11)	24 January to 21 February 2012
2. RFT closing date	2pm – 21 February 2012
3. Evaluation Meeting	5,12 and 22 March 2012
4. Evaluation report and recommendation	23 March 2012
5. Awarding of the Contract	11 April 2012

Recommended Tenderers were evaluated using the Assessment Matrix and details are included in the Tender Evaluation Report **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – CONFIDENTIAL** for the information of Councillors.

Immediately following the closing date at 2pm on 21 February 2012, Tenders were opened and assessed by a Tender Assessment Panel on the following agreed assessment criteria:

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1. Tender Price.
2. Previous Experience on similar types of projects.
3. Availability of Resources/Organisational Capacity.
4. Sustainability considerations.
5. Conformity to the Documentation and past records of non-compliance.
6. O H & S & R.
7. Methodology
8. Project Programme

Council's Assessment Panel recommends awarding the contract to the preferred tenderer Freyssinet Australia Pty Ltd, as this tenderer ranked the highest, based on their Weighted Score against the criteria and best value for money for the City of Ryde.

Following the Tender Assessment from the submissions received from tenderers, a recommendation has been made which best satisfies Council's selection criteria and represents best value for money for Council. It is recommended that this contract be awarded to the highest ranking tenderer Freyssinet Australia Pty Ltd.

Financial Implications

This Bridge Upgrade/Renewal project is included in Council's amended 2011/2012 Capital Works Program for the amount of \$100K. There was a carryover of approx \$41K from the 2010/2011 year, giving a total of approximately \$141K for Bridge Upgrades/Renewals, with approx \$18K spent to date.

The budget available for 2011/2012 is sufficient to award Part B, with minor amendments to future programmed works to accommodate the \$50K shortfall.

The recommended tenderer has advised a period for works of about 13 weeks depending on weather. As the contract period is longer than what is remaining for the financial year, the project will continue into 2012/13 allowing access to next financial years \$103K budget for these works, which is sufficient to cover the difference between tender price and total project budget, the remainder will be used for those projects deferred this year. Accordingly this Tender Evaluation is recommending submissions and works covered by Separable Part B only. Part A does not have sufficient funding in the foreseeable future and therefore will be reviewed as part of the management requirements for all the City of Ryde's assets – as carried out on a routine basis annually.

Of the funding for this year we will spend approximately \$60K by 30 June, carrying over approximately \$63K to next year.

Context:

This Tender has been conducted in accordance with Council's Procurement Policy & Procedures.

ITEM 9 (continued)**Consultation**

Internal Council business units consulted included:-

- Financial Services
- Asset Systems Unit

External public consultation included:-

- The local residents, businesses involved within Eastwood were consulted with positive feedback. Regular updates on the project will be conducted as the work progresses.
- Condition Surveys and detailed scope and estimates have been completed.

**10 DESIGN, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF SURF
ATTRACTION FOR RYDE AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE - COR RFT 02/13**

Report prepared by: Project Manager; Centre Manager - Ryde Aquatic Leisure
Centre

Report dated: 14/03/2012

File No.: GRP/11/3/6/7 - BP12/282

REPORT SUMMARY

Council endorsed a concept proposal on 2 August 2011 to develop additional facilities and install a Surf Attraction at the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre (RALC). The key objectives are to address reduction in patronage and generate a supplementary revenue stream from the Surf Attraction and associated works. The project team has progressed with the development of this project by requesting Tenders from the marketplace to supply Architectural services (COR RFT 26/11) and the Surf Attraction (COR RFT 02/13).

The design and approval stage of this project is included in the adopted Council's Management Plan for 2011/ 2012, with the installation programmed for completion in summer of 2012/2013.

This report is to seek approval from Council to award the contract for Request for Tender (COR-RFT 02/13) for the Design, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of a Surf Attraction for the sum of \$998,603 ex GST.

This recommendation needs to be considered in conjunction with (COR-RFT 26/11) Provision of Architectural Services. The type and style of the Surf Attraction that is procured will dictate the ultimate architectural design that is achievable.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council accept the tender from Swimplex Pty Ltd for the sum of \$998,603 ex GST as recommended in the Tender Evaluation report.
- (b) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to enter into a contract with Swimplex Pty Ltd for the sum of \$998,603 ex GST on the terms contained within the tender and for minor amendments to be made to the contract documents that are not of a material nature.
- (c) That Council endorse the unexpended funds for this project in 2011/2012 to be carried over to the 2012/2013 financial year.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Tender evaluation Report Surf Attraction COR RFT 2-13 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL
- 2 Risk Management Report - Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre Enhancement - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL

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ITEM 10 (continued)**Discussion**

City of Ryde proposes to completely revitalise the now unusable area on the grass sloped area of the northern side of the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre adjacent to the Victoria Road boundary.

