

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday 26 May 2015  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Level 6, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde  
**Time:** 7.30pm

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**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 12 May 2015**

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**Report prepared by:** Section Manager - Governance**File No.:** CLM/15/1/4/2 - BP15/564

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

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

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 8/15, held on 12 May 2015 be confirmed.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 MINUTES - Ordinary Council Meeting - 12 May 2015

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Council Meeting  
MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 8/15**

**Meeting Date: Tuesday 12 May 2015**

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

**Time: 7.40pm**

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Li, Maggio, Pendleton, Perram, Salvestro-Martin, Simon, Stott and Yedelian OAM.

Note: Councillor Simon arrived at the meeting at 7.42pm, after the reading of the Prayer.

Note: Councillor Laxale arrived at the meeting at 9.16pm, during discussion on Item 4. He was not present for the Matter of Urgency, Précis of Correspondence 3, Notices of Motion 4 and 5 and Items 1, 2 and 3.

Note: Councillor Li left the meeting at 10.46pm and did not return. He was not present for Items 7, 8, 9 and 10, Précis of Correspondence 1, 2 and 4 and Notices of Motion 1, 2 and 3.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM left the meeting at 11.24pm and did not return. He was not present for Items 9 and 10.

**Apologies:** Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Group Manager – Corporate Services, Group Manager – Environment and Planning, Group Manager – Public Works, Manager – Community and Culture, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Media, Project Manager, Section Manager – Project and Development, Project Manager, Coordinator Digital Communications, Section Manager – Governance and Governance, Risk and Audit Coordinator.

**PRAYER**

Captain Nesan Kistan of The Salvation Army was present and offered prayer prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Councillor Perram requested a Leave of Absence for the period 26 May 2015 to 5 July 2015 inclusive.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM)

That Councillor Perram's Leave of Absence for the period 26 May 2015 to 5 July 2015 be approved.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Pendleton disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 7 – Civic Centre Hub Committee, for the reason that a public land sale / redevelopment potentially will significantly change the surrounding landscape.

Councillor Yedelian OAM disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 5 – Ryde State Emergency Services, for the reason that he is a volunteer at Ryde State Emergency Service.

**TABLING OF PETITIONS**

Councillor Maggio tabled a Petition of 115 signatures from Local Residents in favour of a Fenced Dog Park in Ryde / Putney. This Petition relates to Notice of Motion 4 – Putney Hill Dog Off Leash Area.

**PRESENTATION OF CHEQUE TO LEGACY**

The Mayor, Councillor Pickering presented Legatee John Spencer from Legacy with a cheque for \$700.00. The funds were raised from donations collected as part of the 2000 Poppies Project.

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

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Arin Markarian (representing the Armenian National Committee of Australia)	<b>Precis of Correspondence 3</b> – Letter from Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey – Resolution of Council in relation to Armenian Genocide
Jennifer Miles	<b>Notice of Motion 4</b> – Putney Hill Dog Off Leash Area
Mai Bell	<b>Notice of Motion 4</b> – Putney Hill Dog Off Leash Area
Johanna van Laar-Veth	<b>Notice of Motion 4</b> – Putney Hill Dog Off Leash Area
Warren Smith (representing NSW State Emergency Service – Ryde Unit)	<b>Notice of Motion 5</b> – Ryde State Emergency Services

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

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Lisa Ziegert	Review Tree Preservation DCP & Urban Forest Policy
Lisa Aynajian	Tree Management and Urban Forest Technical Manual
Darryl Heydon	Community Consultation regarding Tennyson Point
Glynis Heydon	Community Consultation regarding Tennyson Park
Lynette Lewis	Community Consultation in relation to Tennyson Park

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

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Salvestro-Martin)

That the speaker who submitted a Request to Address Council after the midday deadline be allowed to address the meeting, the time being 8.22pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

The following persons addressed the Council:-

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
David Payne	Dinghy Racks – Tennyson Park

**MATTER OF URGENCY**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Councillor Maggio raised a Matter of Urgency regarding the community consultation concerning Tennyson Park.

The Mayor, Councillor Pickering accepted this Item as an Urgent Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM)

That Council consider a Matter of Urgency regarding the community consultation concerning Tennyson Park, the time being 8.25pm.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**MATTER OF URGENCY – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION CONCERNING TENNYSON PARK**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Note: Darryl Heydon, Glynis Heydon and Lynette Lewis addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

Note: Darryl Heydon tabled five photographs in relation to this Item and copies are ON FILE.

Note: Glynis Heydon tabled aerial photographs and a letter from First National Real Estate dated 12 May 2015 in relation to this Item and copies are ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillor Maggio and Salvestro-Martin)

That the General Manager facilitate an urgent meeting of interested parties to discuss a way forward with the scheduled improvements of Tennyson Park, Tennyson Point and that all Councillors be invited to attend this meeting and that any scheduled work be ceased immediately, pending the meeting being held.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian and Stott)

That Council now consider the following Items, the time being 8.34pm:

- Precis of Correspondence 3 – Letter from Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey – Resolution of Council in relation to Armenian Genocide
- Notice of Motion 4 – Putney Hill Dog Off Leash Area
- Notice of Motion 5 – Ryde State Emergency Services

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**3 LETTER FROM CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY - RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL IN RELATION TO ARMENIAN GENOCIDE**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Note: Arin Markarian (representing the Armenian National Committee of Australia) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Etmekdjian)

- (a) That the correspondence be received and noted.
- (b) That the General Manager write to the Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey to thank them for their correspondence and include the details of Council's resolution from 14 April 2015.
- (c) That Council extend an invitation to the Consulate General to meet with City of Ryde Councillors.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**4 PUTNEY HILL DOG OFF LEASH AREA - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Note: Councillor Maggio tabled a Petition with 115 signatures from Local Residents in relation to this Item. This included a map and eight photographs and copies are ON FILE.

Note: Jennifer Miles, Mai Bell and Johanna van Laar-Veth addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

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

That Council officers facilitate a meeting with residents from the Putney Hill Development (Frasers) and residents of the area bounded by Princes Street, Charles Street and Morrison Road, including Linley Way and Fernleigh Close, to discuss options for an (off-leash) fenced dog area at Lardelli Park, Putney Hill and in the event that such a facility is deemed suitable for the area, explore whether Section 94 funds can be used to fund any required works.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**5 RYDE STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item, for the reason that he is a volunteer at Ryde State Emergency Service.

Note: Warren Smith (representing NSW State Emergency Service – Ryde Unit) addressed the meeting in relation to this Item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That the Mayor include words of appreciation of the efforts of the Ryde SES and Council SES Volunteer staff in the Mayor's Community Message and all other Council Media Channels.
- (b) That at a suitable time in the near future, the Mayor invite the Ryde SES, Councillors and Council staff who volunteer for the SES for an afternoon or morning tea, to express his appreciation of their efforts on behalf of all residents of the City of Ryde, with the afternoon or morning tea to be funded from the Event's budget.
- (c) That the General Manager, in consultation with the SES, investigate the options of holding a public event in recognising the efforts of the SES and the volunteers.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 28 April 2015**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Maggio)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 7/15, held on 28 April 2015 be confirmed.



**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 REPORT OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 6/15 held on 5 May 2015**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Chung and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council determine Item 2 of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting 6/15, held on 5 May 2015 noting that Items 1 and 3, were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.
- (b) That Item 2 - 43-45 Magdala Road, North Ryde, LDA2014/0313, remain at large to be dealt with at the next Planning and Environment Committee meeting.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 6/15 held on 5 May 2015**

Note: Councillor Laxale was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

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

That Council determine Item 2(c) of the Works and Community Committee report 6/15, held on 5 May 2015 noting that Items 1, 2(a), 2(b), 2(d), 2(e), 2(f), 2(g), 2(h), 2(i), 2(j), 2(k), 2(l), 2(m), 2(n), 2(o), 2(p), 2(q), 2(r), 2(s), 2(t) and 3 were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS PRESENTED TO RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE held on 26 March 2015**

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

- (c) That Council install 'No Parking; 10am-5pm; Sat, Sun and Pub Hols; Mar-Sep' on the western side of Vimiera Road, across the frontages of 141 to 147 Vimiera Road, Eastwood, subject to confirmation of the consultation process undertaken with affected residents.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**4 ARGYLE CENTRE AND BOWLING CLUB SITES - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS**

Note: Councillor Laxale arrived at the meeting at 9.16pm, during discussion on this Item.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pendleton and Simon)

- (a) That Council endorses proceeding to an EOI process in respect of the Ryde Bowling Club as detailed in Option 4 in the report, for the long term use of the community facility known as the Ryde Bowling Club, seeking to accommodate a mix of community and recreational uses that are permissible under the current zoning, subject to public access being provided for community use.
- (b) That Council notes the outcomes of the community consultation regarding 33-41 Blaxland Road Ryde and explores incorporating the site into Ryde Park.
- (c) That Council note and endorse the outcome of the Community consultation process.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Chung)

- (a) That Council endorses proceeding to an EOI process in respect of the Ryde Bowling Club as detailed in Option 4 in the report, for the long term use of the community facility known as the Ryde Bowling Club, seeking to accommodate a mix of community and recreational uses that are permissible under the current zoning, subject to public access being provided for community use.
- (b) That Council notes the outcomes of the community consultation regarding 33-41 Blaxland Road Ryde and endorses proceeding with Option 2 as detailed in the report, to the next stage of the project which is to provide a detailed report to the Office of Local Government and report any assessment details provided back to Council.
- (c) That Council note and endorse the outcome of the Community consultation process.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was nine (9) For and three (3) Against. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and became the Motion.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Perram, Salvestro-Martin, Stott and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, Pendleton and Simon

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Chung)

- (a) That Council endorses proceeding to an EOI process in respect of the Ryde Bowling Club as detailed in Option 4 in the report, for the long term use of the community facility known as the Ryde Bowling Club, seeking to accommodate a mix of community and recreational uses that are permissible under the current zoning, subject to public access being provided for community use.
- (b) That Council notes the outcomes of the community consultation regarding 33-41 Blaxland Road Ryde and endorses proceeding with Option 2 as detailed in the report, to the next stage of the project which is to provide a detailed report to the Office of Local Government and report any assessment details provided back to Council.
- (c) That Council note and endorse the outcome of the Community consultation process.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Maggio, Perram, Salvestro-Martin, Simon, Stott and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Pendleton and Simon

**5 RYDE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY SUMMIT 2014**

Note: Councillor Maggio left the meeting at 9:45pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Laxale and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council endorse the findings of the Affordable Housing Summit held on 6 November 2014;
- (b) That Council endorse the preparation of a Ryde Affordable Housing Policy to guide and facilitate the delivery of affordable housing in the City of Ryde.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Maggio returned to the meeting at 9.50pm.

**6 FIT FOR THE FUTURE UPDATE**

Note: An Information Brochure from the Lord Mayor of Parramatta City Council was tabled in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council note the update on the actions taken by the General Manager in preparing Council's response to the Fit for the Future program, as a result of Council's resolution at its meeting 17 February 2015.
- (b) That Council endorse the General Manager continuing to finalise both Council's Template 2 submission – (Council Improvement Proposal) and the Joint Regional Authority proposal, (as detailed in the body of this report), in conjunction with Lane Cove and Hunter's Hill Councils.
- (c) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to provide a submission to IPART regarding Fit for the Future Assessment methodology on behalf of Council.
- (d) That Council note this matter will be reported back to Council at a meeting in June 2015.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Pendleton and Simon)

- (a) That Council note the update on the actions taken by the General Manager in preparing Council's response to the Fit for the Future program, as a result of Council's resolution at its meeting 17 February 2015.
- (b) That Council proceed with the Joint Organisation proposal on the basis that Ryde citizens' rights are protected under the model.
- (c) That Council immediately investigate a superior option to enhance the scale and capacity via adjustments to Ryde City Council's boundaries and the provision of shared services with surrounding Councils, in conjunction with the completion of Template 2 (Council Improvement Proposal).
- (d) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to provide a submission to IPART regarding Fit for the Future Assessment methodology on behalf of Council.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

- (e) That Council note this matter will be reported back to Council at a meeting in June 2015.

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was four (4) For and eight (8) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, Pendleton, Perram and Simon

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Salvestro-Martin and Stott

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Salvestro-Martin and Yedelian OAM)

- (a) That Council note the update on the actions taken by the General Manager in preparing Council's response to the Fit for the Future program, as a result of Council's resolution at its meeting 17 February 2015.
- (b) That Council endorse the General Manager continuing to finalise both Council's Template 2 submission – (Council Improvement Proposal) and the Joint Regional Authority proposal, (as detailed in the body of this report), in conjunction with Lane Cove and Hunter's Hill Councils.
- (c) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to provide a submission to IPART regarding Fit for the Future Assessment methodology on behalf of Council.
- (d) That Council note this matter will be reported back to Council at a meeting in June 2015.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Li, Maggio, Salvestro-Martin, Stott and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillors Perram, Simon, Pendleton and Laxale

Note: Councillor Li left the meeting at 10.46pm and did not return.

**7 RYDE CIVIC HUB COMMITTEE - PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Note: Councillor Pendleton disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item, for the reason that a public land sale / redevelopment potentially will significantly change the surrounding landscape.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

Note: Councillor Stott left the meeting at 10.50pm and was not present for voting on this item.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Etmekdjian and Maggio)

- (a) That Council endorse the proposed Terms of Reference for the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.
- (b) That Council nominate and endorse the Mayor and any interested Councillors to be members of the Ryde Civic Hub Committee. Councillor nominations shall be lodged with the General Manager prior to 5pm on Friday, 15 May 2015.
- (c) That Council note that a workshop is to be scheduled in mid 2015 to consider options arising out of a review of the existing Council and Committee meeting structure and meeting cycles.
- (d) That Council note that the Code of Meeting Practice will be updated with the necessary changes and a report to Council, following the workshop held in mid 2015.
- (e) That Council endorse Councillor Etmekdjian as the Chairperson and Councillor Salvestro-Martin as the Deputy Chairperson of the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Pendleton and Simon)

- (a) That Council endorse the proposed Terms of Reference for the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.
- (b) That Council nominate and endorse the Mayor and any interested Councillors to be members of the Ryde Civic Hub Committee. Councillor nominations shall be lodged with the General Manager prior to 5pm on Friday, 15 May 2015.
- (c) That Council note that a workshop is to be scheduled in mid 2015 to consider options arising out of a review of the existing Council and Committee meeting structure and meeting cycles.
- (d) That Council note that the Code of Meeting Practice will be updated with the necessary changes and a report to Council, following the workshop held in mid 2015.
- (e) That the first meeting be deferred until such time that the Fit for the Future decision by the Minister for Local Government has been announced in respect of the City of Ryde Council in order to ensure clear project parameters.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

On being put to the Meeting, the voting on the Amendment was four (4) For and six (6) Against. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Amendment: Councillors Laxale, Pendleton, Perram and Simon

Against the Amendment: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Maggio, Salvestro-Martin, and Yedelian OAM

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

- (a) That Council endorse the proposed Terms of Reference for the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.
- (b) That Council nominate and endorse the Mayor and any interested Councillors to be members of the Ryde Civic Hub Committee. Councillor nominations shall be lodged with the General Manager prior to 5pm on Friday, 15 May 2015.
- (c) That Council note that a workshop is to be scheduled in mid 2015 to consider options arising out of a review of the existing Council and Committee meeting structure and meeting cycles.
- (d) That Council note that the Code of Meeting Practice will be updated with the necessary changes and a report to Council, following the workshop held in mid 2015.
- (e) That Council endorse Councillor Etmekdjian as the Chairperson and Councillor Salvestro-Martin as the Deputy Chairperson of the Ryde Civic Hub Committee.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Yedelian OAM, Chung, Maggio, Salvestro-Martin and Etmekdjian.

Against the Motion: Councillors Laxale, Pendleton, Perram and Simon

**PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION**

**1 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 388-392 LANE COVE ROAD MACQUARIE PARK - REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT FOR GATEWAY DETERMINATION**

Note: Councillors Li and Stott were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Etmekdjian)

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**2 PLANNING FOR RHODES CENTRAL - UPDATE**

Note: Councillors Li and Stott were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Yedelian OAM and Chung)

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 LETTER FROM CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY - RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL IN RELATION TO ARMENIAN GENOCIDE**

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

**LATE PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION**

**4 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT – FIT FOR THE FUTURE EXPERT PANEL**

Note: Councillors Li and Stott were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

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

That the correspondence be received and noted.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Maggio, Perram, Salvestro-Martin, Simon and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Pendleton



**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**1 ESTABLISHMENT OF MORRISON BAY PARK SPORTING USER GROUP - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillors Li and Stott were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Salvestro-Martin)

Council conducts regular sporting user group meetings at ELS Hall and Meadowbank Parks. In addition to these existing user group meetings, I move that, given the number of sporting users at Morrison Bay Park, Council staff organise a regular sporting users group meeting for Morrison Bay Park to discuss any issues surrounding sporting use of the Park.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Stott returned to the meeting at 10.58pm

**2 SMOKE FREE CAMPAIGN AROUND SPORTING GROUNDS - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Salvestro-Martin)

- (a) That Council commence a "Smoke Free" campaign by displaying temporary banners along fences at City of Ryde sporting grounds during 2015 and that appropriate messaging also be placed on Council's website.
- (b) That Council provide temporary banners to participating local sporting clubs to display during the winter season. The banners will encourage clubs members and spectators not to smoke at sportsgrounds or sporting fields. Funding will be sourced from the Community Life (Sport and Recreation) budget.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**3 SKATE PARK - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Salvestro-Martin)

- (a) That in a further demonstration of Council's scale and capacity (Fit for the Future), the General Manager prepare a report to Council on options to expand or enhance the Ryde/Gladesville Skate Park.
- (b) That Hunters Hill Council be invited to participate in a joint working party to discuss options for expansion/enhancement of the facility and the establishment of a joint annual skate boarding competition.
- (c) That the working party also explore options for the establishment of a new (regional) skate park facility elsewhere in the City of Ryde.
- (d) That this matter be taken into consideration during the preparation of the City of Ryde Sports and Recreation Strategy in 2015.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Maggio, Pendleton, Salvestro-Martin, Stott, Simon and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Perram

**4 PUTNEY HILL DOG OFF LEASH AREA - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

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

**5 RYDE STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES - Deputy Mayor, Councillor Roy Maggio**

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

**CLOSED SESSION**

**ITEM 8 – REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT- 04/15 - CONSTRUCTION OF QUARRY ROAD AMENITIES BUILDING - SANTA ROSA PARK**

**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: (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; AND (d) (ii) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council; AND (d) (iii) information that would, if disclosed, reveal a trade secret.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**ITEM 9 – LEC PROCEEDINGS 10093 OF 2015 – Class 1 Appeal against deemed refusal of Development Application LDA2014/0365 – 75 Rowe Street, Eastwood**

**Confidential**

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**ITEM 10 – LEC PROCEEDINGS 10252 OF 2015 – Class 1 Appeal against deemed refusal of Development Application LDA2014/0558 – 27-31 College Street, Gladesville**

**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.

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

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

- (a) That the Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the above matters.
- (b) That the meeting time be extended to complete all Items of business on the Agenda.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Pendleton, Perram, Salvestro-Martin, Simon, Stott and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

Note: The Council closed the meeting at 11.02pm. The public and media left the chamber.

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**8 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT- 04/15 - CONSTRUCTION OF QUARRY ROAD AMENITIES BUILDING - SANTA ROSA PARK**

Note: Councillor Li was not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Chung and Simon)

- (a) That Council accepts the tender from Westbury Constructions Pty Ltd for the Construction of the Quarry Road amenities building in Santa Rosa Park to the amount of \$199,360 (excl GST).
- (b) That Council delegate to the General Manager the authority to enter into a contract with Westbury Constructions Pty Ltd on the terms contained within the tender.
- (c) That Council advise all the respondents of Council's decision.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM left the meeting at 11.24pm and did not return.

