

Meeting Date: Tuesday 22 September 2020 Location: Online Audio Visual Meeting

Time: 7.00pm

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#### 1 DETERMINATION OF OFFICE AND FEE FOR DEPUTY MAYOR

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/894

#### REPORT SUMMARY

The role of Deputy Mayor is not required under the Local Government Act. However, at the City of Ryde it has been Council's practice to elect a Councillor to the position of Deputy Mayor.

In accordance with the Local Government Act, 1993, the Deputy Mayor is only entitled to be paid a fee as determined by Council when he or she acts in the office of the Mayor.

Council can resolve that a portion of the Mayor's fee be paid to the Deputy Mayor (in addition to their Councillor fee) when he or she acts in their position or that no fee be paid.

In accordance with Section 249(5) of the Act, it is advised that where there is a determination by Council to pay the Deputy Mayor a fee to undertake the role and responsibilities of the Office of the Mayor, that this fee will be paid on a pro rata basis.

It is recommended that Council resolve to elect a Councillor to the role of Deputy Mayor for a period of one (1) year, to coincide with the next Local Government Election in September 2021.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council elect a Deputy Mayor for a one (1) year term.
- (b) That where the Deputy Mayor is to act in the Office of the Mayor, that this is to be done by way of a Council resolution.
- (c) That where there is a Council resolution in accordance with (b) above, the Deputy Mayor is to be paid a fee to undertake the roles and responsibilities of the Office of the Mayor on a pro rata basis, deducted from the Mayoral Fee.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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#### **Discussion**

Section 231 of the Local Government Act, 1993 provides the following with regard to the Deputy Mayor:-

- (1) The Councillors may elect a person from among their number to be the Deputy Mayor.
- (2) The person may be elected for the Mayoral term or a shorter term.
- (3) The Deputy Mayor may exercise any function of the Mayor at the request of the Mayor or if the Mayor is prevented by illness, absence or otherwise from exercising the function or if there is a casual vacancy in the Office of the Mayor.
- (4) The Councillors may elect a person from among their number to act as Deputy Mayor if the Deputy Mayor is prevented by illness, absence or otherwise from exercising a function under this section, or if no Deputy Mayor has been elected.

As set out in Section 231(2) above, the person elected as Deputy Mayor may be elected for the Mayoral term or a shorter term.

If Council endorse the appointment of a Deputy Mayor and if there is a requirement for the Deputy Mayor to act in the Office of the Mayor, Council would be required to pass a resolution to make such appointment. The fee paid to the Deputy Mayor would be on a pro-rata basis, with the fee deducted from the Mayoral Fee.

Having regard to this Section of the Act, Council may wish to consider the following Options:-

### Option 1

Council resolve to elect a Councillor to the role of Deputy Mayor for a period of one (1) year, to coincide with the next Local Government Election in September 2021.

Note: This Option is recommended.

#### Option 2

Council resolve to elect a Councillor to the role of Deputy Mayor for a period of less than one (1) year, with the period to be nominated by Council.

Note: This Option is not recommended.



#### 2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/895

#### REPORT SUMMARY

It is noted that should Council resolve not to elect a Deputy Mayor in accordance with Item 1 on this Agenda, it is not necessary for Council to proceed with consideration of this Item.

It should also be noted that should Council choose to elect a Deputy Mayor (as set out in Item 1 of this Agenda), the term of the office for the Deputy Mayor will also be determined within the resolution of Item 1 and the term endorsed by Council will therefore be applied to this role.

The following procedures are to be followed for the election process:

- (a) Determination of method of voting (ordinary ballot, preferential ballot or open voting).
- (b) Announcement of nominations.
- (c) Conduct of election.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council determine the method of voting for the election of Deputy Mayor.
- (b) That the General Manager (or delegate), as Returning Officer, undertake the election of Deputy Mayor by announcing the nominations and then conducting the election.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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# 3 COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Appointment of Councillor Members to Standing Committees

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/896

### REPORT SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's determination of Councillor members to the Works and Community Committee, Finance and Governance Committee and the Ryde Central Committee.

It should be noted that at its meeting held on 25 August 2020, Council confirmed the schedule of meeting dates up to the Local Government Election in September 2021.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council endorse its Standing Committees of Works and Community Committee, Finance and Governance Committee and Ryde Central Committee.
- (b) That Council determine the Committee members for the Works and Community Committee.
- (c) That Council determine the Committee members for the Finance and Governance Committee.
- (d) That Council determine the Committee members for the Ryde Central Committee.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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#### Discussion

As a result of Council reviewing its Council/Committee meeting structure and cycle at its meeting on 27 February 2018, it adopted to hold all Standing Committee meetings on the second Tuesday of the month, with amended starting times as follows:-

Works and Community Committee
 Finance and Governance Committee
 Ryde Central Committee
 (6.00pm start)
 (6.45pm start)
 (7.15pm start)

Council is to determine the appointment of Councillor Members to the Standing Committees.

Council's Code of Meeting Practice allows for Works and Community Committee, Finance and Governance Committee and Ryde Central Committee meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of the months February to December inclusive.

The Code allows for Council meetings to be held on the fourth Tuesday of the months February to December inclusive.

#### Appointment of Committee Members to Standing Committees

The membership of the Works and Community Committee, the Finance and Governance Committee and the Ryde Central Committee is to be determined annually. Councillors can be members of all Standing Committees with the Mayor as ex-officio on each Committee.

The Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of the Works and Community, Finance and Governance and the Ryde Central Committees are to be determined by each Committee at their first meeting.

#### **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendations outlined in this report will have no financial impact as there is provision for the conduct of meetings allocated in the adopted 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 budgets.



# 4 ADVISORY COMMITTEES - Appointment of Councillor Delegates

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

**File No.:** CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/897

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report is to extend the Advisory Committees for a further twelve (12) month period to coincide with the next Local Government Election and to confirm Councillor delegates for all Advisory Committees.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the following Advisory Committees be convened for a further twelve (12) month period to coincide with the term of Council until the next Local Government Election in September 2021:-
  - Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee
  - Arts Advisory Committee
  - Bicycle Advisory Committee
  - Bushland and Environment Advisory Committee
  - Economic Development Advisory Committee
  - Festivals and Events Advisory Committee
  - Heritage Advisory Committee
  - Macquarie Park Forum
  - Multicultural Advisory Committee
  - Renewable Energy Advisory Committee
  - Ryde Youth Council
  - Social Inclusion Advisory Committee
  - Sport and Recreation and Wheeled Sports Advisory Committee
  - Status of Women Advisory Committee
- (b) That Councillor delegate/s be appointed to the Advisory Committees as set out in (a) above in accordance with the Terms of Reference, for the ensuing twelve (12) months and Council elect (or nominate) a Chairperson to each of these Committees, with the exception of the Ryde Youth Council and Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.
- (c) That due to the nature of business conducted by the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee, Council confirm the current delegates and alternate delegate for the ensuing twelve (12) months.



# **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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#### Discussion

At its meeting held on 26 September 2017, Council endorsed the Advisory Committees set out in this report, for the period 2017 to 2020. This report seeks Council's endorsement to extend the Advisory Committees (with the exception of the Ryde Hunters Hill Joint Library Services Committee) for a further twelve (12) months to coincide with the next Local Government Election in September 2021.

Council should note that there is no requirement to appoint Councillor delegates to the Ryde Hunters Hill Joint Library Services Committee as the agreement between Ryde and Hunters Hill Councils ceased on 30 June 2020.

# **Advisory Committees**

The current Advisory Committee structure and Councillor delegates for each Advisory Committee is as follows:-

Advisory Committee	Current Councillor Delegates	Provision for Councillor delegates in Terms of Reference
Arts Advisory	Councillor Gordon (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Committee	Councillor Pedersen (Deputy Chair) Councillor Zhou	Councillor
Audit, Risk and	Councillor Lane (Delegate)	Two (2) Councillors
Improvement	Councillor Brown (Delegate)	No more than two (2)
Committee (Note: No Councillor	Councillor Purcell (Alternate)	alternates
(Note: No Councillor Chairperson required)	Councillor Kim (Alternate)	
Bicycle Advisory	Councillor Purcell (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Committee	Councillor Lane (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Bushland and	Councillor Pedersen (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Environment Advisory	Councillor Gordon (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Committee	Councillor Clifton	
Economic	Councillor Clifton (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Development Advisory Committee	Councillor Lane (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Festival and Events	Councillor Clifton (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Advisory Committee	Councillor Maggio	Councillor
	Councillor Pedersen	
	Councillor Zhou	
Heritage Advisory	Councillor Gordon (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Committee	Councillor Clifton (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Macquarie Park Forum	Councillor Purcell (Chair)	No less than one (1)
	Councillor Clifton	Councillor



Advisory Committee	Current Councillor Delegates	Provision for Councillor delegates in Terms of Reference
Multicultural Advisory Committee	Councillor Kim (Chair) Councillor Yedelian OAM	No less than one (1) Councillor
Committee	Councillor Zhou	Couriciioi
Renewable Energy	Councillor Pedersen (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Advisory Committee	Councillor Clifton (Deputy Chair) Councillor Gordon	Councillor
Ryde Youth Forum	Councillor Lane	No less than one (1)
(Note: No Councillor	Councillor Pedersen	Councillor
Chairperson required)		One (1) alternate
		Councillor
Social Inclusion	Councillor Pedersen (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Advisory Committee	Councillor Purcell (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Sport and Recreation	Councillor Purcell (Chair)	No less than one (1)
(including Wheeled	Councillor Maggio (Deputy Chair)	Councillor
Sports) Advisory	Councillor Moujalli	
Committee		
Status of Women	Councillor Pedersen (Chair)	No less than one (1)
Advisory Committee	Councillor Clifton (Deputy Chair)	Councillor

\* NOTE: In accordance with Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference, where a Councillor is nominated as the Chairperson of an Advisory Committee and is not present for a meeting, the role falls to the Deputy Chairperson. Where the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson are not present for a meeting, the Acting Chairperson is to be chosen from the remaining Councillor delegate/s.

### Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

It is noted that the Councillor delegates for the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee were appointed to this Committee by Council resolution on 10 September 2019.

Due to the nature of business conducted by the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee, it has been the practice of Council to maintain continuity of Councillor delegates for the term of Council.

However, to ensure that Council is supportive of this practice, this report seeks Council's confirmation of the current Councillor delegates to this Committee.



# **Options**

Council may resolve to re-appoint the current Councillor delegates for each Advisory Committee for the ensuing twelve (12) month period.

# **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.



# 5 EXTERNAL COMMITTEES - Appointment of Delegates

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/898

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report is to confirm Councillor delegates for all external Committees.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That Council appoint the following delegates to NSROC:
  - The Mayor, Councillor Laxale
  - One (1) Councillor as a formal delegate
  - Two (2) Councillors as alternate delegates
- (b) That Council appoint two (2) persons (Councillors and/or Council staff members) as Council's delegates and at least one (1) person as an alternate delegate to the Sydney Planning Panels.
- (c) That Council appoint one (1) Councillor as a formal delegate and one (1) Councillor as an alternate delegate to the Parramatta River Catchment Group.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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#### Discussion

The appointment of Councillor delegates to external Committees, such as the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC), is undertaken annually.

#### **External Committees**

#### **NSROC**

The City of Ryde is a member of the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (NSROC) which is a voluntary organisation of Local Government established to provide strong Local Government leadership; to work co-operatively for the benefit of the Northern Sydney region; and to effectively advocate on agreed regional positions and priorities. The eight member Councils are Hunters Hill, Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Mosman, North Sydney, Ryde and Willoughby.

Each member Council is to appoint the Mayor and one (1) Councillor as formal delegates and two (2) alternate delegates, however, there is no restriction on any other Councillors attending meetings.

Council appointed the following two (2) formal delegates and two (2) alternate delegates to NSROC for the 2019/2020 year:

Committee	Council Delegates	Provisions
NSROC	Delegates:	2 formal delegates, the
	The Mayor, Councillor Laxale	Mayor and one other
	Councillor Clifton	Councillor.
	Alternates:	
	Councillor Pedersen	
	Councillor Maggio	

# Ryde Traffic Committee

The Ryde Traffic Committee (RTC) is a technical Committee created under the auspices of the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).

The RTC is to be made up of four formal members. The membership is:

- Council
- the NSW Police through their nominated officer
- the RMS through their nominated officer
- the local State Member of Parliament (MP) or their nominee

The Chairperson of the RTC is the Director – City Works.



Council's representative at meetings is a Council officer. The Council representative may be a sub-delegate if Council has formally approved this.

Councillors are able to attend all RTC meetings and contribute to discussion; however, they do not have voting powers.

As the RTC does not have any powers to determine resolutions of Council, its Minutes are referred to Council via the Works and Community Committee. Council then has the power to determine resolutions on matters arising from the RTC meetings.

# Sydney Planning Panels

The Sydney Planning Panels have been set up to determine the following range of regional development:

- Development with a Capital Investment Value (CIV) over \$20 million (Please note from 1 March 2018 this has increased to \$30 million).
- Development with a CIV over \$5 million which is:
  - Council related
  - Lodged by or on behalf of the Crown (State of NSW)
  - Private infrastructure and community facilities or
  - Eco-tourist facilities
- Extractive industries, waste facilities and marinas that are designated development.
- Certain coastal subdivisions.
- Development with a CIV between \$10 million and \$20 million which are referred to the regional panel by the applicant after 120 days (Please note that from 1 March 2018 this has changed to Development with a CIV between \$10 million and \$30 Million).
- By order of the Minister.

There are six Sydney Planning Panels and the City of Ryde is within the catchment of the Sydney North Planning Panel. Each Panel is chaired by a nominee of the State Government. In addition to the chairperson, the Minister nominates two further panel State members of the Panel. The State appointed members must have expertise in one or more of the following fields: planning, architecture, heritage, the environment, urban design, land economics, traffic and transport, law, engineering, tourism or government and public administration.



Currently, a chairperson is appointed by the Minister for Planning from one of the three State members. This appointment requires the concurrence of the Local Government and Shires Association.

The current State appointed members are Mr Peter Debnam (Chair), John Roseth, and Sue Francis.

The City of Ryde is permitted two (2) members on the Sydney North Planning Panel. At least one of the Council appointed members must have expertise in one or more of the following fields: planning, architecture, heritage, the environment, urban design, land economics, traffic and transport, law, engineering or tourism. Currently, Councillors Clifton and Purcell are Council's members of the Sydney North Planning Panel (with Councillors Gordon and Moujalli as alternate delegates).

Panels meet on a 'as needs basis', approximately once every two months in the City of Ryde's case, to determine one or more development applications. Panel meetings are usually held during business hours, in the Christie Conference Centre North Sydney. Applications can also be dealt with electronically, if there are no submissions lodged and it is agreed by panel members that no meeting is required.

At its meeting of 10 September 2019 Council appointed two (2) formal delegates and one (1) alternate delegate to the Sydney Planning Panels for a period of twelve (12) months.

Committee	Previous Council Delegates	Provisions
Sydney	Delegates:	Two formal delegates, as
Planning	Councillor Clifton	many alternates as
Panels	Councillor Purcell	nominated
	Alternates:	
	Councillor Zhou	

# Parramatta River Catchment Group

The Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) is an alliance of Councils, State Agencies and Community Stakeholders who share the common purpose of making the Parramatta River a living river for all to enjoy. Its mission is to make the river swimmable again by 2025.

The City of Ryde has been a member Council of the PRCG since 2009. A significant part of the River's catchment area and foreshore is located within the Ryde LGA and is proximate to numerous local residential and commercial developments.



The current Council membership of the PRCG consists of Blacktown City, Burwood, City of Canada Bay, City of Canterbury-Bankstown, City of Parramatta, Cumberland, City of Ryde, Hunters Hill, Inner West and Strathfield Councils. In addition, the Department of Planning and Environment, NSW Environment Protection Authority and Sydney Water are all financial members.

Each member Council is to appoint one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate delegate to the PRCG.

At its meeting of 10 September 2019 Council appointed one (1) formal delegate and one (1) alternate delegate to the Parramatta River Catchment Group (PRCG) as follows:-

Committee	Previous Council Delegates	Provisions
Parramatta	Delegate:	One formal delegate and
River	Councillor Pedersen	one alternate as
Catchment		nominated
Group	Alternate:	
	Councillor Maggio	

# **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.



#### 6 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

**File No.:** CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/783

#### REPORT SUMMARY

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

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

OR

That Council determine all Items on the Agenda.



# 7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

**File No.:** CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/905

#### **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 10/20, held on 25 August 2020 be confirmed.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 MINUTES - Ordinary Council Meeting - 25 August 2020



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# Council Meeting MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 10/20

Meeting Date: Tuesday 25 August 2020 Location: Online Audio Visual Meeting

Time: 7.03pm

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

Apologies: Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Chief Financial Officer, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Procurement, Manager – Community aand Ranger Services, Manager – Business Infrastructure, Manager – Project Development, Program Delivery Manager, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

#### **PRAYER**

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

#### **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

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

# **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is a member of the North Ryde RSL and Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Item 14 – Heritage Investigation – TG Millner Field for the reason that he is a member of the Eastwood District Rugby Union Football Club. The Eastwood Rugby team play at TG Millner. He is a social member at the North Ryde RSL, owners of the site.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is a social member of the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and the North Ryde RSL.

Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 14 – Open Space Planning for the Future of Ryde for the reason that he is a member of the North Ryde RSL (owner of TG Millner Fields) and the Eastwood District Rugby Club who play rugby at this oval.

Councillor Moujalli disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is a member of Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and his father is on the Board of Directors of Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Councillor Moujalli disclosed a Signifiant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 6 – Grant Visa Extensions to the Hong Kong international students who became political refugees for the reason that his employment with the Federal Government involves immigration related work.

Councillor Kim disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 32 – Ryde Relief Small Business Fund for the reason that he is a shop owner in Eastwood.

Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is an ordinary member of the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 32 – Ryde Relief Small Business Fund for the reason that he and his wife have a small business in the Ryde LGA.

Councillor Yedelian OAM disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is a member of the Ryde Eastwood and North Ryde RSL Clubs.

Councillor Pedersen disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 32 – Ryde Relief Small Business Fund for the reason that her husband owns a small business in the City of Ryde but will not be applying for this grant should it become available.

Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in Notice of Motion 12 – Meetings with Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL for the reason that he is a member of Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

#### **TABLING OF PETITIONS**

No Petitions were tabled.

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

The following persons made a written submission to Council:-

Name	Topic
Mark Grayson (representing	Item 10 – Planning Proposal 2-6 Chatham Road,
Frank Knight Town Planning)	West Ryde – Outcomes of Exhibition
Nathaniel White	Item 3(4) – Adoption of the Blenheim Park
(representing the Sydney	Masterplan
Radio Control Car Club Inc)	-

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

No written submissions were made to Council.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Purcell)

That Council now consider the following Items, the time being 7.17pm:-

- Notice of Motion 22 Donation to assist those affected by the explosion in Beirut, Lebanon
- Notice of Motion 27 Condolences on the passing of Hazel Myers
- Rescission Motion 1 Item 8 Council/Committee Meetings Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates
- Item 1 Items Put Without Debate
- Item 4 Referral of 2019/20 Draft Financial Statements to External Audit
- Item 5 June Quarterly Review Report Four Year Delivery Plan 2019-2023 and 2019/2020 Operational Plan



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#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

# 22 DONATION TO ASSIST THOSE AFFECTED BY THE EXPLOSION IN BEIRUT, LEBANON – Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM

#### **BACKGROUND**

On 4 August 2020 an explosion occurred at the Beirut port in Lebanon causing catastrophic damage to the city.

More than 170 people have tragically died, over 6,000 people injured and hundreds of thousands left homeless.

Hospitals, medical facilities, schools and businesses have been destroyed.

Lebanon is a country already facing an economic and food security crisis exacerbated by COVID-19.

Many residents of the City of Ryde have links to Beirut, having Lebanese heritage and family or friends living there.

The City of Ryde's deepest sympathies go out to everyone impacted by this tragedy.

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

- (a) That Council acknowledge the tragic loss of life and those injured in the Beirut port explosion in Lebanon on Tuesday, 4 August 2020.
- (b) That the City of Ryde donate \$10,000AUD to assist the humanitarian efforts in Beirut, Lebanon sourced from the Civic Services base budget.
  - 1. The donations be made up of:
    - (i) \$7,500.00 to the Australian Red Cross Beirut Explosion Appeal.
    - (ii) \$2,500.00 to the Armenian-Australians #BachigsForBeirut Fundraiser.
- (c) That Council observe a minute silence as a mark of respect to the victims of the explosion.
- (d) That the Lebanese Flag be raised at an appropriate location for one week and a ceremony be held that complies with current public health orders.

#### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: A one minute silence was then observed.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

### 27 CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF HAZEL MYERS – Councillor Trenton Brown

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Brown and Lane)

(a) It is with great sadness that Council acknowledge the recent passing of a long time resident and volunteer at the City of Ryde, Ms Hazel Myers.

Hazel was a volunteer with various City of Ryde committee's for more than 35 years. These committee's included the Granny Smith Festival committee where she was prominent in the promotion of the Festival and played a key role in promoting the Granny Smith Festival for many years. Hazel joined the Granny Smith Festival committee in 1986 and was an active participant for many years. She also became the Granny Smith Apple Mascot and promoted the Festival in schools and shopping centres in the months leading up to the Parade.

Hazel was also a passionate and long standing member of the City of Ryde Access Advisory committee. Hazel had a reputation for fighting for those who found accessibility and mobility in our community a difficulty. Her reputation for getting things done proceeded her and she was often sought out for her knowledge about accessibility and most importantly that she would willingly assist people to find solutions to community problems.

Hazel was a wonderful and generous person and made our community in Ryde so much richer for her sustained community advocacy over more than 35 years.

- (b) That Council resolve to observe one minute's silence as a mark of respect.
- (c) That a donation of \$500 be funded from the Civic Services base budget and be sent to the National Breast Cancer Foundation on behalf of the Mayor, Councillors and staff of the City of Ryde in the memory of Hazel Myers.

#### **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

Note: A one minute silence was then observed.



**ATTACHMENT 1** 

#### NOTICE OF RESCISSION

1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION: ITEM 8 - COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates - Councillor Roy Maggio, Councillor Jordan Lane, Councillor Dr Peter Kim

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

That Council rescind the previous resolution in relation to Item 8 – COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS – Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates, passed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23 June 2020, namely:-

### **COUNCIL REPORT**

- 8 COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates
  - (a) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2020 and up to the next Local Government Election in September 2021, noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.
  - (b) That Council note that there will be no Council Meeting held in November 2020 (due to Councillor attendance at the Local Government NSW Conference on 22 to 24 November 2020).
  - (c) That Council note that there will be no Committee meetings held in December 2020 and endorse that a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December, being 8 December 2020.
  - (d) That Council note that no Committee meetings will be held on Tuesday, 13 July 2021 due to the mid-year recess.

#### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

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

(a) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2020 and up to the next Local Government Election in September 2021, with the inclusion of a Council Meeting on Tuesday, 24 November 2020 and noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.



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- (b) That Council note that there will be no Committee meetings held in December 2020 and endorse that a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December, being 8 December 2020.
- (c) That Council note that no Committee meetings will be held on Tuesday, 13 July 2021 due to the mid-year recess.

# **AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Kim and Maggio)

- (a) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2020 and up to the next Local Government Election in September 2021 with the inclusion of a Council Meeting on Tuesday, 24 November 2020, twice a month and noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.
- (b) That Council note that there will be no Committee meetings held in December 2020 and endorse that a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December, being 8 December 2020.
- (c) That Council note that no Committee or Council meetings will be held in Jaunary 2021 and also on Tuesday, 13 July 2021 due to the mid-year recess.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote Against the Amendment. The Amendment was **LOST**.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Amendment</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

# **FURTHER AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Kim)

- (a) That a workshop with Councillors be held in early October to discuss the Council and Committee Meeting schedule and other issues concerning this Council with a report to be presented to the October Council Meeting.
- (b) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2020 and up to the next Local Government Election in September 2021, with the inclusion of a Council Meeting on Tuesday, 24 November 2020 and noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given. That this meeting schedule be an interim schedule until after the workshop is held and report is brought back to Council.



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On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Further Amendment was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote Against the Amendment. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Amendment</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

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

- (a) That Council endorse the meeting schedule for Committee and Council meetings for the remainder of 2020 and up to the next Local Government Election in September 2021, with the inclusion of a Council Meeting on Tuesday, 24 November 2020 and noting that the schedule may be amended at any time, subject to one month transition period to allow for public notices to be given.
- (b) That Council note that there will be no Committee meetings held in December 2020 and endorse that a Council meeting be held on the second Tuesday of December, being 8 December 2020.
- (c) That Council note that no Committee meetings will be held on Tuesday, 13 July 2021 due to the mid-year recess.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Motion was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote For the Motion. The Motion was **CARRIED**.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou



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# **COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### 1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council adopt Item 2, Item 3, Item 6, Notice of Motion 2, Notice of Motion 8, Notice of Motion 10, Notice of Motion 14, Notice of Motion 15, Notice of Motion 17, Notice of Motion 18, Notice of Motion 21, Notice of Motion 23, Notice of Motion 24, Notice of Motion 25, Notice of Motion 26 and Notice of Motion 28 on Council's Agenda as per the recommendations in the reports.

### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 23 June 2020

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting 9/20, held on 23 June 2020 be confirmed.

#### **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

3 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 6/20 held on 11 August 2020

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council determine Items 3 and 4 of the Works and Community Committee report 6/20, held on 11 August 2020 noting that Items 1 and 2 were dealt with by the Committee within its delegated powers.

#### Record of the Voting:



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

#### 6 RESOURCING STRATEGY UPDATE

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council endorses the updated Long Term Financial Plan and Strategic Asset Management Plan.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

# **NOTICES OF MOTION**

2 RYDE SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES - Councillor Jordan Lane

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council:-

- (a) Supports taking additional measures to enhance safety in local school zones.
- (b) Engage directly with all local schools within or bordering the Ryde LGA to assess their interest in installing triangular school-zone pole wraps (example below) within the school's immediate vicinity.
- (c) Where supported, allocate requisite funding from an appropriate source as identified by the General Manager and the Director of City Works for sign development and installation.
- (d) Seek feedback from interested schools about their preferred locations for signage, which is visible at eye-level for drivers.
- (e) Provide ongoing updates to schools and Council about installation timeframes.



#### Record of the Voting:



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# 8 OUTDOOR DINING FEES AND FOOD INSPECTION FEES - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: A CONFIDENTIAL Memorandum from the Manager – Strategic Property dated 23 June 2020 was considered in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE – CONFIDENTIAL.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That in the spirit of cooperation with the NSW State Liberal Government in supporting local businesses to recover from the effects of COVID-19, the City of Ryde suspend outdoor dining fees and food inspection fees until the end of March 2021.
- (b) That the proposed resolution (as identified in part (a) above) be exhibited for a minimum period of 28 days with a further report being brought back to Council to determine the resolution following the public exhibition period.
- (c) That all local businesses in Ryde be informed of Council's decision to exhibit the proposal through all media channels.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 10 6 OLIVE STREET, RYDE - STORMWATER ISSUES - Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That the General Manager and Director City Planning and Environment expedite the review of the ongoing stormwater issues associated with the privately certified development at 6 Olive Street, Ryde which is causing concern to local residents in rain events.
- (b) That the Councillors and local residents are updated as soon as practical on the outcome of the investigations including a further onsite meeting with residents to explain the results of the investigations and any proposed actions going forward.

### Record of the Voting:



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# 14 OPEN SPACE PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF RYDE - Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of the North Ryde RSL (owner of TG Millner Fields) and the Eastwood District Rugby Club who play rugby on this oval.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That the City of Ryde Council re-affirm its commitment to:-

- (a) Recognise the iconic nature of the TG Millner Fields to the local community as a highly valued public, open green space that is fully utilised by the community.
- (b) Request that Council staff commence work on drafting a report on "Open Space Planning for the Future of Ryde".
- (c) Affirm the support of all political public representatives at the Federal, State and Local Government areas for the preservation of this important public open space.
- (d) Write to the Prime Minister, Premier of NSW, the NSW Minister for Planning, the Member for Ryde, the Member for Epping, the Member for Lane Cove, and the Member for Bennelong advising of our position and seeking their commitment or re-affirmation of their support for the retention of this important public recreational open space.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 15 COXS ROAD MALL SIGNAGE - Councillor Jordan Lane

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council engage with Cox's Road shop owners and any other relevant stakeholders to identify suitable locations and then subsequently install bigger signage on Lane Cove and Wicks Roads to clearly direct passing traffic to Cox's Road Mall, funded from Council's base budget.

#### **Record of the Voting:**



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17 REPLACING HARD, HOT AND UNATTRACTIVE SURFACES IN LOCAL STREETS WHILE MAINTAINING SAFETY - Councillor Penny Pedersen

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That a report be brought back to Council outlining a plan:-

- (a) To replace hard surfaces and broken paving on chicanes and roundabouts with slow growing, low rise, attractive soft plantings, across the Ryde LGA, where it is safe to do so.
- (b) Options for a re-design of the Eltham Street, Gladesville road closure outlining the proposed future use of the road and ways to make the street more aesthetically pleasing for residents and business.
- (c) That the report include a funding source.

### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

18 UPDATED INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS OF RYDE REGARDING THE SWIMMING POOLS ACT 1992, SWIMMING POOL REGULATION 2018, OTHER ACTS AND REGULATIONS REGARDING SWIMMING POOL COMPLIANCE AND CERTIFICATION - Councillor Penny Pedersen

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That City of Ryde staff prepare an updated factsheet with frequently asked questions and/or a webinar based around the State Government Swimming Pools Act 1992 and Swimming Pools Regulation 2018 that will help new builders and those who already own pools, better understand compliance and certification.

#### Record of the Voting:



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# 21 ATTENDANCE AT LGNSW HUNTER VALLEY WINE COUNTRY CONFERENCE - Councillor Jordan Lane

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That Council acknowledges the many in our community continuing to suffer from the effects of COVID-19, and that as a show of solidarity, write to LGNSW requesting provisions for City of Ryde Councillors to attend the forthcoming LGNSW Conference hosted in Hunter Valley Wine Country via audio-visual channels, and that should provisions be made, Councillors attend via these channels only.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### 23 WATERLOO ROAD BUS SHELTER - Councillor Bernard Purcell

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That Council provide a bus shelter at the bus stop on the corner of Waterloo Road and Herring Road, that is adjacent to Macquarie Centre and the Macquarie University Station.
- (b) That the bus shelter installation be funded from Council's public infrastructure upgrade budget within the 2020/21 financial year.

#### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### 24 COULTER STREET CAR PARK – Councillor Roy Maggio

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That Council investigate and provide a suitable traffic management device to the Coulter Street Car Park preventing any occurring danger to pedestrians.
- (b) That Council provide a consultation process with the entire Gladesville precinct.



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(c) That a report be brought back to full Council on completion of all investigations found with an appropriate solution.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 25 FENCE AROUND CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA AT PIDDING PARK – Councillor Penny Pedersen

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That Council notes that Pidding Park functions as a popular off leash dog recreation area outside of the times the park is being used for organised sport and that small children use the unfenced play area while dogs are close by.
- (b) That staff design and build a fence around the children's play equipment at Pidding Park to separate dogs and small children.
- (c) That funds be sourced from park maintenance operational budget.

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 26 INVESTIGATION OF CAR PARKING ACCIDENT AT COULTER STREET CAR PARK ON LINSLEY STREET, GLADESVILLE – Councillor Penny Pedersen

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

- (a) That Council note that there have been a number of incidents where cars have accidentally driven into pedestrian areas from carparks in the Ryde LGA.
- (b) That staff conduct an investigation of recent incidents within the Ryde LGA involving cars accidentally driving onto pavements and into pedestrian areas from car parks.
- (c) That a report be brought back to the Works and Community Committee that outlines:-
  - (i) where, when, how and how often these incidents occurred across the Ryde LGA and neighbouring Council areas.



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- (ii) what solutions are used in other Council area's to mitigate this risk to safety.
- (iii) options for mitigating the future risk of these accidents in Ryde.
- (iv) a funding source for works designed to mitigate these risks.

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 28 COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR PROMOTION OF LEGACY WEEK IN 2020 AND BEYOND – Councillor Trenton Brown

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Clifton)

That the City of Ryde recognise the significant contribution that Legacy Australia has made to our community since its inception in 1923. In recognising this contribution we commit ourselves to supporting this organisation through the promotion of Legacy Week and Badge Day with the following activities:-

- Promotion through social media channels.
- Use of fence banners to be placed at suitable sites around the City.
- Access to the online links and online shop for the purchase of badge merchandise, including access to the Legacy Week donation page and the Legacy Shop web links.
- Availability of badge trays at Council libraries and front customer service counter for the sale of badges to customers who visit our libraries or Customer Service Centre during Legacy Week.

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 4 REFERRAL OF 2019/20 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO EXTERNAL AUDIT

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

That Council releases the draft 2019/20 Financial Statements for external audit purposes, pursuant to section 413 of the Local Government Act 1993.



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**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Kim and Maggio)

- (a) That Council releases the draft 2019/20 Financial Statements for external audit purposes, pursuant to section 413 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- (b) That a specific audit of the legal department be carried out.

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

# Record of the Voting:

For the Amendment: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

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

That Council releases the draft 2019/20 Financial Statements for external audit purposes, pursuant to section 413 of the Local Government Act 1993.

On being put to the meeting, Councillor Kim abstained from voting and accordingly his vote was recorded against the Motion.

#### Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Moujalli, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Kim

# 5 JUNE QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2019-2023 AND 2019/2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Clifton)

- (a) That the report of the June 2020 Quarterly Review Statement Four Year Delivery Plan 2019 2023 and One Year 2019/20Operational Plan, Quarter Four, April June 2020 be received and endorsed by Council.
- (b) That the proposed budget adjustments (including Carryovers and associated Reserve movements) resulting in no net impact on Council's projected Working Capital position of \$4.50 million (as at 30 June 2020) be endorsed by Council.



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(c) That Council endorse the unspent 2019/20 funds be carried forward into the 2020/21 financial year as outlined in this report.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Moujalli and Lane)

- (a) That the report of the June 2020 Quarterly Review Statement Four Year Delivery Plan 2019 - 2023 and One Year 2019/20Operational Plan, Quarter Four, April – June 2020 be amended to reflect that the Local Environmental Plan Review is not on track and further action is still required.
- (b) That the proposed budget adjustments (including Carryovers and associated Reserve movements) resulting in no net impact on Council's projected Working Capital position of \$4.50 million (as at 30 June 2020) be endorsed by Council.
- (c) That Council endorse the unspent 2019/20 funds be carried forward into the 2020/21 financial year as outlined in this report.

The voting on the Amendment was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote Against the Amendment. The Amendment was **LOST**. The Motion was then put and **CARRIED**.

#### Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Amendment</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Gordon and Clifton)

- (a) That the report of the June 2020 Quarterly Review Statement Four Year Delivery Plan 2019 2023 and One Year 2019/20Operational Plan, Quarter Four, April June 2020 be received and endorsed by Council.
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- (c) That Council endorse the unspent 2019/20 funds be carried forward into the 2020/21 financial year as outlined in this report.

The voting on the Motion was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote For the Motion. The Motion was **CARRIED**.



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# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

<u>Against the Motion</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

#### 1 ITEMS PUT WITHOUT DEBATE

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

# 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Council Meeting held on 23 June 2020

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

# 3 REPORT OF THE WORKS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING 6/20 held on 11 August 2020

#### 3 CITY OF RYDE SPORTSGROUND DEFIBRILLATORS

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Pedersen and Kim)

- (a) That Council continue to support community user groups in the purchase of AED units by identifying and supporting applications for suitable grant funding programs.
- (b) That Council enter into a partnership with the Micheal Hughes Foundation to complete mapping, identification, and a maintenance audit of existing AED units in community facilities across the City of Ryde.
- (c) That Council engage with sporting and community user groups that utilise Council facilities to ascertain interest in the formation of a HeartSafe Community reference group.
- (d) That Councillors be provided with an update following staff receiving feedback from the community groups on establishment of this reference group.



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- (e) That the AED from the Ryde Civic Centre be diverted to a more useful location.
- (f) That a report be brought back to Council addressing the following matters:-
  - (i) The funding of an additional nine AED's units.
  - (ii) An annual audit of AED units and staff skills and training on AED units to be verified every 12 months.
  - (iii) The funding of up to 23 first aid courses for the use of AED's.

# **AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Kim)

- (a) That Council continue to support community user groups in the purchase of AED units by identifying and supporting applications for suitable grant funding programs.
- (b) That Council enter into a partnership with the Micheal Hughes Foundation to complete mapping, identification, and a maintenance audit of existing AED units in community facilities across the City of Ryde.
- (c) That Council engage with sporting and community user groups that utilise Council facilities to ascertain interest in the formation of a HeartSafe Community reference group.
- (d) That Councillors be provided with an update following staff receiving feedback from the community groups on establishment of this reference group.
- (e) That the AED from the Ryde Civic Centre be diverted to a more useful location.
- (f) That Council fund below items from internal reserves:-
  - (i) The funding of an additional nine AED's units.
  - (ii) An annual audit of AED units and staff skills and training on AED units to be verified every 12 months.
  - (iii) The funding of up to 23 first aid courses for the use of AED's.

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale ruled the above Amendment out of order in accordance with Clause 10.6 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice.



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

- (a) That Council continue to support community user groups in the purchase of AED units by identifying and supporting applications for suitable grant funding programs.
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  - (ii) An annual audit of AED units and staff skills and training on AED units to be verified every 12 months.
  - (iii) The funding of up to 23 first aid courses for the use of AED's.

#### **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 4 ADOPTION OF THE BLENHEIM PARK MASTERPLAN

Note: A written submission from Nathaniel White (representing the Sydney Radio Control Car Club Inc.) was considered in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

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

(a) That Council endorses the Blenheim Park Masterplan and its vision for future park improvements, prepared by NewScape Design, dated July 2020 – **ATTACHMENT 1**.



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- (b) That Council approves the closure of the northern section of the Blenheim Road road reserve (adjacent to Blenheim Park as shown in **ATTACHMENT 7**) including:
  - delegating authority to the General Manager to do all things necessary to effect this closure, including executing all necessary documentation; and
  - (ii) for this parcel of land to be classified as Community Land and categorised as Park.
- (c) That lighting of the dog park be included in the Masterplan design and delivery.
- (d) That staff bring back a report on costs and funding sources associated with delivering all stages of the Masterplan together with Stage 1.
- (e) That Council write to thank all participants in the development of the Masterplan and inform them of this resolution.
- (f) That Council note that provisions for pickleball and futsal be made on the multi-purpose courts and a larger youth precint be considered during that stage.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

# ITEM 16 - CITY OF RYDE RECYCLABLES PROCESSING

#### 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.



**ATTACHMENT 1** 

# ITEM 17 - OFFER TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FROM KAMIRICE IN RELATION TO A PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT 1 EDEN PARK DRIVE

#### 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.

# **ITEM 18 - ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

#### Confidential

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

# **ITEM 19 - ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS**

#### Confidential

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

# <u>ITEM 20 – REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT-01/20 – CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTI-LEVEL CAR PARK AT 53-71 ROWE STREET, EASTWOOD</u>

#### 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: (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; AND (d) (i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.



# **ATTACHMENT 1**

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

- (a) That the Council Meeting be adjourned for five (5) minutes, to reconvene at 10.10pm.
- (b) That Council resolve to move directly into Closed Confidential Session to consider the above matters, when the meeting reconvenes, the time being 10.05pm.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Lane

Note: The Council closed the meeting at 10.05pm. The public and media left the webcast.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

In accordance with the above Council Resolution, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale adjourned the online audio visual Council Meeting for five (5) minutes, the time being 10.05pm. The Council Meeting was adjourned to:-

Tuesday, 25 August 2020 to reconvene at 10.10pm.

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

Apologies: Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Procurement, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Business Infrastructure, Manager – Project Development, Program Delivery Manager, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **MEETING RECONVENED**

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale reconvened the online audio visual meeting at 10.13pm on Tuesday, 25 August 2020.

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

Apologies: Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Procurement, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Business Infrastructure, Manager – Project Development, Program Delivery Manager, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.

# **CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### 16 CITY OF RYDE RECYCLABLES PROCESSING

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Gordon)

- (a) Council notes the offer made by VISY to enter into a contract for the Recycling & Processing of Recyclable Waste Materials (Contract) within the Ryde Local Government Area;
- (b) Pursuant to Section 55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 that because of extenuating circumstances and the unavailability of other competitive or reliable tenderers, a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the Contract;
- (c) The reasons for Council's decision that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the Agreement are:
  - The unavailability of other competitive or reliable tenderers to provide the services required; and
  - ii. The offer has arisen in order to resolve a contractual dispute
- (d) The General Manager be delegated authority to enter into direct negotiations with VISY in relation to the Contract and to execute any documents arising from those direct negotiations.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Kim, Lane and Maggio

# 17 OFFER TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FROM KAMIRICE IN RELATION TO A PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT 1 EDEN PARK DRIVE

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

- (a) That Council accept the letter of offer as provided in ATTACHMENT 1 dated 17 March 2020 from Kamirice Pty Ltd (Applicant) to enter into a Voluntary Planning Agreement, with the exception of excluding the Smart Poles, in relation to a proposed Development Application for development at Part Lot 10 DP1043041, being 1 Eden Park Drive, Macquarie Park. The Voluntary Planning Agreement will require the Applicant to provide public benefits over and above Council's Section 7.11 Developer Contributions Plan 2020 as summarised below:
  - i) Provide a Pedestrian Access Path as shown on the relevant plans with an estimated cost of approximately \$282,710; and
  - ii) Pay a Monetary Contribution to Council to the amount of \$168,707.70 in accordance with Council's Incentive Contribution Scheme under Clause 6.9 of Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014.
- (b) That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to negotiate the specific terms of the Voluntary Planning Agreement as provided in ATTACHMENT 1 by Kamirice Pty Ltd, and to subsequently exhibit a draft of the Voluntary Planning Agreement in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- (c) That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to:
  - (i) Authorise any minor changes to the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement, following its public exhibition, provided that those changes do not diminish the value or nature of the public benefits to be delivered as identified in (a) above;
  - (ii) Subsequently enter into the Voluntary Planning Agreement on behalf of Council.
- (d) That Kamirice Pty Ltd be informed of Council's decision.



# **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Kim, Lane and Yedelian OAM

# **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Pedersen)

That Council consider Item 18 in conjunction with Item 19 – Advice on Court Actions.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 18 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

# 19 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

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

That the report of the General Counsel for Items 18 and 19 be received.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Kim, Lane and Maggio

#### 19 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting in conjunction with Item 18 – Advice on Court Actions as detailed in these Minutes.



**ATTACHMENT 1** 

# LATE CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL REPORT

20 REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT-01/20 – CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTI-LEVEL CAR PARK AT 53-71 ROWE STREET, EASTWOOD

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Moved by Councillors Purcell and Kim)

- (a) That pursuant to Clause 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Council accepts the tender from Belmadar Pty Ltd for COR-RFT-01/20 as detailed in the report.
- (b) That Council advise all the respondents of Council's decision.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

# **OPEN SESSION**

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

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.
- (c) That Council now consider Items 10 and 11, following which the online audio visual Council meeting be adjourned and reconvene on Tuesday, 15 September 2020 at 7.00pm.

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

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.
- (c) That the online audio visual Council meeting be adjourned and reconvene on Tuesday, 1 September 2020 at 7.00pm.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was six (6) All. The Mayor, Councillor Laxale used his casting vote For the Amendment. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

<u>Against the Amendment</u>: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM

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

- (a) That the Council resolve itself into open Council.
- (b) That the recommendations of Items considered in Closed Session be received and adopted as resolution of Council without any alteration or amendment thereto.
- (c) That the online audio visual Council meeting be adjourned and reconvene on Tuesday, 1 September 2020 at 7.00pm.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Kim, Lane, Maggio and Yedelian OAM

Note: Open Council resumed at 11.30pm.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

In accordance with the above Council Resolution, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale adjourned the online audio visual Council Meeting, the time being 11.30pm. The Council Meeting was adjourned to:-

Tuesday, 1 September 2020 to reconvene at 7.00pm.

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Kim, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

Apologies: Nil.

**Staff Present:** General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Parks, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Officer.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **MEETING RECONVENED**

The Mayor, Councillor Laxale reconvened the online audio visual Council Meeting at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 1 September 2020.

**Councillors Present:** The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou.

Apologies: Councillor Kim.

Staff Present: General Manager, Director – Customer and Community Services, Director – Corporate Services, Director – City Planning and Environment, Director – City Works, General Counsel, Manager – Communications and Engagement, Manager – Corporate Governance, Manager – Community and Ranger Services, Manager – Urban Strategy, Manager – Environment, Development Contributions Coordinator, Senior Coordinator – Community Engagement, Civic Services Manager and Civic Support Office.

# **TABLING OF PETITIONS**

Councillor Gordon tabled a petition with signatures from residents of Kennedy (and the top of High Street), Glaesville regarding the removal of a Brushbox tree located outside 5 Kennedy Street, Gladesville and a copy is ON FILE.