The total program of works would encompass a complete upgrade of the unusable grass sloped area to complement the proposed Surf Attraction and provide a destination for the community to enjoy. Proposed works would include the construction of a new energy efficient multi-purpose function room, construction of an iconic shade structure, a newly constructed recreation area, unique water feature, new landscaping, substantial retaining walls, public art feature, new street fencing, new children's playground area in a more accessible area and the installation of a Surf Attraction. The combination of these works will give the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre an enhanced identity with dynamic sense of place.

The additional facilities will not only complement the Surf Attraction but provide opportunity for potential revenue as the space could be booked for events including corporate meetings, bookings for lessons on the Surf Attraction plus the possibility of additional café revenue. The new recreation space will allow for seating for parents and families and alternative complementary recreation activities. The combination of the new facilities and the Surf Attraction will combine to give the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre an enhanced identity and an unparalleled dynamic sense of place within the locality.

Given the anticipated expenditure of the total project an independent Risk Assessment that followed Australian Standard AS4360 methodology was conducted by project team to identify risks, rank risks and plan appropriate control measures.

The successful Tenderer will provide the City of Ryde with the following goods and services:

- Design, supply, installation and commissioning of a Surf Attraction
- Work Cover approval Documentation
- Any structural certification of components associated with the Surf Attraction
- Training and supervision of the completed ride.

The COR-RFT 02/13 was advertised through TENDERLINK and Sydney Morning Herald.

Tender submissions closed on Tuesday, 06 March 2012 at 2:00pm.

The following three (3) tenders submitted their tenders for these works:

1. Australian Waterslides and Leisure Pty Ltd.
2. Swimplex Pty Ltd.
3. White Water West Pty Ltd.

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The following table outlines the tender evaluation schedule:

Tasks	Critical Dates
1. Advertise Request for Tender (RFT)	14 Feb 2012 to 21 Feb 2012
2. RFT closing date	6 March 2012 at 2pm
3. Evaluation Meeting	16 March 2012
4. Evaluation report and recommendation	20 March 2012
5. Awarding of Contract	16 April 2012

Following the closing date at 2pm on 06 March 2012, Tenders were opened and assessed by a Tender Assessment Panel on the following agreed assessment criteria.

1. Fit for Purpose
2. Vendor Capability
3. Program
4. Tender Price

Council's Assessment Panel recommends awarding of the contract to the preferred tenderer Swimplex Pty Ltd, as this tenderer ranked the highest, based on their Weighted Score against the criteria and best value for money for the City of Ryde.

Financial Implications

This project is included in Council's amended 2011-2012 Capital Works Program.

The completed project has the potential to generate additional revenue forecasted to be in excess of \$500,000 per annum and contribute to the operational and maintenance upkeep of the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre.

This project will be funded from the RALC reserve (\$2.3 million) with a subsequent bank loan of (\$1.2 million) to be fund the balance of the project.

The preferred tender Swimplex Pty Ltd operates as a research and development company and as such operates its business at a loss.

The City of Ryde has undertaken a number of steps to ensure that Swimplex Pty Ltd has expertise and financial capacity to deliver the scope of works in its entirety and support the project beyond the commissioning period and on into its normal life-cycle.

Steps include:

1. Reference checks were made of **Swimplex Pty Ltd** by contacting previous clients which have confirmed that **Swimplex Pty Ltd** have the capacity and expertise to deliver these works, whilst, at the same time, presenting a minimum risk to Council

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2. Council has requested unconditional Directors Guarantees from the sister-company of “Swimplex Pty Ltd”, namely “Swimplex Aquatics Pty”
3. City of Ryde’s General Counsel and City of Ryde’s Manager – Risk and Audit have reviewed a copy of the unconditional Directors Guarantees and found this financial instrument to be acceptable to minimize any economic risk associated in undertaking a commercial contract with Swimplex Pty Ltd
4. The City of Ryde engaged Kingsway Financial Assessments Pty Ltd to carry out a Financial and Company assessment of Swimplex Aquatics Pty Ltd. The report rates Swimplex Aquatics Pty Ltd as “Good” based on the financial information provided by Swimplex Aquatics Pty Ltd
5. Swimplex Aquatics Business Relationship Manager from the Westpac Bank was contacted on Friday 30 March 2012 to confirm the content of the reference offered and this was found to be true and correct in all respects.
6. A Statement of Personal Assets and Liabilities for all Directors was reviewed to assess the personal financial situation of each Director and where found to be satisfactory
7. An independent Risk Assessment that followed Australian Standard AS4360 methodology was conducted by project team to identify risks, rank risks and plan appropriate control measures.