**LATE ITEMS – CONFIDENTIAL**

**9 LEC PROCEEDINGS 10093 OF 2015 – Class 1 Appeal against deemed refusal of Development Application LDA2014/0365 – 75 Rowe Street, Eastwood**

Note: Councillors Li and Yedelian OAM were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Etmekdjian and Stott)

That the Group Manager – Environment and Planning be delegated authority to instruct General Counsel to take action in this matter as endorsed by Council in Closed Session.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Pendleton, Salvestro-Martin, Simon and Stott

Against the Motion: Councillors Maggio and Perram

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**10 LEC PROCEEDINGS 10252 OF 2015 – Class 1 Appeal against deemed refusal of Development Application LDA2014/0558 – 27-31 College Street, Gladesville**

Note: Councillors Li and Yedelian OAM were not present for consideration or voting on this item.

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Simon and Laxale)

That the Group Manager – Environment and Planning be delegated authority to instruct General Counsel to take action in this matter as endorsed by Council in Closed Session.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: The Mayor, Councillor Pickering and Councillors Chung, Etmekdjian, Laxale, Pendleton, Salvestro-Martin, Simon and Stott

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio and Perram

**OPEN SESSION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Etmekdjian and Stott)

That Council resolve itself into open Council.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: Open Council resumed at 11.38pm.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Etmekdjian and Stott)

That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolutions of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.

**Record of Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

**ITEM 1 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

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

The meeting closed at 11.40pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 26TH DAY OF MAY 2015

Chairperson

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**2 REPORT OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
7/15 held on 19 May 2015**

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**Report prepared by:** Section Manager - Governance  
**File No.:** CLM/15/1/4/2 - BP15/562

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

The Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting 7/15 held on 19 May 2015 are to be circulated on Thursday, 21 May 2015 after the meeting has been conducted. The Minutes will be listed for confirmation at the next Planning and Environment Committee Meeting.

A report detailing Items which were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers, together with any Committee recommendations will be circulated at the same time as the Minutes on Thursday, 21 May 2015.

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**3 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 7/15  
held on 19 May 2015**

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**Report prepared by:** Section Manager - Governance  
**File No.:** CLM/15/1/4/2 - BP15/563

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

The Minutes of the Works and Community Committee Meeting 7/15 held on 19 May 2015 are to be circulated on Thursday, 21 May 2015 after the meeting has been conducted. The Minutes will be listed for confirmation at the next Works and Community Committee Meeting.

A report detailing Items which were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers, together with any Committee recommendations will be circulated at the same time as the Minutes on Thursday, 21 May 2015.



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#### **4 SUBMISSIONS - DRAFT DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN PART 8.2 STORMWATER AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT**

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**Report prepared by:** Strategic Planner  
**File No.:** DCP2014/5/5 - BP15/390

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#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report addresses the outcomes of the exhibition of Draft Development Control Plan (DCP) Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management.

Council on the 25 November 2014 resolved in part:-

- To adopt Draft Development Control Plan Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated Stormwater and Floodplain Management Technical Manual and Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines for the purpose of public exhibition and
- That all documents be placed on exhibition in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Draft DCP 2014 - Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management aims to:

- Amalgamate existing DCP Parts 8.2 Stormwater Management and 8.6 Floodplain Management into a single cohesive and comprehensive DCP Part
- Introduce Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) controls for major developments
- Provide more flexibility in the application of flood management controls.
- Remove all technical material into separate documents to be read in conjunction with the new DCP Part. These are the Stormwater and Floodplain Management Technical Manual and Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines.

The draft DCP was placed on exhibition from the 18 February 2015 to the 20 March 2015 for community comment. A total of four 4 submissions were received from the community, one in support of the DCP, one unrelated to the DCP but requesting that a property be deleted from the Macquarie Park Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan as flood affected and two requesting amendments to the draft Plan.

A summary of the principle issues raised and resulting proposed key amendments to the DCP are as follows:-

Issues raised:-

- That the DCP be expanded to provide advice to both residents and developers of Council's ability to take action to ensure existing drainage easements are operating effectively.

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- That particular controls be amended to provide clarity and consistency between documents.

Key amendments proposed include:-

- DCP *Clause 1.4 Document Structure - Section 3: Water Sensitive Urban Design* - amended to reflect that stormwater systems should integrate whole water management considerations.
- DCP *Clause 2.3.3.2 (f) Alternate Discharge Point – Absorption/onsite disposal systems* - reference to 5m clearance from boundaries – amended to clarify required clearance from respective boundaries.
- Technical Manual *Section 1.3.5 (1) Discharge to an On-site Dispersal/ Absorption System* - amended to include the provision for site specific permeability ratings being able to be provided by an independent, suitably qualified geotechnical consultant, on a case by case basis if and as required by Council.

A summary of submissions received and Council's response is provided in within this report. A summary of the amendments proposed to DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Flood Management and associated documents is provided in ATTACHMENT 1.

The report recommends that Council adopt Draft Development Control Part 8.2 Stormwater and Flood Management and associated documents with amendments outlined in Attachment 1 and that the Council's decision be placed in a local newspaper as required under the terms of the Regulations to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 so the Plan may come into effect.

DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated Technical Manual and Design Guidelines are circulated under **SEPARATE COVER**.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated Stormwater and Floodplain Management Technical Manual and Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines as amended and that a public notice of Council's decisions be placed in a local newspaper so the Plan may come into effect.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Amendments to Draft DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management
- 2 DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 3 Stormwater and Floodplain Management - Technical Manual - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 4 Stormwater and Floodplain Management - Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

Report Prepared By:

**Susan Wotton**  
**Strategic Planner**

Report Approved By:

**Meryl Bishop**  
**Manager - Urban Planning**

**Dominic Johnson**  
**Group Manager - Environment and Planning**

## **ITEM 4 (continued)**

### **Background**

A report was presented to Council on the 12 August 2014 which outlined the preparation of an amending Development Control Plan that aims to comprehensively review DCP 2014. In that report it was identified that with respect to those parts of the DCP related to engineering requirements that a review and amalgamation of the various engineering Parts should occur. Two of the engineering parts to be amalgamated were 8.2 Stormwater and 8.6 Floodplain Management.

Council on the 12 August 2014 resolved to endorse the preparation of an amending Development Control Plan that aims to comprehensively review DCP 2014 in accordance with a review framework and program.

Stage 1 of the review program includes the following DCP 2014 Parts:-

- Residential
- Stormwater Management
- Macquarie Park DCP
- Engineering Standards
- Signage

### **Discussion**

Council on the 25 November 2014 adopted Draft DCP Stormwater and Floodplain Management and endorsed the exhibition of the draft Plan.

Draft DCP 2014 - Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management aims to:

- Amalgamate existing DCP Parts 8.2 Stormwater Management and 8.6 Floodplain Management into a single cohesive and comprehensive DCP Part
- Introduce Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) controls for major developments
- Provide more flexibility in the application of flood management controls.
- Update Council's current stormwater drainage and WSUD controls to reflect current industry standards
- Remove all technical material into separate documents to be read in conjunction with the new DCP Part. These are the Stormwater and Floodplain Management Technical Manual and Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines.

Draft DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated documents were exhibited from the 18 February 2015 to the 20 March 2015 for community comment.

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Consultation was in accordance with the *DCP Review Consultation Program* prepared by Council's Communication and Media (C&M) Unit with respect to the nature and extent of consultation required for the comprehensive review of DCP 2014. Council adopted the Stage 1 DCP Review Consultation Program on the 25 November 2014.

The consultation undertaken with respect to DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management included:-

- An email to identified stakeholders advising of the exhibition and the purpose of Draft DCP 2014 - Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management, the nature of controls reviewed and the introduction of WSUD controls into the document, where the draft Part could be viewed and appointment times to discuss the draft Part with Council's Development Engineer.
- An appointment based information session for stakeholders held on the 25 February 2015.
- 'Have your say' webpage with soft copy and consultation information.
- Consultation information in the City News in NDT.

Hard copies of all documents were made available for viewing at the Customer Service Centre, Ryde Planning and Business Centre and all Libraries.

By the close of the exhibition period on the 20 March 2014 a total of four 4 submissions had been received from the community, one in support of the DCP, one unrelated to the DCP but requesting that a property be deleted from the Macquarie Park Floodplain Risk Management Study & Plan as flood affected and two requesting amendments to the draft Plan. A submission was also received from Council's Sustainability and Stormwater Projects Advisory Officer. A summary of submissions received and Council's response is provided below in Table 1.

**Table 1 Submissions**

<b>Submission</b>	<b>Response</b>
D15/30950 In support of DCP – in particular inclusion of alternate methods of drainage	Comment noted
D15/30982  That the DCP be expanded to include advice to both residents and developers of Council's ability to take action to ensure existing drainage easements are operating effectively.  A particular site is identified where a drainage issue exists – Rowe St Eastwood	Council's Senior Development Engineer – Major Development states –  The preservation and maintenance of drainage easements (private and public) is addressed in Council's DCP Part 8.4 (Title Encumbrances) as well NSW legislation (Conveyancing Act and Local Government

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<b>Submission</b>	<b>Response</b>
	<p>Act). The drafted Technical Manual outlines requirements concerning the design of private easements (Refer to Section 1.3.4 – Technical Manual) and the design of public infrastructure under Councils maintenance is clarified in Section 5 of the Technical Manual.</p> <p>In considering the authors submission, it is pertinent to note that modern drainage systems are designed, for reasons of economy and practicality, to convey stormwater runoff by pipe for smaller, frequent storm events and as overland flow larger, less frequent events. A comparable analogy is the design of a local, suburban road. It would not be cost effective for all local roads to accommodate lanes and road linemarking to cater for the highest traffic volume that could possibly be experienced in that roadway.</p> <p>The submission has been forwarded to Public Works for review with respect to the specific site.</p>
<p>D15/28405            Request that Macquarie Link business park at 277 – 283 Lane Cove Rd Macquarie Park be deleted from Macquarie Park Floodplain Risk Management Study &amp; Plan.</p>	<p>Submission not related to DCP.            Council's Team Manager Stormwater Infrastructure states :-            According to the adopted Macquarie Park Flood Study and Floodplain Risk Management Study &amp; Plan, the site is subject to low flood risk. There are Council trunk drainage systems that traverse on two sides of the site (Lane Cove Road and east side).... City of Ryde cannot amend the flood risk plans without revisiting the hydrology and hydraulic models. The hydrology and hydraulic models can be purchased from the Council.            The applicant has been advised accordingly.</p>

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<b>Submission</b>	<b>Response</b>
<p>D15/28847</p> <p>Requests clarification of:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) 2.3.3.2 (f) re absorption /onsite disposal systems and reference to 5m clearance from boundaries should be in line with Technical Manual i.e. 5m from downstream boundary and 2-3 m clearance from adjacent boundaries</li> <li>b) Technical Manual – Section 1.3.5 (a) – Is the intent that all low level sites drainage systems be approved by Council? (ie CDC applications?)</li> <li>c) Technical Manual Section 1.3.5 (l) - Possibility for consultant to determine site permeability rates to allow for smaller absorption trench sizes.</li> <li>d) Technical Manual – Section 1.4.1 – It is noted that Council must approve all cases of OSD exemptions. Is the intent that all low level properties must be lodged through Council? Further, any development that satisfies an OSD exemption requirement cannot be undertaken as a CDC application.</li> <li>e) The DCP and Technical Manual should provide explicit rulings on site coverage limits concerning split systems (eg a portion draining to absorption whilst another portion drains via a charged system).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Agree – Required Action - Amend DCP to clarify required clearance from respective boundaries.</li> <li>b) No Action Required - It is not the intent as the wording “should” indicates this is not a compulsory requirement.</li> <li>c) Agree – Required Action - Amend wording of subsection (l) to include the provision for site specific permeability ratings provided by an independent, suitably qualified geotechnical consultant. It is up to Council staff to assess on a case by case basis if the provision of a site specific permeability rating is required.</li> <li>d) Agree – Required Action – Amend Clause 1.4.1 (e). A formatting error has resulted in a requirement that an exemption from OSD is required in all instances to be confirmed by Council when it is only required in the instance outlined in subclause (e) i.e. when the implementation of OSD on the site cannot be achieved without adverse outcomes to occupants.</li> <li>e) No Action Required. - This is not considered essential as the limiting factor is only associated with absorption systems (no more than 35% of the site coverage to absorption). Stormwater discharged via a charged system (where permitted) has no such limitations.</li> </ul>



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Submission	Response
<p>D15/21204 - Council's Sustainability and Stormwater Projects Advisory Officer which relates:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Clause 1.4 ; Section 3: Water Sensitive Urban Design - <i>be amended to reflect that stormwater systems should integrate whole water management considerations</i></li> <li>b) Improve legibility of the pollutant target table.</li> <li>c) Seeking clarification on the use of the term "Detrimental". The use of the term does not clarify this well for developers.</li> <li>d) Section 3.1 General- Revise wording to - <i>Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) is an element of stormwater management which seeks to reduce the environmental impact of drainage systems and integrate water cycle management &amp; promote on site reuse to reduce development impacts.</i></li> <li>e) Clause 3.2 Objective 2 - Amend to include - <i>To encourage stormwater treatment &amp; water capture measures which can be integrated into the landscape so as to improve the visual amenity, aid the natural environment and enhance public space areas.'</i></li> <li>f) Section 2.3.1 – requirement that . Stormwater runoff from property must be directed to either public drainage infrastructure, a natural watercourse or public reserve under gravity feed wherever possible, with the point of connection designed in accordance with Section 1.4.1 of the Stormwater Technical Manual. – Control too loose - should identify a minimum slope requirement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Agreed. Action Required – Clause 1.4 Section 3 Amended to make reference to whole water cycle management considerations.</li> <li>b) Agree – Action Required –Clause 3.3.1 Reformat Pollutant Target Table</li> <li>c) No Action Required - It is considered that the term "detrimental" should be left undefined. There is no need to define "detrimental" when it is readily implied to mean an adverse impact as a result of development.</li> <li>d) Agree – Action Required –Clause 3.1 Reworded as requested</li> <li>e) Agree – Action Required –Clause 3.2 Reworded as requested</li> <li>f) No Action Required - The DCP is intended to act as a guiding, high level document outlining the core controls. The basic technical requirements are essentially covered by the Australian Standards and further requirements are encompassed in the Technical Manual. As such there is no need to include this detail in the DCP.</li> </ul>



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Submission	Response
g) Section 3.3.2 “Water harvesting and reuse” control (b) requires that water use within open space areas (irrigation, ponds, water features) must be supplied by grey-water/ rainwater storage to meet 80% of the water use demand. How would this be measured should it be needed to?	g) No Action Required - To satisfy such a control, the drainage consultant would need to estimate the water use demand of this component and compare this to rainfall data statistics (frequency and volume) to determine appropriate sized rainwater storage. It is conceded that the system will be in-clement to variations in weather patterns and so the % of water reuse will vary from year to year. Notwithstanding this, the presented target greatly reduces demand on potable water supply, is practical to achieve and does not warrant further attention.

A summary of the amendments proposed to DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Flood Management and associated documents is provided in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

**Other Considerations**

A review of the draft DCP and support material has found a number of administrative issues principally around reference and clause number inconsistencies. It is considered that the documents should be amended to ensure all such inconsistencies are rectified. One of the inconsistencies identified by Council’s Senior Development Engineer – Major Development relates to the Section 1.4.1 of the Stormwater and Floodplain Technical Manual and exemptions to the provision of on site detention relating to single dwellings or dual occupancies and development involving alterations and additions. Controls are identified in the onsite detention calculation sheets which are part of the draft Technical Manual but not highlighted within Section 1.4.1. It is proposed to include them in the Section to ensure consistency within the Manual.

**Consultation**

Consultation undertaken with respect to the draft DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management has been discussed previously in this report.

It should be noted that during the review of the existing DCP and drafting of the proposed DCP, Technical Manual and WSUD Guidelines the following units were consulted:

- Asset Systems
- Environment, Health and Building
- Urban Planning
- Assessment

**ITEM 4 (continued)**

Advice of the exhibition of the Draft DCP was also forwarded to the Team Manager Stormwater Infrastructure Integration.

One submission has been received from Council's Sustainability and Stormwater Projects Advisory Officer and has been discussed earlier in the report.

**Financial Implications**

If Council resolves to adopt the draft DCP it is a requirement under the Act that Council's decision be notified in the local newspaper. Such expenditure would be covered in the Urban Planning and Assessment Unit budgets in 2014/2015

**Context and Timeframes**

Under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 2000 the Council must give public notice of its decision in a local newspaper within 28 days after the decision is made.

**Policy Implications**

The recommendation is consistent with the requirement of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

**Options**

There are three options for Council's consideration in relation to draft DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated documents:-

- Option 1: That Council adopts DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated documents without amendment and a public notice be made as required under the Act
- Option 2: That Council adopts the DCP and associated documents with amendment and a public notice be made as required under the Act.  
This is the preferred option. The recommendation attached to this report is based on this option and reflects the approach and priorities identified in this report.
- Option 3: To not proceed with the adoption of the Draft DCP. This would mean the retention of two existing DCPs which are difficult to read, include repetition, are onerous for small development and contain content and references that are out of date.

**ITEM 4 (continued)**

**ATTACHMENT 1**

Amendments to Draft DCP Part 8.2 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and Associated documents.

<b>Clauses to be amended</b>	<b>Required Action</b>
DCP <i>Clause 2.3.3.2 (f) Alternative Discharge Point – Absorption/ onsite disposal systems</i> - reference to 5m clearance from boundaries – should be in line with Technical Manual i.e. 5m from downstream boundary and 2-3 m clearance from adjacent boundaries	Required Action – amend DCP to clarify required clearance from respective boundaries.
Technical Manual - <i>Section 1.3.5 (l) Discharge to an On-site Dispersal/ Absorption System</i> – should allow for consultant to determine site permeability rates to allow for smaller absorption trench sizes.	Required Action - Amend wording of subsection(l) to include the provision for site specific permeability ratings provided by an independent, suitably qualified geotechnical consultant.
Technical Manual – <i>Section 1.4.1(e) Exemption from having to provide an OSD system.</i> - General statement which currently applies to all controls should apply only to control (e) which relates to when the implementation of OSD on the site cannot be achieved without adverse outcomes to occupants.	Required Action – Amend Section 1.4.1 to move general statement to apply to control (e) only.
DCP <i>Clause 1.4 Document Structure - Section 3: Water Sensitive Urban Design</i> - be amended to reflect that stormwater systems should integrate whole water management considerations	Action Required – Amend Clause 1.4 Section 3 as specified
DCP <i>Clause 3.3.1(b) Stormwater Quality</i> - amend to improve legibility of the pollutant targets	Action Required – Reformat Clause into a Pollutant Target Table
DCP <i>Clause 3.1 General - Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD)</i> - revise wording to read :- Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) is an element of stormwater management which seeks to reduce the environmental impact of drainage systems and integrate water cycle management & promote on site reuse to reduce development impacts.	Action Required – Amend Clause 3.1 as specified
DCP <i>Clause 3.2 WSUD – Where does it apply Objective 2</i> - revise wording to read 'To encourage stormwater treatment & water capture measures which can be integrated into the landscape so as to improve the visual amenity, aid the natural environment and enhance public space areas.'	Action Required – Amend Clause 3.2 as specified
Administrative changes to enable better clarity of controls	<i>Section 1.4.1 Exemption from having to provide an OSD system and where required</i>

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**5 MARCH QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN  
2014-2018 AND 2014/2015 OPERATIONAL PLAN**

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**Report prepared by:** Chief Financial Officer  
**File No.:** FIM/07/6/2/2/6 - BP15/590

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

Council's Four Year Delivery Plan 2014-2018 and One Year Operational Plan 2014/2015 set out the strategic and financial objectives for the year. They also detail the goals and various performance measures for Council's seven key outcome areas, the services and projects that Council plans to deliver in 2014/2015.

The attached Quarterly Report includes details for each of the seven Outcome areas and the 21 Program areas, detailing the targets adopted by Council and the performance to date in achieving those targets by 30 June 2015. Also shown is a financial performance summary for each key outcome area and a progress status report on all Capital and Non-Capital Projects by Program Area that are being undertaken in 2014/2015.