# **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor Gordon disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuinary Interest in the Petition which he tabled regarding the removal of a Brushbox tree located outside 5 Kennedy Street, Gladesville for the reason that he is a local resident and his wife is a signatory on the Petition.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

4 REFERRAL OF 2019/20 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO EXTERNAL AUDIT

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

5 JUNE QUARTERLY REVIEW REPORT - FOUR YEAR DELIVERY PLAN 2019-2023 AND 2019/2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN

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



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

#### **6 RESOURCING STRATEGY UPDATE**

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

#### 7 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

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

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 30 June 2020.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by Councillors Maggio and Lane)

That Council defer consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020, due to data missing from summary graph on page 65 of the Agenda.

On being put to the meeting, the voting on the Amendment was unanimous. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Amendment: Unanimous

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

That Council defer consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020, due to data missing from summary graph on page 65 of the Agenda.

#### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### 8 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2020

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

That Council defer consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020, due to data missing from summary graph on page 76 of the Agenda.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous



# **ATTACHMENT 1**

9 2020 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW ANNUAL CONFERENCE - HUNTER VALLEY - 22 NOVEMBER TO 24 NOVEMBER 2020

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

- (a) That Council nominate the following seven (7) Councillors to attend the 2020 Local Government NSW Annual Conference as voting delegates:-
  - The Mayor, Councillor Laxale
  - Councillor Pedersen
  - Councillor Gordon
  - Councillor Purcell
  - Councillor Clifton
  - Councillor Zhou
  - Councillors Brown
- (b) That Council note that the General Manager will determine which staff will attend the Conference.

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Lane, Maggio and Moujalli

# **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Maggio)

That Council consider Item 10 – Planning Proposal 2-6 Chatham Road, West Ryde – Outcomes of Exhibition in conjunction with Item 11 – Voluntary Planning Agreement for 2-6 Chatham Road, West Ryde in Relation to Planning Proposal Post Exhibition.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Lane, Moujalli and Yedelian OAM



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

10 PLANNING PROPOSAL 2-6 CHATHAM ROAD, WEST RYDE - Outcomes of Exhibition

VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FOR 2-6 CHATHAM ROAD, WEST RYDE IN RELATION TO PLANNING PROPOSAL POST EXHIBITION

Note: Letters from Knight Frank Town Planning dated 27 July 2020 and 12 August 2020 were considered in relation to this Item and copies are ON FILE.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM left the meeting at 7.25pm and was not present for voting on this Item.

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

That Council:-

- (a) amend the Planning Proposal (Attachment 1) to reduce the maximum FSR to 2.7:1. The amendment is to be made to address the concerns raised in the submissions and the Urban Design Review Panel's comments, in accordance with Section 3.35 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979)
- (b) endorses amending Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 as it relates to 2-6 Chatham Road, West Ryde (Lots 24, 25 and 26, DP8092) by:
  - Amending Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 Height of Buildings
     Map to include a maximum building height of 24 metres; and
  - Amending Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 Floor Space Ratio (FSR) Map to include an FSR control of 2.7:1.
- (c) forwards the amended Planning Proposal to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces and the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) for finalisation and publication upon execution of the associated Planning Agreement (referred to in Item 11 of this Business Paper) by the Landowner,
- (d) endorse the amendments to the Development Control Plan Part 4.3 West Ryde Town Centre (Attachment 10), and that a public notice of Council's decisions is placed in a local newspaper advising that the amended Development Control Plan comes into effect upon the publication of the Local Environmental Plan on the NSW legislation website.
- (e) delegates the General Manager to undertake any requirements for the finalisation of the Planning Proposal as amended in accordance with relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979) that may arise during the plan amendment process.



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- (f) notifies all community members who made a submission regarding this planning proposal and the amendments to Ryde DCP 2014 of Council's decision.
- (g) That Council delegate authority to the General Manager to enter into the Voluntary Planning Agreement as outlined in the report.
- (h) That Peter Rigg, Solicitor and Barrister be informed of Council's decision.
- (i) That upon acquisition of the key worker housing apartments at 2-6 Chatham Road, West Ryde (LOTS 24, 25 and 26 DP 8092), public notification of the intention to classify the land as operational, in accordance with Section 34 of the Local Government Act 1993 be undertaken and subsequently reported to Council.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Lane and Moujalli

# 11 VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FOR 2-6 CHATHAM ROAD, WEST RYDE IN RELATION TO PLANNING PROPOSAL POST EXHIBITION

Note: This Item was dealt with earlier in the meeting in conjunction with Item 10 – PLANNING PROPOSAL 2-6 CHATHAM ROAD, WEST RYDE – Outcomes of Exhibition as detailed in these Minutes.

# 12 RYDE RESILIENCE PLAN 2030 - EXHIBITION REPORT

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

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

- (a) That the report on results of community and external stakeholder engagement from the public exhibition for the Draft Ryde Resilience Plan 2030 be noted.
- (b) That the final version of the Ryde Resilience Plan 2030 be adopted.

# **Record of the Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Lane and Moujalli



**ATTACHMENT 1** 

# 13 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM returned to the meeting at 7.43pm.

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

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations:

# (A) 210-216 VICTORIA ROAD, GLADESVILLE – SIGNAGE AND LINEMARKING PLAN – WESTERN CRESCENT

The following changes be made to on-street parking controls to facilitate waste collection:

- 1. Northern side of Western Crescent along the subject site's rear frontage
  - a. No Parking 5am-11am Waste Collection Vehicles Excepted
  - b. No Stopping All Other Times
- 2. Southern side of Western Crescent opposite to the subject site
  - a. 1P 8am-6pm MON, WED-FRI
  - b. No Stopping 5am-11am TUE & 1P 11am-6pm TUE
  - c. 1P 8am-12:30pm SAT

# (B) ENDEAVOUR STREET, WEST RYDE - RELOCATION OF BUS ZONE

The following changes to parking restrictions on Endeavour Street be undertaken as per Figure 2:

- 1. The bus zone on the eastern side of Endeavour Street north of Bennett Street be relocated to a midblock position adjacent to the new entrance/gate to the school.
- 2. The existing time restricted "No Stopping" restrictions currently located midway along Endeavour Street be converted to "No Parking, 8-30-9:30am, 3-4pm, SCHOOL DAYS".
- 3. The existing bus zone on Endeavour Street, north of Bennett Street be converted to "1/4P, 7-9am, 3:30-6pm, SCHOOL DAYS" to service the West Ryde Before and After School Care. At all other times unrestricted parking will apply along this zone.

#### (C) SPOONER PLACE, NORTH RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

All existing timed parking restrictions and all unrestricted parking in Spooner Place be changed to 2P 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri & 8:30am-12:30pm Sat with existing No Stopping and No Parking restrictions to remain unaltered.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# (D) MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

A *No Parking* zone be installed along the frontage of No: 328 Morrison Road, with the *Bus Zone* and statutory *No Stopping* restrictions associated with the signalised intersection of Morrison Road and Church Street to be signposted appropriately.

# (E) HERRING ROAD, RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

That consideration of Part (E) be deferred to Council Meeting, 22 September 2020, pending further advice from staff.

# (F) BAY DRIVE, MEADOWBANK - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The *No Stopping* sign outside No:5 Bay Drive to be relocated in a northerly direction by 5.4m to enable a *P5min* parking space to be created.

# (G) BUSACO ROAD, MARSFIELD - EXTENSION OF NO STOPPING ZONE

The existing "No Stopping" zone outside 36-38 Busaco Road, Marsfield be extended west to encompass the bow-tie zone.

# (H) BRABYN STREET, DENISTONE EAST - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made to parking restrictions on Brabyn Street:

- 1. No Stopping 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only be installed along the frontage of Nos: 54 58 Brabyn Street.
- 2. No Parking 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only be installed along the frontage of Nos: 53 to 55 Brabyn Street.
- 3. Statutory *No Stopping* restrictions on Brabyn Street at Kings Street to remain as existing.

# (I) ANTHONY ROAD, WEST RYDE - ALTERATION OF 1/2P AND BUS ZONE OPERATING HOURS

The following changes be made to the shared existing bus and time restricted parking zone on the southern side of Anthony Road.

- 1. The operating hours of the bus zone on the southern side of Anthony Road, immediately west of West Parade change from 9:00am 3:30pm MON SAT to 8:30am 3:30pm MON SAT.
- 2. The operating hours of the time restricted parking zone change from 1/2P 7:30am 9:00am & 3:30pm 6:00pm MON SAT to 1/2P 7:30am 8:30am & 3:30pm 6:00pm MON SAT.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous



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#### 14 HERITAGE INVESTIGATION - TG MILLNER FIELD

Note: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of the Eastwood District Rugby Union Football Club. The Eastwood Rugby team play at TG Millner. He is also a social member of the North Ryde RSL, owners of the site.

**MOTION:** (Moved by Councillors Clifton and Pedersen)

- (a) That Council does not proceed with heritage listing T.G. Millner Field.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council as soon as is practicable, including consideration of the strategic land use planning actions required to ensure the ongoing provision of open space and recreation opportunities to the community, and the role of land currently zoned for private recreation.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Brown and Lane)

That this Item be dealt with in Seriatim.

# **Record of Voting:**

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

Note: The Item was then dealt with in Seriatim.

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

(a) That Council does not proceed with heritage listing T.G. Millner Field.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown, Lane and Yedelian OAM



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

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

(b) That a further report be provided to Council as soon as is practicable, including consideration of the strategic land use planning actions required to ensure the ongoing provision of open space and recreation opportunities to the community, and the role of land currently zoned for private recreation.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

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

- (a) That Council does not proceed with heritage listing T.G. Millner Field.
- (b) That a further report be provided to Council as soon as is practicable, including consideration of the strategic land use planning actions required to ensure the ongoing provision of open space and recreation opportunities to the community, and the role of land currently zoned for private recreation.

#### **INFORMATION REPORT**

15 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - EXCLUSION OF ITEMS OF BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 28 JULY 2020

Note: An Information Report was presented to Council.

# **NOTICES OF MOTION**

1 DEFERRED MOTICE OF MOTION: CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY SUPPORT PLAN DURING THE COVID-19 AND RECOVERY PLAN FROM COVID-19 - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

2 RYDE SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES - Councillor Jordan Lane

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



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# 3 SUPPORTING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Trenton Brown

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by Councillors Brown and Lane)

That the City of Ryde commit itself to the following actions:-

- (a) Acknowledge the correspondence received from the *Chinese Australian Forum* Vice President, Mr Steve Khouw.
- (b) Acknowledge that some Asian Australians have been impacted by an increase in racial vilification.
- (c) Support the campaign to call for national unity during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (d) Promote the #UnityOverFear petition asking all Australians to choose #UnityOverFear and to reject racism and defend our national cohesion.
- (e) Offer support to this campaign by having the City of Ryde co-sign and make our logo available as a supporting institution on the attached Open Letter.
- (f) Use the social media platforms of Council to promote a link to this petition and encourage Councillors, staff and residents to sign up and support this petition.
- (g) Recognise the many achievements of the Chinese Australian Forum with particular reference to the 13 major initiatives listed in their correspondence.

#### Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 4 ADVERTISING SERVICES TENDER - Councillor Roy Maggio

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

- (a) That the General Manager prepare a five (5) year advertising services tender for all local newspapers.
- (b) That the tender report be brought back to the full Council by December 2020.
- (c) That a separate confidential report be brought back to Council at the December 2020 Meeting outlining all advertising expenditure on media and social media platforms for the 12 months to the 30 September 2020.



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# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 5 STRENGTHENING RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio

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

- (a) That the General Manager provide the strengthening Ryde report to the full Council by December 2020.
- (b) That a workshop with Councillors be conducted prior to the report being tabled.
- (c) That the workshop to include all potential development opportunities within the property portfolio over the next five (5) years and detail the financial outcomes for Council.
- (d) That the report identify opportunities where community facilities can be brought forward from the money made from the development opportunities.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Clifton, Gordon, Maggio, Moujalli, Pedersen, Purcell, Yedelian OAM and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillors Brown and Lane

# 6 GRANT VISA EXTENSIONS TO THE HONG-KONG INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WHO BECAME POLITICAL REFUGEES - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

# 7 'CLOSING THE GAP' IN RYDE LGA - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.



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# 8 OUTDOOR DINING FEES AND FOOD INSPECTION FEES - Councillor Roy Maggio

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

# 9 RYDE COUNCIL TO SUPPORT SALVATION ARMY DIGITAL DOORKNOCK - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: A letter from The Salvation Army Australia dated 22 June 2020 was considered in relation to this Item and a copy is ON FILE.

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Pedersen)

- (a) That Council donate \$10,000 to the Salvation Army's Digital Doorknock Appeal.
- (b) That Council support the appeal by promoting their fundraiser in the Council's website and SNS.

  <a href="https://digitaldoorknock.salvationarmy.org.au/t/r-salvos">https://digitaldoorknock.salvationarmy.org.au/t/r-salvos</a>
- (c) That funding for this motion be sourced from the Ranger and Community Services base budget.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 10 6 OLIVE STREET, RYDE - STORMWATER ISSUES - Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM

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

# 11 PICKLEBALL IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Roy Maggio

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

- (a) That Council notes the rising popularity of pickleball in the City of Ryde and considers the need for appropriate infrastructure in future relevant sporting strategies.
- (b) That the implementation of pickleball courts be included in the relevant future Council projects including masterplans where community feedback identifies a need.



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- (c) That Council facilitate a meeting with the Ryde pickleball community to identify an interim solution to provide facilities within the LGA for the sport to ensure the demand is adequately catered for at multiple locations.
- (d) That Council staff consult with the relevant stakeholders to add pickleball markings on the Meadowbank netball courts, Ryde Park and unused tennis courts.

# Record of the Voting:

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 12 MEETINGS WITH DENISTONE SPORTS CLUB (CARLINGFORD GROUP), RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB AND NORTH RYDE RSL - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of the North Ryde RSL and Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Note: Councillor Purcell disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of the North Ryde RSL and Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Note: Councillor Yedelian OAM disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of the Ryde Eastwood and North Ryde RSL Clubs.

Note: Councillor Lane disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is an ordinary member of the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club.

Note: Councillor Brown disclosed a Less than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a social member of the Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and the North Ryde RSL.

Note: Councillor Moujalli disclosed a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in this Item for the reason that he is a member of Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and his father is on the Board of Directors of Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club. He left the meeting at 8.29pm and was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.

Note: Councillor Zhou left the meeting at 8.32pm and was not present for voting on this Item.



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

- (a) That Council facilitate a meeting with the General Manager and the Director Planning and Environment with the Denistone Sports Club (Carlingford Group), Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL, Presidents and their delegation to discuss their vision and community benefits.
- (b) That the meeting take place in the next 2 4 weeks.
- (c) That a Councillor workshop be conducted in September / October or as soon as practicable to inform Councillors of the vision and community benefits.

**AMENDMENT:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Brown)

- (a) That Council facilitate a meeting with the General Manager and the Director Planning and Environment with the Carlingford Group, Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL, Presidents.
- (b) That Council affirm its position as stated in our Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020 that open space and recreation facilities in the City of Ryde should be protected, increased and enhanced and therefore introducing residential uses at the expense of recreational land is not supported.
- (c) That Councillors be provided with an update via a CIB or workshop after the meeting.

The voting on the Amendment was eight (8) For and one (1) Against. The Amendment was **CARRIED** and then became the Motion.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Amendment</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM

Against the Amendment: Councillors Maggio

**RESOLUTION:** (Moved by the Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillor Brown)

(a) That Council facilitate a meeting with the General Manager and the Director – Planning and Environment with the Carlingford Group, Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club and North Ryde RSL, Presidents.



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- (b) That Council affirm its position as stated in our Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020 that open space and recreation facilities in the City of Ryde should be protected, increased and enhanced and therefore introducing residential uses at the expense of recreational land is not supported.
- (c) That Councillors be provided with an update via a CIB or workshop after the meeting.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Pedersen, Purcell and Yedelian OAM

Against the Motion: Councillor Maggio

# 13 SUPPORTING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN THE CITY OF RYDE - Councillor Trenton Brown

Note: This Item is a duplicate of Notice of Motion 3 which was dealt with earlier in the meeting as detailed in these Minutes.

# 14 OPEN SPACE PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF RYDE - Councillor Trenton Brown

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

#### 15 COXS ROAD MALL SIGNAGE - Councillor Jordan Lane

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

# 16 PUBLICLY FUNDED ROAD CLOSURE POLICY - Councillor Penny Pedersen

Note: Councillor Zhou returned to the meeting at 8.43pm.

Note: Councillor Moujalli was not present for consideration or voting on this Item.



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

That staff prepare a Policy for publicly funded road closures and that this be brought back as soon as practicable for consideration including any short term strategies in relation to COVID restrictions.

# Record of the Voting:

<u>For the Motion</u>: The Mayor, Councillor Laxale and Councillors Brown, Clifton, Gordon, Lane, Maggio, Pedersen, Purcell and Zhou

Against the Motion: Councillor Yedelian OAM

17 REPLACING HARD, HOT AND UNATTRACTIVE SURFACES IN LOCAL STREETS WHILE MAINTAINING SAFETY - Councillor Penny Pedersen

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

18 UPDATED INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS OF RYDE REGARDING THE SWIMMING POOLS ACT 1992, SWIMMING POOL REGULATION 2018, OTHER ACTS AND REGULATIONS REGARDING SWIMMING POOL COMPLIANCE AND CERTIFICATION - Councillor Penny Pedersen

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

19 GENERAL MANAGER PERFORMANCE REVIEW - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

20 SWIMMING POOL INSPECTIONS - Councillor Roy Maggio

Note: Councillor Moujalli returned to the meeting at 9.02pm.

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

(a) That Council facilitate 3 x Swimming Pool Barrier Inspection educational forums over the next three months to provide guidance and inform residents who own private swimming pools within the Ryde Local Government Area of their obligations under the Swimming Pool legislation. That the forums be advertised widely.



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- (b) That Council document any issues or actions generated from the pool owners at each of these educational forums, and then notify the Minister of any suggested areas of improvement.
- (c) That Council review its existing Swimming Pool Barrier Inspection Program with a report to come back to council and that the review consider:-
  - (i) Payment Options
  - (ii) Fee Structure
  - (iii) Ratio of Failing and Passing
  - (iv) That educational items be available to residents
- (d) That any letter provided to residents on swimming pool barrier inspections must clearly identify it's a choice of the residents to engage either Council or private certifiers and links be made available on Council Website with the database.
- (e) That a report be prepared for Council providing statistical data on the cost of Council's mandated pool inspection and educational programs.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

# 21 ATTENDANCE AT LGNSW HUNTER VALLEY WINE COUNTRY CONFERENCE - Councillor Jordan Lane

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

# 22 DONATION TO ASSIST THOSE AFFECTED BY THE EXPLOSION IN BEIRUT, LEBANON – Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM

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

#### 23 WATERLOO ROAD BUS SHELTER – Councillor Bernard Purcell

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



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# 24 COULTER STREET CAR PARK – Councillor Roy Maggio

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

# 25 FENCE AROUND CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA AT PIDDING PARK – Councillor Penny Pedersen

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

# 26 INVESTIGATION OF CAR PARKING ACCIDENT AT COULTER STREET CAR PARK ON LINSLEY STREET, GLADESVILLE – Councillor Penny Pedersen

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

# 27 CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF HAZEL MYERS – Councillor Trenton Brown

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

# 28 COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR PROMOTION OF LEGACY WEEK IN 2020 AND BEYOND – Councillor Trenton Brown

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

# 29 SUMMER SEASON SPORTSGROUND HIRE FEE – Councillor Roy Maggio

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

- (a) That Council not increase the summer fees or charges (including sportsground hire) between the period October 20 to March 21.
- (b) That the proposed resolution (as identified in Part (a) above be exhibited for a minimum period of 28 days with a further report being brought back to council to determine the resolution following the public exhibition period.



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(c) That an inclusive media release and photo shoot be issued on Councils decision with all supporting Councillors.

# **Record of the Voting:**

For the Motion: Unanimous

#### 30 COUNCILLORS REGISTER OF INTEREST – Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

#### 31 CITY OF RYDE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

#### 32 RYDE RELIEF SMALL BUSINESS FUND - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

Note: In accordance with Clause 10.4(b) of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor, Councillor Laxale deferred consideration of this Item to the next Council Meeting to be held on 22 September 2020.

# **NOTICES OF RESCISSION**

1 NOTICE OF RESCISSION: ITEM 8 - COUNCIL / COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Schedule of Proposed Meeting Dates - Councillor Roy Maggio, Councillor Jordan Lane, Councillor Dr Peter Kim

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



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# QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AS PER POLICY

1 DEFERRED ITEM: QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - Councillor Trenton Brown

#### Question 1:

What is the total number of small businesses registered in the City of Ryde?

# Answer 1:

11,283 registered small businesses outside of Eastwood. Eastwood has 937 small businesses. These figures are based on ABS statistics for these areas. Not a preselected area as was the case with Eastwood.

#### Question 2:

What is the total dollar value estimate of the overall stimulus cost to Council of expanding this Small Business Hardship Fund to all businesses in the City, assuming that similar terms and conditions are applied?

# Answer 2:

The total dollar value estimate of the overall stimulus cost to council of expanding this Small Business Hardship Fund to all businesses in the City, assuming that similar terms and conditions are applied is in the broad range of \$6m to \$8m. This range is based purely on the recent experience of the Eastwood Small Business Grant Program, its take-up rate and the ABS figures.

2 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - Councillor Roy Maggio

# Question 1:

What is the status of discussions between Council and NSW Department of Planning on the Macquarie Park Strategic Masterplan?

#### Answer 1:

The Macquarie Park Strategic Review is a NSW State Government led review. City of Ryde staff are collaborating with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) and the Greater Sydney Commission through the Ryde Coordination Group.

The investigation work is on-going focussing on land use and infrastructure.

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# Question 2:

# When will the draft plan be on exhibition?

# Answer 2:

It is anticipated a discussion appear will be released in August by DIPE.

The Masterplan will then be exhibited before the end of the year. The Director - City Planning and Environment has requested a briefing of Councillors before this exhibition occurs which has been agreed by DPIE, however the date is yet to be confirmed as it is dependent on their work program.

Details will be provided in the Councillor Diary when confirmed.

# 3 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE - Councillor Jordan Lane

# Question 1:

With respect to Council's review of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014), does an itemised list of expenditure of both the NSW Government's \$2.5 million grant, and Council's own funds exist, and if so can it be made available to the public?

#### Answer 1:

The following budget summary is provided – note it includes funds committed to the project but not yet expended, it is not considered to be confidential:

Budget Item	DPIE grant funds	Council funds
Staff costs	\$150,000	\$520,000
Consultant costs	\$1,820,000	\$80,000
Exhibition costs	\$100,000	(included in staff
		costs above)
Total	\$2,070,000	\$600,000

Contingency funds (approx. 15%) remain uncommitted.