Endorsement of this recommendation will result in a capital purchase of \$998,603 (ex GST).

Context

The planned operational date is early 2013 at the time of this report.

11 PROVISION OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR RYDE AQUATIC LEISURE CENTRE - COR RFT26/11

Report prepared by: Project Manager; Centre Manager - Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre

Report dated: 14/03/2012

File No.: GRP/11/3/6/7 - BP12/283

REPORT SUMMARY

Council endorsed a concept proposal on 2 August 2011 to develop additional facilities and install a Surf Attraction at the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre (RALC). The key objectives are to address reduction in patronage and generate a supplementary revenue stream from the Surf Attraction and associated works. The project team has progressed with the development of this project by requesting Tenders from the marketplace to supply Architectural services (COR RFT 26/11) and the Surf Attraction (COR RFT 02/13).

The design and approval stage of this project is included in the adopted Council's Management Plan for 2011/ 2012, with the installation programmed for completion in summer of 2012/2013.

This report is to seek approval from Council to award the contract for Request for Tender (COR-RFT26/11) for Provision of Architectural Services to develop the concept plans to detailed documentation stage for the sum of \$170,090 ex GST.

This recommendation needs to be considered in conjunction with (COR-RFT 02/13) for the procurement of the Surf Attraction. The type and style of the Surf Attraction that is procured will dictate the ultimate design that is achievable and thus supply of the Surf Attraction (Tender COR- RFT 02/13) needs to be approved by Council concurrently with Provision of Architectural Services (Tender COR-RFT 26/11).

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council accept the tender from Facilities Design Group Pty Ltd for the Provision of Architectural Services at Councils Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre to the value of \$170,090 ex GST as recommended in the Tender Evaluation report.
- (b) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to enter into a contract with Facilities Design Group Pty Ltd on the terms contained with the tender and for minor amendments to be made to the contract documents that are not of a material nature.
- (c) That Council endorse the unexpended funds for this project in 2011/2012 to be carried over to the 2012/2013 financial year.

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ATTACHMENTS

- 1 RFT 26-11 Tender Report for Architects For Surf Attraction - CIRCULATED
UNDER SEPARATE COVER - CONFIDENTIAL

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Report Approved By:

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Group Manager - Community Life

Terry Dodds
Group Manager - Public Works

ITEM 11 (continued)**Discussion**

City of Ryde proposes to completely revitalise the now unusable area on the grass sloped area of the northern side of the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre adjacent to the Victoria Road boundary.

The total program of works would encompass a complete upgrade of the unusable grass sloped area to complement the proposed Surf Attraction and provide a destination for the community to enjoy. Proposed works would include the construction of a new energy efficient multi-purpose function room, construction of an iconic shade structure, a newly constructed recreation area, unique water feature, new landscaping, substantial retaining walls, public art feature, new street fencing, new children's playground area in a more accessible area and the installation of a Surf Attraction. The combination of these works will give the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre an enhanced identity with dynamic sense of place.

The additional facilities will not only complement the Surf Attraction but provide opportunity for potential revenue as the space could be booked for events including corporate meetings, bookings for lessons on the Surf Attraction plus the possibility of additional café revenue. The new recreation space will allow for seating for parents and families and alternative complementary recreation activities. The combination of the new facilities and the Surf Attraction will combine to give the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre an enhanced identity and an unparalleled dynamic sense of place within the locality.

Given the anticipated expenditure of the total project an independent Risk Assessment that followed Australian Standard AS4360 methodology was conducted by project team to identify risks, rank risks and plan appropriate control measures.

The successful Tenderer will provide the City of Ryde with the following goods and services:

- Preparation of concept and detail design and documentation for the project.
- Management and administration of services for the preparation of permits to obtain a Development Application, Construction Certificate and Technical Services or Supervision during the construction phase of this project.

The COR-RFT 26/11 was advertised through TENDERLINK and Sydney Morning Herald.

Tender submissions closed on Tuesday, 31Jan 2012 at 2:00pm.