As a result of the March Quarterly Review, Council has further improved its financial position with a \$0.03 million increase in Council's Working Capital. This will result in Council's available Working Capital increasing to \$3.05 million. Most of this is due to Rates income, and DA fees and charges received higher than budgeted for.

In addition, this review also brings to account additional income received from Section 94 contributions and VPA contributions.

The majority of corporate indicators are on track or have exceeded their targets, with an improvement being shown in relation to completion of project milestones for the March Quarter. Detailed in this report are projects that are proposed to be deferred or cancelled for Council's consideration and endorsement. This report also provides a high level overview of the key projects that are anticipated to be carried forward to the 2015/2016 year, noting this will be the subject of a separate report at Council's Meeting on 23 June 2015.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 31 March 2015 on the March Quarterly Review Report. Four Year Delivery Plan 2014-2018 and One Year Operational Plan 2014/2015, be received and endorsed.
- (b) That the proposed budget adjustments included in this report resulting in a net increase of \$0.03 million in Council's Working Capital, to a projected balance as at 30 June 2015 of \$3.05 million, be endorsed and included in the 2014/2015 Budget.

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- (c) That the proposed transfers to and from Reserves as detailed in the report, and included as budget adjustments, totalling a net increase in Transfers to Reserves of \$0.75 million be endorsed.
- (d) That the Certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer dated 8 May 2015 be endorsed.
- (e) That Council endorse the Projects recommended for cancellation, deferral, being placed on hold or proposed to be carried over as detailed in the Report.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Quarterly Report on Four Year Delivery Plan 2014-2018 and One Year Operational Plan 2014-2015 - Quarter Three - January to March 2015 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

Report Prepared By:

**John Todd**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Report Approved By:

**Roy Newsome**  
**Group Manager - Corporate Services**

## ITEM 5 (continued)

### Discussion

As required under section 407 of the Local Government Act, 1993 the quarterly review of the One Year Operational Plan 2014/2015 as at 31 March 2015 is presented to Council.

This Quarterly Review reports on the performance of Council in undertaking its Principal Activities in terms of its stated objectives and financial position. The following sections are included in the document, *Quarterly Review Report, Four Year Delivery Plan 2014-2018 and One Year Operational Plan 2014/2015, Quarter Three, January– March 2015* that has been **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER – ATTACHMENT 1**:

- General Manager's Overview, Financial Management and Corporate Performance Overview - provides a 'snapshot' of Council's performance in the quarter relative to several high profile activities.
- Outcome Area Reports – including overview, operational indicators, financial outcome and graphical representation of performance measures.
- Capital and Non Capital Projects Quarterly Status Report – provides comments regarding the status of all of Council's Capital and Non Capital Expenditure projects.
- Base Budget Quarterly Status Report.
- Reserves Listing Report – outlines the opening balance, approved budgeted transfers to/from Reserves and proposed additional transfers to/from Reserves, with a projected balance as at 30 June 2015. **Appendix A**
- Quarterly Changes Report – provides comments and details of those budget items that are proposed to be increased or decreased in the 2014/2015 budget. **Appendix B**
- Consolidated Income and Expenditure Estimates 2014/2015, summary of the budget in two pages, showing the original budget and quarterly changes. **Appendix C**

### Report

The March 2015 Quarterly Review has been completed and is submitted to Council for endorsement.

**ITEM 5 (continued)**

The key points to note that are included in this Review are:

Income

- \$1.53 million in Section 94 contributions received, which will be transferred to the Section 94 Reserves for future works.
- \$0.66 million VPA contribution received in cash, which will be transferred to Reserve for future works.
- \$0.26 million additional income from DA fees and charges due to strong building and development sector, partially offset by additional costs to process DAs.
- \$0.25 million additional rate income received due to growth.
- \$0.18 million Metropolitan Greenspace Grant for Ryde Parramatta River Walk project.
- \$0.14 million in Affordable Housing contributions received in relation to 16-18 First Avenue Eastwood, transferred to Reserves.
- \$0.10 million additional income received for external works.

Expenses

- \$0.50 million for the costs associated with the “Ryde Says No to Forced Amalgamations”, the Fit for the Future project, funded by Fit For The Future Reserve (established by Council in February 2015).
- \$0.21 million additional expenditure for Development Assessments program, offset by additional income received.
- \$0.16 million additional funding for Living on the Block project, funded by unspent Better Waste & Recycling Grant, held in Reserves.
- \$0.11 million additional funding for Implement Waste Education Campaign & Branding project, funded by unspent Better Waste & Recycling Grant, held in Reserves.
- \$0.11 million additional expenditure for the External Works, offset by additional income received.
- \$0.10 million additional expenditure for Temporary Internal Audit assistance as endorsed by Audit and Risk Committee and Council, due to impact of procurement project.
- \$0.02 million (actual \$15,000) additional allocation to facilitate the development of Council’s Affordable Housing Policy, in accordance with Council’s endorsement of the General Manager’s Objectives.



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### Working Capital Summary

Following the completion of the Financial Statements, Council had a Working Capital of \$4.07 million, as at 30 June 2014. The 2014/2015 Operational Plan was developed utilising \$0.74 million of Working Capital, resulting in a revised Working Capital of \$3.32 million. Following the December Quarterly Review, Working Capital reduced to a projected \$3.02 million.

As a result of the March Quarterly Review, Council has improved its financial position with a \$0.03 million increase in Council's Working Capital. This will result in Council's available Working Capital increasing to \$3.05 million as at 30 June 2015.

<b>Opening Working Capital</b>	<b>4,110</b>
End of Year Changes	(45)
<b>Final Opening Working Capital</b>	<b>4,065</b>
Delivery Plan	(743)
<b>Revised Working Capital</b>	<b>3,322</b>
September Adjustments	428
December Adjustments	(726)
March Adjustments	30
Carryover Adjustments	
June Adjustments	
** Rounding variance **	(1)
<b>Closing Working Capital</b>	<b>3,053</b>

### Overview of March Review

As detailed earlier in this report, Council has improved its financial position following the March Quarterly Review with an increase in Working Capital of \$0.03 million resulting in a projected Working Capital of \$3.05 million.

The following are the major changes to be made, with a complete listing provided in the circulated document (**Appendix B**), and more detailed explanations in each Outcome area of that document.

### Operating Budget

- The budget is projected to increase operating income by \$2.87 million (2.35%) with the main areas being as follows:

#### Increases

- \$1.53 million in Section 94 contributions received, which will be transferred to the Section 94 Reserves for future works.
- \$0.66 million VPA contribution received in cash, which will be transferred to Reserve for future works.



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- \$0.26 million additional income for DA fees and charges due to strong building and development sector, partially offset by increased costs to process DAs.
- \$0.25 million additional rate income received, due to growth.
- \$0.18 million Metropolitan Greenspace Grant for Ryde Parramatta River Walk project.
- \$0.14 million in Affordable Housing contributions received in relation to 16-18 First Avenue Eastwood, transferred to Reserves.
- \$0.10 million additional income received for external works.
- \$0.06 million additional income for Insurance and OHS rebates received, which will be transferred to the Reserve.

Reductions

- \$0.34 million less grant for Traffic Calming Devices project, due to environmental impact and assessment required and project to be undertaken next year.
- The budget is projected to increase operating expenses to budget by \$1.58 million (1.82%) with the main areas being as follows:

Increases

- \$0.50 million for the costs associated with the “Ryde Says No to Forced Amalgamations”, the Fit for the Future project, funded by Fit For The Future Reserve.
- \$0.21 million additional expenditure for Development Assessments program, offset by additional income received.
- \$0.16 million additional funding for Living on the Block project, funded by unspent Better Waste & Recycling Grant.
- \$0.11 million additional funding for Implement Waste Education Campaign & Branding project, funded by unspent Better Waste & Recycling Grant.
- \$0.11 million additional expenditure for the External Works, offset by additional income received.
- \$0.10 million additional expenditure for Temporary Internal Audit assistance as endorsed by the Audit and Risk Committee and Council, due to the impact of the procurement project.
- \$0.08 million additional cost for Pensioner entry costs to the RALC in accordance with the resolution of Council on 14 June 2011.
- \$0.07 million additional expenditure for Fire Brigade Contribution.
- \$0.06 million additional expenditure for Risk Management program due to larger than anticipated amount of under excess claims being received, offset by a transfer from the Insurance Fluctuation Reserve.

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- \$0.05 million additional expenditure for Ernst and Young Phase 2 Procurement review as per Council Resolution 25 Feb 2014, funded by Assets Replacement Reserve.
- \$0.04 million expenditure for the Local Priority Grant not allocated for the 2014/2015 year.
- \$0.04 million additional expenditure for Rates raised against the lessee that were not recovered and Council can't waive or write off the rates under the Local Government Act (Ryde Bowling Club).

In total, the above results in a projected increase in Operating Surplus of \$1.30 million, most of which is being transferred to Reserves.

Capital Budget

- The capital budget is projected to increase its capital expenses over budget by \$0.34 million (0.99%), with the main areas being as follows:

Increases

- \$1.31 million additional funding for Town Centre Upgrade Implementation Renewal Capital Program as per Council's resolution dated 14 April 2015, funded by Section 94 Reserve.
- \$0.22 million additional funding for Water Quality & Riparian Improvement project, funded by savings from Stormwater Improvement Works Renewal Capital Program and grant.
- \$0.18 additional funding for Ryde Parramatta River Walk project, funded by additional grant.
- \$0.08 million for Citrix Licenses for Desktop Virtualisation project as project was budgeted in 2013/2014 and unspent funding was an oversight in seeking to carry the funds forward to the current year.
- \$0.06 million additional funding for Shrimptons Creek – Termite Infestation project, funded by Section 94 Reserve.
- \$0.05 million additional funding for Old Landfill Sites Subsidence Renewal Capital Program, due to the additional costs for Gannon Park remediation, funded from the Domestic Waste Reserve.
- \$0.05 million additional funding required for Community Buildings – Libraries Renewal Capital program for refurbishment of West Ryde Library, funded by Assets Replacement Reserve.
- \$0.05 additional funding required for TechOne Enhancements project, funded from the Asset Replacement Reserve.

**ITEM 5 (continued)**Reductions

- \$0.15 million reduction for 33-35 Blaxland Road Development project as scope of the project has been reduced for current year.
- \$0.19 million reduction for Porters Creek Precinct project, due to Council resolving to approach the Department of Planning regarding acquisition of lots and expected to be completed in July 2015.
- \$0.20 million reduction for 741 Victoria Road Development project, as project scope reduced due to community consultation and Office of Local Government assessment.
- \$0.20 million reduction for Sportsfield Renewal & Upgrade Renewal Capital Program as funding has been duplicated in Park Subsidence Program.
- \$0.27 million reduction for Traffic Facilities Khartoum and Waterloo Project, scope of the project has been reduced.
- \$0.34 million reduction for Traffic Calming Devices Project, due to environmental impact and assessment required and this will delay the project until next year.
- \$0.35 million reduction for Stormwater Improvement Works Renewal Capital Program due to the postponement of the Waterloo Park Detention Basin, to fit in line with the sports off season, as approved by Council's Works and Community Committee on 2 December 2014.

Reserve Movements

- Transfers from Reserve's budget is projected to increase by \$1.65 million, (3.05%) the main areas being as follows:

Increases

- \$1.31million increase from Section 94 Reserve to fund Town Centre Upgrade Implementation Renewal Capital Program as per Council's resolution dated 14 April 2015.
- \$0.50 million increase from Fit For The Future to fund Fit For The Future project.
- \$0.16 million increase from Unspent Grant Better Waste and Recycling to fund Living on the Block project.
- \$0.13 million increase from Macquarie Park Corridor Special Rate Reserve for Place Management as the source of funding adjustment.
- \$0.11 million increase from Unspent Grant Better Waste and Recycling to fund Implement Waste Education Campaign and Branding project.
- \$0.08 million increase from Asset Replacement Reserve to fund Information Technology Renewals Capital Program to complete Desktop Virtualisation project.

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- \$0.06 million increase from Insurance Fluctuation Reserve for excess insurance claims.
- \$0.06 million increase from Assets Replacement Reserve to fund additional expenditure for Shrimptons Creek Termite Infestation project.
- \$0.05 million increase from Domestic Waste Reserve for Old Landfill Sites Subsidence Renewal Capital Program.
- \$0.05 million increase from Assets Replacement Reserve for funding external costs in the implementation of the findings of the EY procurement review.
- \$0.05 million increase from Assets Replacement Reserve to fund refurbishment of West Ryde Library.
- \$0.05 million increase from Assets Replacement Reserve to fund additional expenditure for TechOne Enhancements project.

**Reductions**

- \$0.13 million reduction from Section 94 Reserve due to the postponement of the Waterloo Park Detention Basin, to fit in line with the sports off season, as approved by Council's Works and Community Committee on 2 December 2014.
- \$0.18 million reduction from Investment Property Reserve, due to a reduction in the scope of project 741 Victoria Road and project 33-35 Blaxland Road.
- \$0.19 million reduction from Porters Creek Reserve as Council resolved to approach Department of Planning regarding acquisition of lots and expected to be completed in July 2015 for Porters Creek Precinct project.
- \$0.20 million reduction from Domestic Waste for Sportsfield Renewal and Upgrade Capital Program as funding has been identified in Park Subsidence Program, and this was a duplication.
- \$0.27 million reduction from Section 94 Reserve, due to a reduction in the scope of the Traffic Facilities Khartoum and Waterloo project.
- Transfers to Reserve's budget is projected to increase by \$2.40 million (4.01%), the main areas being as follows:

**Increases**

- \$1.53 million increase for Section 94 contributions received, transferred to Reserve.
- \$0.66 million VPA contribution received in cash, transferred to Reserve
- \$0.14 million Affordable Housing Contributions received from developers, transferred to Reserve.
- \$0.06 million additional income for Insurance and OHS rebates received, transferred to Reserve.

**ITEM 5 (continued)**Projects recommended to be cancelled, deferred, put on hold or to carryover

The following projects are listed in the March Quarterly Review and are recommended to be cancelled, deferred for the reasons indicated, with budget adjustments included.

- \$0.35 million Stormwater improvement Works Renewal Capital Program is recommended to be deferred, due to the postponement of the Waterloo Park Detention Basin, to fit in with the sports off season, as approved by Council's Works and Community Committee on 2 December 2014.
- \$0.34 million Traffic Calming Devices project is recommended to be deferred to 2015/2016, due to environmental impact and assessment required and this will delay the project until next year.
- \$0.19 million Porters Creek Protection Earth works and Reconfiguration project is recommended to be deferred to 2015/2016, due to Council resolving to approach the Department of Planning regarding the acquisition of lots and expected to be completed in July 2015.

Projected carryover projects 2014/2015

Whilst Council will receive a separate and detailed report at its meeting on 23 June 2015 on the projects to be recommended for carryover, this report provides a high level overview of the key projects that will be recommended for carryover.

In the report on 23 June 2015, a detailed explanation of the reasons for each project to be carried over will be provided including the required budget adjustments.

As detailed in the Quarterly Project Status Reports to the Works and Community Committee relating to Council's Capital Works Program, there are a number of projects that have been identified that will require Council's approval to carryover. While the actual quantum of the carryover is not yet known, it is anticipated that carryover projects from the 2014/2015 year, will be approximately \$8 million, that includes the following projects;

- Uncontrolled
  - West Ryde community facility (contingency)
  - Footpath construction – Plassey Road (REF on rare species of plant)
- Managed project delays (matters reported to Council)
  - Town centre upgrade – Rowe Street, Eastwood
  - Sportsfield Flood Lighting – Morrison Bay Park
  - ELS Hall Park – Synthetic Surface
  - Implementation of Children's Play Plan – Stage 2
  - Footpath upgrade – Delhi Road

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- Sportsfield Upgrades – Dinghy Racks and ELS Hall Park baseball facilities
- Sportsground Amenities – Santa Rosa Park (DA and stormwater issues)
- Other
  - 6 Reserve Road, West Ryde (delays with DA and stormwater design)
  - Shrimpton's Creek (termite infestation)

Progress against indicators

Our performance indicators help to provide a snap shot of the organisation's health. Corporate indicators focus on major areas across the whole organisation and program indicators track how we are delivering on specific elements within each of the 21 programs outlined in our 2014-2018 Delivery Plan including One year Operational Plan 2014/2015.

Corporate indicators

The majority of corporate indicators are on track. Of particular note the following areas demonstrate improvements in Council's performance against previous trends or targets:

- We have continued our high response to customer requests despite 14% increase in volume our score still increased by two percent to 94% for requests actioned within agreed timeframes. This is above our target of 90% and still highlights our continued commitment to excellent customer service.
- Our responsiveness to inward correspondence has increased three percent from last quarter, increasing our score to 94% which is over our target of 90%. We will look to maintain our continued improvements toward this indicator in the coming quarters.

The following corporate indicators still meet the target this quarter, noting that the organisation will be working to improve this result at the next quarter:

- We had a slight decrease of one percent in our number of milestones met on time indicator in Q3, with a result of 96% against our target of 90%. This measure is only for milestones scheduled in Q3 and of the 81 milestones scheduled, 78 were met on time. As detailed in the graph in the General Manager's overview, the trend over the last two years has the majority of milestones scheduled for Q4.
- Our handling of complaints indicator was maintained at our target of 100%. This is a very good result for this indicator. It is positive to note that the number of compliments still continue to far outweigh the complaints received.

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### Program Indicators

Particular attention is drawn to the following areas of Council where performance has improved against previous trends or targets:

- We continue to see improvements in our mean gross DA determination times against the group three Council averages. We have improved the determination times by a further six days for residential alterations and additions which is a very good result. Single new dwellings and commercial, retail and office was slightly higher than last quarter but still a very good result and below the target.
- Council's investments still continue to exceed the investment benchmark. Despite a decline from the previous two quarters, we still continue to track above the benchmark. With the cash rate at an historical low we have been doing well to hold our returns at this level.
- We have decreased our score by one percent to 84% for our indicator on Councillor Helpdesk response times. This is still slightly below our target of 90% but is still a positive result as there was a 38% increase in volume received from Quarter 2.

### Staff turnover

The turnover rate has increased from Quarter 2 - 2.46% to Quarter 3 - 3.15%. The position vacancy rate has decreased slightly and is currently at 8.8%

### Critical Dates

The following deadlines are required to be met:

- In accordance with Section 407 of the Local Government Act 1993, the General Manager must report to the Council within 2 months after the end of each quarter as to the extent to which the performance targets set by the Council's current Management Plan have been achieved during that quarter.

The Chief Financial Officer as Council's Responsible Accounting Officer, in accordance with the Part 2 Clause 7 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1999 is required to certify whether the Council's financial position is satisfactory having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure.

### **Financial Implications**

While Council had an improved result in the March 2015 Quarter, Council's available Working Capital is projected to increase by \$0.03 million to approximately \$3.05 million as at 30 June 2015.



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Council's Operating Result before Depreciation is projected to increase by \$1.30 million to \$37.28 million surplus. Net Operating Result before Capital Grant and Contribution is projected to decrease by \$0.88 million to \$11.99 million surplus.

Council's Capital Works Program is projected to increase by \$0.34 million as detailed in the report.

Overall, Council's financial position continues to be sound, noting that Council's annual funding shortfall of \$10 million for asset infrastructure maintenance and renewal is being addressed as part of Council's proposed Special Rating Variation Application. The result of the application will be known on 19 May 2015, and a verbal update will be provided at this meeting.

**Certificate**

In accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1999, Part 2, Clause 7, I report that the financial position of the Council was satisfactory as at 31 March 2015, having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure.

Variations in total income, operating and capital expenditure as at 31 March 2015 are of a quantum and nature that overall end of year financial targets will be achieved.



John Todd  
Chief Financial Officer  
Responsible Accounting Officer

8 May 2015



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**6 INVESTMENT REPORT - April 2015**

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**Report prepared by:** Chief Financial Officer**File No.:** GRP/09/3/2/7 - BP15/608

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio for April 2015 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes the estimated market valuation of Council's investment portfolio, loan liabilities, an update on Council's legal action against various parties and a commentary on significant events in global financial markets.