# Question 2:

With respect to Council's review of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014), does a detailed timeline of process, appointments of consultants and awarding of any tenders exist, and if so can it be made available to the public?



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# Answer 2:

Project Manager appointed – August 2018 LSPS Contractor appointed – April 2019

Resilience Strategy (study inhouse) Consultation Program commenced -

December 2018

Heritage Consultant appointed – December 2018

Creative Enterprise Consultant appointed – July 2019

Housing Strategy Consultant appointed – February 2019

Employment Lands Study Consultant appointed – July 2019

West Ryde Masterplan Consultant RFQs close – August 2020

West Ryde Traffic Study Consultant – September 2019

All appointments were made in accordance with Council's procurement policies and procedures; a Panel Tender was undertaken for many of the planning services required by the Accelerated LEP Review program and the results of the tender were reported to Council in February 2019. The timeframes for evaluation of that tender were detailed in the report: "Request for tender COR-RFT-30/18 being for the formation of the City of Ryde Consultancy Panel was advertised through Tenderlink and the Sydney Morning Herald for the period from 27 November 2018 to 18 December 2018. Tender submissions closed on Tuesday 18 December 2018 at 2.00pm." The above information is not considered confidential (however, the full tender report contains confidential commercial information and was, therefore, considered in closed session).

#### Question 3:

With respect to Council's review of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014), do granular maps highlighting all proposed zoning changes exist, and if so can they be made available to the public?

# Answer 3:

Under NSW legislation all rezonings go on public exhibition. Even outside the public exhibitions, all proposed amendments (including maps) to the Ryde Local Environmental Plan associated with the LEP accelerated grant are made publicly available as follows:

Ryde Heritage Review 2019 and Planning Proposal public exhibition was reported to Council on 10/12 December 2019. Agendas and Minutes of Ryde Council meetings are publicly available on the Council webpage. In addition, the LEP tracker makes DPIE reports, the Gateway Determination, the PP and other documents publicly available. For this PP Refer to:

http://leptracking.planning.nsw.gov.au/proposaldetails.php?rid=6231



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The Draft Ryde Housing Strategy and Multi-dwelling Housing Planning Proposal was presented to Council on 24 March 2020. As abovementioned, information is publicly available on Council's webpage and on the LEP Tracker. For this PP refer LEP tracker at:

http://leptracking.planning.nsw.gov.au/proposaldetails.php?rid=6629

#### Question 4:

With respect to Council's review of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014), were any contracts entered into with any other party outside of the City of Ryde, and can their terms and conditions be made available to the public?

# Answer 4:

Contracts were only entered into with DPIE regarding the grant funding itself and to procure consultant expertise. Refer to the response to question above for information regarding consultants. Contracts contain commercial in confidence information and are not available to the public.

# Question 5:

With respect to Council's review of the Ryde Local Environment Plan (2014), does any evidence exist of when it first became apparent that Council would fail to meet the 1 July deadline for completion, and if so can it be made available to the public?

#### Answer 5:

Evidence of the progress of LEP amendments is publicly available on the LEP tracker webpage – see above links. Key dates are:

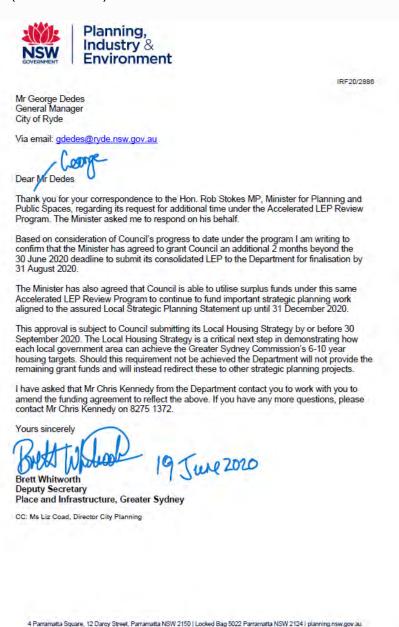
- 1. Ryde Heritage Review 2019 and Planning Proposal. The outcomes of the exhibition were reported to Council on 10 and 12 December 2019. On 13 December 2019, Council staff requested that DPIE finalise the Planning Proposal accordance with Council resolutions. The proposal remains with DPIE to finalise having been submitted to DPIE in December 2019.
- 2. The Draft Ryde Housing Strategy and Multi-dwelling Housing Planning Proposal was presented to Council on 24 March 2020. On 30 March 2020, Council staff submitted the Council's request for A Gateway Determination to DPIE. A Gateway Determination was issued on 1 June, requiring additional information to be approved by DPIE staff prior to a 28 day public exhibition. This information has been supplied but approval for public exhibition has not yet been received.



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

In summary Ryde LEP amendments (heritage and housing) were programmed to be completed by 1 July 2020 or very soon thereafter. However, steps in the legislated process requiring DPIE approval have not occurred in a timely fashion – presumably because the Councils that have accelerated LEP grants are on a similar timeline making it difficult for DPIE to resource the Planning Proposals process.

On 1 June Council responded to a series of questions put to all Council grant recipients regarding issues completing programs funded under the grant. Given the response from all of the Council's - DPIE extended the timeframes to complete the LEP accelerated programs to 31 December 2020. See letter **ATTACHED** (D20/100913).





#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

# **CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### 16 CITY OF RYDE RECYCLABLES PROCESSING

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

# 17 OFFER TO ENTER INTO A VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT FROM KAMIRICE IN RELATION TO A PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT 1 EDEN PARK DRIVE

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

#### 18 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

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

#### 19 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

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

# LATE CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL REPORT

# 20 REQUEST FOR TENDER – COR-RFT-01/20 – CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTI-LEVEL CAR PARK AT 53-71 ROWE STREET, EASTWOOD

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

The meeting closed at 9.24pm on Tuesday, 1 September 2020.

CONFIRMED THIS 22ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020

Chairperson



#### 8 DEFERRED REPORT: INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer

**File No.:** COR2019/82 - BP20/707

# This Report was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 30 June 2020 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes the estimated market valuation of Council's investment portfolio and loan liabilities.

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.99%, which is 1.09% above the benchmark figure of 0.90%.

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$5.59M for the financial year to date, which is \$202K above the 2019/20 year-to-date adopted budget of \$5.39M.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 30 June 2020.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Investment Report Attachment

Report Prepared By:

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



#### **Discussion**

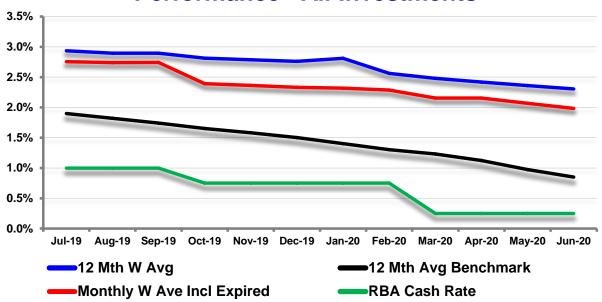
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

# **Investment Performance Commentary**

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for June 2020 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	June	12 Mth	FYTD
Council Return	1.99	2.31	2.31
Benchmark	0.90	0.85	0.85
Variance	1.09	1.46	1.46

# **Performance - All Investments**



Council's investment portfolio as at 30 June 2020 was as follows:

Total Investments	\$224.4M	
Fixed Bonds	\$48.6M	21.7%
Floating Rate Notes	\$49.8M	22.2%
Cash/Term Deposits	\$126.0M	56.1%



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 \$98.6 million of Council's funds held in Internal Reserves (as at 30 June 2019).

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

# **Loan Liability**

Council's loan liability as at 30 June was \$1.4 million which represents the balance of two loans which were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

- A \$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;
- 2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.



Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 30-Jun-20 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2019	% of Total	Maturity	Tenor
Bank of Queensland	<ol> <li>BoQ FRN Covered</li> </ol>	AAA	Υ	1,200	1.16	1.16	1.16	0.53	14/05/2025	1826
NAB	<ol><li>NAB Covered Bond</li></ol>	AAA	Υ	3,743	3.10	3.11	3.11	1.67	16/03/2023	1826
Suncorp-Metway	<ol><li>Suncorp FRN (Covered)</li></ol>	AAA	N	4,000	1.46	1.96	1.96	1.78	22/06/2021	1826
Suncorp-Metway	4. Suncorp FRN 4	AAA	N	1,200	1.23	1.23	1.23	0.53	24/04/2025	1823
ANZ	<ol><li>ANZ Fixed Bond</li></ol>	AA-	Υ	1,499	3.15	3.14	3.14	0.67	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	6. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	1,999	1.56	1.54	1.54	0.89	29/08/2024	1827
ANZ	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	1,991	1.67	1.65	1.65	0.89	29/08/2024	1805
ANZ	8. ANZ_MTN 6	AA-	Y	1,997	1.70	1.69	1.69	0.89	16/01/2025	1827
ANZ	ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	2,972	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.32	29/08/2024	1612
ANZ	10. ANZ FRN	AA-	Ý	4,000	1.42	2.00	2.00	1.78	7/04/2021	1826
ANZ	11. ANZ FRN	AA-	Ý	1,500	0.90	1.60	1.60	0.67	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	12. ANZ FRN	AA-	Ý	2,000	1.00	1.81	1.81	0.89	9/05/2023	1826
ANZ	13. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Ý	2,999	3.14	3.12	3.12	1.34	8/02/2024	1826
ANZ		AA-	Ϋ́		1.60	2.42	2.42	1.78		2557
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ANZ	15. ANZ Flexi TD	AA-	Y	4,000	1.79	2.38	2.38	1.78	15/12/2022	2557
CBA	16. CBA At Call Deposit	AA-	Y	12,544	0.54	0.56	0.56	5.59		
CBA	17. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	3,987	3.41	3.38	3.38	1.78	25/04/2023	1916
CBA	18. CBA MTN	AA-	Υ	3,495	3.27	3.27	3.27	1.56	16/08/2023	1826
CBA	19. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	3,479	3.23	3.21	3.21	1.55	11/01/2024	1826
CBA	20. CBA FRN	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.04	1.65	1.65	0.89	17/07/2020	1827
CBA	21. CBA FRN	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.27	1.98	1.98	0.89	17/07/2020	1613
NAB	22. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	2,997	3.15	3.16	3.16	1.34	12/05/2021	1826
NAB	23. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	3,995	3.08	3.09	3.09	1.78	10/02/2023	1918
NAB	24. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	2,997	2.95	2.95	2.95	1.34	26/02/2024	1826
NAB	25. NAB Floating Rate									
	Note	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.19	1.96	1.96	0.89	5/11/2020	1827
NAB	26. NAB FRN	AA-	Υ	4,000	1.00	1.82	1.82	1.78	16/05/2023	1826
NAB	27. NAB FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	1.36	1.84	1.84	0.89	19/06/2024	1827
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NAB	35. NAB TD	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.35	3.35	3.35	1.78	18/09/2023	1827
Westpac	36. Westpac At Call	AA-	Y	13	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.01		
Westpac	37. Westpac FRN	AA-	Y	1,000	1.01	1.75	1.75	0.45	28/07/2020	1827
Westpac	<ol><li>Westpac Fixed Bond</li></ol>	AA-	Y	2,482	3.25	3.24	3.24	1.11	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac	<ol> <li>Westpac Term Deposit</li> </ol>	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.66	1.66	1.66	0.89	22/09/2020	378
Westpac	40. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	1.78	22/02/2022	1825
Westpac	41. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.78	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac	<ol><li>Westpac Term Deposit</li></ol>									
		AA-	Y	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.89	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac	43. WBC Floating TD	AA-	Y	4,000	1.31	2.12	2.12	1.78	17/02/2022	1826
Westpac	44. Westpac TD	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.15	3.14	3.14	1.78	2/11/2021	1461
Macquarie Bank	45. Macquarie Bank Fixed Bond	A+	Y	3,999	1.71	1.71	1.71	1.78	12/02/2025	1827
Macquarie Bank	46. Macquarie Bank Term									
	Deposit	A+	Y	2,000	1.70	1.74	1.74	0.89	1/04/2021	364
Suncorp-Metway	47. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	800	1.38	2.11	2.11	0.36	20/10/2020	1827
Suncorp-Metway	48. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	1,000	1.07	1.90	1.90	0.45	16/08/2022	1826
AMP	49. AMP Business Saver	BBB+	Υ	394	0.76	1.04	1.04	0.18		
AMP	50. AMP Floating Rate Note	BBB+	Υ	1,999	1.37	1.90	1.90	0.89	10/09/2021	729
AMP	51. AMP Floating Rate Note	BBB+	Y	994	1.79	2.17	2.17	0.44	30/03/2022	917
AMP	52. AMP TD	BBB+	Ý	1,000	2.25	2.25	2.25	0.45	30/07/2020	366
Australian Unity Bank	53. Aus Unity Bank TD	BBB+	?	2,000	1.55	1.86	1.86	0.89	30/07/2020	275
Australian Unity Bank			?							
Bank of Queensland	54. Australian Unity TD 55. Bank of Queensland	BBB+		2,000	1.70	1.70	1.70	0.89	11/02/2021	364
Bank of Queensland	Fixed Bond  56. Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Y	1,991	3.40	3.38	3.38	0.89	16/11/2021	1267
Bank of Queensland	TD 57. Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Υ	2,000	2.55	2.55	2.55	0.89	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	TD 58. Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.78	17/12/2020	1071
Bank of Queensland	TD 59. Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Υ	2,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	0.89	12/11/2020	1827
	TD	BBB+	Υ	2,000	3.75	3.75	3.75	0.89	9/12/2021	1823
Bank of Queensland	60. BoQ Term Deposit	BBB+	Υ	4,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.78	15/11/2022	1804
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	61. Bendigo Fixed MTN	BBB+	N	2,000	3.53	3.50	3.50	0.89	25/01/2023	1826

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 30-Jun-20 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2019	% of Total	Maturity	Tenor
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	62. Bendigo Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,000	1.20	2.02	2.02	0.45	18/08/2020	1827
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3	Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,998	1.22	1.94	1.94	0.89	25/01/2023	1532
Heritage Bank	64. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,400	1.62	2.11	2.11	0.62	29/03/2021	1096
Heritage Bank	65. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	2,001	0.89	1.61	1.61	0.89	12/08/2022	1085
MyState Bank	66. MyState TD	BBB+	N	2,000	1.65	1.84	1.84	0.89	2/01/2021	291
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	67. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc□	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.89	27/01/2022	1092
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	68. Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc TD	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.89	10/02/2022	1095
Bank Australia	69. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.41	2.22	2.22	0.45	30/08/2021	1096
Bank Australia	70. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	2,000	1.01	1.55	1.55	0.89	2/12/2022	1096
CUA	71. CUA FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.25	1.81	1.81	0.45	24/10/2024	1827
CUA	72. CUA TD	BBB	N	2,000	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.89	3/12/2020	728
Defence Bank	73. Defence Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	0.89	9/02/2021	349
Me Bank	74. ME Bank At Call Account	BBB	N	5,518	0.76	0.96	0.96	2.46		
Me Bank	75. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,500	1.36	2.16	2.16	0.67	9/11/2020	1096
Me Bank	76. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,600	1.42	2.11	2.11	0.71	16/04/2021	1095
Me Bank	77. ME Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	1.58	1.85	1.85	0.89	4/08/2020	271
P&N Bank	78. P&N Bank	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.45	2/11/2023	1821
Queensland Country Bank	79. Queensland Country Bank TD	BBB	?	1,000	1.60	2.37	2.37	0.45	16/03/2021	371
Teachers Mutual Bank	80. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,400	1.68	2.21	2.21	0.62	2/07/2021	1096
Auswide Bank	81. Auswide Bank FRN	BBB-	N	1,500	2.88	1.58	1.58	0.67	17/03/2023	1095
Auswide Bank	82. Auswide Bank TD	BBB-	N	2,000	1.69	1.69	1.69	0.89	15/02/2022	715
QBank	83. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	1.76	2.27	2.27	0.45	22/03/2021	1098
QBank	84. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	750	1.84	2.42	2.42	0.33	14/12/2021	1096
QBank	<ol><li>85. Qbank Term Deposit</li></ol>	BBB-	N	1,000	1.70	2.16	2.16	0.45	8/12/2020	362
QBank	86. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	2.40	2.40	0.45	6/05/2021	364
QBank	87. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	2.03	2.03	0.45	1/10/2020	329
Bank of Sydney	88. Bank of Sydney TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.62	1.91	1.91	0.45	2/07/2020	261
Coastline CU	89. Coastline Credit Union TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.80	2.28	2.28	0.45	10/12/2020	357
Police CU (SA)	90. Police CU - SA Term Deposit	Unrated	?	1,000	1.65	2.07	2.07	0.45	8/10/2020	331
Police CU (SA)	91. Police CU - SA	Unrated	?	1,000	1.75	2.13	2.13	0.45	21/10/2020	349
Regional Australia Bank	92. Regional Australia Bank TD	Unrated	N	2,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	0.89	13/08/2020	1093
Warwick CU	93. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.90	2.36	2.36	0.45	10/12/2020	357
WaW CU	94. WAW CU Coop	Unrated	N	2,000	1.80	1.99	1.99	0.89	8/12/2020	362
	†	1	<b>-</b>	224,433	1.99	2.33	2.33	100		<del>                                     </del>

<sup>\*</sup>Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

 Return including Matured/Traded Investments
 Jun
 12 Mth
 FYTD

 Weighted Average Return
 1.99
 2.31
 2.31

 Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)
 0.09
 0.85
 0.85

 Variance From Benchmark (%)
 1.90
 1.46
 1.46

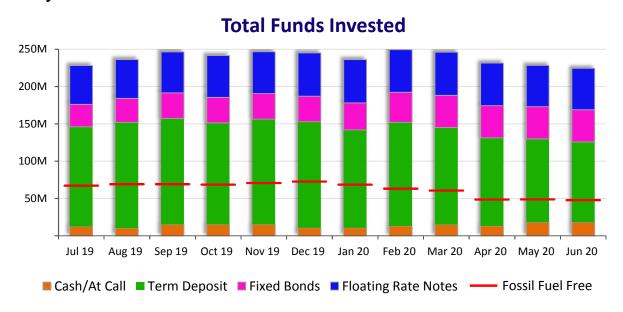
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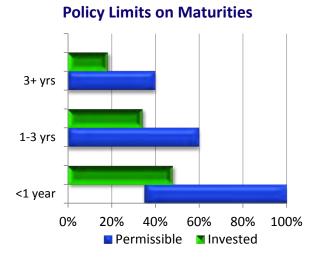
	\$000's	Fossil Fuel I	Fossil Fuel Free (000's)		
This Period	370	Yes	54,667		
Financial Year To Date	5,595	No	159,766		
Budget Profile _	5,393	Unknown	10,000		
Variance from Budget - \$	202				
Legal Settlements YTD	1,268				

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



# **Analysis of investments**

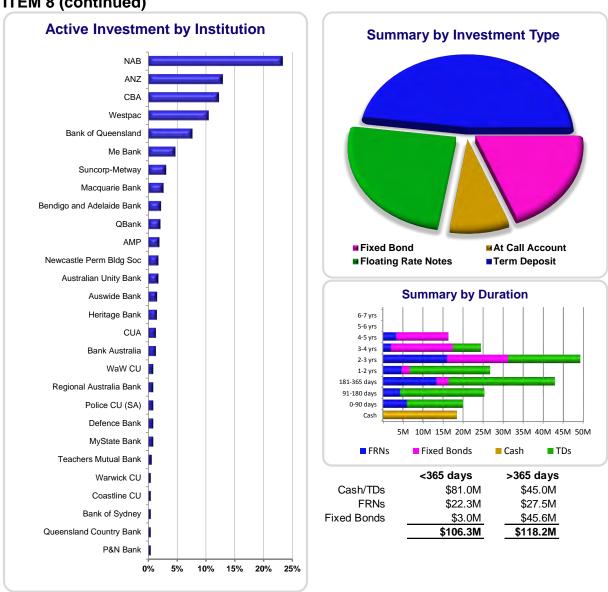






Portion of deposits covered by Federal Guarantee are rated 'AAA'





# **Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

As at 30 June 2020, Council had a total amount of \$54.7 million (24.3% of Council's total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions. A further \$10 million was invested in unrated financial institutions where their 'alignment status' is unclear/undetermined. It is almost certain all of these unrated financial institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned institutions as their lending profiles are almost identical to other unrated institutions. If it assumed those institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, then the total amount is \$64.7 million (28.8% of Council's total investment portfolio).

By way of comparison, Council had \$50.5 million (24.5% of its total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, as at policy inception on 31 January 2018.



# **Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.99%, which is 1.09% above the benchmark figure of 0.90%. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$5.59M for the period ending 30 June 2020 and is \$202K above the 2019/20 year-to-date adopted Budget of \$5.39M.

# **Summary**

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

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

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

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer



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#### **Benchmark**

The Bloomberg Ausbond 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.

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



#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

- 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.

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



#### 9 DEFERRED REPORT: INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2020

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer

File No.: COR2019/82 - BP20/799

# This Report was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 31 July 2020 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes the estimated market valuation of Council's investment portfolio and loan liabilities.

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.94%, which is 1.83% above the benchmark figure of 0.11%.

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$354K for the financial year to date, which is \$46K above the 2020/21 year-to-date adopted budget of \$308K.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 31 July 2020.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



#### **Discussion**

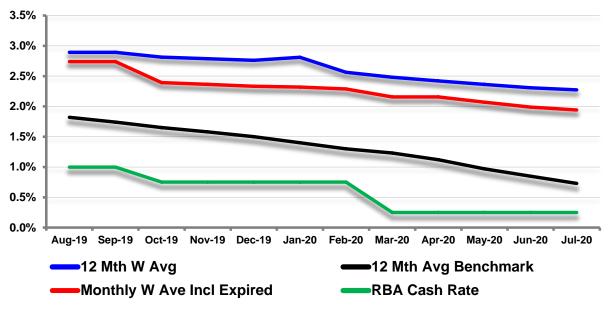
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

# **Investment Performance Commentary**

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for July 2020 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	July	12 Mth	FYTD
Council Return	1.94	2.28	1.94
Benchmark	0.11	0.73	0.11
Variance	1.83	1.55	1.83

# **Performance - All Investments**



Council's investment portfolio as at 31 July 2020 was as follows:

Total Investments	\$216.4M	
Fixed Bonds	\$48.6M	22.5%
Floating Rate Notes	\$44.8M	20.7%
Cash/Term Deposits	\$123.0M	56.8%



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 \$98.6 million of Council's funds held in Internal Reserves (as at 30 June 2019).