The following eleven (11) tenders submitted their tenders for these works:

1. Architects Becerra
2. Complete Urban
3. Donovan Payne Hamor
4. Facility Design Group

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5. GHD Pty Ltd
6. Imagescape Design Studios
7. Reid Campbell
8. Robertson Marks Architects
9. Sutera Architects
10. Terroir
11. Tompkins MDA Architects

The following table outlines the tender evaluation schedule:

Tasks	Critical Dates
1. Advertise Request for Tender (RFT)	10 Jan 2012 to 14 Jan 2012
2. RFT closing date	2pm. 31 Jan 2012
3. Evaluation Meeting	2 March 2012
4. Evaluation report and recommendation	20 March 2012
5. Awarding of Contract	30 April 2012

Following the closing of the Tender on 31 January 2012 at 2pm, Tenders were opened and assessed by a Tender Assessment Panel on the following agreed assessment criteria. The assessment criteria and the weightings of the criteria were approved by the Group Manager Public Works prior to tender.

1. Experience
2. Personnel and Availability
3. Methodology
4. Program
5. Tender Price.

Following the Tender Assessment from the submissions received from tenderers, a recommendation has been made which best satisfies Council's selection criteria and represents best value for money for Council.

The Tender Evaluation Report is included for review (**CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER- CONFIDENTIAL**).

Council's Assessment Panel recommends awarding of the contract to the preferred tenderer **Facility Design Group Pty Ltd** for the sum of \$170,090 ex GST.

These costs are within the approved project budget.

Financial Implications

This project is included in Council's 2011-2012 Capital Works Program.

The completed project has the potential to generate additional revenue forecasted to be in excess of \$500,000 per annum and contribute to the operational and maintenance upkeep of the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre.

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This project will be funded from the RALC reserve (\$2.3 million) with a subsequent bank loan of (\$1.2 million) to be fund the balance of the project.

Reference checks were made of **Facility Design Group Pty Ltd** by contacting previous clients which have confirmed that **Facility Design Group Pty Ltd** have the capacity and expertise to deliver these works, whilst, at the same time, presenting a minimum risk to Council.

City of Ryde also engaged Kingsway Financial Assessments Pty Ltd to carry out a Financial and Company assessment. The report rates Facility Design to Group Pty Ltd as "Good".

Context

The planned operational date is early 2013 at the time of this report.

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 MACQUARIE PARK CORRIDOR WORKSHOP - LAND & HOUSING CORPORATION CORRESPONDENCE - IVANHOE PRECINCT

Report prepared by: Executive Assistant to Group Manager

Report dated: 23/04/2012

File No.: GRP/09/6/5 - BP12/455

CORRESPONDENCE

On 13 April 2012 correspondence was received from the Land & Housing Corporation regarding their willingness to participate in the Macquarie Park Corridor Workshop in relation to Ivanhoe Precinct.

At its meeting on 10 April 2012, Council resolved:

- (a) *That Council writes to our local member, The Honourable Victor Dominello MP and the Ministers for Housing (Honourable Pru Goward) and Finance (Honourable Greg Pearce), in relation to Ivanhoe Estate and request that they provide Council and tenants:*
 - *with timely, honest and comprehensive explanation of their plans.*
 - *assurances that there will be a transparent consultative planning process.*
 - *assurances that no residents will be removed from their homes against their wishes as a result of any redevelopment.*
- (b) *That the redevelopment process (if any) includes tenants as stakeholders and listens to their voices and concerns and takes into account the strong sense of the Community in any decisions taken.*
- (c) *That Council request that the Ivanhoe Estate Tenant Group be represented on the taskforce.*
- (d) *That as a major stakeholder, City of Ryde Council be represented by all Central Ward Councillors on the taskforce.*
- (e) *That any correspondence received regarding this development or any development within Macquarie Park on government owned land be circulated through the Councillor Information Bulletin.*

RECOMMENDATION:

That the correspondence be received.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Macquarie Park Corridor workshop

Precis of Correspondence 1 (continued)

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Report Approved By:

Dominic Johnson
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Precis of Correspondence (continued)

ATTACHMENT 1



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Attention: Mr Dominic Johnson, Group Manager Environment and Planning

Dear Mr Etmekdjian,

The Land and Housing Corporation (LHC) would like to thank the Council for the opportunity to participate in the Macquarie Park Corridor workshop. The LHC looks forward to working with the Council in its proposal to review the planning controls for land in the Macquarie Park Corridor.

As the Council is aware, the LHC owns properties located at Cobar Way, Wilcannia Way, Ivanhoe Place, Nyngan Way and Narromine Way, Macquarie Park known as the Ivanhoe Precinct. The Ivanhoe Precinct is approximately 8.8Ha and comprises of residential flat buildings and townhouses containing a total of 260 dwellings. Since 2003, the LHC has discussed and provided written submissions to the Council regarding the redevelopment potential of the Ivanhoe Precinct.