Council's financial year to date return is 3.77%, which is 1.10% above benchmark. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$3.86m, \$356k above revised budget projections, with an adjustment made in the September Quarterly Budget Review recognising the increased revenue relates mainly to Council receiving more funds for Section 94 contributions.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated 7 May 2015 on Investment Report – April 2015.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1 P10 Investment Report April 2015 Attachment

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**John Todd**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Report Approved By:

**Roy Newsome**  
**Group Manager - Corporate Services**

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### Discussion

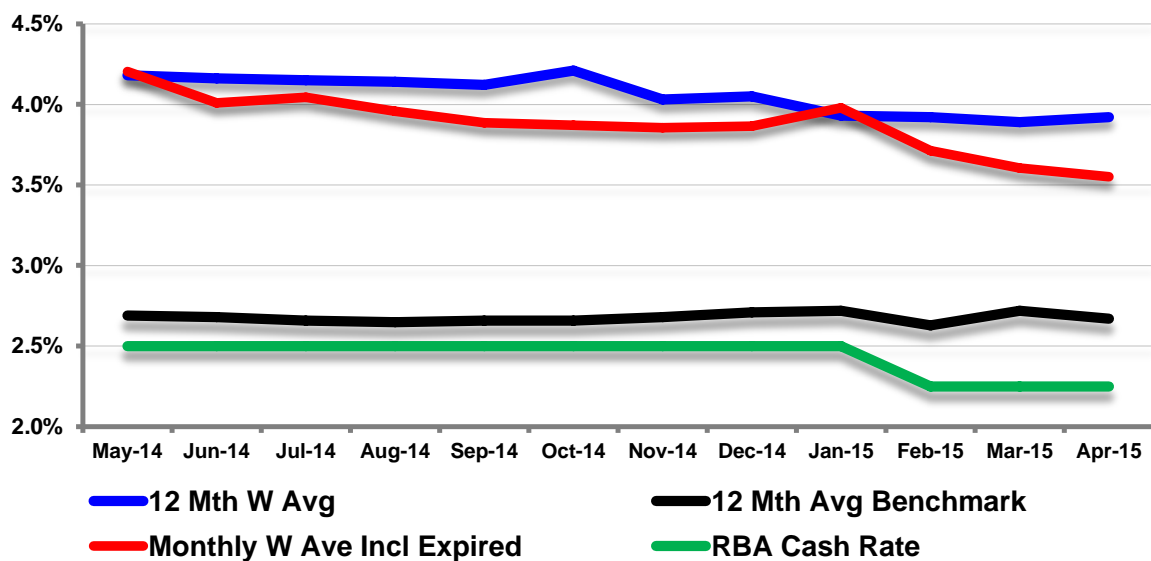
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer, is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

### Investment Performance Commentary

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for April 2015 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	Apr	12 Mth	FYTD
<b>Council Return</b>	<b>3.55</b>	<b>3.92</b>	<b>3.77</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>2.67</b>	<b>2.67</b>
<b>Variance</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.25</b>	<b>1.10</b>

### Performance - All Investments



Council's investment portfolio as at the end of April was as follows:

Cash/Term Deposits	\$100.3m	77.2%
Floating Rate Notes	\$27.7m	21.3%
Fixed Bonds	\$2.0m	1.5%
<b>Total Cash Investments</b>	<b>\$130.0m</b>	
Investment Properties	\$92.3m	
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$222.3m</b>	

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Council's investment properties are shown in **ATTACHMENT 1** and this table was updated as at 30 June 2014. The valuations listed have been undertaken in accordance with the revaluation process to 'fair value' by an independent valuer, in compliance with the Australian Accounting Standards. It should be noted that there are two properties, being air rights and the property at Church Street /Devlin Street, which have not been revalued and will be valued this financial year.

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

Whilst Council has moved some of its investment portfolio out to longer terms, to lock in future returns, it should be noted that there is approximately \$53.2 million of Council's funds held in internal reserves. Should Council consider utilising its internal reserves, this will have a direct impact on the amount of investment income that will be realised and will require a reduction in the future projected investment income and will place pressure on Council to be able to maintain its current level of expenditure on capital projects or maintenance.

Council's income from investments is above the revised projections, due mainly to Council receiving more funds from Section 94 contributions, with investment income for General Revenue remaining steady.

**Financial Security Reserve (FSR)**

The Financial Security Reserve has a balance of \$3.44 million as at 30 April with no movements this year. A detailed transaction history is included in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

Council has resolved to transfer all proceeds and interest earned on written down investments to this reserve.

This year should see the finalisation of all of the Court action, and the receipt of any proceeds from those actions will be transferred to this reserve. At that point in time it would be prudent to return the funds to the Investment Property Reserve, from which the funds were originally taken to create this reserve.

**ITEM 6 (continued)****Economic Commentary**

The RBA, on 5 May 2015, reduced the cash rate to 2.00%, a record low, and below the rate of inflation. In its decision the RBA cited declining Terms of Trade, mainly due to the decrease in the spot price of iron ore, and noted that each country's central bank's financial policies have remained very accommodative of the current global conditions. It also noted that low interest rates are having an inflationary effect on the housing market, particularly in Sydney, and regulators are looking to assess and contain risks. Looking forward, it also said "the inflation outlook provided the opportunity for monetary policy to be eased further, so as to reinforce recent encouraging trends in household demand".

In the US, whilst the Fed is no longer undertaking quantitative easing programs, it is still replacing Treasury bonds and housing agency debt as they mature, so monetary policy still remains extraordinarily supportive of the market conditions. Whilst the Fed has been consistent in its guidance that it will start raising interest rates, inflation is still hovering around the 1% level, so its expected any rise will be very gradual.

**Legal Issues**

The following update is provided in respect of Council's legal action in these matters, which are still to be resolved.

The team from Piper Alderman, led by Amanda Banton, moved to Squire Patton and Boggs, another firm of solicitors. The funders of Council's legal action consented to their representation moving with Amanda Banton and her team, with Council supportive of this change as resolved at its meeting on 10 February 2015.

**Lehman / Grange IMP**

On Friday 21 September 2012, Justice Rares handed down the judgment in this matter, which was in favour of the Councils involved in this legal action.

On 25 September 2013 the Federal Court approved the calling of a meeting of Scheme Creditors of Lehman Australia to consider the proposed Insurance Only Scheme. The applicants and group members in the Lehman Australia class action are Scheme Creditors.

The Scheme is subject to Court approval. The application was listed for hearing on 31 October 2013. The Scheme was approved by the Court on 9 December 2013; all Scheme Creditors are now bound by the Scheme irrespective of whether they have voted for it or even if they voted against it. Council has received a counter offer from Lehman Brothers Australia Limited (in Liquidation), which was \$27k less than the amount claimed. This offer has been accepted by the Acting General Manager under delegated authority. The finalisation of the matter is pending, and it was anticipated to be between March and April 2015, and we are waiting for a further update from Council's solicitors.

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While the above court action has been proceeding, the related investments of the Lehman / Grange IMP (Merimbula and Global Bank Note) have been finalised and paid to Council. As previously reported, Council has received \$752k for these investments representing full payment of the principal and interest.

LGFS – Rembrandt

On 5 November 2012, Federal Court Justice Jayne Jagot ruled that Councils were entitled to succeed in their claim for damages against LGFS, ABN AMRO and Standard & Poors (S&P). This result vindicates Council's Investment in this product with Justice Jayne Jagot finding that LGFS, ABN AMRO and S&P had collectively been responsible for misleading and deceptive conduct and negligent misrepresentation of this investment to Councils.

On 1 March 2013, the Federal Court of Australia awarded compensation and costs to Councils against S&P. Council was awarded \$933K principal (equivalent to the balance outstanding) and \$331K in interest. Of this, 70% is payable to IMF for their funding of the legal action (including legal costs), resulting in a net benefit to Council of approximately \$382K, which was paid to Council on 4 April 2013.

A teleconference was held on 4 November 2013 with the other Councils involved to discuss GST issues, should a settlement be reached.

The appeal has been heard in relation to this matter, and judgement handed down on Friday 6 June 2014, where the appeal was dismissed, and all the findings of the primary judge, Justice Jagot, were upheld.

Accordingly the Full Court held that each of LGFS, ABN Amro and S&P are individually liable for 100% of Council's losses. The primary orders held them liable for 1/3 each. Council has already received payment from each of the respondents, as indicated above. Costs of the appeal will be sought, and once known Council will be advised.

CBA – Oasis and Palladin

Council has endorsed City of Ryde being a third party to an action against CBA in relation to the Oasis CDO investments for \$1 million that Council has written down to zero. A mediation session occurred with CBA on 8 October 2013. The mediation was adjourned to allow certain steps to take place and the parties are continuing to engage in "without prejudice" discussions, and the outcome will not be known until mid-2015. These confidential discussions have been continuing and are close to being finalised and Councillors will be advised of the outcome when known. Any settlement out of these discussions will require Court approval, with the last step to be rescheduled due to delays with the settlement documentation.

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Whilst Council had written off the Oasis investment, the investment had one further default until it completely defaulted. As previously reported, Council sold the Oasis investment at 35.7 cents in the dollar on the remaining principal of \$625k, being \$223,337. Should Council be successful in this legal action, then this will be taken into account as part of any settlement.

As part of this action, Council is also a party to action against CBA for its investment in the Palladin CDO, of which Council held \$2 million. This investment defaulted in October 2008, and was written down.

**Loan Liability**

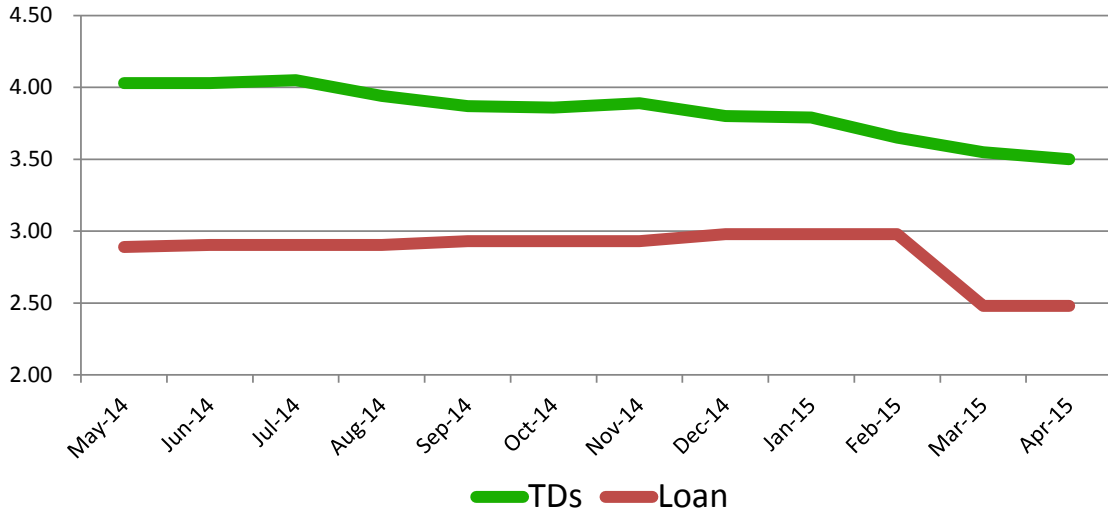
Council's loan liability as at 30 April was \$6.4 million which represents the balance of:

1. \$6.8M 15 year loan drawn down in 2004 at 90 Day BBSW + 20 basis points for the Civic Centre Redevelopment and refinancing the West Ryde Tunnel. The interest rate for this loan is reset every quarter
2. \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 31 January 2014 at 180 day BBSW +175 basis points for the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 2. The interest rate for this loan is reset every six months
3. \$1.2M 7 year loan drawn down 31 January 2014 at 5.24% for construction of the Surf Attraction at the RALC
4. \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.

There is no advantage to Council in changing the arrangements or repaying the loan as detailed at point 1 above earlier than planned. Council is receiving a better rate of return on its investments than it is paying in interest on this loan. The following graph shows the gap between the average interest rate earned on Council's term deposits (top line) compared to the interest rate applying to loan 1 above (bottom line).

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**Term Deposits/Loan Interest Rate Comparison**



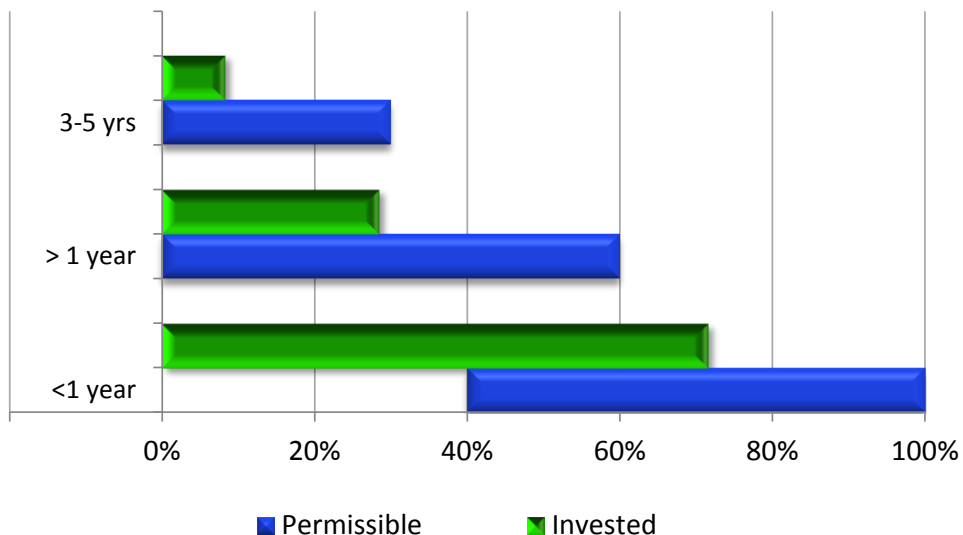
NB: This graph only compares the 2004 NAB loan.

**Policy Limits**

The following graph shows the limits, as a percentage of total cash investments, of the amounts by period, as allowed under Council’s policy, and comparing them to the amounts actually invested, as a percentage of total cash investments.

It shows that the funds invested are within the limits set in the policy.

**Policy Limits on Maturities**



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**INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 30 APRIL 2015**

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Invested at 30-Apr-15 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2014	% of Total Invested	Indicative Market Value ** \$000's	% Market Value
Westpac	1. Westpac At Call	AA-	1,098	1.80	2.27	2.22	0.84	1,098	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	2. Bank of Queensland TD	A-	2,000	3.65	3.60	3.59	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	3. Bankwest Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	2.72	3.54	3.52	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	4. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	3.55	3.65	3.63	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	5. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	4.35	4.35	4.35	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	6. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	500	4.95	4.95	4.95	0.38	500	100.00%
NAB	7. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	4.08	4.08	4.08	0.77	1,000	100.00%
AMP	8. AMP TD	A	1,000	3.43	3.61	3.54	0.77	1,000	100.00%
MyState CU	9. MyState CU TD	BBB	1,000	3.03	3.43	3.35	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	10. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	2,000	4.10	4.10	4.10	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	11. Bankwest Term Deposit	AA-	2,000	2.83	3.46	3.44	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	12. Bankwest TD	AA-	2,000	3.60	3.60	3.60	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	13. Bankwest Term Deposit	AA-	1,500	3.48	3.46	3.44	1.15	1,500	100.00%
NAB	14. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	2,000	4.05	4.05	4.05	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Defence Bank	15. Defence Bank TD	BBB+	1,000	3.00	3.22	3.20	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Beyond Bank	16. Beyond Bank TD	BBB+	500	2.85	3.55	3.50	0.38	500	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	17. Bendigo Bank TD	A-	1,000	3.04	3.37	3.29	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CUA	18. Credit Union Australia TD	BBB+	500	3.85	3.85	3.85	0.38	500	100.00%
Peoples Choice CU	19. Peoples Choice CU	BBB+	1,000	2.97	3.53	3.50	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	20. Rural Bank	A-	1,000	6.48	6.48	6.48	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Banana Coast CU	21. Bananacoast CU TD	Unrated	500	3.55	3.81	3.72	0.38	500	100.00%
CBA	22. CBA TD	AA-	2,000	3.15	5.15	4.98	1.54	2,000	100.00%
IMB	23. IMB TD	BBB	1,000	3.43	3.47	3.44	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Summerland CU	24. Summerland CU TD	Unrated	250	5.05	5.05	5.05	0.19	250	100.00%
AMP	25. AMP Business Saver	A	975	2.83	3.18	3.13	0.75	975	100.00%
CBA	26. CBA Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	4.55	4.55	4.55	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	27. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	BBB+	1,000	3.19	3.38	3.33	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Greater Bldg Soc	28. Greater Bldg Soc TD	BBB	1,000	3.60	3.62	3.61	0.77	1,000	100.00%
The Rock Bldg Soc	29. The Rock Bldg Soc TD	BBB	1,000	3.03	3.43	3.35	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Police CU (SA)	30. Police CU - SA	Unrated	1,000	3.11	3.11	3.11	0.77	1,000	100.00%
AMP	31. AMP TD	A	1,000	3.05	6.12	5.91	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	32. CBA TD	AA-	1,000	4.15	3.81	3.91	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	33. CBA TD	AA-	2,000	3.12	3.39	3.40	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Rabobank	34. Rabodirect At-call	AA	5	2.59	2.94	2.91	0.00	5	100.00%
Me Bank	35. ME Bank At Call Account	BBB	1,211	2.78	3.01	2.98	0.93	1,211	100.00%
CBA	36. CBA FRN	AA-	1,000	3.73	3.88	3.87	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	37. Westpac FRN	AA-	999	3.68	3.91	3.90	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	38. CBA FRN	AA-	999	3.78	3.93	3.92	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	39. NAB FRN	AA-	998	3.74	4.15	4.15	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	40. NAB FRN	AA-	998	3.73	4.13	4.13	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	41. CBA FRN	AA-	998	3.94	4.10	4.09	0.77	1,000	100.00%
ANZ	42. ANZ FRN	AA-	997	3.88	4.12	4.11	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	43. NAB Fixed MTN	AA-	997	6.30	6.25	6.23	0.77	1,061	106.13%
Westpac	44. Westpac Fixed MTN	AA-	998	6.21	6.19	6.18	0.77	1,062	106.18%
Macquarie Bank	45. Macquarie Bank TD	A	500	6.50	6.50	6.50	0.38	500	100.00%
CBA	46. CBA Retail Bond	AA-	967	4.15	4.41	4.41	0.74	971	100.10%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	47. Delphi Bank TD	Unrated	250	6.05	6.05	6.05	0.19	250	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	48. Rural Bank TD	A-	1,000	3.13	3.29	3.28	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Me Bank	49. ME Bank TD	BBB+	1,000	3.43	3.70	3.67	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	50. CBA Retail Bonds	AA-	498	4.36	4.62	4.62	0.38	501	100.10%
CBA	51. CBA Retail Bonds	AA-	498	4.39	4.65	4.65	0.38	501	100.10%
Bank of Queensland	52. Bank of Queensland TD	A-	1,000	5.15	5.15	5.15	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	53. Bank of Queensland TD	A-	2,000	4.10	4.10	4.10	1.54	2,000	100.00%
BoQ Specialist	54. BoQ Specialist	BBB+	250	6.15	6.15	6.15	0.19	250	100.00%
IMB	55. IMB TD	BBB	1,000	3.50	3.51	3.50	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	56. CBA Retail Bond	AA-	498	4.30	4.57	4.56	0.38	501	100.10%
Westpac	57. St George TD	AA-	1,000	4.05	4.05	4.05	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	58. CBA Retail Bond	AA-	498	4.29	4.56	4.55	0.38	501	100.10%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	59. Rural Bank TD	A-	1,000	3.33	3.44	3.41	0.77	1,000	100.00%
ING	60. ING Floating Rate TD	A-	1,000	4.73	5.02	5.01	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	61. St George TD	AA+	1,000	4.05	4.05	4.05	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	62. Bank of Queensland TD	A-	1,000	3.75	3.75	3.75	0.77	1,000	100.00%