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

# **Loan Liability**

Council's loan liability as at 31 July was \$1.3 million which represents the balance of two loans which were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

- A \$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;
- 2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.



# ITEM 9 (continued) INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 JULY 2020

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 31-Jul-20 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2020	% of Total	Maturity	Tenor
Bank of Queensland	BoQ FRN Covered	AAA	Υ	1,200	1.17	1.17	1.17	0.55	14/05/2025	1826
NAB	NAB Covered Bond	AAA	Y	3,744	3.10	3.11	3.10	1.73	16/03/2023	1826
Suncorp-Metway	<ol><li>Suncorp FRN (Covered)</li></ol>	AAA	N	4,000	1.21	1.87	1.21	1.85	22/06/2021	1826
Suncorp-Metway	4. Suncorp FRN 4	AAA	N	1,200	1.23	1.23	1.23	0.55	24/04/2025	1823
ANZ	<ol><li>ANZ Fixed Bond</li></ol>	AA-	Υ	1,499	3.20	3.13	3.20	0.69	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	1,999	1.56	1.54	1.56	0.92	29/08/2024	1827
ANZ	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	1,992	1.67	1.65	1.67	0.92	29/08/2024	1805
ANZ	8. ANZ_MTN 6	AA-	Y	1,997	1.71	1.70	1.71	0.92	16/01/2025	1827
ANZ	ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,973	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.37	29/08/2024	1612
ANZ	10. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	4,000	1.31	1.90	1.31	1.85	7/04/2021	1826
ANZ	11. ANZ FRN 12. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	1,500	0.89	1.49	0.89	0.69	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ ANZ	13. ANZ FIXED Bond	AA- AA-	Ϋ́	2,000	1.00 3.13	1.68 3.12	1.00 3.13	0.92 1.39	9/05/2023 8/02/2024	1826 1826
ANZ	14. ANZ Floating TD	AA-	Ϋ́	2,999 4,000	1.61	2.29	1.61	1.85	10/11/2022	2557
ANZ	15. ANZ Flexi TD	AA-	Y	4,000	1.56	2.29	1.56	1.85	15/12/2022	2557
CBA	16. CBA At Call Deposit	AA-	Ϋ́	12,543	0.24	0.50	0.24	5.80	13/12/2022	2331
CBA	17. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Ϋ́	3,988	3.41	3.38	3.41	1.84	25/04/2023	1916
CBA	18. CBA MTN	AA-	Ϋ́	3,495	3.28	3.27	3.28	1.61	16/08/2023	1826
CBA	19. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Ϋ́	3,480	3.28	3.20	3.28	1.61	11/01/2024	1826
NAB	20. NAB Fixed Bond	AA- AA-	Ϋ́	2,997	3.28	3.16	3.28	1.38	12/05/2021	1826
NAB	21. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Ϋ́	3,995	3.16	3.09	3.08	1.85	10/02/2023	1918
NAB	22. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	2,997	2.95	2.95	2.95	1.38	26/02/2024	1826
NAB	23. NAB Floating Rate	- AA-		2,331	2.30	2.33	2.30	1.50	20/02/2024	1020
	Note	AA-	Y	2,000	1.18	1.84	1.18	0.92	5/11/2020	1827
NAB	24. NAB FRN	AA-	Ý	4,000	1.00	1.69	1.00	1.85	16/05/2023	1826
NAB	25. NAB FRN	AA-	Ý	2,000	1.03	1.74	1.03	0.92	19/06/2024	1827
NAB	26. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Ý	4,000	0.98	1.59	0.98	1.85	18/02/2021	265
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Westpac	34. Westpac At Call	AA-	Υ	13	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.01		
Westpac	35. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,482	3.25	3.24	3.25	1.15	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac	36. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.66	1.66	1.66	0.92	22/09/2020	378
Westpac	37. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	1.85	22/02/2022	1825
Westpac	38. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.85	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac	39. Westpac Term Deposit									
		AA-	Y	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.92	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac	40. WBC Floating TD	AA-	Υ	4,000	1.30	2.00	1.30	1.85	17/02/2022	1826
Westpac Macquarie Bank	41. Westpac TD 42. Macquarie Bank Fixed	AA-	Y	4,000	3.14	3.14	3.14	1.85	2/11/2021	1461
Macquarie Bank	Bond 43. Macquarie Bank Term	A+	Y	3,999	1.71	1.71	1.71	1.85	12/02/2025	1827
	Deposit	A+	Υ	2,000	1.70	1.74	1.70	0.92	1/04/2021	364
Suncorp-Metway	44. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	800	1.37	1.97	1.37	0.37	20/10/2020	1827
Suncorp-Metway	45. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	1,000	1.08	1.77	1.08	0.46	16/08/2022	1826
AMP	46. AMP Business Saver	BBB+	Υ	395	0.73	0.99	0.73	0.18		
AMP	47. AMP Floating Rate Note	BBB+	Υ	1,999	1.23	1.84	1.23	0.92	10/09/2021	729
AMP	48. AMP Floating Rate Note	BBB+	Υ	995	1.50	2.10	1.50	0.46	30/03/2022	917
AMP	49. AMP TD	BBB+	Υ	1,000	0.80	2.13	0.80	0.46	30/07/2021	365
Australian Unity Bank	50. Australian Unity TD	BBB+	?	2,000	1.70	1.70	1.70	0.92	11/02/2021	364
Bank of Queensland	51. Bank of Queensland Fixed Bond	BBB+	Υ	1,991	3.41	3.38	3.41	0.92	16/11/2021	1267
Bank of Queensland	52. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Υ	2,000	2.55	2.55	2.55	0.92	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	53. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Υ	4,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.85	17/12/2020	1071
Bank of Queensland	54. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Υ	2,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	0.92	12/11/2020	1827
Bank of Queensland	55. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Υ	2,000	3.75	3.75	3.75	0.92	9/12/2021	1823
Bank of Queensland	56. BoQ Term Deposit	BBB+	Ý	4,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.85	15/11/2022	1804
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	57. Bendigo Fixed MTN	BBB+	N	2,000	3.60	3.51	3.60	0.92	25/01/2023	1826
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	58. Bendigo Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,000	1.21	1.90	1.21	0.46	18/08/2020	1827
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	59. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,998	1.22	1.83	1.22	0.92	25/01/2023	1532
Heritage Bank	60. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,400	1.34	2.02	1.34	0.65	29/03/2021	1096
Heritage Bank	61. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	2,001	0.90	1.55	0.90	0.92	12/08/2022	1085

MyState Bank	62. MyState TD	BBB+	N	2,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	0.92	2/01/2021	291
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	63. Newcastle Perm Bldg									
	Soc□									
		BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.92	27/01/2022	1092
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	<ol><li>64. Newcastle Perm Bldg</li></ol>									
	Soc TD	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.92	10/02/2022	1095
Bank Australia	65. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.41	2.11	1.41	0.46	30/08/2021	1096
Bank Australia	66. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	2,000	1.00	1.48	1.00	0.92	2/12/2022	1096
CUA	67. CUA FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.24	1.75	1.24	0.46	24/10/2024	1827
CUA	68. CUA TD	BBB	N	2,000	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.92	3/12/2020	728
Defence Bank	69. Defence Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	0.92	9/02/2021	349
Me Bank	70. ME Bank At Call									
	Account	BBB	N	5,521	0.76	0.86	0.76	2.55		
Me Bank	71. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,500	1.35	2.03	1.35	0.69	9/11/2020	1096
Me Bank	72. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,600	1.40	2.00	1.40	0.74	16/04/2021	1095
Me Bank	73. ME Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	1.58	1.78	1.58	0.92	4/08/2020	271
P&N Bank	74. P&N Bank	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.46	2/11/2023	1821
Queensland Country Bank	75. Queensland Country									
,	Bank TD	BBB	?	1,000	1.60	2.27	1.60	0.46	16/03/2021	371
Teachers Mutual Bank	76. Teachers Mutual Bank									
	FRN	BBB	N	1,400	1.48	2.12	1.48	0.65	2/07/2021	1096
Auswide Bank	77. Auswide Bank FRN	BBB-	N	1,500	1.16	1.48	1.16	0.69	17/03/2023	1095
Auswide Bank	78. Auswide Bank TD	BBB-	N	2,000	1.69	1.69	1.69	0.92	15/02/2022	715
QBank	79. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	1.52	2.18	1.52	0.46	22/03/2021	1098
QBank	80. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	750	1.61	2.32	1.61	0.35	14/12/2021	1096
QBank	81. Qbank Term Deposit	BBB-	N	1,000	1.70	2.07	1.70	0.46	8/12/2020	362
QBank	82. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	2.33	1.65	0.46	6/05/2021	364
QBank	83. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	1.94	1.65	0.46	1/10/2020	329
Coastline CU	84. Coastline Credit Union									
	TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.80	2.18	1.80	0.46	10/12/2020	357
Police CU (SA)	85. Police CU - SA Term									
,	Deposit	Unrated	?	1,000	1.65	1.96	1.65	0.46	8/10/2020	331
Police CU (SA)	86. Police CU - SA	Unrated	?	1.000	1.75	2.04	1.75	0.46	21/10/2020	349
Regional Australia Bank	87. Regional Australia									l
3	Bank TD	Unrated	N	2,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	0.92	13/08/2020	1093
Warwick CU	88. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.90	2.27	1.90	0.46	10/12/2020	357
WaW CU	89. WAW CU Coop	Unrated	N	2,000	1.80	1.95	1.80	0.92	8/12/2020	362
				216.442	1.96	2.29	1.96	100		

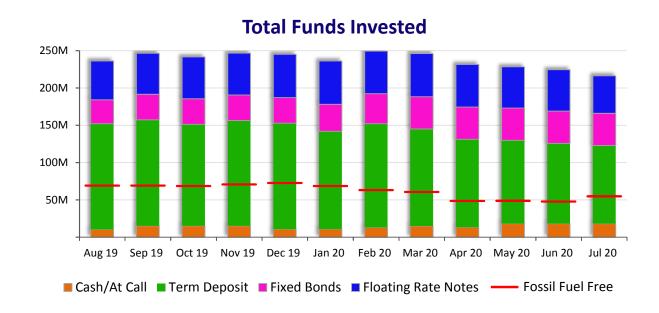
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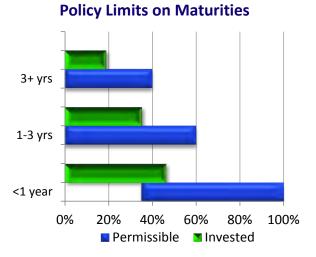
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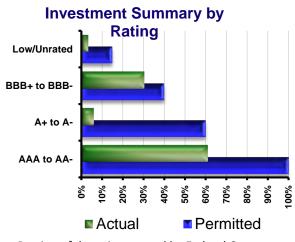
Return including Matured/Traded Investments	<u>Jul</u>	<u>12 Mth</u>	<u>FYTD</u>	
Weighted Average Return	1.94	2.28	1.94	
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	0.11	0.73	0.11	
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.83	1.55	1.83	



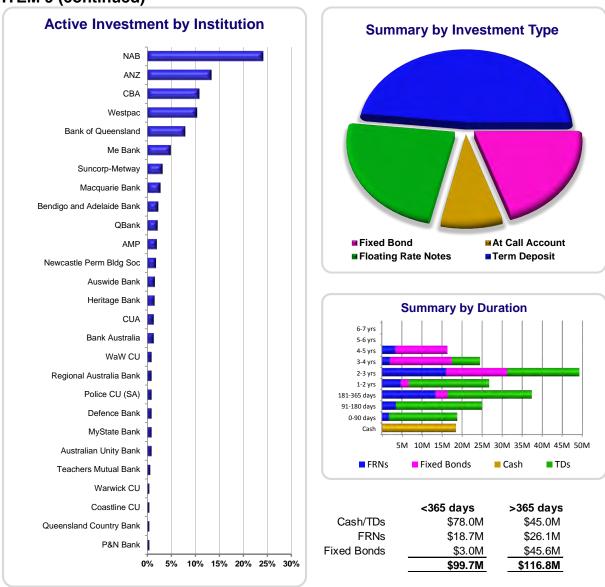
# **Analysis of investments**











# **Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

As at 31 July 2020, Council had a total amount of \$54.7 million invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions. A further \$7 million was invested in unrated financial institutions where their 'alignment status' is unclear/undetermined. It is almost certain all of these unrated financial institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned institutions as their lending profiles are almost identical to other unrated institutions. If it assumed those institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, then the total amount is \$61.7 million (28.5% of Council's total investment portfolio).

By way of comparison, Council had \$50.5 million (24.5% of its total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, as at policy inception on 31 January 2018.



# **Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.94%, which is 1.83% above the benchmark figure of 0.11%. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$354K for the period ending 31 July 2020 and is \$46K above the 2020/21 year-to-date adopted Budget of \$308K.

# **Summary**

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

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

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

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer



# 10 DEFERRED REPORT - PART (E) - TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING - JUNE MEETING

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Transport Services

File No.: GRP/09/3 - BP20/910

Part (E) of this Report was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

Due to the current pandemic, Council ceased all face to face Traffic Committee meetings. As a result of the cessation of face to face meetings, Council now sends all traffic committee members the latest Council initiated traffic and parking related proposals for their approval and commentary. Members of the committee are listed below.

The June traffic committee agenda consisted of nine (9) proposals of traffic and parking matters. All traffic committee members approved the proposals and no objecting comments or disclosures of interest were received. Sydney Buses (Western Region) were also advised of the proposals and did not raise objection.

All proposals (A), (B), (C), (D), (F), (G), (H) and (I) were considered and approved at the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020, with the exception of Part (E) – Herring Road, Ryde – Parking Restrictions which was deferred to the Council meeting of 22 September 2020 for consideration. The proposed traffic and parking matter for Part (E) now requires the approval of Council. For ease of review, details of the proposal identified in the recommendation below is provided for in **ATTACHMENT 1**.

With respect to proposal (E), and in response to questions raised at the Council meeting on 25 August 2020 by Councillor Lane, all Councillors should be advised that:

- Kent Road Public School administration is fully supportive of the Ryde Local Traffic Committee recommendations;
- There are no conflicts between the SINSW works and Council's proposed changes. SINSW is undertaking work on Kent Road with the school upgrade. Council's proposals only impact Herring Road.
- There is nothing proposed on Herring Road that negatively impacts what SINSW is doing on Kent Road.



#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendation:

# (E) HERRING ROAD, RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made to parking restrictions and facilities on Herring Road:

- A kerb ramp and connection to the footpath be constructed on the western side of Herring Road on the northbound approach to the roundabout with Kent Road.
- 2. The western side of Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road to be signposted as *No Stopping* to enforce the 3m rule to double barrier lines.
- 3. Statutory *No Stopping* restrictions on the northern side of Blundell Street are to be signposted at its intersection with Herring Road.
- 4. A pedestrian fence to be installed on the eastern side of Herring Road from the commencement of the *No Stopping* restrictions to the combined children's and zebra crossing.
- 5. Double barrier lines on Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road be relocated by 1m in a westerly direction with on-street parking to be converted to 1/4P 8:00am 9:30am & 2:30pm 4:00pm School Days Only.
- 6. The double barrier lines on Herring Road between Lucinda Road and Agincourt Road to be relocated 1m in a westerly direction to enable on-street parking to be provided on the eastern side of Herring Road.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Traffic Committee Agenda - June 2020

Report Prepared By:

John Begley Senior Coordinator - Transport Services

Report Approved By:

Michael Dixon Transport Manager

Wayne Rylands Director - City Works



ITEM (A) 210-216 VICTORIA ROAD, GLADESVILLE

SUBJECT: SIGANGE AND LINEMARKING PLAN – WESTERN CRESCENT

ELECTORATE: LANE COVE

WARD: EAST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

REFERENCE: LDA2015/653 & T2020-00487

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

The Developer for 210-216 Victoria Road, Gladesville has submitted a signage and line marking plan for the site's rear frontage along Western Crescent. Ryde Traffic Committee approval is required for the proposed changes to the on-street parking controls to accommodate the kerbside waste collection, as per Condition 144 of the Development Consent LDA2015/653.

144. Waste Collection Days. Safe easy access must be provided for waste collection vehicles to service the waste containers. "No Standing on Garbage Day (Tuesday) between 5.00am to 11.00am" signs will be placed on Western Cres, Gladesville to enable the trucks to access the bins for servicing.



Figure 1: Location of the Subject Site and Surrounding Streets

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

Th Western Crescent has a carriageway width of approx. 7m which allows one kerbside parking lane and one eastbound only trave lane. *Figure 1* shows the location of the subject site

A proposed signage and line marking Plan is shown in *Figure 2*. The No Stopping zone between the access driveway and the subject site's eastern boundary on the northern side of Western Crescent is proposed to be converted to "No Parking 5am-11am Tuesday Waste Vehicle Excepted" zone while the 1P parking spaces on the southern side of Western Crescent is proposed to be modified to No Stopping between 5am-11am Tuesday to maintain the traffic flow on Western Crescent.

There were two rectangular-shaped planter boxes on the southern side of Western Crescent between the 1P parking spaces as shown in *Figure 1*. The eastern planter box is proposed to be reshaped and relocated closer to Linsley Street to ensure Western Crescent will not be blocked during waste collection.

**Figure 3** demonstrated that a standard 12.5 Heavy Rigid Vehicle can travel on Western Crescent from Jordan Street to Linsley Street while Council's 10.8m Waste Collection Vehicle is standing in the proposed waste collection zone.



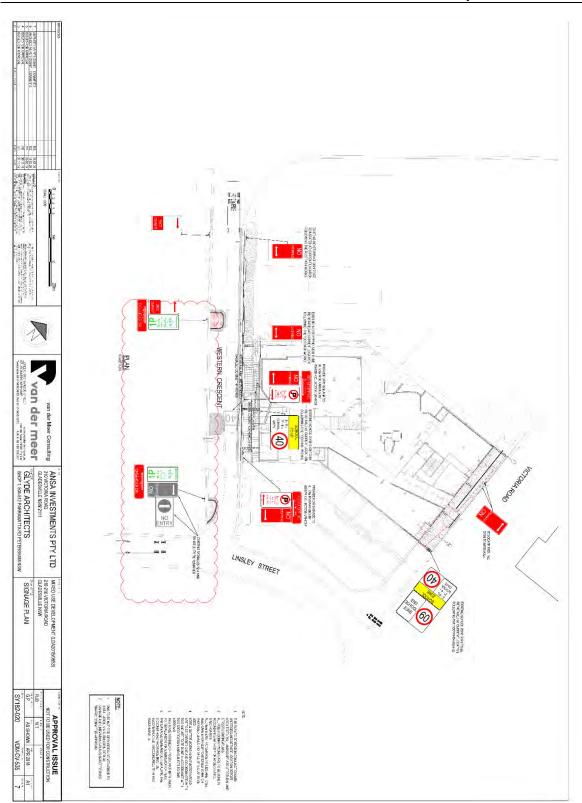


Figure 2: Proposed Signage and Linemarking Plan



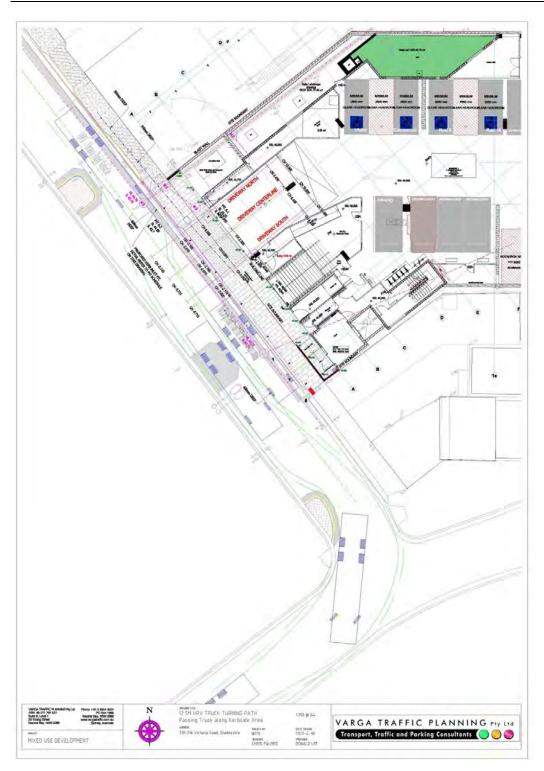


Figure 3: Heavy Rigid Vehicle Swept Path with 10.8m Truck in the Waste Collection Zone

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

#### Recommendation:

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made to onstreet parking controls to facilitate waste collection

- 1. Northern side of Western Crescent along the subject site's rear frontage
  - a. No Parking 5am-11am Waste Collection Vehicles Excepted
  - b. No Stopping All Other Times
- 2. Southern side of Western Crescent opposite to the subject site
  - a. 1P 8am-6pm MON, WED-FRI
  - b. No Stopping 5am-11am TUE & 1P 11am-6pm TUE
  - c. 1P 8am-12:30pm SAT

It would be appreciated if you could reply by return email as to whether you concur with the above recommendations.

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

ITEM (B) ENDEAVOUR STREET, WEST RYDE

SUBJECT: RELOCATION OF BUS ZONE

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00510

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has been contacted by the Principal of West Ryde Primary School with a request to relocate the existing Bus Zone on Endeavour Street to improve safety for students.

The existing 32m Bus Zone is located in front of the staff car park near the intersection of Bennett Street on the departure side of a pedestrian crossing. Near misses have been reported between vehicles reversing out of the car park and children using the Bus Zone.

A Traffic & Parking Study of West Ryde Public School was undertaken in 2018 and a number of recommendations were approved by Traffic Committee in 2019. However, due to the upgrade works commencing at the school, changes to Endeavour Street were not included while the school consider the best use of the school frontage with regards to the new school layout.

Existing parking restrictions are shown in *Figure 1* below. There is currently "No Stopping, 8:30-9:30am, 3-4pm, School Days" along the frontage of the school north of the pedestrian crossing. The bus zone, south of the pedestrian crossing, is in operation between "8:30am to 3:30pm" and then "1/4P, 3:30-6pm" to service the West Ryde Before and After School Care.





Figure 1 – Existing parking restrictions.

With the relocation of the main school access gate to the middle of Endeavour Street, it is proposed that the Bus Zone be relocated to north of the new school access gate. A grass kerbed island will be removed to accommodate for bus movements. Refer to *Figure 2*.

The existing "No Stopping" zones adjacent to the new Bus Zone will be converted into "No Parking, 8:30-9:30am, 3-4pm, School Days" to allow parents to utilise these spaces for drop off and pick up during those times. Other times will become unrestricted parking.

The existing Bus Zone will be converted to "1/4P, 7-9am, 3:30-6pm, SCHOOL DAYS" to service the West Ryde Before and After School Care.