In response to the discussions in the workshop, the LHC would like to raise the following issues.

The preparation of a masterplan for the Ivanhoe Precinct is considered to be an appropriate approach towards achieving the Government's objective to encourage accommodation growth within the Macquarie Park area. Providing significantly higher densities for the Ivanhoe Precinct would allow for viable urban renewal while allowing existing numbers of social housing dwellings to be maintained. An injection of a significant component of private housing within an integrated urban design response, together with the revitalisation of public housing will provide the basis for a stronger, more diverse and successful community.

Finally, the LHC looks forward to continuing to work with Ryde City Council and relevant stakeholders regarding the Macquarie Park Corridor and seeks to meet with the Council and appointed consultants to discuss the potential planning controls for the Ivanhoe Precinct.

The LHC would also be particularly interested in being involved in the forthcoming draft Ryde LEP 2011 when it is on public exhibition.

Precis of Correspondence (continued)

ATTACHMENT 1

Should you have any queries regarding this submission, please contact Jessica Dominguez A/Senior Planner, Portfolio Strategy and Urban Planning on 8753 8483 or Joshua Brandon, Development Manager, Strategic Projects Division on 9268 3446.

Yours sincerely,



Christine Hicks
Manager, Portfolio Strategy and Urban Planning
Housing and Property Group

4/4/12

**2 FUNDING FOR THE POSITION OF ABORIGINAL EDUCATION OFFICER
AT MARSDEN HIGH SCHOOL**

Report prepared by: Meeting Support Coordinator

Report dated: 27 April 2012

File No.: CLM/12/1/4/11 - BP12/480

CORRESPONDENCE

Submitting correspondence from The Honourable Adrian Piccoli MP, Minister for Education dated 16 April 2012 regarding funding for the position of Aboriginal Education Officer at Marsden High School.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the correspondence be received.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Letter from The Honourable Adrian Piccoli MP, Minister for Education dated 16 April 2012

Precis of Correspondence (continued)

ATTACHMENT 1



The Hon. Adrian Piccoli MP
Minister for Education

Ms D Dickson
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RML 12/1355

16 APR 2012

Dear Ms Dickson

Thank you for your letter of 5 March 2012 regarding the funding for the position of Aboriginal Education Officer at Marsden High School.

Whilst a permanent Aboriginal Education Officer position is currently not available for Marsden High School, the school continues to have the discretion to allocate general grants and other operational funds to provide additional support to Aboriginal students.

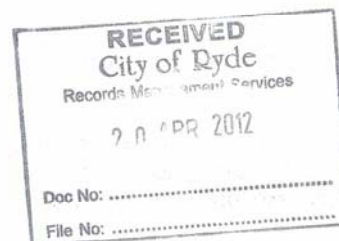
Students and staff at the school also have access to the Northern Sydney Regional Aboriginal Education team which includes a Quality Teaching Indigenous Engagement Officer, Aboriginal Education Consultants and Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer. All of these positions play a key role in supporting Aboriginal students and families in overcoming barriers in school attendance and retention and strengthening the capacity of students to improve their educational outcomes.

The Department of Education and Communities, in partnership with the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc., is currently reviewing the spread of Aboriginal Education Officer positions throughout New South Wales.

The NSW Government is strongly committed to supporting Aboriginal children and young people to achieve educational success and is taking action to bridge the educational achievement gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students.

Yours sincerely


Adrian Piccoli MP
Minister for Education



NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1 CIVIC CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- Councillor Ivan Petch, Councillor Terry Perram, Councillor Vic Tagg,
Councillor Justin Li, Councillor Michael Butterworth, Councillor Jeff
Salvestro-Martin**

File Number: CLM/12/1/4/6 - BP12/507

MOTION:

1. That Council establishes a civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee.
2. That four Councillors be appointed to the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee.
3. That expressions of interest be called from interested community representatives to be members on the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee.
4. That all applications from members of the community who have expressed an interest to be part of the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee be presented to Councillors at a workshop where six will be appointed.
5. After all committee members have been appointed that the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee develop draft terms of reference for presentation and consideration by Council.
6. Until all committee members are appointed and the terms of reference for the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee have been adopted by Council that all works including tender processes, consultant / contractor engagement and Council officer actions / decisions on the civic centre site development be placed on hold.
7. That the Council considers a new timeframe and process for the civic centre redevelopment after receiving advice from the civic centre redevelopment community advisory committee.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

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.

Report prepared by: General Counsel, Public Officer

Report dated: 16 April 2012

File No.: GRP/11/7/1/6 - BP12/422

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