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Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Invested at 30-Apr-15 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2014	% of Total Invested	Indicative Market Value ** \$000's	% Market Value
NAB	63. NAB TD	AA-	2,000	3.55	4.08	3.98	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Me Bank	64. ME Bank TD	BBB+	1,000	3.08	3.58	3.55	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	65. Bank of Queensland FRN	A-	2,000	3.99	4.29	4.28	1.54	2,014	100.68%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	66. Bendigo Bank TD	A-	1,000	3.70	3.70	3.70	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	67. Bendigo & Adelaide Bank FRN	A-	1,000	3.56	3.87	3.86	0.77	1,011	101.05%
CBA	68. CBA TD	AA-	1,000	3.19	3.37	3.19	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CBA	69. CBA TD	AA-	1,000	3.75	3.67	3.68	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	70. NAB TD	AA-	1,000	3.55	3.68	3.65	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	71. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	4.15	4.15	4.15	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	72. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	1,000	4.27	4.27	4.27	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Macquarie Bank	73. Macquarie Bank TD	A	750	3.38	3.68	3.64	0.58	750	100.00%
AMP	74. AMP Term Deposit	A+	2,000	3.30	3.57	3.50	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	75. Bank of Queensland TD	A-	2,000	3.15	3.60	3.57	1.54	2,000	100.00%
NAB	76. NAB TD	AA-	2,000	3.55	3.67	3.63	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	77. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank FRN	A-	2,000	3.64	3.96	3.94	1.54	2,029	101.44%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	78. Rural Bank TD	A-	2,000	3.08	3.48	3.44	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Auswide Bank	79. Auswide Bank TD	BBB	1,000	3.04	3.45	3.40	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	80. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	BBB+	1,000	3.08	3.39	3.36	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	81. WBC Floating TD	AA-	1,000	3.39	3.63	3.61	0.77	1,000	100.00%
CUA	82. CUA FRN	BBB+	1,000	3.63	4.02	4.01	0.77	1,003	100.27%
CUA	83. CUA TD	BBB+	1,000	3.05	3.68	3.66	0.77	1,000	100.00%
NAB	84. NAB Flexi TD 2	AA-	1,000	3.36	3.67	3.66	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Banana Coast CU	85. Bananacoast CU TD	Unrated	1,000	3.90	3.90	3.90	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	86. Bankwest TD	AA-	2,000	2.78	3.41	3.41	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Bank of Queensland	87. Bank of Queensland FRN	A-	1,000	3.36	3.69	3.69	0.77	1,006	100.59%
AMP	88. AMP Notice Account	A+	1,028	2.98	3.31	3.31	0.79	1,028	100.00%
NAB	89. NAB TD	AA-	2,000	3.63	3.63	3.63	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Police Bank	90. Police Bank FRN	BBB+	1,000	3.46	3.73	3.73	0.77	1,002	100.22%
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	91. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc TD	BBB+	1,000	3.24	3.30	3.30	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	92. Bendigo Bank TD	A-	2,000	3.48	3.43	3.43	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CUA	93. CUA TD	BBB+	1,000	3.10	3.47	3.47	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	94. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	BBB+	1,000	3.03	3.30	3.30	0.77	1,000	100.00%
ANZ	95. ANZ FRN	AA-	2,000	3.28	3.49	3.49	1.54	2,012	100.59%
Me Bank	96. ME Bank FRN	BBB+	2,000	3.36	3.62	3.62	1.54	2,001	100.05%
NAB	97. NAB TD	AA-	2,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	98. Bankwest TD	AA-	2,000	2.88	3.40	3.40	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	99. Rural Bank TD	A-	2,000	3.03	3.36	3.36	1.54	2,000	100.00%
QT Mutual Bank	100. Queensland Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB+	1,000	3.43	3.70	3.70	0.77	1,001	100.12%
Teachers Mutual Bank	101. Teachers Mutual Bank	BBB+	1,000	3.44	3.68	3.68	0.77	1,001	100.12%
Auswide Bank	102. Auswide Bank TD	BBB	750	3.01	3.32	3.32	0.58	750	100.00%
MyState CU	103. MyState CU TD	BBB	750	3.60	3.60	3.60	0.58	750	100.00%
Bankwest TD	104. Bankwest TD	AA-	2,000	3.04	3.33	3.33	1.54	2,000	100.00%
CBA	105. Bankwest TD	AA-	2,000	3.14	3.19	3.19	1.54	2,000	100.00%
NAB	106. NAB Flexi TD	AA-	1,000	3.33	3.68	3.68	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Westpac	107. Westpac FRN	AA-	2,000	3.48	3.57	3.57	1.54	2,017	100.87%
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	108. Rural Bank Ltd	A-	1,000	3.07	3.07	3.07	0.77	1,000	100.00%
Macquarie Bank	109. Macquarie Bank FRN	A	750	3.43	3.43	3.43	0.58	752	100.22%
CBA	110. CBA TD	AA+	2,000	3.15	3.15	3.15	1.54	2,000	100.00%
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	111. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc FRN	BBB+	1,000	3.54	3.54	3.54	0.77	1,003	100.32%
			<b>130,010</b>	<b>3.55</b>	<b>3.78</b>	<b>3.76</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>130,264</b>	

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\*Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

\*\*Market valuations are indicative prices only, and do not necessarily reflect the price at which a transaction could be entered into.

Return including Matured/Traded Investments

Weighted Average Return

Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)

Variance From Benchmark (%)

	Apr	12 Mth	FYTD
Return including Matured/Traded Investments	3.55	3.92	3.77
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	2.21	2.67	2.67
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.34	1.25	1.10

**Investment Income**

	\$000's
This Period	388
Financial Year To Date	3,856
Budget Profile	3,500
Variance from Budget - \$	356

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

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



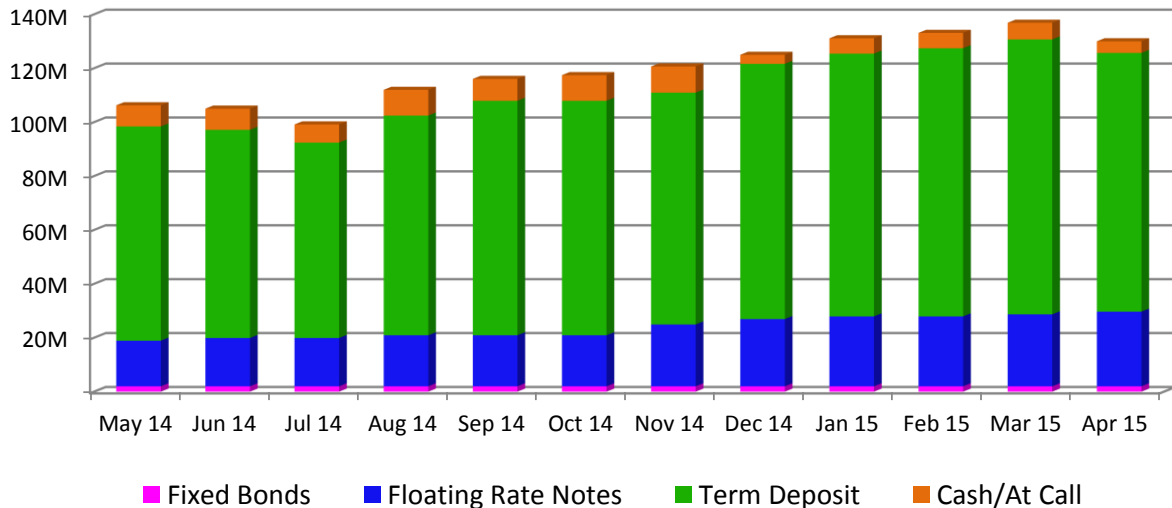
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**Analysis of investments**

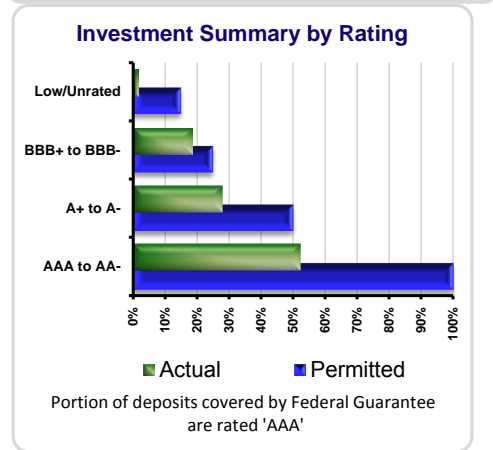
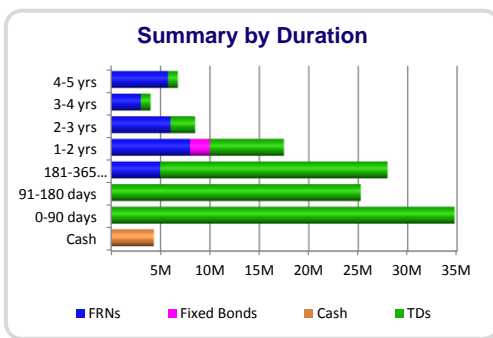
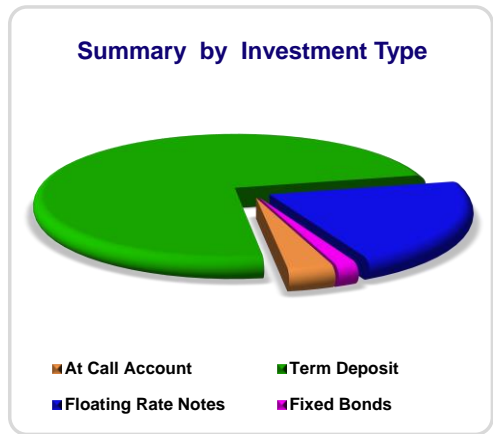
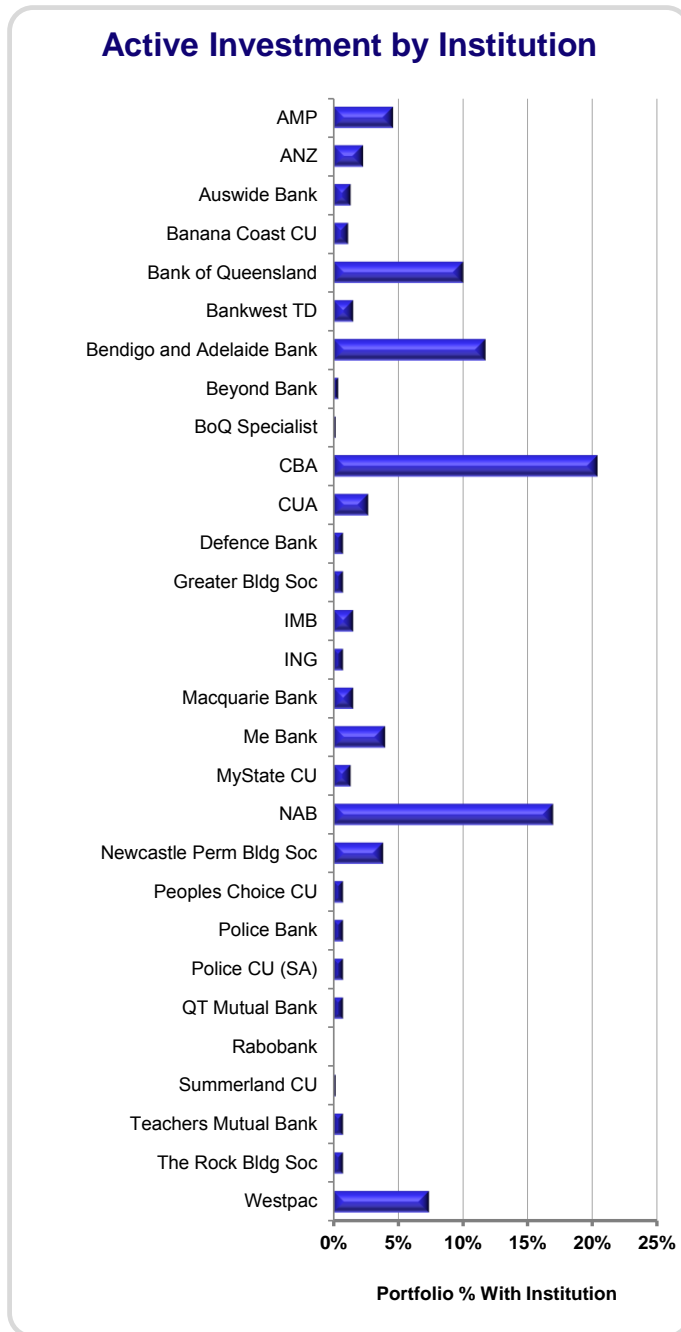
The following graphs show analysis of the total cash investments by:

- Type of investment
- Institution
- Duration
- Rating

**Total Funds Invested**



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	<365 days	>365 days
Cash/TDs	\$88.3M	\$12.0M
FRNs	\$5.0M	\$22.7M
Fixed Bonds	\$0.0M	\$2.0M
	<b>\$93.3M</b>	<b>\$36.7M</b>

**Context**

The recommendation is consistent with Section 625 of the Local Government Act, which deals with the investment of surplus funds by Councils.

**ITEM 6 (continued)****Financial Implications**

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$3.86M, being \$356K above revised budget projections, with an adjustment made in the September Quarterly Budget Review. The increase in interest is due mainly to Council receiving more funds for Section 94 contributions.

The Financial Security Reserve has a current balance of \$3.44 million.

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**Council's Property Investment Portfolio**

The following properties were held as part of Council's Property Investment portfolio:

	<b>\$'M</b>
2 Dickson Avenue, West Ryde	\$0.82
1A Station Road, West Ryde	\$1.05
8 Chatham Road, West Ryde	\$1.17
202 Rowe Street, Eastwood	\$2.34
226 Victoria Road, Gladesville	\$0.92
7 Anthony Road, West Ryde Car Park site, West Ryde	\$4.46
Herring Road Air Space Rights	Unknown
7 Coulter Street, Coulter St Car Park, Gladesville	\$16.05
6-12 Glen Street, Glen Street Car Park, Eastwood	\$19.40
2 Pittwater Road, John Wilson Car Park, Gladesville	\$6.20
150 Coxs Road, Cox Rd Car Park, North Ryde	\$1.24
33-35 Blaxland Road, Argyle Centre, Ryde	\$6.50
19-21 Church Street and 16 Devlin Street, Ryde	Unknown
1 Constitution Road, Operations Centre, Ryde	\$25.10
741-747 Victoria Road, Ryde	\$4.60
53-71 Rowe Street, Eastwood	\$2.09
6 Reserve Street, West Ryde	\$0.32M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$92.26M</b>

**Benchmark**

The Australian UBS Bank Bill index is constructed as a benchmark to represent the performance of a passively managed short-term money market portfolio. It comprises thirteen Bank Bills of equal face value, each with a maturity seven days apart. The average term to maturity is approximately 45 days. A Bank Bill is a non-interest bearing security issued by a bank whereby the bank takes on an obligation to pay an investor a fixed amount (face value) at a fixed future date. It is sold to an investor at a discount to the face value. Bank Bills are short-term money market investments with maturities usually between 30 days and 180 days.

**Types of Investments**

The following are the types of investments held by Council:

At Call refers to funds held at a financial institution, and can be recalled by Council either same day or on an overnight basis.

A Floating Rate Note (FRN) is a debt security issued by a company with a variable interest rate. This can either be issued as Certificates of Deposit (CD) or as Medium Term Notes (MTN). The interest rate can be either fixed or floating, where the adjustments to the interest rate are usually made quarterly and are tied to a certain money market index such as the Bank Bill Swap Rate.

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A Fixed Rate Bond is a debt security issued by a company with a fixed interest rate over the term of the bond.

### Credit Rating Information

Credit ratings are generally a statement as to an institution's credit quality. Ratings ranging from AAA to BBB- (long term) are considered investment grade.

A general guide as to the meaning of each credit rating is as follows:

AAA: the best quality companies, reliable and stable

AA: quality companies, a bit higher risk than AAA

A: economic situation can affect finance

BBB: medium class companies, which are satisfactory at the moment

BB: more prone to changes in the economy

B: financial situation varies noticeably

CCC: currently vulnerable and dependent on favourable economic conditions to meet its commitments

CC: highly vulnerable, very speculative bonds

C: highly vulnerable, perhaps in bankruptcy or in arrears but still continuing to pay out on obligations

D: has defaulted on obligations and it is believed that it will generally default on most or all obligations

Note: Ratings from 'AA' to 'CCC' may be modified by the addition of a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the major rating categories.

### Council's Investment Powers

Council's investment powers are regulated by Section 625 of the Local Government Act, which states:

- (1) A council may invest money that is not, for the time being, required by the council for any other purpose.
- (2) Money may be invested only in a form of investment notified by order of the Minister published in the Gazette.
- (3) An order of the Minister notifying a form of investment for the purposes of this section must not be made without the approval of the Treasurer.
- (4) The acquisition, in accordance with section 358, of a controlling interest in a corporation or an entity within the meaning of that section is not an investment for the purposes of this section.

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Council's investment policy requires that all investments are to be made in accordance with:

Local Government Act 1993 - Section 625  
Local Government Act 1993 - Order (of the Minister) dated 12 January 2011  
The Trustee Amendment (Discretionary Investments) Act 1997 – Sections 14A(2), 14C(1) & (2)  
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1993  
Investment Guidelines issued by the Department of Local Government

**Financial Security Reserve Transactional History**

Starting Balance	8,000,000.00	10 Oct 2008
Write off Constellation	(1,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
Write off Rembrandt	(1,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
Write off Palladin	(2,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
Write off Alpha	(1,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
Write off Covent Garden	(2,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
Write off Oasis	(1,000,000.00)	10 Oct 2008
<b>FY2009 and FY2010</b>		
Interest Payments		
Default of Constellation - Residual	21,615.62	10 Oct 2008
Default of Palladin - Residual	-	28 Oct 2008
Default of Rembrandt - Residual	68,393.78	27 Oct 2008
<b>FY2010</b>		
Interest Payments	50,334.01	
<b>FY2011</b>		
Starting balance 1 July 2010	140,343.41	
Sale of Flinders	301,000.00	12 Aug 2010
Quartz Maturity	209,626.75	20 Oct 2010
Sale of Glenelg	160,000.00	29 Dec 2010
Interest on Grange IMP Sept	31,561.37	
Interest on Grange IMP Dec	24,731.75	
Interest on Grange IMP Mar	10,310.63	
Interest on Grange IMP June	16,092.08	
Interest on Oasis	81,758.10	
Interest on Alpha	12,534.80	
Interest on Covent Garden	16,521.58	
Default of Covent Garden	-	29 Mar 2011
Closing balance FY 2011	<b>1,004,480.47</b>	
<b>FY2012</b>		
Interest on Oasis	42,942.41	
Interest on Alpha	4,837.56	
Interest on Grange IMP Sept	9,862.09	
Interest on Grange IMP Dec	129.02	
Maturity of Alpha	1,001,974.90	20 Mar 2012
Interest on Grange IMP March	123.38	
Closing Balance FY 2012	<b>2,064,349.83</b>	
<b>FY2013</b>		
Interest on Oasis FY2013	20,215.91	
Sale of Oasis	219,266.42	23 Jan 2013
Grange Settlement -Beryl	559,966.39	25 Feb 2013
Grange Settlement -Zircon	192,383.73	25 Feb 2013
Rembrandt Settlement	381,695.85	04 Apr 2013
Closing Balance FY 2013	<b>3,437,878.13</b>	

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**Overview of Investments**

An overview of all investments held by the City of Ryde as at 30 April is provided below:

1. **Westpac at Call Account (AA-):** This investment is an at call account, paying the short term money market rate. These funds are used for operational purposes.
2. **Bank of Queensland Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 182 day term deposit paying 3.60% (3.65% annualised), and matures 11 June 2015.
3. **Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 183 day term deposit paying 2.70% (2.72% annualised), and matures 22 October 2015.
4. **NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.55% p.a. (3.55% annualised), and matures 6 Oct 2015.
5. **Westpac Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit, paying 4.35% % (4.35% annualised), and matures 29 May 2015.
6. **Westpac Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a three year term deposit, paying 4.95% pa, and matures 21 September 2015.
7. **NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit, paying 4.05% p.a., and matures 4 April 2016.
8. **AMP Term Deposit (A+):** This investment is a 182 day term deposit, paying 3.40% p.a. (3.43% annualised), and matures 30 July 2015.
9. **MyState Credit Union Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a 91 day term deposit, paying 3.00% (3.03% annualised), and matures 28 May 2015.
10. **NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit, paying 4.10% p.a., and matures 11 March 2016.
11. **Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 93 day term deposit, paying 2.80% p.a. (2.83% annualised), and matures 23 July 2015.
12. **Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.60% p.a. (3.60% annualised), and matures 8 May 2015.
13. **Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 187 day term deposit, paying 3.45% p.a. (3.48% annualised), and matures 19 May 2015.
14. **NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit, paying 4.05% p.a., and matures 25 February 2016.