Figure 2 - Proposed new parking restrictions.

#### Consultation:

- STA approval was sought to relocate the bus stop.
- Residents were not consulted as it is along the school frontage and does not result in any loss of car park

#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes to parking restrictions on Endeavour Street be undertaken as per Figure 2

- 1. The bus zone on the eastern side of Endeavour Street north of Bennett Street be relocated to a midblock position adjacent to the new entrance/gate to the school.
- 2. The existing time restricted "No Stopping" restrictions currently located midway along Endeavour Street be converted to "No Parking, 8-30-9:30am, 3-4pm, SCHOOL DAYS".

# **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

3. The existing bus zone on Endeavour Street, north of Bennett Street be converted to "1/4P, 7-9am, 3:30-6pm, SCHOOL DAYS" to service for the West Ryde Before and After School Care. At all other times unrestricted parking will apply along this zone.



ITEM (C) SPOONER PLACE, NORTH RYDE

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: EAST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00458

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has been contacted by a local resident regarding the increasing number of incidents of motorists partially blocking access to his driveway. Given the narrow width of Spooner Place at 6m wide, access and egress to/from the resident's property is extremely difficult when it is partially blocked by inappropriately parked vehicles.



Figure 1: Location Plan

Spooner Place is located in close proximity to the Macquarie Park Employment Zone and while much of the street is subject to parking restrictions, there is a small section which remains unrestricted and thus serves as a major attractor to all day commuter parking with resultant inappropriate parking behaviour occurring.



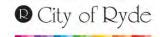
An on-site meeting was held with the resident to discuss various options to address the parking situation. He was advised that all residents would need to be consulted if any changes to on-street parking were proposed.



Figure 2: Existing On-Street Parking Restrictions

Currently as per the above plan, there is a range of parking restrictions in place on Spooner Place. Rather than introduce another variation of timed parking restrictions into the street, it is proposed that all on-street parking in the street be converted to the following: 2P 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri & 8:30am - 12:30 Sat, with the existing No Parking and No Stopping restrictions to remain as is. All properties in the street have access to offstreet parking.

The above proposal was sent to all residents of Spooner Place for comment, with three replies received in the affirmative. It should be noted that the proposal was sent to both residents and owners of properties in the street.





**Figure 3: Proposed On-Street Parking Restrictions** 

### **Recommendation:**

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that all existing timed parking restrictions and all unrestricted parking in Spooner Place be changed to 2P 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri & 8:30am-12:30pm Sat with existing No Stopping and No Parking restrictions to remain unaltered.



ITEM (D) MORRISON ROAD, PUTNEY

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00459

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has been contacted by a local resident regarding the on-street parking situation outside her property. The resident lives on Morrison Road in relative proximity of the signalised intersection of Church Street and Morrison Road. There is a dedicated parking lane delineated on both sides of the road, however on the southern side of the road there remains a section of unrestricted parking that occurs immediately west of the end of the parking lane. It is this section of road way that is of concern to the resident.

A site inspection reveals that the existing signage on this section of Morrison Road is deficient as neither the existing *Bus Zone* or statutory *No Stopping* restrictions associated the signalised intersection are signposted.

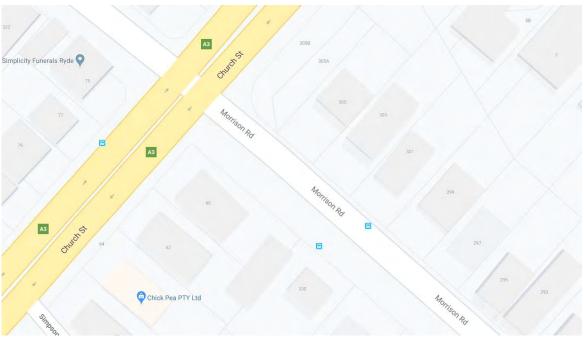


Figure 1: Site Location



While the resident had requested that *No Stopping* restrictions be installed from the end of the delineated parking lane, she was advised that *No Parking* would be more appropriate as this would enable goods/persons to be dropped off/collected along her frontage as compared to the limitations associated with *No Stopping* restrictions.



Figure 2: Proposed Parking Restrictions

It is thus proposed that a *No Parking* zone be installed from the end of the parking lane along the frontage of No: 328 Morrison Road, with the bus zone and statutory *No Stopping* restrictions signposted appropriately. The resident has advised that she is happy for the above restrictions to be installed in front of her property.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that a *No Parking* zone be installed along the frontage of No:328 Morrison Road, with the *Bus Zone* and statutory *No Stopping* restrictions associated with the signalised intersection of Morrison Road and Church Street signposted appropriately.



ITEM (E): HERRING ROAD, RYDE
SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00460

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has been contacted by the Principal of Kent Road Public School regarding traffic and road safety issues on Herring and Kent Roads as they pertain to inappropriate driving behaviour of parents and carers of children attending the school. Site inspections were undertaken during both morning and afternoon drop off and pick up times to assess traffic and road safety conditions and to assess whether any parking changes could improve traffic and road safety conditions around the school.



Figure 1: Site Location



## **Issues Identified:**

**Issue 1:** There is a missing kerb ramp and connection to the footpath on the western side of Herring Road on the northbound approach to the roundabout with Kent Road.



Figure 2: Missing Kerb Ramp on Herring Road

Issue 2: Site measurements indicate that the width of the northbound carriageway of Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road is 4.6m wide, double barrier lines are installed, however only the statutory No Stopping restrictions are signposted on the approach to the roundabout. While motorists should be aware that they are not permitted to park within 3m of double barrier lines, parents and carers were seen parking at this location in the afternoon school pick up period. It is thus recommended that the western side of Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road be clearly signposted as a No Stopping zone.



Figure 3: Insufficient width on Herring Road to permit on-street parking



**Issue 3:** Site observations indicated that the statutory *No Stopping* zone on the northern side of Blundell Street at its intersection with Kent Road is not signposted appropriately, thus the require *No Stopping* zone requires signposting and will tie in with the new *No Stopping* zone along Herring Road.



Figure 4: Missing No Stopping Restrictions

**Issue 4:** During the site inspection it was observed that parents who park in Blundell Street were seen walking their children diagonally across the intersection with Herring Road despite the close proximity of the combined children's and zebra crossing immediately south of Blundell Street. In order to discourage this behaviour it is considered that a pedestrian fence be installed on the eastern side of Herring Road from the commencement of the *No Stopping* restrictions to the existing combined children's and zebra crossing.



Figure 5: Proposed location of pedestrian fence

**Issue 5:** The *No Stopping* restriction on the southbound carriageway on Herring Road associated with the roundabout at Kent Road is not signposted. It is proposed that the double barrier line on Herring Road be relocated 1m in a westerly direction in order to make the on-street parking along the school frontage legal. Once the double barrier lines are relocated, then it is proposed that this on-street parking is made  $\frac{1}{4}P8:00am - 9:30am & 2:30pm - 4:00pm School$ 



*Days* to assist with drop off and pick up activities at Kent Road Public School. The School Principal has endorsed the above idea.



Figure 6: Relocation of double barrier line and proposed 1/4P 8:00am-9:30am & 2:30pm-4:00pm School Days Only Zone

Issue 6: The carriageway width of Herring Road between Lucinda Road and Agincourt Road is approximately 9m wide. Double barrier lines are inforce along this section of the road, which makes on-street parking on both sides of the road illegal as the 3m rule to the double barrier lines would not be met. It is considered that the double barrier lines should be relocated by 1m in the westerly directly, which would then enable on-street parking to be permitted on eastern side of Herring Road (same side of the road as the Kent Road Public School). On-street double barrier lines further south on Herring Road would be reviewed such that there is a careful transition to the relocated double barrier lines.



Figure 7: Proposed relocation of double barrier lines by 1m to permit legal parking on the eastern side of Herring Road



#### Recommendation:

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made to parking restrictions and facilities on Herring Road:

- 1. A kerb ramp and connection to the footpath be constructed on the western side of Herring Road on the northbound approach to the roundabout with Kent Road.
- 2. The western side of Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road is signposted as No Stopping to enforce the 3m rule to double barrier lines.
- 3. Statutory *No Stopping* restrictions on the northern side of Blundell Street are signposted at its intersection with Herring Road.
- A pedestrian fence is installed on the eastern side of Herring Road from the commencement of the *No Stopping* restrictions to the combined children's and zebra crossing.
- Double barrier lines on Herring Road between Blundell Street and Kent Road be relocated by 1m in a westerly direction with on-street parking to be converted to 1/4P 8:00am – 9:30am & 2:30pm – 4:00pm School Days Only.
- The double barrier lines on Herring Road between Lucinda Road and Agincourt Road are relocated 1m in a westerly direction to enable on-street parking to be provided on the eastern side of Herring Road.



ITEM (F) BAY DRIVE, MEADOWBANK

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

#### **Discussion**

The following Notice of Motion was resolved by Council on 25 February 2020 as follows:

- a. That the City of Ryde investigate the installation of a taxi rank and / or a 5 minute parking zone on Bay Drive, Meadowbank, adjacent to the entrance to the apartments on 5 Bay Drive, Meadowbank.
- b. That a report be brought back to Council for its consideration.

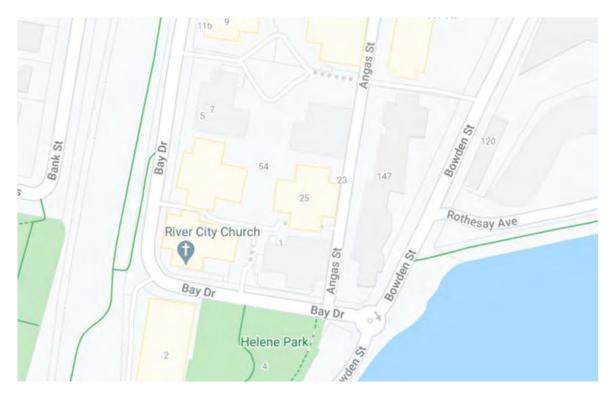


Figure 1: Site Location

A site inspection was undertaken to assess whether the above facility could be provided at the nominated location. It was determined that if the No Stopping restrictions were



relocated by 5.4m in a northerly direction then an additional parking space could be provided without impacting on the existing 2P parking restrictions. The new parking space would still be contained within the parking lane and thus there would be no reduction to the road safety environment at this location.



Figure 2: Relocation of No Stopping restrictions

All residents of No:5 Bay Drive were letterboxed regarding the proposal with only 1 response being received which was in favour of a P5min parking space to be created.



The black car demonstrates how an additional car space can be accommodated within the parking lane

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the No Stopping sign outside No:5 Bay Drive be relocated in a northerly direction by 5.4m to enable a P5min parking space to be created.



ITEM (G) BUSACO ROAD, MARSFIELD

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF NO STOPPING ZONE

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: WEST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00470

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has received a request from STA Buses to extend the "No Stopping" zone outside 36-38 Busaco Road, Marsfield to facilitate the manoeuvrability of buses.

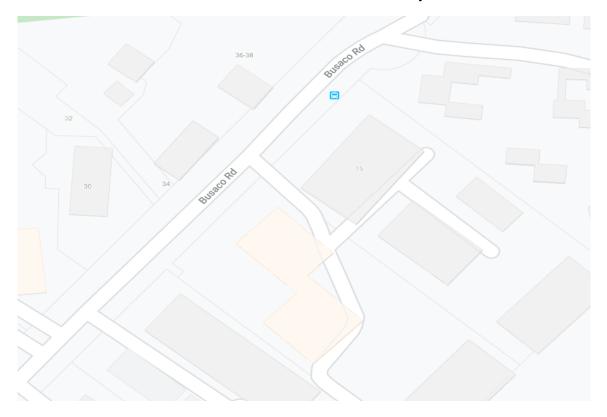


Figure 1: Location Plan

Currently, a bow-tie has been installed at this location to keep the area clear for buses manoeuvrability. Site investigation revealed that the vehicles are constantly parked over the bow-tie that restricts the movement of buses at this location.



To address this concern, Council is proposing to extend the "No Stopping" zone outside 36-38 Busaco Road, Marsfield as shown in the attached diagram.

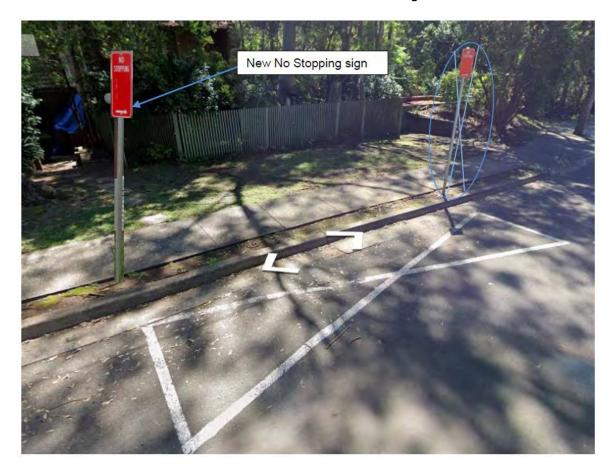


Figure 3: Proposed Relocation of Stop Signage

## Recommendation:

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the existing "No Stopping" zone outside 36-38 Busaco Road, Marsfield be extended west to encompass the bow-tie zone.

It would be appreciated if you could reply by return email as to whether you concur with the above recommendation.



ITEM (H): BRABYN STREET, DENISTONE EAST

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: WEST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00488

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

#### **Discussion:**

The COVID-19 pandemic has seen a noticeable increase in parents and carers using private vehicles in transporting their children to and from school.

Council has undertaken significant improvements on streets in the vicinity of Denistone East Public School in recent months to address traffic and road safety issues associated with School generated activities. Council has received an additional request from the principal of Denistone East Public School to investigate what further measures can be utilised to alleviate some of the congestion that is occurring on Brabyn Street during morning and afternoon drop off and pick up times.

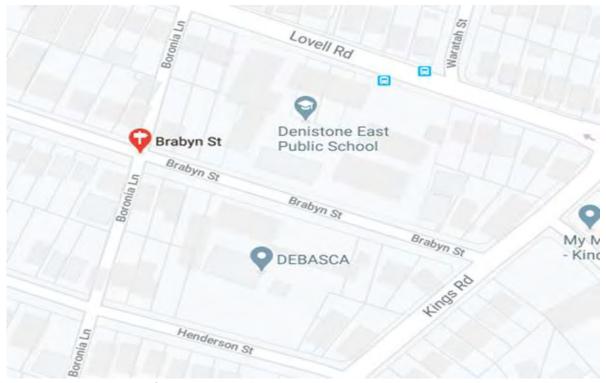


Figure 1: Location Plan



In response to this request site observations were undertaken at Denistone East Public School to determine where the main congestion point on the local network was. It was determined that the southern section of Brabyn Street immediately north of Kings Road was the main congestion area.

To alleviate this congestion it is proposed that the following changes to on-street parking restrictions be undertaken on Brabyn Street (see sketch plan attached):

- Installation of No Stopping 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only along the frontage of Nos 54 – 58 Brabyn Street.
- Installation of No Parking 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only along the frontage of Nos: 53 to 55 Brabyn Street.
- Existing statutory No Stopping restrictions on Brabyn Street at Kings Street to remain as existing.

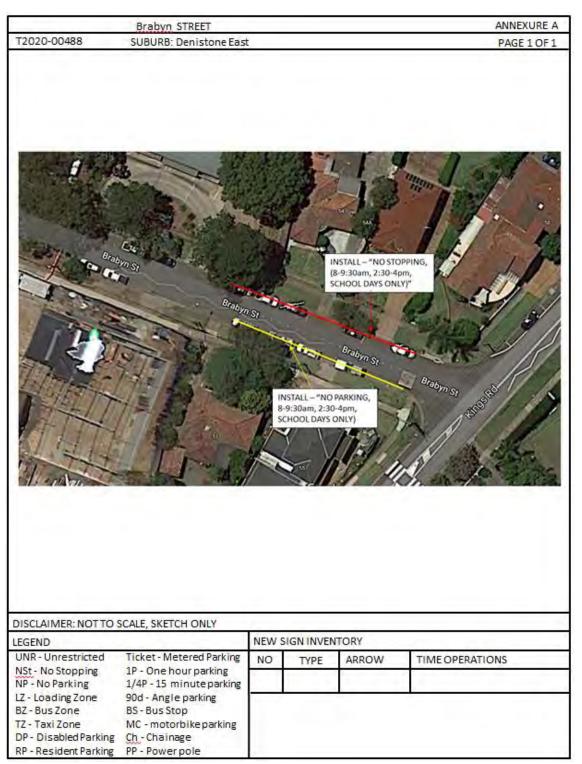
The above proposal had previously been proposed, however was met with opposition by local residents. Council has again canvassed local residents for their opinion and no objections have been received from residents this time. The need for the above restrictions was emphasised in our letter to residents, with residents acknowledging that we are living in extraordinary times and hence acceptance of the above restrictions.

#### Recommendation:

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made to parking restrictions on Brabyn Street:

- 1. No Stopping 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only be installed along the frontage of Nos: 54 58 Brabyn Street.
- 2. No Parking 8:00 9:30am & 2:30 4:00pm School Days Only be installed along the frontage of Nos: 53 to 55 Brabyn Street.
- 3. Statutory No Stopping restrictions on Brabyn Street at Kings Street to remain as existing.





**Figure 2: Proposed Parking Restrictions:** 



ITEM (I) ANTHONY ROAD, WEST RYDE

SUBJECT: ALTERATION OF 1/2P AND BUS ZONE OPERATING HOURS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00469

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### Discussion:

Council has received a request from STA Buses that the existing bus zone on Anthony Road is parked out by vehicles when it commences at 9:00am that prohibits drop-off and pick-up of passengers at this location.

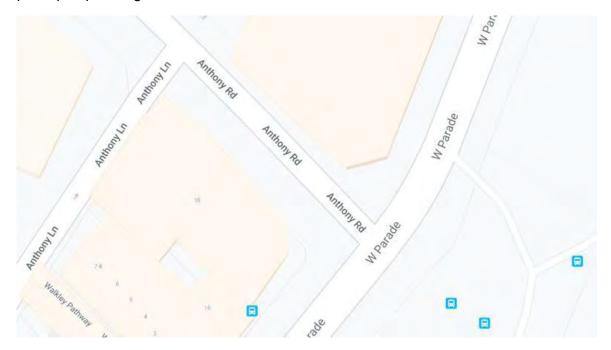


Figure 1: Location Plan

To address this issue Council is proposing to alter the bus zone operating hours from 9:00am - 3:30pm MON - SAT to 8:30am - 3:30pm MON - SAT.

As a result of this change, the time restricted parking zone will change from 1/2P 7:30am - 9:00am & 3:30pm - 6:00pm MON – SAT to 1/2P 7:30am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 6:00pm MON – SAT.



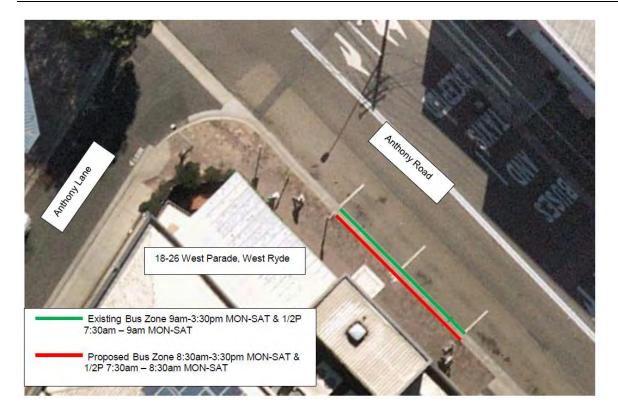


Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions

## **Recommendation:**

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made to the shared existing bus and time restricted parking zone on the southern side of Anthony Road.

- 1. The operating hours of the bus zone on the southern side of Anthony Road, immediately west of West Parade change from 9:00am 3:30pm MON SAT to 8:30am 3:30pm MON SAT.
- 2. The operating hours of the time restricted parking zone change from 1/2P 7:30am 9:00am & 3:30pm 6:00pm MON SAT to 1/2P 7:30am 8:30am & 3:30pm 6:00pm MON SAT.

It would be appreciated if you could reply by return email as to whether you concur with the above recommendation.



## 11 INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer

File No.: COR2019/82 - BP20/909

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report details Council's performance of its investment portfolio as at 31 August 2020 and compares it against key benchmarks. The report includes the estimated market valuation of Council's investment portfolio and loan liabilities.

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.95%, which is 1.24% above the benchmark figure of 0.71%.

Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sale of investments totals \$709K for the financial year to date, which is \$92K above the 2020/21 year-to-date adopted budget of \$617K.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorse the Investment Report as at 31 August 2020.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer

Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



## **Discussion**

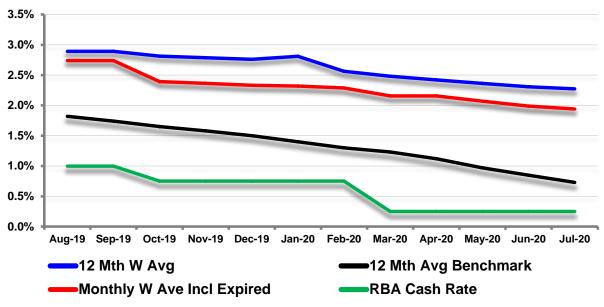
Council's Responsible Accounting Officer is required to report monthly on Council's Investment Portfolio and certify that the Investments are held in accordance with Council's Investment Policy and Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

## **Investment Performance Commentary**

Council's performance against the benchmark for returns of its investment portfolio for August 2020 and the past 12 months are as follows:

	August	12 Mth	FYTD
Council Return	1.95	2.17	1.94
Benchmark	0.71	0.66	0.71
Variance	1.24	1.51	1.23





Council's investment portfolio as at 31 August 2020 was as follows:

Total Investments	\$213.5M	
Fixed Bonds	\$48.6M	22.8%
Floating Rate Notes	\$43.8M	20.5%
Cash/Term Deposits	\$121.0M	56.7%



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 \$98.6 million of Council's funds held in Internal Reserves (as at 30 June 2019).

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

# **Loan Liability**

Council's loan liability as at 31 August was \$1.3 million which represents the balance of two loans which were established under the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme (LIRS). Council receives a 3% interest subsidy payment from the OLG twice a year.

- A \$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;
- 2. A \$1.5M 10 year loan drawn down 1 September 2014 at 4.95% for Phase 2 of the Children's Play Implementation Plan, which was approved for an LIRS subsidy in Round 3.



# ITEM 11 (continued) INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 31-Aug-20 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2020	% of Total	Maturity	Tenor
Bank of Queensland	BoQ FRN Covered	AAA	Υ	1,200	1.17	1.17	1.17	0.56	14/05/2025	1826
NAB	NAB Covered Bond	AAA	Υ	3,744	3.10	3.11	3.10	1.75	16/03/2023	1826
Suncorp-Metway	<ol><li>Suncorp FRN (Covered)</li></ol>	AAA	N	4,000	1.21	1.78	1.21	1.87	22/06/2021	1826
Suncorp-Metway	4. Suncorp FRN 4	AAA	N	1,200	1.23	1.23	1.23	0.56	24/04/2025	1823
ANZ	<ol><li>ANZ Fixed Bond</li></ol>	AA-	Υ	1,499	3.16	3.13	3.18	0.70	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	<ol><li>6. ANZ Fixed Bond</li></ol>	AA-	Υ	1,999	1.58	1.55	1.57	0.94	29/08/2024	1827
ANZ	7. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	1,992	1.69	1.66	1.68	0.93	29/08/2024	1805
ANZ	8. ANZ_MTN 6	AA-	Υ	1,997	1.69	1.70	1.70	0.94	16/01/2025	1827
ANZ	ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,974	1.82	1.80	1.81	1.39	29/08/2024	1612
ANZ	10. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	4,000	1.29	1.82	1.30	1.87	7/04/2021	1826
ANZ	11. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	1,500	0.87	1.41	0.88	0.70	18/01/2023	1826
ANZ	12. ANZ FRN	AA-	Y	2,000	1.00	1.59	1.00	0.94	9/05/2023	1826
ANZ	13. ANZ Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,999	3.19	3.11	3.16	1.41	8/02/2024	1826
ANZ	14. ANZ Floating TD	AA- AA-	Y	4,000	1.61	2.20	1.61	1.87	10/11/2022	2557
ANZ CBA	15. ANZ Flexi TD 16. CBA At Call Deposit	AA- AA-	Ϋ́	4,000 12,545	1.56 0.24	2.17 0.45	1.56 0.24	1.87 5.88	15/12/2022	2557
CBA	17. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Y		3.41	3.38	3.41	1.87	25/04/2022	1916
CBA	18. CBA MTN	AA- AA-	Y	3,988 3,495	3.41	3.38	3.41	1.64	25/04/2023 16/08/2023	1826
CBA	19. CBA Fixed Bond	AA-	Ϋ́	3,480	3.23	3.20	3.26	1.63	11/01/2024	1826
NAB	20. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,998	3.23	3.16	3.16	1.63	12/05/2021	1826
NAB	21. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Ϋ́	3,995	3.13	3.09	3.10	1.40	10/02/2023	1918
NAB	22. NAB Fixed Bond	AA-	Y	2,997	3.00	2.94	2.98	1.40	26/02/2024	1826
NAB	23. NAB Floating Rate Note	AA-	Y	2,000	1.19	1.76	1.19	0.94	5/11/2020	1827
NAB	24. NAB FRN	AA-	Y		1.19	1.76	1.19	1.87		1826
NAB	25. NAB FRN	AA- AA-	Y	4,000 2,000	1.00	1.64	1.00	0.94	16/05/2023 19/06/2024	1827
NAB	26. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Ý	4,000	0.98	1.45	0.98	1.87	18/02/2021	265
NAB	27. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Ý	2,500	1.43	1.43	1.43	1.17	29/01/2021	336
NAB	28. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Ý	4,000	1.35	1.55	1.35	1.87	17/09/2020	177
NAB	29. NAB TD	AA-	Ý	4,000	0.98	1.45	0.98	1.87	16/02/2021	263
NAB	30. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	0.90	1.51	0.90	1.87	18/03/2021	268
NAB	31. NAB Term Deposit	AA-	Ϋ́	4,000	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.87	16/10/2020	233
NAB	32. NAB TD	AA-	Y	4,000	1.43	1.43	1.43	1.87	19/01/2021	326
NAB	33. NAB TD	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.35	3.35	3.35	1.87	18/09/2023	1827
Westpac	34. Westpac At Call	AA-	Υ	13	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.01		
Westpac	35. Westpac Fixed Bond	AA-	Υ	2,483	3.25	3.24	3.25	1.16	24/04/2024	1917
Westpac	36. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	2,000	1.66	1.66	1.66	0.94	22/09/2020	378
Westpac	37. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Υ	4,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	1.87	22/02/2022	1825
Westpac	38. Westpac Term Deposit	AA-	Y	4,000	3.32	3.32	3.32	1.87	9/08/2022	1813
Westpac	<ol><li>Westpac Term Deposit</li></ol>		١.,							
NAZ	40 MBO FL. III. TB	AA-	Y	2,000	3.38	3.38	3.38	0.94	18/08/2022	1815
Westpac	40. WBC Floating TD	AA-	Y	4,000	1.30	1.90	1.30	1.87	17/02/2022	1826
Westpac Macquarie Bank	41. Westpac TD 42. Macquarie Bank Fixed	AA-	Y	4,000	3.14	3.14	3.14	1.87	2/11/2021	1461
Macquarie Bank	Bond 43. Macquarie Bank Term	A+	Y	3,999	1.74	1.72	1.73	1.87	12/02/2025	1827
	Deposit	A+	Y	2,000	1.70	1.74	1.70	0.94	1/04/2021	364
Suncorp-Metway	44. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	800	1.36	1.84	1.37	0.37	20/10/2020	1827
Suncorp-Metway	45. Suncorp FRN	A+	N	1,000	1.08	1.67	1.08	0.47	16/08/2022	1826
AMP	46. AMP Business Saver 47. AMP Floating Rate	BBB+	Υ	395	0.60	0.93	0.67	0.19		
AMP	Note 48. AMP Floating Rate	BBB+	Y	1,999	1.23	1.79	1.23	0.94	10/09/2021	729
	Note	BBB+	Υ	995	1.50	2.05	1.50	0.47	30/03/2022	917
AMP	49. AMP TD	BBB+	Υ	1,000	0.80	2.01	0.80	0.47	30/07/2021	365
Australian Unity Bank	50. Australian Unity TD	BBB+	?	2,000	1.70	1.70	1.70	0.94	11/02/2021	364
Bank of Queensland	51. Bank of Queensland Fixed Bond	BBB+	Υ	1,992	3.41	3.38	3.41	0.93	16/11/2021	1267
Bank of Queensland	52. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	2.55	2.55	2.55	0.94	13/06/2024	1827
Bank of Queensland	53. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.87	17/12/2020	1071
Bank of Queensland	54. Bank of Queensland TD	BBB+	Y	2,000	3.55	3.55	3.55	0.94	12/11/2020	1827
Bank of Queensland	55. Bank of Queensland	BBB+	Y	2,000	3.75	3.75	3.75	0.94	9/12/2021	1823
Bank of Queensland	56. BoQ Term Deposit	BBB+	Y	4,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	1.87	15/11/2022	1804
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	57. Bendigo Fixed MTN	BBB+	N	2,000	3.54	3.51	3.57	0.94	25/01/2023	1826
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank	58. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,998	1.21	1.75	1.22	0.94	25/01/2023	1532
Heritage Bank	59. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	1,400	1.34	1.93	1.34	0.66	29/03/2021	1096
Heritage Bank	60. Heritage Bank FRN	BBB+	N	2,001	0.90	1.49	0.90	0.94	12/08/2022	1085
MyState Bank	61. MyState TD	BBB+	N	2,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	0.94	2/01/2021	291

Issuer	Investment Name	Investment Rating	Fossil Fuel	Invested at 31-Aug-20 \$000's	Annualised Period Return (%)	12 Month Average Return on Current Investments	Return since 01 July 2020	% of Total	Maturity	Tenor
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	62. Newcastle Perm Bldg									
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		BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.94	27/01/2022	1092
Newcastle Perm Bldg Soc	63. Newcastle Perm Bldg									
	Soc TD	BBB+	N	2,000	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.94	10/02/2022	1095
Bank Australia	64. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.38	2.00	1.40	0.47	30/08/2021	1096
Bank Australia	65. Bank Australia FRN	BBB	N	2,000	1.00	1.43	1.00	0.94	2/12/2022	1096
CUA	66. CUA FRN	BBB	N	1,000	1.23	1.70	1.24	0.47	24/10/2024	1827
CUA	67. CUA TD	BBB	N	2,000	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.94	3/12/2020	728
Defence Bank	68. Defence Bank TD	BBB	N	2,000	1.65	1.65	1.65	0.94	9/02/2021	349
Me Bank	69. ME Bank At Call									
	Account	BBB	N	5,525	0.76	0.82	0.76	2.59		
Me Bank	70. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,500	1.36	1.94	1.36	0.70	9/11/2020	1096
Me Bank	71. ME Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,600	1.38	1.91	1.39	0.75	16/04/2021	1095
P&N Bank	72. P&N Bank	BBB	N	1,000	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.47	2/11/2023	1821
Queensland Country Bank	73. Queensland Country Bank TD	BBB	?	1.000	1.60	2.18	1.60	0.47	16/03/2021	371
Teachers Mutual Bank	74. Teachers Mutual Bank FRN	BBB	N	1,400	1.48	2.03	1.48	0.66	2/07/2021	1096
Auswide Bank	75. Auswide Bank FRN	BBB-	N	1,500	1.16	1.42	1.16	0.70	17/03/2023	1095
Auswide Bank	76. Auswide Bank TD	BBB-	N	2,000	1.69	1.69	1.69	0.94	15/02/2022	715
Auswide Bank	77. Auswide Bank TD	BBB-	N	2,000	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.94	11/02/2021	174
QBank	78. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	1,000	1.52	2.09	1.52	0.47	22/03/2021	1098
QBank	79. QBank FRN	BBB-	N	750	1.61	2.22	1.61	0.35	14/12/2021	1096
QBank	80. Qbank Term Deposit	BBB-	N	1,000	1.70	1.98	1.70	0.47	8/12/2020	362
QBank	81. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	2.25	1.65	0.47	6/05/2021	364
QBank	82. QBank TD	BBB-	N	1,000	1.65	1.84	1.65	0.47	1/10/2020	329
Coastline CU	83. Coastline Credit Union TD	Unrated	?	1.000	1.80	2.09	1.80	0.47	10/12/2020	357
Police CU (SA)	84. Police CU - SA Term Deposit	Unrated	?	1,000	1.65	1.86	1.65	0.47	8/10/2020	331
Police CU (SA)	85. Police CU - SA	Unrated	?	1,000	1.75	1.94	1.75	0.47	21/10/2020	349
Warwick CU	86. Warwick CU TD	Unrated	?	1,000	1.90	2.18	1.90	0.47	10/12/2020	357
WaW CU	87. WAW CU Coop	Unrated	N	2,000	1.80	1.92	1.80	0.94	8/12/2020	362
				213,452	1.95	2.23	1.95	100		

<sup>\*</sup>Monthly returns when annualised can appear to exaggerate performance

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

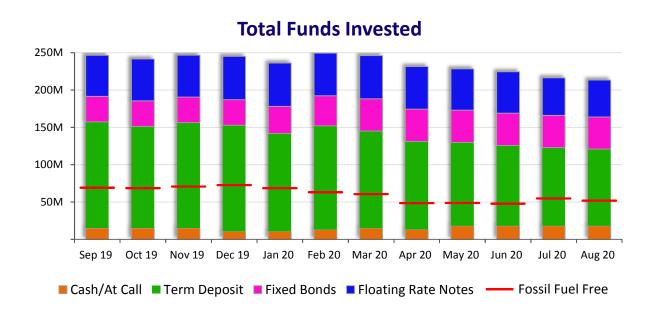
Return including Matured/Traded Investments	<u>Aug</u>	12 Mth	<u>FYTD</u>
Weighted Average Return	1.95	2.17	1.94
Benchmark Return: AusBond Bank Bill Index (%)	0.11	0.66	0.11
Variance From Benchmark (%)	1.84	1.51	1.83

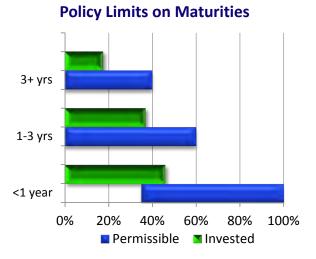
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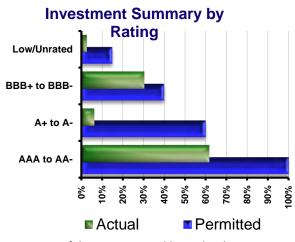
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Budget Profile	617	Unknown	7,000
Variance from Budget - \$	92		



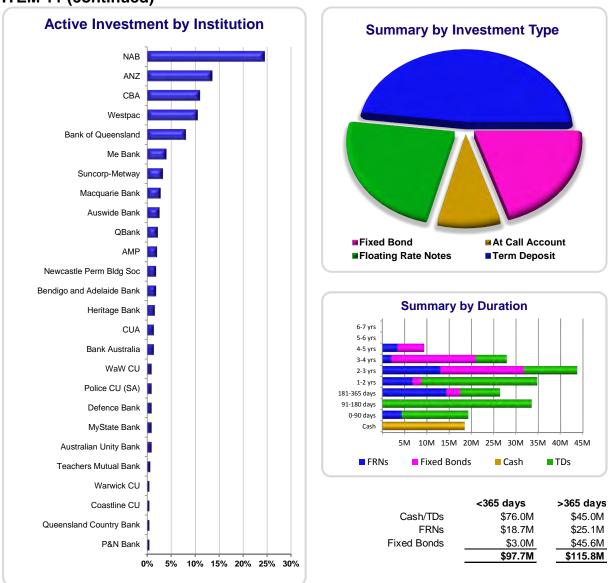
# **Analysis of investments**











## **Divestment of Fossil Fuel Aligned Financial Institutions**

As at 31 August 2020, Council had a total amount of \$51.7 million invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions. A further \$7 million was invested in unrated financial institutions where their 'alignment status' is unclear/undetermined. It is almost certain all of these unrated financial institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned institutions as their lending profiles are almost identical to other unrated institutions. If it assumed those institutions are non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, then the total amount is \$58.7 million (27.5% of Council's total investment portfolio).

By way of comparison, Council had \$50.5 million (24.5% of its total investment portfolio) invested in non-fossil fuel aligned financial institutions, as at policy inception on 31 January 2018.



## **Financial Implications**

Council's return for the reporting period is 1.95%, which is 1.24% above the benchmark figure of 0.71%. Income from interest on investments and proceeds from sales of investments totals \$709K for the period ending 31 August 2020 and is \$92K above the 2020/21 year-to-date adopted budget of \$617K.

## **Summary**

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

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

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

Pav Kuzmanovski Chief Financial Officer



## 12 ANNUAL RATE RECEIPT SYSTEM

Report prepared by: Chief Financial Officer

**File No.:** GRP/09/5/15 - BP20/456

#### REPORT SUMMARY

At the December 2019 Council Meeting, Council resolved to investigate the feasibility of developing a personalised annual rate receipt to each ratepayer following their payment of rates, in full.

This report outlines the result of the investigation and the resourcing implications associated with implementing the proposal, together with an alternate proposal.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council not pursue the 'Annual Rates Receipt' proposal; and
- (b) That Council consider the Alternate Proposal outlined in this report, whereby information in relation to Council's financial position is provided to ratepayers as part of the insert in the 2020 November Rates Instalment Notice and made publicly available on Council's website.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared By:

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Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



#### **Discussion**

At the December 2019 Council meeting, a resolution of Council was passed requesting the following:

That from 31 August 2020, Council issue a personalised annual rate receipt to each household following the complete payment of yearly rates. The receipt would be modelled off the equivalent Australia Taxation Office concept, and contain the following:-

- (a) A table showing how a households individual rates have been allocated to key categories of Council expenditure.
- (b) Information on the level of Council's gross debt/surplus for the current and previous years.
- (c) Total interest paid by the Council on debts for the period (if any).
- (d) That a report be prepared by Council officers exploring options for implementation of a personalised annual rate receipt system, and that such a report be brought back to Council by April 2020.

In developing and costing a potential solution, the following information relating to rates needs to be considered:

Delivery Methodology	Number of Notices
Paper Based Rates Notices	43,196
E-Rate Notices	4,658
BPAY View Rate Notices	3,243
Total Notices Issued	51,097

It is important to note that approximately 4,000 accounts remain unpaid at the end of any given financial year. It is anticipated that this figure will grow given the current COVID-19 pandemic.

In pursuing a proposal to implement an ATO-like annual rates receipt system, the following matters need to be considered:

Lead time for scoping, procuring and implementing a solution with Council's core
enterprise system, Technology One, in the midst of other critical system upgrades
such as Council's Finance One system (an integral module within the broader
Technology One Enterprise Solution). The Finance One major upgrade has only
recently gone 'live' and continues to be closely monitored from a postimplementation perspective.



- Technology One's roadmap for its product development does not currently include an annual rates receipt system. Technology One's current focus is, among other significant priorities, assisting both State and Local Government with a common 'e-planning portal' which is consuming significant technical and consulting expertise and time.
- The cost estimates of implementing and operating such a solution include:
  - Design of receipt template and configuration of receipting system (\$30K estimate as a one-off configuration cost);
  - Paper based receipts to be printed and mailed to ratepayers who make full payment of their rates (\$48K estimate per annum);
  - Digital based receipts to be generated and emailed (\$3K estimate per annum); and
  - Ongoing Software and receipt template maintenance and licensing costs (\$6K estimate per annum)

<u>Note</u>: Staff time in specifying the technical requirements, testing newly configured scripts and ongoing auditing of the system has not been included in the above estimates. Additionally, any solution would not be fully integrated and would require a level of manual intervention from staff to ensure data is valid and accurate.

- This proposal would see the proposed annual rate receipt issued when a rates account is paid in full (zero balance). Any accounts with an outstanding rates balance will not receive a personalised rate receipt.
- The ongoing execution of Council's new Hardship Policy is consuming a considerable amount of time and attention for Council's Rates Team and will continue until such time as the current COVID-19 pandemic passes. This proposal competes for limited resource availability within the Team.

## **Alternate Proposal**

An alternate solution to the annual rate receipt proposal is an insert in the November Rates Instalment to be issued in October 2020 that contains information in relation to Council's financial position. This information could also be available on Council's website for viewing and/or download.

The content of the information would include a summary of Council's income sources and a dissection of Council's operating and capital expenditure.

Importantly, ratepayers irrespective of whether they have paid their rates in full or not would receive the same information about Council's finances.



The costs associated with this alternate proposal are anticipated to be in the vicinity of \$5K - \$6K and could be absorbed within Council's base budget for 2020/21. Additionally, with this option, there would be no incremental mail or email costs as this information would be included as part of the November Rates Instalment.

## **Financial Implications**

The costs associated with the annual rates receipt system proposal are estimated to be \$30K up-front and an additional recurrent cost of \$57K per annum. There are no uncommitted funds available to finance this proposal and, as such, would necessitate a reprioritisation of funds to ensure the 2020/21 Budget remains balanced.

The alternate proposal would see an ongoing, recurrent cost of between \$5K and \$6K which could be accommodated within the adopted 2020/21 Base Budget.

#### Conclusion

Whilst the proposal to introduce an annual rate receipt system has merit, the time and costs associated with implementing such a proposal are substantial. In addition to the costs, there are known limitations of Council's core enterprise system, Technology One, which make the proposal particularly challenging.

An alternate proposal has been outlined in this report which provides a feasible and cost-effective solution and is recommended for Council's consideration.



# 13 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE POLICIES - UPDATES TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

Report prepared by: Manager - Corporate Governance

File No.: GRP/09/5/15 - BP20/916

### REPORT SUMMARY

As reported to Council through the Councillor Information Bulletin dated 11 August 2020, the Office of Local Government (OLG) had released a new Model Code of Conduct and Procedures. The new Model Code of Conduct and Procedures are prescribed under the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* and take effect immediately.

The OLG has requested that Councils update their own Codes and Procedures as soon as possible. The Corporate Governance team has updated Council's Code of Conduct Policy and accompanying Standards of Conduct and Complaints Procedure to reflect the latest changes to the Model Code and Procedures.

The updated Policy, Standards of behaviour and Complaints Procedures adopt several new measures which are detailed in the report and attachments.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council adopt the updated Code of Conduct Policy.
- (b) That Council adopt the updated Code of Conduct Standards of Conduct.
- (c) That Council adopt the updated Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure.

### ATTACHMENTS – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

- 1 Draft CoR Code of Conduct Policy September 2020
- 2 Draft CoR Code of Conduct Standards of Conduct September 2020
- 3 Draft CoR Complaints Procedures September 2020

Report Prepared By:

John Schanz Manager - Corporate Governance

Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



#### **Discussion**

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The OLG has requested that Councils update their own Codes and Procedures as soon as possible. The Corporate Governance team has updated Council's Code of Conduct Policy and accompanying Standards of Conduct and Complaints Procedure to reflect the latest changes to the Model Code and Procedures

The Code of Conduct – Policy has only had very minor revisions (mostly date references). The Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct and the Code of Conduct – Complaints Procedure adopt several new measures which are detailed below and in the attachments to this report.

## **Requirements for Councils**

The Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW, 2020 (Model Code) is prescribed under section 440 of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (the Regulation).

The Procedures for the Administration of the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW, 2020 (Procedures) are prescribed under section 440AA of the Act and the Regulation.

Each council in NSW has been requested by the Office to update its own Code of Conduct and Procedures based on the updated Model Code and Procedures as soon as possible.

As with previous Codes, a Council may adopt tighter, supplementary provisions in its own code of conduct. However, if any provisions are less onerous than those prescribed in the Model Code, these will be invalid, and the equivalent provisions of the Model Code will apply (through the operation of section 440 of the Act). The City of Ryde has adopted a number of supplementary provisions which continue on from previous versions.

Apart from the policy, the Code of Conduct has two other components. These are;

- 1. Code of Conduct Standards of Conduct
- 2. Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure



#### Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct

The main amendments to the Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct include the following

- To amend "Council committee member" definition to include Council's Audit, Risk and Improvement committee
- Update Section 3.6 to read "... of age, disability, race (including colour, national or ethnic origin or immigrant status), sex, pregnancy, marital or relationship status, family responsibilities or breastfeeding, sexual orientation, gender identity or intersex status or political, religious or other affiliation"
- Gifts and benefits amount considered token in Model Code has increased from \$50 to \$100, inclusive of GST. Councils are not obliged to amend their codes of conduct to lift the cap on the value of gifts that may be accepted if they do not wish to. It is open to councils to retain the existing \$50 cap or to impose another cap that is lower than \$100. Note; it is recommended that the City of Ryde's Code maintain its 'Thanks is Enough' Policy where no goods should be accepted regardless of value i.e. a \$0 cap.
- Adding 2 new items to the definition of what is not a gift or benefit for the purpose of Part 6 of the Code
  - o items with a value of \$10 or less, and
  - o a benefit or facility provided by the council to an employee or councillor.
- Removing the cap on the value of meals and refreshments that may be accepted by council officials in conjunction with the performance of their official duties.