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- 15. Defence Bank Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.00% p.a. and matures on 4 March 2016.
- 16. Beyond Bank Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a 183 day term deposit paying 2.83% (2.85% annualised) and matures on 22 October 2015.
- 17. Bendigo Bank TD (A-):** This investment is a 184 day term deposit paying 3.02% (3.04% annualised) and matures on 10 September 2015.
- 18. Credit Union Australia Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.85% (3.85% annualised), and matures on 7 May 2015.
- 19. Peoples Choice Credit Union Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a five year term deposit, paying 2.95% p.a., and matures on 22 October 2015.
- 20. Rural Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a five year term deposit, paying 6.48% p.a., and matures on 21 March 2017.
- 21. Bananacoast CU Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.55% p.a. and matures on 7 January 2016.
- 22. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 213 day term deposit paying 3.15% (3.15% annualised) and matures on 24 September 2015.
- 23. IMB Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a 181 day term deposit paying 3.40% (3.43% annualised) and matures on 21 September 2015.
- 24. Summerland CU Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a three year term deposit paying 5.05% pa and matures on 14 July 2015.
- 25. AMP Business Saver at call account (A+):** This investment is an at-call account earning 3.35%. No fees are payable by Council on this investment.
- 26. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a three year term deposit paying 4.55% annually and matures on 16 May 2016.
- 27. Newcastle Permanent Building Society Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a 36 day term deposit, paying 3.10% (3.14% annualised), and matures on 10 February 2016.
- 28. Greater Building Society Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.60% pa, and matures on 7 August 2015.
- 29. The Rock Building Society Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a 91 day term deposit paying 3.00% p.a. (3.03% annualised), and matures 28 May 2015.

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- 30. Police CU SA Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 3.11% p.a. (3.11% annualised), and matures 27 March 2017.
- 31. AMP Term Deposit (A+):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.05% p.a. which matures on 18 February 2016.
- 32. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 216 day term deposit paying 3.10% (3.12% annualised), and matures on 1 October 2015.
- 33. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a five year term deposit paying 4.15% pa, and matures on 18 November 2019.
- 34. Rabodirect At-Call (AA):** This investment is an at call account, paying the short term money market rate. These funds are used for operational purposes.
- 35. Members Equity Bank At-Call Account (BBB):** This investment is an at call account, paying the short term money market rate. These funds are used for operational purposes.
- 36. CBA FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 120 above BBSW. This investment matures 2 August 2016.
- 37. Westpac Floating Rate Note (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 123 above BBSW. This investment matures 9 May 2016.
- 38. CBA FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 125 above BBSW. This investment matures 2 August 2016.
- 39. National Australia Bank FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 142 above BBSW. This investment matures 21 June 2016.
- 40. National Australia Bank FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 140 above BBSW. This investment matures 21 June 2016.
- 41. CBA FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 140 above BBSW. This investment matures 2 August 2016.
- 42. ANZ FRN (AA-):** This investment is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 142 above BBSW. This investment matures 9 May 2016.

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- 43. NAB Fixed MTN (AA-):** This is a fixed rate bond paying 6.18% (6.30% annualised) and matures 15 February 2017.
- 44. Westpac Fixed MTN (AA-):** This is a fixed rate bond paying 6.00% (6.14% annualised) and matures 20 February 2017.
- 45. Macquarie Bank Term Deposit (A):** This is a five year term deposit paying 6.50% (6.50% annualised) and matures 3 April 2017.
- 46. CBA Retail Bond (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 160 above BBSW. This investment matures 24 December 2015.
- 47. Delphi Bank Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a five year term deposit paying 6.05% p.a. and matures on 15 May 2017.
- 48. Rural Bank Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a 126 day term deposit paying 3.05% (3.08% annualised) and matures on 30 July 2015.
- 49. ME Bank Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a 182 day term deposit paying 3.40% p.a. (4.33% annualised) and matures on 28 July 2015.
- 50. CBA Retail Bonds (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 182 above BBSW. This investment matures 24 December 2015.
- 51. CBA Retail Bonds (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 184 above BBSW. This investment matures 24 December 2015.
- 52. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a five year term deposit paying 5.15% (5.15% annualised) and matures 20 November 2018.
- 53. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 4.10% (4.10% annualised) and matures 3 March 2016.
- 54. BoQ Specialist Bank (formerly Investec) Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a five year term deposit paying 6.95% on maturity (6.15% annualised) and matures 15 August 2017.
- 55. IMB Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.50% on maturity (3.50% annualised) and matures 14 August 2015.
- 56. CBA Retail Bonds (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 175 above BBSW. This investment matures 24 December 2015.

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- 57. St George Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 4.05% (4.05% annualised and matures on 27 August 2015).
- 58. CBA Retail Bonds (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 174 above BBSW. This investment matures 24 December 2015.
- 59. Rural Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.60 p.a. and matures on 7 August 2015.
- 60. ING Floating Rate Term Deposit (A):** This is a five year floating rate term deposit paying 2.30% above 90 day BBSW, and matures 4 September 2017.
- 61. St George Term Deposit (AA-):** This is a two year term deposit paying 4.05% (4.05% annualised), and matures 13 August 2015.
- 62. Bank of Queensland Term Deposit (BBB+):** This is a one year term deposit paying 3.75% (3.75% annualised) and matures 14 May 2015.
- 63. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This is a 1 year term deposit paying 3.55% pa and matures 15 December 2015.
- 64. Members Equity Bank Term Deposit (BBB):** This is a 126 day term deposit paying 3.05% (3.08% annualised) and matures 25 June 2015.
- 65. Bank of Queensland FRN (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 160 above BBSW. This investment matures 7 December 2015.
- 66. Bendigo Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.70% annually and matures 22 May 2015.
- 67. Bendigo Bank FRN (A-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 120 above BBSW. This investment matures 17 May 2017.
- 68. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.19% pa and matures 9 February 2016.
- 69. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a three year term deposit paying 3.75% pa and matures 20 November 2017.
- 70. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.55% pa and matures 6 November 2015.
- 71. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 4.15% (4.15% annualised) and matures 13 August 2015.

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- 72. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 4.27% (4.27% annualised) and matures 25 August 2015.
- 73. Macquarie Bank Term Deposit (A):** This investment is a 181 day term deposit paying 3.35% (3.38% annualised) and matures 16 June 2015.
- 74. AMP Term Deposit (A+):** This investment is a two year term deposit paying 3.30 p.a., and matures 21 March 2017.
- 75. Bank of Queensland TD (A-):** This is a one year term deposit paying 3.15% p.a., and matures 11 February 2016.
- 76. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.55% and matures 9 October 2015.
- 77. Bendigo Bank FRN (A-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 127 above BBSW. This investment matures 14 November 2018.
- 78. Rural Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 181 day term deposit, paying 3.05% (3.08% annualised), and matures on 23 July 2015.
- 79. Wide Bay CU Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.04% (3.04% annualised) and matures on 10 March 2016.
- 80. Newcastle Permanent Building Society (BBB+):** This investment is an 93 day term deposit, paying 3.05% (3.08% annualised), and matures on 4 June 2015.
- 81. Westpac Floating Rate Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 25 month floating rate term deposit paying 90d BBSW + 95 and matures 9 February 2016.
- 82. Credit Union Australia Floating Rate Note (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 130 above BBSW. This investment matures 20 March 2017.
- 83. Credit Union Australia Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.05% (3.05% annualised) and matures on 24 March 2016.
- 84. NAB Floating Rate Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year floating rate term deposit paying 90d BBSW + 100 and matures 16 May 2016.
- 85. Bananacoast Credit Union Term Deposit (Unrated):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.90%, and matures 22 May 2015.
- 86. Bankwest Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 61 day term deposit paying 2.75% (2.78% annualised), and matures 16 June 2015.

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- 87. Bank of Queensland FRN (AA-):** This investment is a four year floating rate term deposit paying 90d BBSW + 100 and matures 12 June 2018.
- 88. AMP 31 Day Notice Account (A+):** This investment is an account which pays +100 over the cash rate.
- 89. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.63% and matures 14 August 2015.
- 90. Police Bank Floating Rate Note (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 110 above BBSW. This investment matures 21 August 2017.
- 91. Newcastle Permanent Building Society (BBB+):** This investment is an 89 day term deposit, paying 3.20% (3.24% annualised), and matures on 5 May 2015.
- 92. Bendigo Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 184 day term deposit paying 3.45% (3.48% annualised) and matures 18 June 2015.
- 93. Credit Union Australia Term Deposit (BBB+):** This investment is an 11 month term deposit paying 3.10% (3.10% annualised) and matures on 9 February 2016.
- 94. Newcastle Permanent Building Society (BBB+):** This investment is a 91 day term deposit, paying 3.00% (3.03% annualised), and matures on 11 June 2015.
- 95. ANZ Floating Rate Note (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 85 above BBSW. This investment matures 11 November 2019.
- 96. ME Bank Floating Rate Note (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 100 above BBSW. This investment matures 17 November 2017.
- 97. NAB Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a one year term deposit paying 3.55% pa and matures 3 December 2015.
- 98. Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 91 day term deposit paying 2.85% (2.88% annualised) and matures 16 July 2015.
- 99. Rural Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 126 day term deposit paying 3.00% (3.03% annualised) and matures 6 August 2015.
- 100. Queensland Teachers Mutual Bank Floating Rate Note (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 105 above BBSW. This investment matures 11 December 2017.



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- 101. Teachers Mutual Bank Floating Rate Note (BBB+):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 105 above BBSW. This investment matures 4 December 2017.
- 102. Wide Bay Credit Union Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.01% p.a., and matures on 8 March 2016.
- 103. MyState Credit Union Term Deposit (BBB):** This investment is a one year term deposit, paying 3.60% pa, and matures on 8 December 2015.
- 104. Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 63 day term deposit paying 3.00% (3.04% annualised) and matures 14 May 2015.
- 105. Bankwest Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 97 day term deposit paying 3.10% (3.14% annualised) and matures 11 June 2015.
- 106. NAB Flexi Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a two year floating TD paying 103 above 90 day BBSW and matures 9 January 2017.
- 107. Westpac Floating Rate Note (AA-):** This is a senior, unsecured floating rate note purchased at a yield of 90 above BBSW. This investment matures 22 January 2020.
- 108. Rural Bank Term Deposit (A-):** This investment is a 184 day term deposit paying 3.05% (3.07% annualised) and matures 3 September 2015.
- 109. Macquarie Bank FRN (A):** This investment is a five year floating rate term deposit paying 90d BBSW + 110 and matures 3 March 2020.
- 110. CBA Term Deposit (AA-):** This investment is a 214 day term deposit paying 3.13% (3.15% annualised) and matures on 6 October 2015.
- 111. Newcastle Permanent Building Society FRN (BBB+):** This investment is a five year floating rate term deposit paying 90d BBSW + 110 and matures 3 March 2020.

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**7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION -  
Councillors and Mayoral fees for 2015/16**

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This report is presented to Council to advise of the recent determination made by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal with respect to Councillor and Mayoral fees.

In determining the Councillor and Mayoral fee increase, the Tribunal has determined that the City of Ryde remain in the “Metropolitan Centre” category.

This report recommends that Council endorse the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees and confirms that there are sufficient funds in the 2015-2016 budget for this increase.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt the following increases to Councillor and Mayoral fees effective from 1 July 2015:

- (a) 2.5% increase to Councillor fees from \$22,800 to \$23,370 per annum.
- (b) 2.5% increase to Mayoral fees from \$60,580 to \$62,090 per annum; in addition to the Councillor fees.

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- 1 2015 Annual Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal

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### Context

Sections 239 and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) states that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal will determine the category of each Council and the fees to be paid to Councillors and the Mayor. The Tribunal reviews and determines the category of each Council and Councillor fees annually.

At its meeting on 27 May 2014, Council resolved to adopt the maximum fees payable to Councillors for the period of 2014/15.

### Discussion

#### *Re-categorisation of Councils*

The “Annual Report and Determination of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal” dated 13 April 2015 is **ATTACHED**.

The Tribunal has determined that the City of Ryde will remain categorised as “Metropolitan Centre” Council.

Prior to releasing the Report, the Tribunal invited submissions from Council seeking comments on its categorisation and whether Council should be recognised in any future or alternative categorisation model.

The Tribunal considered all requests for re-categorisation from individual Councils and has determined that no change is warranted to the overall existing category of Councils.

Consequently, the Tribunal has stated that based on the findings of the Fit for the Future, the Minister for Local Government may direct the Tribunal to make a special determination to alter the existing determination on the categories and fees.

#### *Review of Mayoral and Councillors Fees*

Under this category, the Tribunal determined that an increase of 2.5% to Councillors fees and Mayoral fees was appropriate. It should be noted that this increase is subject to a 2.5% cap on increases as determined by the NSW Parliament, thus removing the Tribunal’s discretion to determine any increase beyond this cap.

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The table below provides a summary of the minimum and maximum fees determined by the Tribunal.

### Tribunal Fee Range for 2015/16

	<b>Minimum Fee Determined by the Tribunal</b>	<b>Maximum Fee Determined by the Tribunal</b>	<b>CoR 2013/14 Current Annual Fee</b>
Councillor fee (per annum)	\$12,520	\$23,370	\$22,800
Mayoral additional fee (per annum)	\$26,600	\$62,090	\$60,580

The Mayor receives a Mayoral fee in addition to the Councillor fee.

In previous years, Council has resolved to endorse the maximum fees payable to Councillors and the Mayor.

Based on the table above, the total cost of paying the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees will be \$342,530. There is provision for this amount in the 2015/16 budget.

### **Critical Dates**

The new fees are payable as from 1 July 2015.

### **Financial Impact**

There is adequate provision in the 2015/16 budget to fund the maximum fees.

### **Policy Implications**

Under Sections 239 and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal determines the category of each Council and the fee range for Councillors and the Mayor. Within that range, Council then determines the fee which will be paid.

### **Other Options**

The following options are available:

1. That Council adopt a no fee increase to the Councillors fees and Mayoral fee.
2. That Council adopt a partial fee increase to the Councillors fees and Mayoral fee.
3. That Council adopt a fee reduction to the Councillors and Mayoral fees.

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4. That Council adopt the full fee increase to the Councillors fees and Mayoral fee.

Based on Council's previous resolution on this matter, this report recommends that Council endorse the maximum Councillor and Mayoral fees noting that there are sufficient funds in the 2015/16 budget.

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Annual Report  
and  
Determination

*Annual report and determination under sections 239  
and 241 of the Local Government Act 1993*

13 April  
2015

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## Introduction

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1. The role of Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (the Tribunal), pursuant to section 235 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the LG Act) was undertaken by Ms Helen Wright from 13 December 2006 until the expiration of her appointment on 30 June 2014. The Tribunal wishes to express its appreciation of Ms Wright's contributions over those years.
2. On 4 February 2015, Dr Robert Lang was appointed to the role of Tribunal pursuant to section 235 of the LG Act and Mr Ian Reynolds was appointed to the role of Assessor assisting the Tribunal pursuant to section 236 (1) (b) of the LG Act. The role of Assessor assisting the Tribunal pursuant to 236 (1) (a) has been undertaken by Mr Steve Orr, Acting CEO, Office of Local Government, Department of Planning and Environment.

## Section 1 Background

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3. Pursuant to section 239 of the LG Act the Tribunal determines the categories of councils and mayoral offices and the allocation of each council and mayoral office into one of those categories.
4. Pursuant to section 241 of the LG Act the Tribunal determines in each category of council, the maximum and minimum amount of fees to be paid to mayors and councillors of councils, as well as chairpersons and members of county councils.
5. In determining the maximum and minimum fees payable to each of the categories, the Tribunal is required, pursuant to section 242A of the LG Act, to give effect to the same policies on increases in remuneration as those that the Industrial Relations Commission is required to give effect to under section 146C of the *Industrial Relations Act 1996* (IR Act), when making or varying awards or orders relating to the conditions of employment of public sector employees.
6. The current policy on wages pursuant to section 146(1)(a) of the IR Act is articulated in the *Industrial Relations (Public Sector Conditions of Employment) Regulation 2014* (Regulation). The effect of the Regulation is that public sector wages cannot increase by

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more than 2.5 per cent, and this includes the maximum and minimum fees payable to councillors and mayors.

7. The former Tribunal's Report and Determination of 2014 provided a general increase of 2.5 per cent which was consistent with the Government's policy on wages.

## Section 2 Local Government Reform

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8. Local government in NSW has been the subject of a significant reform agenda driven by the need to change. This has been supported by Local Government NSW (LGNSW) and the State Government. The process of creating a strong and viable local government sector began with the *Destination 2036* summit held in 2011. The outcome was the "*Destination 2036 Action Plan*" which identified 12 major initiatives to create a strong local government sector.
9. In 2012 the then Minister for Local Government appointed an Independent Local Government Review Panel (Panel) to formulate options for governance models, structures and boundary changes to improve the strength and effectiveness of local government and to help drive the strategic directions set out in the *Destination 2036 Action Plan*. The Local Government Acts Taskforce (Taskforce) was also appointed to review the LG Act and the *City of Sydney Act 1988*.
10. Following an extensive consultation program with stakeholders across NSW during 2012 and 2013 the final reports of the Panel and the Taskforce were released in October 2013. As outlined in the Tribunal's 2014 determination these reports make a broad range of recommendations which, if adopted in full or in part, could deliver significant reforms across local government in NSW.
11. The Government's response to the recommendations of the Panel and the Taskforce was released in September 2014 – '*Fit for the Future, NSW Government Response*'.
12. The Tribunal notes that the Panel has made a number of comments in relation to the adequacy of the existing remuneration arrangements and has proposed structural changes which may have an impact on the roles and responsibilities of councillors and mayors. Suggested changes include amendments to the LG Act to provide greater clarity in relation to the role of councillors and mayors. It has been proposed that in larger councils and in major regional councils, the role of mayor, and in some instances that of

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the deputy mayor, should be expanded to a full time office and remunerated accordingly.

13. The Government has supported these changes in principle, noting in their response:

*“Stronger political leadership and effective representation are essential to strengthen local communities. In developing a new Local Government Act, the Government will consider how to embed these principles and achieve these outcomes.*

*In time for the next local government elections in 2016, the Government will:*

- *Amend the legislated role of councillors and mayors to provide greater clarity generally in accordance with the Panel’s recommendations*
- *Introduce minimum two year terms and compulsory voting in mayoral elections for mayors elected by councillors, to facilitate leadership stability.”*

In response to whether the role of mayor should be full time the Government advised:

*“The Government recognises the important role of the Mayor in providing leadership to the council and the community. It recognises that the role of Mayor will inevitably vary given the size of the council and the nature of the community and believes it is for the council to determine the appropriate time required to fulfil this important strategic role.”*

14. The Panel also suggested that professional development programs be made available to councillors and that remuneration should be increased in recognition of enhanced skills.

15. The Government has not supported the Panel’s recommendation that councillors and mayors who successfully complete recognised professional development programs receive increased remuneration. In response to that recommendation the Government advised:

*“The Government recognises the dedication of councillors across NSW to their local council and their communities and supports councillors receiving a fair level of remuneration, which reflects the nature of the role and the communities’ expectations of prudent use of ratepayer funds.*

*The Government believes an independent process, currently undertaken by the Independent Remuneration Tribunal, provides a fair means of setting councillor remuneration, with the current criteria taking into account, among other things, the size and the significance of the council.*

*The Minister for Local Government will ask the Tribunal to give further consideration to the criteria to better reflect the objectives of local government*



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*reform with a focus on those councils that have made the necessary changes to become "Fit for the Future".*

*The Government also believes that professional development, particularly for new councillors but importantly for all councillors, is essential for being an effective councillor rather than a justification for increasing councillor remuneration and expects all councils to have in place a professional development program for councillors."*

16. In providing their response the Government also announced a package of support to strengthen communities and support councils to become Fit for the Future.
17. The Government intends to provide funding of up to \$1 billion to help NSW councils become Fit for the Future. The Fit for the Future package includes:
  - \$258 million to assist councils who decide to merge and make the changes needed to provide better services to communities;
  - Potential savings of up to \$600 million from cheaper finance for Fit for the Future councils to invest in local infrastructure;
  - Up to \$100 million savings through reductions in red tape and duplications;
  - Improvements to the local government system, including the laws that govern it, the way the State works with councils and the support that councils receive.
18. As part of a broad range of local government initiatives, councils have been asked to assess their current situation and consider the future needs of its community. The Panel recommended a range of structures for councils across NSW, based on the Panel's extensive consultation and research. Those options include:
  - voluntary mergers
  - forming regional joint organisations
  - a new model for the far west
  - a rural council option
19. Councils have been asked to prepare a roadmap for becoming Fit for the Future. The Roadmap is to address the viability of introducing one of the structures proposed having regard to:
  - scale and capacity
  - sustainability
  - efficiency, and
  - effective services and infrastructure.

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20. Councils have been asked to assess their current position and submit a Fit for the Future proposal by 30 June 2015. The proposals will be assessed by an independent expert panel which will make recommendations to the Minister for Local Government. It is expected that from October 2015 Fit for the Future councils will commence the implementation of their proposals.
21. The Tribunal also notes that a new local government act is expected to be introduced following the local government elections in September 2016.

## Section 3 2015 Review

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### Scope of the Review - Categories

22. Section 239 of the LG Act requires the Tribunal to determine the categories of councils and mayoral offices at least once every 3 years. In accordance with the Act, the Tribunal has reviewed the categories as part of the 2015 annual review.
23. Pursuant to section 240 of the Act the Tribunal is required to determine categories according to the following matters:

*“240 (1)*

- the size of areas*
- the physical terrain of areas*
- the population of areas and the distribution of the population*
- the nature and volume of business dealt with by each Council*
- the nature and extent of the development of areas*
- the diversity of communities served*
- the regional, national and international significance of the Council*
- such matters as the Remuneration Tribunal considers relevant to the provision of efficient and effective local government*
- such other matters as may be prescribed by the regulations. “*

24. The former Tribunal undertook a fundamental review of the categories in 2012. In undertaking that review, the former Tribunal found that there was no strong case to significantly alter the current categories of councillor or mayoral office or to move

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individual councils between categories. The Tribunal notes that since 2012 there has been no reduction in the number of councils or significant changes to local government boundaries but significant progress has been made by the Government, LGNSW and local councils in progressing the reform process.

25. In reviewing the categories for 2015 the Tribunal considers the current reform initiatives, in particular Fit for the Future, to be relevant to the provision of efficient and effective local government.
26. On 4 March 2015, the Tribunal wrote to all mayors advising of the commencement of the 2015 Annual Review. The Tribunal invited submissions from councils as to whether Fit for the Future councils should be recognised in any future or alternative categorisation model. This proposal was consistent with the Government's response to the recommendations of the Panel. The Tribunal also wrote to the President of LGNSW in similar terms, and subsequently met with the President and Chief Executive of LGNSW. The Tribunal wishes to place on record its appreciation to the President and Chief Executive for meeting with the Tribunal.

**Submissions Received**

27. In response to this review the Tribunal received 15 submissions from individual councils and a submission from LGNSW. The key points from those submissions are summarised below.

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28. The association's view is that a wholesale review of the categories is not practical until the conclusion of the Fit for the Future proposal and approval period and therefore a detailed analysis of the factors set out in Section 240 of the Act was not included in their submission.
29. However, the association has requested that a new category of 'Peri-Urban' be created to contain those councils that occupy a landscape on a major city fringe that is neither fully urban nor completely rural. Councils that would fit into this new category include Wollondilly and Hawkesbury River councils.
30. Given the statutory limitations in place LGNSW has also requested that councillor and

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mayoral fees be increased by the full 2.5 percent for 2015/16. LGNSW continues to advocate that councillors face an immense task juggling council workload, family responsibilities as well as paid work and such a significant time involvement is not appropriately recompensed through the current remuneration levels. The roles of councillor and mayor have expanded due to the introduction of new forms of strategic and corporate planning and, more recently, additional workloads are attributable to Fit for the Future and Joint Organisation pilots.

**Major City**

31. Wollongong City Council has sought the inclusion of transitional remuneration arrangements in this year's determination, rather than future determinations, to reflect extra responsibilities being undertaken through Fit for the Future and as a Pilot Joint Organisation. The Council argues that this was articulated and acknowledged in discussions concerning the scope and structure of Joint Organisations during workshops facilitated by the Office of Local Government.

**Metropolitan Major**

32. Penrith City Council has sought re-categorisation to Major City in view of the Council's identified role as a regional city for North Western Sydney and its expanding regional role for housing, transport, jobs and services. The Council supports a future categorisation model that provides a bonus or incentives for those councils that successfully demonstrate ongoing sustainability through their Fit for the Future proposals and Improvement Plans.

**Metropolitan Centre**

33. Submissions were received from Liverpool City Council, Sutherland Shire Council, The Hills Shire Council and Wyong Shire Council. All councils in this group have sought re-categorisation to a higher group.
34. Liverpool City Council has sought re-categorisation to either Metropolitan Major as a minimum or Major City. The Council argues that its similarities with Penrith City Council and Parramatta City Council support a consistent categorisation with either of these councils.

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35. The Hills Council argues that the current categorisation system does not recognise the complexities faced by Councillors in 'growth' councils. The Council also notes that it has a similar population and growth forecast to Penrith City Council which is in the Metropolitan Major category.
36. Wyong Shire Council has sought re-categorisation to Metropolitan Major on the basis that its functions are parallel to councils in that category.
37. Sutherland Shire Council has sought re-categorisation to Metropolitan Major and argues that it compares with Penrith City Council and Blacktown City Council which are categorised as Metropolitan Major.

**Metropolitan**

38. Submissions were received from Pittwater Council and Camden Council.
39. Pittwater Council has requested the Tribunal to make appropriate representations for changes to legislation to require councils to pay compulsory employer superannuation contributions for councillors. Under current law councillors are not deemed employees of a council and employer superannuation contributions are not required.
40. Camden Council has sought re-categorisation to Metropolitan Centre or alternatively to a new category for growth centres. Camden is a major growth centre and expects exponential growth over the next 25 years with a significant increase in population and dwellings and related increases to the Council's staffing, budget, services and councillors' workloads and obligations.

**Regional Rural**

41. Individual submissions were received from Albury City Council, Bathurst Regional Council, Bega Valley Shire Council and Hawkesbury City Council.
42. Albury City Council has requested that the Tribunal consider the provision of a deputy mayoral allowance in the fee structure noting that this may require a change to the LG Act. The experience of Albury City Council is that there are an increasing number of civic commitments on the mayor averaging five or more per week with the deputy mayor often required to assist in these matters.
43. Bathurst Regional Council has sought an increase of fees to reflect the increased role

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and responsibilities that councillors undertake.

44. Bega Valley Shire Council argue that the current remuneration levels are a barrier to many younger and working people standing for election. Also, the Council requests that any proposed categorisation model recognising Fit for the Future status should recognise not only councils that intend to amalgamate but also councils which participate in Joint Regional Organisations.
45. Hawkesbury City Council has sought re-categorisation to a higher or new category on the basis that it is different to other councils in Regional Rural.

**Rural**

46. Forbes Shire Council has sought an additional increase above 2.5% to account for the additional complexity and time obligations that are over and above councillors' business as usual work, as a result of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework, Independent Panels review report and Fit for the Future.

**Tribunal's Findings**

**Categorisation**

47. The Tribunal has reviewed the existing categories and finds that no change is warranted at this time. While LGNSW have put forward a proposal to create a new "peri urban" category, any consideration of new categories is not considered appropriate at this time given the current reform agenda. It is probable, should Fit for the Future initiatives proceed, that the structure of local government in NSW will change over the next few years. Any future Tribunal will need to consider categorisation based on the structure and composition of councils in NSW at that time.
48. The Tribunal has also considered those requests for re-categorisation from individual councils as outlined in the submissions. The Tribunal finds that the current categorisation of individual councils is appropriate at this time and no changes are warranted.
49. In making submissions councils were also asked to comment on whether Fit for the Future councils should be recognised in any future or alternative categorisation model.

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50. In seeking these views the Tribunal acknowledged that a number of Fit for the Future milestones will not be achieved prior to the Tribunal making its determination. The Tribunal's intention was to seek preliminary views on what factors should inform any future categorisation model, should changes to the structure of local government occur following the implementation of Fit of the Future. The Tribunal notes the preliminary view of LGNSW that any new set of factors for describing council categories should be capable of being applied to all councils rather than segregating councils based on their Fit for the Future status. LGNSW went on to acknowledge that, should the NSW local government sector undergo transition, in addition to revising the factors already prescribed by the Act that there will be a need to develop contemporary factors that recognise progressive change at the council level.
51. A number of submissions also raised with the Tribunal the additional work associated with participating in Fit for the Future and other reform initiatives, including work associated with the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework and participation in Pilot Joint Organisations of Councils. The Tribunal acknowledges the significant work that has been undertaken by the Office of Local Government, LGNSW and individual councils in driving reform across the sector but considers that this does not warrant re-categorisation of councils at this time.
52. The Tribunal has not formed a view on any future categorisation framework at this point in time. While the Panel has proposed a number of alternative models for the governance of communities in NSW, any proposed changes will not be known until after the release of the Fit for the Future findings later in 2015.
53. Based on the existing Fit for the Future timeframes, the Tribunal may need to consider a revised categorisation model, including the fees that apply to those categories, during the 2016 annual review. Should the structure of any council areas in NSW change before then, the Minister for Local Government may direct the Tribunal to make a special determination to alter the existing determination to take account of any new arrangements.
54. The Tribunal is of the view that significant changes should prompt a revision of the criteria for determining categories and fees. Any new categorisation model may need to



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have regard to a broader or different set of criteria than those currently provided for in section 240 of the LG Act.

55. In reviewing the LG Act the Government may wish to consider the range of factors any future Tribunal should have regard to in determining categories. As one example, the Government has released "*A Plan for Growing Sydney*" that will guide land use planning decisions in Metropolitan Sydney for the next 20 years. The Greater Sydney Commission will work with local councils to implement growth and infrastructure plans. The expertise and work load expected of councillors and mayors with responsibilities associated with "*A Plan for Growing Sydney*" may be factors which the Tribunal should have regard to in determining categorisation and remuneration. The Tribunal expects that similar pressures will be placed on rural and regional councils to drive economic and social growth throughout NSW.
56. The Tribunal also notes that any revision to the fees as a result of any new categorisation model would need to balance the need to attract and retain experienced and capable elected representatives with the ability of councils to afford any potential increases. While money is not the primary motivator for undertaking public office, fees should adequately recognise the roles and responsibilities of councillors and mayors and assist in attracting suitably qualified and experienced candidates.
57. Finally, the Tribunal notes that it has received legal advice which would suggest that any re-categorisation of an existing council, which would have the effect of increasing the employee related costs in respect of those councillors by more than 2.5 per cent may contravene the intent of section 242A of the LG Act. This would appear to limit the Tribunal's ability to undertake its independent statutory functions. While the Tribunal has decided not to re-categorise any of the existing councils as part of this review, the ability of the Tribunal to determine revised categories or fees for a future local government structure may be limited by the scope of the existing legislation. The Tribunal will write to the Minister for Local Government to seek advice on this matter.

**Fees**

58. The Tribunal notes the comments made in submissions in regard to the payment of fees for deputy mayors. As noted by the former Tribunal the LG Act prevents the Tribunal



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from determining any fees for deputy mayors. The Government may wish to consider this matter in its review of the LG Act.

59. The Tribunal is required to have regard to the Government's wages policy when determining the increase to apply to the maximum and minimum fees that apply to the councillors and mayors. The public sector wages policy currently provides for a cap on increases of 2.5 per cent.
60. The Tribunal has reviewed the key economic indicators, including the Consumer Price Index and Wage Price Index, and finds that the full increase of 2.5 per cent available to it is warranted. On that basis, having regard to the above, and after taking the views of the Assessors into account, the Tribunal considers that an increase of 2.5 per cent in the maximum and minimum fee for each category of councillor and mayoral office, including county councils, is appropriate and so determines.

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**Dr Robert Lang**

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**Section 4 Determinations**

**Determination No. 1- Determination Pursuant to Section 239 of Categories of Councils and County Councils Effective From 1 July 2015**

**Table 1: General Purpose Councils**

<b>Table 1: General Purpose Councils (152)</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>Council</b>	
<b>Principal City (1)</b>	Sydney	
<b>Major City (3)</b>	Newcastle Parramatta Wollongong	
<b>Metropolitan Major (2)</b>	Blacktown Penrith	
<b>Metropolitan Centre (16)</b>	Bankstown Campbelltown Fairfield Gosford The Hills Hornsby Hurstville Lake Macquarie	Liverpool North Sydney Randwick Ryde Sutherland Warringah Willoughby Wyong
<b>Metropolitan (21)</b>	Ashfield Auburn Botany Burwood Camden Canada Bay Canterbury Holroyd Hunters Hill Kogarah Ku-ring-gai	Lane Cove Leichhardt Manly Marrickville Mosman Pittwater Rockdale Strathfield Waverley Woollahra

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<b>Table 1: General Purpose Councils (152)</b>			
<b>Category</b>	<b>Council</b>		
<b>Country Rural (32)</b>	Albury Armidale Dumaresq Ballina Bathurst Bega Valley Blue Mountains Broken Hill Byron Cessnock Clarence Valley Coffs Harbour Dubbo Eurobodalla Great Lakes Goulburn Mulwaree Queanbeyan	Greater Taree Griffith Hawkesbury Kempsey Lismore Maitland Orange Port Macquarie-Hastings Port Stephens Shellharbour Shoalhaven Tamworth Tweed Wagga Wagga Wingecarribee Wollondilly	
<b>Rural (77)</b>	Balranald Bellingen Berrigan Bland Blayney Bogan Bombala Boorowa Bourke Brewarrina Cabonne Carrathool Central Darling Cobar Conargo Coolamon Cooma-Monaro Coonamble Cootamundra Corowa Cowra Deniliquin Dungog Forbes Gilgandra Glen Innes Severn	Gloucester Greater Hume Gundagai Gunnedah Guyra Gwydir Harden Hay Inverell Jerilderie Junee Kiama Kyogle Lachlan Leeton Lithgow Liverpool Plains Lockhart Mid-Western Moree Plains Murray Murrumbidgee Muswellbrook Nambucca Narrabri Narrandera	Narromine Palerang Parkes Oberon Richmond Valley Singleton Snowy River Temora Tenterfield Tumbarumba Tumut Upper Hunter Upper Lachlan Uralla Urana Wakool Walcha Walgett Warren Warrumbungle Weddin Wellington Wentworth Yass Valley Young

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**Table 2: County Councils**

<b>Table 2: County Councils (14)</b>	
<b>Category</b>	<b>Council</b>
<b>Water (5)</b>	Central Tablelands Goldenfields Water MidCoast Riverina Water Rous
<b>Other (9)</b>	Castlereagh – Macquarie Central Murray Far North Coast Hawkesbury River New England Tablelands Richmond River Southern Slopes Upper Hunter Upper Macquarie

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**Determination No. 2- Determination Pursuant to Section 241 of Fees for Councillors and Mayors**

Pursuant to s.241 of the Local Government Act 1993, the annual fees to be paid in each of the categories to Councillors, Mayors, Members and Chairpersons of County Councils effective on and from 1 July 2015 are determined as follows:

**Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils**

<b>Table 3: Fees for General Purpose and County Councils</b>				
<b>Category</b>	<b>Councillor/Member Annual Fee</b>		<b>Mayor/Chairperson Additional Fee</b>	
	<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
<b>General Purpose Councils</b>				
Principal City	25,040	36,720	153,200	201,580
Major City	16,690	27,550	35,470	80,260
Metropolitan Major	16,690	27,550	35,470	80,260
Metropolitan Centre	12,520	23,370	26,600	62,090
Metropolitan	8,330	18,380	17,740	40,090
Regional Rural	8,330	18,380	17,740	40,090
Rural	8,330	11,010	8,860	24,030
<b>County Councils</b>				
Water	1,660	9,180	3,550	15,080
Other	1,660	5,490	3,550	10,020

\*This fee must be paid in addition to the fee paid to the Mayor/Chairperson as a Councillor/Member (s.249(2)).

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Signed

**Dr Robert Lang**

**Dated:** 13 April 2015

**8 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL**

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**Report prepared by:** Section Manager - Governance  
**File No.:** CLM/15/1/4/2 - BP15/561

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

This Report is submitted to Council to review the status of outstanding reports and confirm the date reports are due to be provided to Council as at 12 May 2015 (listing **ATTACHED**).

There are currently 28 reports listed. Following consideration of this report there will be no overdue reports due to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report on Outstanding Council Reports be endorsed.

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**1** Outstanding Reports to Council - as at 12 May 2015

Report Prepared By:

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Report Approved By:

**John Schanz**  
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**Roy Newsome**  
**Group Manager - Corporate Services**

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**Outstanding Reports**

<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Works and Community	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - AMENDMENT TO VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT (VPA) POLICY</b>	15/03/2016	<i>In keeping with the Integrated Open Space Plan, the amended VPA Policy seeking additional open space, was approved by Council at its meeting held on 13 August 2013.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b>		<b>Anticipated date</b>	
14/05/2013	(b) The Acting General Manager prepare a report identifying how much money Council has for open space acquisition and identify potential purchases for consideration by Council in keeping with the Draft IOSP.	15/03/2016	<i>The Open Space Future Provision Plan is currently under development and will be discussed at a confidential Councillor workshop to be held in November 2013.</i>
<b>Group</b>		<b>Officer</b>	
Community Life		Simon James	<i>Workshop deferred to February 2014.</i>
			<i>Workshop further delayed to 18 March due to another workshop needing to take priority.</i>
			<i>A response to this resolution will be considered as a part of Section 94A Plan and/or Sport and Recreation Strategy.</i>



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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>ESTABLISHING AN INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE HUB</b>	27/10/2015	<i>Pilot will be evaluated starting in July, as per the Council resolution, with a report back to Council at completion.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 23/07/2013	(d) That following the trial period (2 years), a review of the Integrated Youth Service Hub governance model be undertaken by Community and Culture and reported to Council.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 27/10/2015	
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Baharak Sahbekehriari	

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Works and Community	<b>FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT STUDIES - BUFFALO AND KITTY'S CREEK &amp; PARRAMATTA RIVER</b>	16/06/2015	Update 9 March 2015: Consultation on the FloodPlain Risk Management Plan for Buffalo and Kitty's Creek has been considered by the Stormwater Flood Management Committee. This matter will be reported to Council on 28 April 2015.
<b>Meeting Date</b> 3/06/2014	(What a further report be submitted to Council following the completion of the public exhibition period.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 16/06/2015	
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Anthony Ogle	Consultation on the FloodPlain Risk Management Plan for Parramatta River and subcatchments will be considered by the Stormwater Flood Management Committee on 22 April 2015. It is expected that this matter will be reported to Council in June / July 2015.
			Update 10 April 2015: Late submissions have raised issues regarding Section 94 certificate notations and the report is now going to be expanded to cover these processes. Accordingly, the FloodPlain Risk Management Plan for Buffalo and Kitty's Creek will now be reported to the Works and Community on 21 July 2015.

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Council	<b>CROWN LANDS WHITE PAPER</b>	13/11/2015	Update 11 May 2015: The Floodplain Risk Management Studies for both Buffalo and Kitrys Creek & Parramatta Rivers will be presented as a combined report to the Works and Community on 16 June 2015
<b>Meeting Date</b> 10/06/2014	(d) That this matter be further reported to Council once Council has evaluated the Strategic Assessment of the City of Ryde's Crown Land.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 8/12/2015	Update 1 July 2014: Council delivered its submission by the 20 June 2014 deadline. The matter is now in the hands of the Crown. The Strategic Assessment could possibly take many months.
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Joe So	Update 30 September 2014: This report will not be presented to Council until the update has been received from the Crown and at this stage, the timeframe is unknown.  Update 11 May 2015: No update received from Crown

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Works and Community	<b>INVESTIGATION INTO NIGHT MARKETS AT EASTWOOD AND OTHER TOWN CENTRES</b>	21/07/2015	<i>Expressions of Interest reviewed by the Eastwood and West Ryde Events and Promotions Committee at its meeting in February and staff are currently developing a consultation plan for local businesses seeking their feedback on the proposals received.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 5/08/2014	(b) That Council invite Expressions of Interest for the establishment of a regular Sunday Farmers Market at Eastwood and that the findings of the EOI and the result of consultation with local businesses be reported back to Council for approval.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 21/07/2015	<i>The results of the consultation and findings of the Expression of Interest will be reported back to Council when completed.</i>
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Derek McCarthy	<i>Councillor Information Bulletin with this update provided to Councillors on 2 April 2015.</i>

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Works and Community	<b>MAYORAL MINUTE - NAMING OF LOWER EASTWOOD OVAL</b>	2/06/2015	<i>Council staff have been liaising with representatives from the Eastwood St Andrews Football Club and have sought a formal application from them by end March, regarding any renaming proposal.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 12/08/2014	(a) That the Acting Group Manager – Community Life, prepare a report in relation to the possible renaming of the Lower Eastwood Oval.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 2/06/2015	
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Simon James	<i>A report will be provided to Council once an application from the Club has been received.</i>
<b>Meeting Type</b> Council	<b>LICENCE AGREEMENT - PUTNEY AND TENNYSON BOWLING CLUB</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b> 23/06/2015	<i>The issue with the private gymnasium at Putney Tennyson Bowling Club has been resolved.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 26/08/2014	(c) That a further report be brought back to Council on the outcomes of any negotiations with the Club, including opportunities for access by additional community groups	<b>Anticipated date</b> 23/06/2015	<i>Licence negotiations have commenced and will be reported to Council in June 2015.</i>
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Tatjana Domazet	

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Council	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - NO SMOKING AT EASTWOOD PLAZA</b>	26/05/2015	<i>Community Consultation Meeting to be held on Saturday, 28 February, 2015.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 14/10/2014	In light of a petition received from 240 regular users of the Eastwood Plaza, Council consults with the Eastwood community and local businesses with a view to create a Smoke Free Zone in the Plaza area between appropriate hours, in order to minimise users and school children being exposed to harmful effects of passive smoking. The outcome of the consultation and recommendations are to be reported to the Council meeting.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 23/06/2015	<i>Surveys and Community Consultation has been completed and a report to Council is expected in June 2015.</i>
<b>Group</b> Environment and Planning		<b>Officer</b> Meryl Bishop	

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Works and Community	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - WINE AND MUSIC BY THE RIVER - COMPLETE</b>	19/05/2015	Staff are waiting to hear back from Gladesville Rotary in regards them proposing to conduct a similar event in place of the Aquatic Festival.
<b>Meeting Date</b>		<b>Anticipated date</b>	
11/11/2014	(a) That Council staff investigate options for an additional major community event in East Ward named, Wine and Music by the River as a major public community celebration in our City each year.	19/05/2015	This report will be provided to Council in April 2015.
<b>Group</b>		<b>Officer</b>	
Community Life	(b) That an expression of interest be promoted for a working party to review, develop and adopt a strategy for a Music Festival budgeting with defined guidelines that ensures any and all expenses incurred can be paid for with certainty.	Derek McCarthy	Council staff met with Gladesville Rotary Club, who have expressed an interest in conducting a Wine and Music event within the City of Ryde and have been encouraged to apply to Council through our Event Grant process for assistance with the staging of the event.
	(c) That Council investigate conducting a major community event at Kissing Point Park.		Report presented to the Works and Community Committee Meeting on 19 May 2015.
	(d) That the Chambers of Commerce, Rotary, local business and other interested stakeholders be approached for input with these options to be presented for Council's consideration in March 2015.		COMPLETED (To be removed following the Council Meeting on 26 May 2015).

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Works and Community	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - RYDE BOWLING CLUB SITE - COMPLETE</b>	12/05/2015	Community consultation completed.
<b>Meeting Date</b> 11/11/2014	(a) That Council consult the community to ascertain their preferences for the future use of the Argyle Centre.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 12/05/2015	A Councillor Workshop was held on 31 March 2015 to discuss the results of the community survey and a subsequent report will be provided to Council in May.
<b>Group</b> Community Life	(b) That Council consult the community to ascertain their preferences for the future use of the Ryde Bowling Club site before seeking expressions of interest for this property.	<b>Officer</b> Tatjana Domazet	Report presented to Council on 12 May 2015.
	(c) That in relation to the Ryde Bowling Club site, the consultation document is to enable respondents to provide a response to at least the following concepts or questions:-  Should the Bowling Club site remain part of Ryde Park.  Should the land be used primarily for recreational purposes and remain zoned for recreation.  Should the use provide for public access to the site at all times when the facility is open or in use.  Are commercial or community uses acceptable provided the above three conditions are met.		<i>COMPLETED (To be removed following the Council Meeting on 26 May 2015).</i>

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Council	<b>COUNCIL'S ARTWORKS COLLECTION</b>	14/07/2015	<i>Review of current processes and investigation of future options for management has commenced.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 25/11/2014	(a) That Council staff review the management and display of the artwork collection and prepare a report for Council that informs of its value and significance;	<b>Anticipated date</b> 14/07/2015	
<b>Group</b> Community Life	(b) That the Council report include recommendations on innovative options for its ongoing management and display, including guidelines for purchase of new works.	<b>Officer</b> Baharak Sahbekehiani	

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>REVIEW OF DCP 2014 - STORMWATER AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT - COMPLETE</b>	26/05/2015	<i>Final formatting of DCP document and attachments underway.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 25/11/2014	(b)That Council endorse that the exhibition of the Draft Development Control Part 7.3 Stormwater and Floodplain Management and associated documents occurs as part of a group of DCPs to be exhibited with respect to the comprehensive review of DCP 2014 and be a part of the report to Council on the outcomes of that exhibition.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 26/05/2015	<i>Exhibition scheduled to commence in February and continue through March.</i>
<b>Group</b> Environment and Planning		<b>Officer</b> Meryl Bishop	<i>Exhibition underway - submissions close 20 March 2015.</i>
			<i>Report presented to Council on 26 May 2015.</i>
			<i>COMPLETED (To be removed following the Council Meeting on 26 May 2015).</i>

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>INVESTMENT PROPERTY MATTER - 741-747 VICTORIA ROAD RYDE</b>	23/06/2015	Update 6 February 2015: Community consultation, planning and implementation underway in line with OLG Capital Expenditure Guidelines and Council Resolution.
<b>Meeting Date</b> 9/12/2014	(g)hat a further report be submitted after the adoption of the Delivery Plan 2015-2019 that will address any adverse submissions and detail the proposed community engagement process as prescribed in the Office of Local Government's Capital Works Guidelines.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 23/06/2015	
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Joe So	
<b>Meeting Type</b> Council	<b>MACQUARIE PARK CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN REVIEW</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b> 23/06/2015	<b>Comments/Update</b> Exhibition scheduled to commence in March and continue through April, with report to Council to follow.
<b>Meeting Date</b> 9/12/2014	(g)hat the outcomes of the exhibition are reported to Council as soon as practicable after the closure of the exhibition.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 9/06/2015	Exhibition scheduled to commence 25 March 2015 closing on 29 April 2015. 5 submissions received.
<b>Group</b> Environment and Planning		<b>Officer</b> Meryl Bishop	

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Council	<b>INVESTMENT PROPERTY MATTER - 33-41 BLAXLAND ROAD RYDE - COMPLETE</b>	12/05/2015	Update 6 February 2015: Community consultation, planning and implementation underway in line with OIG Capital Expenditure Guidelines and Council Resolution.
<b>Meeting Date</b>	(g)hat a further report be submitted after the adoption of the Delivery Plan 2015-2019 that will address any adverse submissions and detail the proposed community engagement process as prescribed in the Office of Local Government's Capital Works Guidelines.	<b>Anticipated date</b>	
9/12/2014		12/05/2015	Update 11 May 2015: Report presented to the Council Meeting on 12 May 2015.
<b>Group</b>		<b>Officer</b>	
Public Works		Joe So	Update 11 May 2015: Report presented to the Council Meeting on 12 May 2015.
			<b>COMPLETED</b> (To be removed following Council Meeting on 26 May 2015).

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - INSTALLATION OF A PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BOOM-GATE ON MACPHERSON LANE, MEADOWBANK</b>	23/06/2015	Update 6 March 2015: Contact has been made with the Italian Bilingual School. Awaiting information from school. The matter is currently scheduled for consideration at the Ryde Traffic Committee meeting to be held on 26 March 2015 and will be reported to the next available Works and Community Committee meeting thereafter.
10/02/2015	(b) That a report be brought back to Council following the meeting, detailing the options available for this site.	21/07/2015	
<b>Group</b>		<b>Officer</b>	
Public Works		Harry Muker	Update 10 April 2015: The meeting with the school has been held. Council staff are still in discussions with the RMS as to what are acceptable treatments. It is anticipated that this matter will be included in a report to an upcoming Ryde Traffic Committee or Works and Community Committee.

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>142 MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY – LOT 7362 – DP1166680. Development Application for Installation of Playing Field Lighting at Morrison Bay Park. LDA2014/0289.</b>	16/06/2015	<i>Acoustic report, Acid Sulphate Management Plan, and Ecological Assessment requested.</i>
10/02/2015	That a further report be submitted to Planning and Environment Committee as soon as practical.	16/06/2015	<i>Re-notification to occur following the provision of the additional information. It is anticipated that the additional information will be provided by the end of May 2015.</i>
<b>Group</b> Environment and Planning		<b>Officer</b> Liz Coad	
<b>Meeting Type</b> Works and Community	<b>Resolution</b> <b>NOTICE OF MOTION - CRICKET STUMPS</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b> 1/09/2015	<b>Comments/Update</b> <i>It is intended that this report will be provided to Council in September.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 10/03/2015	(b) That Council investigate the cost of installation of appropriate rubber sheet barriers at the practice cricket nets throughout the City of Ryde and report back to the Works and Community Committee with a recommendation.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 1/09/2015	
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Simon James	

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Works and Community	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - CRICKET STUMPS</b>	1/09/2015	<i>It is intended that this report will be provided to Council in September.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b>		<b>Anticipated date</b>	
10/03/2015	(d)hat Council investigate the upgrading of Meadowbank Park cricket facility and report back to the Works and Community Committee.	1/09/2015	
<b>Group</b>		<b>Officer</b>	
Community Life		Simon James	

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>MATTER OF URGENCY – TREE IN BANK STREET, MEADOWBANK</b>	27/10/2015	<i>The Tree Preservation DCP and Tree Policy to be reviewed by Council's Audit and Risk Committee at its September 2015 meeting prior to being reported back to Council.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 10/03/2015	To improve Council's response on such matters in the future, the following actions be undertaken:	<b>Anticipated date</b> 27/10/2015	
<b>Group</b> General Manager	1. That the General Manager undertake a comprehensive review of the Tree Preservation DCP to ensure that assessment criteria for tree pruning and removal remain appropriate;	<b>Officer</b> Gail Connolly	
	2. That the General Manager review Council's adopted processes and procedures in relation to the procurement of quotes for tree removal and/or pruning to prevent delays occurring in relation to unsafe trees;		
	3. That the General Manager contact Ausgrid and other relevant utility providers with a view to establishing agreement on faster response timeframes for unsafe trees; and		
	4. That the General Manager prepare a report to Council on the outcomes of the abovementioned reviews and recommended actions for Council's consideration.		



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Council	<b>NEW CAR PARK AT EASTWOOD</b>	8/12/2015	<i>Update 13 April 2015: Council has written to the Minister for Transport, inviting the Minister or representative to participate on the Project Consultative Committee. Upon receipt of support from the Minister, the draft Terms of Reference will be established and a report submitted to a future Council Meeting.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 10/03/2015	(d) Upon receipt of State Government support for the establishment of the Project Consultative Committee, a report be prepared for Council's consideration with proposed Terms of Reference and seeking nominations for membership of the Committee.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 10/11/2015	
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Joe So	
<b>Meeting Type</b> Council	<b>VEGETATION MAPPING INFORMATION USED BY CITY OF RYDE</b>	27/10/2015	<i>The Tree Preservation DCP to be reviewed by Council's Audit and Risk Committee at its September 2015 meeting prior to being reported back to Council.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 24/03/2015	(a) That Council adopt the Office of Environment and Heritage's Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Vegetation Mapping 2013 as an interim measure as the primary reference for the presence of vegetation in Ryde.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 27/10/2015	
<b>Group</b> General Manager	(b) That part (a) be reviewed in conjunction with the report back to Council on the comprehensive review of the Tree Preservation DCP.	<b>Officer</b> Gail Connolly	<i>The Vegetation Mapping will be be considered in conjunction with the Tree Preservation DCP.</i>

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>PLANNING PROPOSAL - RYDE CIVIC CENTRE PRECINCT - COMPLETE</b>	12/05/2015	<i>Report presented to Council on 12 May 2015.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 14/04/2015		<b>Anticipated date</b> 12/05/2015	<i>COMPLETED (To be removed following the Council Meeting on 26 May 2015).</i>
<b>Group</b> Corporate Services	<p>That pursuant to clause 261 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 the General Manager prepare a report to Council detailing the proposed Terms of Reference and functions of the Committee which shall include (amongst others);</p> <p>to establish an international architectural design competition to provide an iconic architectural vision for the site, conducted generally in accordance with the NSW Government's Design Excellence Guidelines;</p> <p>to prepare a public consultation strategy;</p> <p>to prepare a new master plan for the site including a site specific Development Control Plan; and</p> <p>to prepare a business case(s) to determine options for how the site could be developed whilst retaining the majority (or all) of the site in Council's ownership.</p>	<b>Officer</b> Roy Newsome	

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Council	<b>EASTWOOD BIKE ROUTE - ROWE STREET EAST</b>	21/07/2015	<i>Update 11 May 2015: Councillor Information Bulletin provided on 7 May 2015, advising that a detailed study is required to identify alternative proposed cycleway routes. It is anticipated that a report will be presented to the Works and Community Committee in June / July 2015.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 14/04/2015	(That a report be presented to the next Works and Community Committee Meeting regarding the best cycle route from the intersection at the traffic lights of First Avenue and Blaxland Road to Eastwood Station.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 21/07/2015	
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Harry Muker	

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>NOTICE OF MOTION - EASTWOOD MURAL</b>	11/08/2015	<i>To be addressed at the Eastwood and West Ryde Events and Promotions Committee end May 2015. Following the Committee's approval, Council staff will seek quotes and concept plan for reporting back to Council.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 28/04/2015	(a) That the General Manager, through the Eastwood and West Ryde Events and Promotions Committee, facilitate a meeting with the Ryde Community Forum to explore the options for the creation of a Community Mural on the Eastwood Library wall as part of Moon Festival in September 2015.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 11/08/2015	<i>Updates will be provided in the Councillor Information Bulletin.</i>
<b>Group</b> Community Life		<b>Officer</b> Derek McCarthy	
<p>(b) That the recommendations of the meeting be reported to Council prior to any action being taken in respect to creation of any mural.</p>			

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<b>Meeting Type</b> Council	<b>Resolution</b> VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT POLICY REVIEW	<b>Due Date of Report</b> 4/08/2015	<b>Comments/Update</b> <i>Exhibition closes 9 June 2015.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 28/04/2015	(b) That the outcomes of the public exhibition of the City of Ryde draft Voluntary Planning Agreements Policy be reported to Council.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 4/08/2015	
<b>Group</b> Environment and Planning		<b>Officer</b> Meryl Bishop	
<b>Meeting Type</b> Council	<b>Resolution</b> DRAFT FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2015/2019 INCLUDING ONE YEAR OPERATIONAL PLAN 2015/2016	<b>Due Date of Report</b> 9/06/2015	<b>Comments/Update</b> <i>Report to be presented to Council on 9 June 2015.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 28/04/2015	c) That following the public exhibition period detailed in part (b), Council consider all public submissions at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, 9 June 2015 prior to formally adopting its Four-Year Delivery Plan 2015/2019 including the One-Year Operational Plan 2015/2016.	<b>Anticipated date</b> 9/06/2015	
<b>Group</b> Corporate Services		<b>Officer</b> Roy Newsome	

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<b>Meeting Type</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Due Date of Report</b>	<b>Comments/Update</b>
Council	<b>PLANNING PROPOSAL 461- 495 VICTORIA ROAD (BUNNINGS)</b>	13/12/2016	<i>Update 11 May 2015: Date for report is tentative and will be updated when further information on Bunnings development is available.</i>
<b>Meeting Date</b> 28/04/2015	(That Council adopt the following for inclusion in the Bunnings Gladesville Traffic and Parking Study:  Trial full closure of College Street to be implemented prior to Bunnings commencing construction (at no cost to Council by Bunnings). The trial shall be reviewed after 12 months of operation of the Bunnings store and the results reported back to Council at that time. The applicant shall cover the full cost of the traffic review, surveys and any supporting technical studies	<b>Anticipated date</b> 13/12/2016	
<b>Group</b> Public Works		<b>Officer</b> Harry Muker	

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## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **1 NOISY EXHAUST FAN AT 62-80 ROWE STREET, EASTWOOD - Councillor Justin Li**

**File Number:** CLM/15/1/4/6 - BP15/640

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#### **MOTION:**

That Council hear from residents of 62 - 80 Rowe Street Eastwood regarding a noisy exhaust fan at this address and determine appropriate enforcement action in circumstances where non-compliance with Council conditions has continued for an extended period of time.

### **2 NSW STATE GOVERNMENT CHANGES RELATING TO OWNERS OF STRATA UNITS - Councillor George Simon**

**File Number:** CLM/15/1/4/6 - BP15/641

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#### **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council notes the recent changes by the NSW State Government to the rules relating to owners of strata units including a reduction of the statutory warranty period for some classes of defect. Council notes these changes are likely to affect unit and town house owners in Ryde, particularly with the expected increase in construction of these types of dwellings.
- (b) That Council requests the General Manager to facilitate joint briefing sessions by the Owners Corporation Network and Ryde Council for interested residents of the City of Ryde outlining the changes under the new laws.
- (c) That Council holds 3 separate briefing sessions, with a briefing session occurring in each Council Ward.

### **3 THE HOLLY FRASER FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN - Councillor George Simon**

**File Number:** CLM/15/1/4/6 - BP15/642

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#### **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council congratulate Ryde resident Holly Fraser on her recent participation in the "Living Below the Line" challenge to raise awareness about global poverty and to raise money for the Oaktree Foundation.
- (b) That Ryde Council donate \$500 to Holly Fraser's fundraising campaign.

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## **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

### **9 REQUEST FOR TENDER - COR-RFT-05/15 - CONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER DETENTION BASIN AT WATERLOO PARK**

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**Report prepared by:** Project Manager

**Report approved by:** Section Manager - Program Delivery; Service Unit Manager - Project Development; Group Manager - Public Works

**Report dated:** 1/05/2015

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#### **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: (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; AND (d) (ii) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council.

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### **10 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

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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:** Solicitor

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