# **Code of Conduct – Complaints Procedure**

A number of changes to the Code of Conduct Complaints procedure have also been made. The main changes are;

• The grounds by which a conduct reviewer may determine whether an matter should proceed to investigation have been expanded to include "that the alleged conduct is sufficiently serious to warrant the formal censure of a Councillor under section 440G of the LGA or disciplinary action against the general manager under their contract of employment if it were to be proven"



- Councils have the following options when taking disciplinary action against Councillors for breaches of their codes of conduct under the new Procedures:
  - that a councillor be formally censured for the breach under section 440G of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act), or
  - that a councillor be formally censured for a breach under section 440G and the matter referred to OLG for further disciplinary action under the misconduct provisions of the Act.
- The process for censuring councillors for breaches of the code of conduct has been significantly strengthened to ensure councillors are made publicly accountable to their electors for their conduct. When censuring councillors, councils are required to specify in their resolution the grounds on which the councillor is being censured by disclosing the investigator's findings and determination and any other grounds that the council considers may be relevant or appropriate.
- Councillors may seek to avoid public censure for breaches of the code of conduct by voluntarily agreeing to undergo training or counselling, to apologise for their conduct or to give undertakings not to repeat their conduct before the investigator finalises their report to the council.
- Investigators can finalise their investigations without a report to the council
  where they consider these to be an appropriate outcome to the matter they are
  investigating. However, it will remain open to investigators to finalise their
  report and to recommend censure where they consider this is appropriate and
  warranted.
- The process for referral by councils of code of conduct breaches by councillors to OLG for further disciplinary action under the misconduct provisions of the Act has been streamlined. Investigators are required to consult with OLG before recommending the referral of matters to ensure the conduct in question is sufficiently serious to warrant disciplinary action for misconduct and that there is sufficient evidence of the breach to allow OLG to take further disciplinary action.
- Other amendments have been made to the Procedures to:
  - allow panels of conduct reviewers to be appointed without a resolution of the council, and
  - allow the referral of investigators' reports to OLG for action under the misconduct provisions of the Act where the council will not have a quorum to deal with the matter.



Updated drafts of the City of Ryde Code of Conduct Policy, the City of Ryde Code of Conduct – Standards of Conduct and the City of Ryde - Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure are provided for as **ATTACHMENTS** – **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** to this report. The proposed new provisions / clauses are highlighted in Blue throughout the documents. The existing supplementary provisions carried forward from the previous documents are highlighted in yellow.

# **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.



## 14 FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENTS POLICY REVIEW

Report prepared by: Manager - Corporate Governance

File No.: COR2008/411/6 - BP20/35

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report considers the outcomes of the review of the "City of Ryde Visits by International Delegations Policy and Protocol for International and Australian Friendship Agreements". This follows the formation and subsequent meeting of a temporary working party to consider several options in relation to these agreements.

This report outlines the options reviewed at this meeting as well as providing a further option for the future management of these agreements to consider the current COVID-19 pandemic as well as to maximise the benefit to all parties in these agreements.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

- (a) Maintain its current policy position as outlined under Option 2, given there is unlikely to be any events/visitations occurring in the context of the current COVID-19 pandemic; and
- (b) Adopt Option 5, which calls for Council to consider each individual event/visitation on its merits and to commit additional funds and resources as required to cater for these agreements. Option 5 also allows Council to revisit this policy area once the restrictions in relation to the current COVID-19 pandemic are completely lifted.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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Report Approved By:

Steven Kludass
Director - Corporate Services



#### Discussion

This report considers the outcomes of the review of the "City of Ryde Visits by International Delegations Policy and Protocol for International and Australian Friendship Agreements". This follows the formation and subsequent meeting of a temporary working party to consider several options in relation to these agreements.

This report outlines the options reviewed at this meeting as well as providing a further Option for the future management of these agreements to consider the current pandemic as well as to maximise the benefit to all parties in these agreements.

This report is presented in response to part (a) (i) and (ii) the Mayoral Minute of 27 August 2019:

- (a) That the General Manager establish a temporary friendship agreements working party, made up of interested Councillors and Council staff, to;
  - (i) review the City of Ryde friendship agreements policy, with a report back to Council in time for the 2020/21 budget process
  - (ii) consider the establishment of a permanent Friendship City Committee to ensure that the City of Ryde receives benefit from local and international friendship agreements
  - (iii) plan for upcoming friendship city delegation visits to the City of Ryde
- (b) That the General Manager allocate \$15,000 from General Revenue, or an appropriate funding source, to fund the operational costs of the temporary working committee and any official events that may arise from friendship city visits to the City of Ryde during the period of policy review.

It should be noted that part (a)(iii) and part (b) have been addressed through the successful hosting of events in relation to the visit by the City of Jongno-Gu in November 2019 and a number of other actions taken.

# **Establishment of the temporary working party**

A temporary working party was established and was made up of the following Councillors along with a small number of staff:

- The Mayor Councillor Jerome Laxale
- Councillor Dr Peter Kim
- Councillor Bernard Purcell
- Councillor Sarkis Yedelian
- Councillor Roy Maggio
- Councillor Penny Pedersen



On 20 May 2020, a Friendship Agreement Policy Review meeting was held to discuss the policy and options for how to extend the benefits from agreements, while minimising the costs incurred by Council in terms of direct costs and use of resourcing. Various issues and options were presented with the majority of Councillors expressing a preference towards Option 3.

## Background - Review of the existing policy

Council's existing policy in effect provides only for limited input/commitment from Council in establishing a friendship agreement. This has in the past consisted of participation in a morning tea and Civic reception or equivalent at which a friendship agreement is signed. The main features of the existing policy are;

- The friendship agreement is signed between the two parties but is only designed for information and limited commercial and cultural exchange between the two parties.
- It does not involve commitment by either party and is limited to the hospitality expense involved with a Civic reception and minor administrative expenses.
- This imposes only limited additional input by staff in arranging the Civic reception (normally a morning tea).
- This is usually covered by existing resources.
- The existing policy also allows for a partnership agreement to be signed. This is a more extensive process (as outlined in the policy) and involves both parties committing additional funding and resources. This may involve cultural, community, commercial, and staff exchanges along with reciprocal visits by both parties. Under the existing policy, an extensive review process (including identification of funding sources, cost/benefit analysis etc) is required. Council currently does not have any partnership agreements.

The existing policy only imposes a limited resource impact (under a friendship agreement). These requirements can be met by existing resources as long as there is only a limited number (i.e. a maximum of 2) friendship agreements, in their current form, per year.

Any additional requirements have potential to impose a significant impact on existing resources (as was the case with the recent Jongno-gu visit). This is in terms of direct costs and also resourcing impacts in terms of labour costs for those involved in the significant amount of coordination and organisation required.



## Jongno-gu delegation - November 2019

The most recent friendship agreement is the one signed by the Mayor of the City of Ryde with the Mayor of Jongno-gu (South Korea) in November 2019. This involved a visit by a delegation from Jongno-gu to the City of Ryde. This involved a significant amount of time and effort by COR staff (approximately 3-4 weeks) in coordinating and organising the 2-day event on 6 and 7 of November 2019 and cost approximately \$12k in direct costs (excluding the salaries of the staff involved in the organisation and planning for the event).

# **Current status of the City of Ryde friendship relationships**

By way of further background, the following synopsis of the status of friendship agreements entered into by the City of Ryde is provided below.

City	Description	Date of signing the agreement	Current Status	Benefits	Costs
City of Jongno-gu, South Korea	The delegates from the City of Jongnogu visited the City of Ryde in November 2019.  The nature (length and the commitment of resources (direct cost and labour) was in excess of the existing Protocol for International and Australian Friendship Agreements but was endorsed by Council.	November 2019	Active	Active cultural exchange. Two day visit by Jongno-Gu participants.  Results: Business, commercial contacts established Cultural links established Educational links and liaison established Further liaison and interaction has been limited by impact of Covid-19	Approx \$12k in direct costs incurred. Large amount of staff time incurred in organising the events. Significant impact on ability to progress business as usual activities.
City of Dongguan	The delegates from the City of Dongguan visited the City of Ryde in August 2015.	August 2015	Not active	Limited information, business and cultural exchanges around the date of the signing of the agreement.	Approx \$1,500 direct costs (civic reception – morning tea) Limited impact on resourcing.



City	ontinued)  Description	Date of	Current	Benefits	Costs
Oity	Description	signing	Status	Deficits	00313
		the			
		agreement			
Central Darling Shire	The last Advisory Committee meeting was held in 2010.	October 2007	Partially active	Limited interaction by Council staff in providing assistance in various areas. Limited exchanges (and visits in earlier years).  Also assistance provided through drought, fund raising etc by COR and the local community.  Assistance being explored in assessment service for a large	Limited
				project being undertaken by Central Darling.	
Locri, Italy	Small number of visits by Mayor of Locri to Ryde. Council resolved to continue its friendship relationship with the Locri region in Italy. It appears there have been a few reciprocal visits between Council and the Locri Region, however these have been personally arranged and funded.	June 2002	Not active		
Jiading, China	In 2001, a Ryde delegation visited Jiading, and a delegation from Jiading visited Ryde. It appears little has occurred since then, though City of Ryde is still listed on the Jiading website as a current sister city.	July 2001	Not active		



# **Options**

At the meeting of the working party, several options were considered for Councils future approach to friendship agreements. These options are summarised below;

Option 1

Description	Benefits	Costs	Impact on the existing policy
Not enter into any friendship or partnership agreements.	No benefits will accrue.	No costs will be incurred.	Retire the existing policy and do not enter into any future agreements.

Option 2

Description	Benefits	Costs	Impact on the existing policy
Status quo	This option will allow the City of Ryde to continue establishing ongoing, formal civic relationships within Australia and Internationally that are mutually beneficial for both cities.	The Friendship Agreement shall not require expenditure from either party apart from hospitality associated with a Mayoral reception, and minor administrative expenses such as the preparation of reports and documents for signing.	Keep the Policy and Protocol as they are.
		This can be accommodated within current resourcing levels if these are strictly within the existing protocols.	

Option 3

Description	Benefits	Costs	Impact on the existing policy
Scaling up the existing approach to Friendship and Partnership Agreements to model on the Jongno-gu delegation visit in November 2019.	This means that a civic reception and a tour around the City of Ryde might be organised as part of the delegation visit and signing of the Friendship Agreement.  Include the convening of Working Party/Committee	This option will require ongoing funding and a dedicated part-time (0.4 FTE) resource depending upon the number of proposed visits and agreements with overseas cities. This is modelled on 3 active friendship agreements per year.  \$40,000 including on costs.	The Policy and Protocol will need to be reviewed.

Assumptions include:
<ul> <li>Based on 2-3 visits/events a year with a dedicated resource (staff member) for a one-month period before each event.</li> <li>Committee: Meeting 3 times per year and as required on an ad-hoc basis prior to a delegation visit.</li> </ul>

Option 4

Description	Benefits	Costs	Impact on the existing policy
As for Option 3, but including reciprocal exchange programs	This means organising reciprocal exchange programs (including economic, trade, cultural, educational	This option will require ongoing funding and a dedicated full-time (1 FTE) resource.	The Policy and Protocol will need to be reviewed.
programme	and other beneficial exchanges) between the City of Ryde and	\$100,000 including on costs.	
	the City we have a Friendship Agreement with.	Assumptions include:  Based on 3-4	
	Include the convening of Working Party/Committee	visits/events a year  Committee: Same as an advisory Committee, up to 4 meetings a year, with the convener being the City of Ryde staff member dedicated to these events.	

# Option 5

There is also a further option that was not specifically considered at the time of the meeting of the working party. This is a hybrid of Option 2 and 3 and caters for the current COVID-19 pandemic situation and the fact that there is not likely to be any events/visits in the foreseeable future. This would see Council adopt the following;

- Maintain Option 2 for the immediate future (i.e. during the current COVID-19 pandemic);
- This would see the maintenance of those 'active' or functioning agreements (such as Jongno-Gu) through the participation in a moderate level of interaction between Councils;
- This would also cater for Council's participation in ad-hoc working party groups if considered necessary.



Under Option 5, any future agreements and subsequent events/visits would need to be considered by Council on an individual, case-by-case basis. Council would need to consider all costs (in terms of direct costs of any visits or events as well as the indirect costs in terms of the resourcing for facilitating and organising the visit/event). Council would also need to consider the benefits to be gained.

It is also proposed that Council would revisit this policy area in the future once the restrictions relating to the current COVID-19 pandemic are completely dealt with i.e. the restrictions in relation to travel (domestic and international).

This approach, given current circumstances, is considered to be the most appropriate approach at this point in time.

#### Conclusion

A number of Options have been outlined in this report. Option 5 is considered the most appropriate option to pursue in the context of the current COVID-19 pandemic and is, therefore, recommended for adoption by Council.



#### 15 PROMOTION OF THE CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Report prepared by: Team Leader - Community Services

**File No.:** GRP/15/1/8 - BP20/609

#### REPORT SUMMARY

At its meeting of 23 June 2020, Council resolved that:

(a) A report come back including costings regarding future grant applications to be advertised in Cultural Newspapers.

The City of Ryde Community Grants Program is a strategic tool aimed at building community capacity and supporting innovation to address community need in line with the Community Strategic Plan 2028. This Program supports projects that aspire to develop a more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive City of Ryde.

A number of promotional methods are used to ensure the community is aware of the Grants Program, prior to the opening of each grant round. These methods include social media, Council's website, notices to local community organisations and community networks, emails to previous grant applicants, information in Council rates notices and advertisements in the local newspaper.

Over the past few years the Community Grants Program has seen an increase in the number of applications with approximately one third of applications submitted from culturally specific groups. To date, the Grants Program has not been advertised in cultural newspapers.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council advertises the 2020/21 Community Grants Program in cultural newspapers that demonstrate wide circulation within the City of Ryde.
- (b) That \$5,000 per annum be allocated from the Community Grants Program budget for advertising in cultural newspapers in 2020/21.
- (c) That the General Manager review the effectiveness of advertising in cultural newspapers after the first 12 months of being implemented.



#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

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# **Background**

There are two community grant rounds and two small grant rounds each year, as outlined in the following table:

Grant Round	Open	Close	Announcement
Community Grants Round 1	November	Mid-	End April
		February	
Small Grants Round 1	Open March	End April	End June
Community Grants Round 2	July	August	End October
Small Grants Round 2	September	October	December

The Grants Program has seen an increase in the number of applications received over the last few years with 170 applications received in 2019/20. Culturally specific groups submitted 57 (34%) of these applications with at least five other applications, whilst not specifically submitted by cultural groups, deliver projects that directly benefit cultural communities.

# **Promotion of the Community Grants Program**

To promote the Grants Program throughout the year the following promotional activities are undertaken:

- 1. The City of Ryde website is regularly updated.
- 2. Advertisement via Council's social media channels.
- 3. Email notifications sent to previous applicants.
- 4. Information is forwarded to local community organisations and networks including the Intercultural Network.
- 5. Advertisement in Council's rates notices and City News.
- 6. Advertisements in the local newspaper.

Grant applicants are encouraged to contact the Community Grants Coordinator prior to submitting an application to discuss the details of their project. Advice is available to assist community members with developing projects that meet the Grant Program eligibility guidelines. Assistance is also available to prepare and complete the online application.

Each year a series of grant writing workshops are delivered including face to face and digital sessions and are advertised via the promotional activities listed above. Interpreters are available for these meetings if required.



# **Future Promotion of the Community Grants Program**

In addition to the existing promotional strategies it is recommended that the following methods are implemented in 2020/21:

- 1. Community members will be able to sign up to receive a quarterly electronic newsletter so they receive regular updates on available Grant opportunities.
- A Councillor Information Bulletin will be distributed prior to the opening of each grant round, so that the Councillors can distribute this information to their networks.
- 3. Council's Community Grants webpage will be updated to include information on how to access an interpreter.

To further promote the Grants Program to cultural groups it is proposed that advertisements are placed in cultural newspapers that have wide circulation in the City of Ryde. An estimate of \$5,000 per annum has been obtained to advertise in cultural newspapers in 2020/21. This cost includes translation, desktop publishing and advertisement in each paper four times per year.

In addition, staff from Community Services will regularly review City of Ryde cultural populations and liaise with multicultural organisations to identify emerging communities. Relevant cultural newspapers will be identified to promote the Community Grants Program to identified emerging communities.

# **Financial Implications**

The financial impact for advertising the Community Grants Program in 2020/21 in cultural newspapers will be approximately \$5,000 per annum and would be funded from the Community Grants Program budget.



# 16 VARIATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS UNDER CLAUSE 4.6 OF RYDE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN 2014

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Administration and Reporting

File No.: GRP/09/6/13 - BP20/820

#### REPORT SUMMARY

To ensure transparency and integrity within the planning framework, the Department of Planning and Environment requires a report to Council once a quarter in respect to all variations to development standards approved under Council Officers' delegation using Clause 4.6 of RLEP 2014.

This report details the Development Application approved in the period of 1 April to 30 June 2020 with a Clause 4.6 variation.

Please note that no applications were approved with a Clause 4.6 variation in the period of 1 January to 31 March 2020.

Please also note that the circular attached was updated in May 2020 and is a more recent release than the one attached to previous Clause 4.6 variation reports.

DA number	Address	Description of Proposal	Extent of variation & standard varied	Justification of variation	Delegation & Date of Determination
LDA2020/0143	114 Talavera Rd, Macquarie Park	Removal of intertenancy stainwell providing access between levels 2 and 4 and infill floorslab for levels 3 and 4.	0.4% (1.1m²) variation to floor space ratio	The proposal results in a technical non-compliance. The proposal maintains the existing building envelope and by changing the use of the voids creates calculable floor space. The departure from the standard is not discernible from surrounding properties and maintains the existing bulk.	Council Officers Delegated Authority 19/06/2020

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report on the Clause 4.6 variations 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020 be received and noted.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Circular - Clause 4.6 - May 2020



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#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



# Planning circular

PLANNING SYSTEM		
Varying Development Standards		
Circular	PS 20-002	
Issued	5 May 2020	
Related	Revokes PS 17-006 (December 2017), PS 19-005	

# Variations to development standards

This circular is to advise consent authorities of arrangements for when the Secretary's concurrence to vary development standards may be assumed (including when council or its Independent Hearing and Assessment Panel are to determine applications when development standards are varied) and clarify requirements around reporting and record keeping where that concurrence has been assumed.

#### Overview of assumed concurrence

This circular replaces Planning Circular PS 18-003 and issues assumed concurrence, governance and reporting requirements for consent authorities. It also advises that council reports are to come through the Planning Portal, and of the repeal of SEPP 1.

All consent authorities may assume the Secretary's concurrence under:

- clause 4.6 of a local environmental plan that adopts the Standard Instrument (Local Environmental Plans) Order 2006 or any other provision of an environmental planning instrument to the same effector
- State Environmental Planning Policy No 1 Development Standards for land included in an old Interim Development Order (IDO) or Planning Scheme Ordinance (PSO).

However, the assumed concurrence is subject to conditions (see below).

The assumed concurrence notice takes effect immediately and applies to pending development applications

Any existing variation agreed to by the Secretary of Planning, Industry and Environment to a previous notice will continue to have effect under the attached notice.

#### Assumed concurrence conditions

#### Lot size standards for dwellings in rural areas

The Secretary's concurrence may not be assumed for a development standard relating to the minimum lot size required for erection of a dwelling on land in one of the following land use zones, if the lot is less than 90% of the required minimum lot size:

 Zone RU1 Primary Production, Zone RU2 Rural Landscape, Zone RU3 Forestry, Zone RU4 Primary Production Small Lots, Zone RU6 Transition

- Zone R5 Large Lot Residential
- Zone E2 Environmental Conservation, Zone E3 Environmental Management, Zone E4 Environmental Living
- a land use zone that is equivalent to one of the above land use zones

This condition will only apply to local and regionally significant development.

# Numerical and non-numerical development standards

The Secretary's concurrence may not be assumed by a delegate of council if:

- the development contravenes a numerical standard by greater than 10%; or
- the variation is to a non-numerical standard.

This restriction does not apply to decisions made by independent hearing and assessment panels, formally known as local planning panels, who exercise consent authority functions on behalf of councils, but are not legally delegates of the council (see section 23I).

The purpose of the restriction on assumed concurrence for variations of numerical and non-numerical standards applying to delegates is to ensure that variations of this nature are considered by the council or its independent hearing and assessment panel and that they are subject to greater public scrutiny than decisions made by council staff under delegation.

In all other circumstances, delegates of a consent authority may assume the Secretary's concurrence in accordance with the attached written notice.

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#### Independent hearing and assessment panels

From 1 March 2018, councils in Sydney and Wollongong were required to have independent hearing and assessment panels that will determine development applications on behalf of councils (see section 23I).

The attached notice allows independent hearing and assessment panels to assume the Secretary's concurrence because they are exercising the council's functions as a consent authority.

Independent hearing and assessment panels established by councils before 1 March 2018 also make decisions on behalf of councils. The attached notice applies to existing panels in the same way as it applies to panels established after 1 March 2018.

#### Regionally significant development

Sydney district and regional planning panels may also assume the Secretary's concurrence where development standards will be contravened.

The restriction on delegates determining applications involving numerical or non-numerical standards does not apply to all regionally significant development. This is because all regionally significant development is determined by a panel and is not delegated to council staff

However, the restriction on assuming concurrence to vary lot size standards for dwellings in rural areas will continue to apply to regionally significant development. The Secretary's concurrence will need to be obtained for these proposals in the same way as it would for local development.

#### State significant development and development where a Minister is the consent authority

Consent authorities for State significant development (SSD) may also assume the Secretary's concurrence where development standards will be contravened. This arrangement also applies to other development for which a Minister is the consent authority for the same reasons.

Any matters arising from contravening development standards will be dealt with in Departmental assessment reports.

The restriction on assuming concurrence to vary lot size standards for dwellings in rural areas will not apply to SSD or where a Minister is the consent authority for the same reasons.

#### Notification of assumed concurrence

Under clause 64 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment* Regulation 2000, consent authorities are notified that they may assume the Secretary's concurrence for exceptions to development standards for applications made under clause 4.6 of the SILEP (or any other provision of an environmental planning instrument to the same effect).

The notice takes effect on the day that it is published on the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's website (i.e. the date of issue of this circular) and applies to pending development applications.

#### Procedural and reporting requirements

In order to ensure transparency and integrity in the planning framework the below Departmental monitoring and reporting measures must be followed when development standards are being varied:

- Proposed variations to development standards cannot be considered without a written application objecting to the development standard and dealing with the matters required to be addressed by the relevant instrument.
- A publicly available online register of all variations to development standards approved by the consent authority or its delegates is to be established and maintained. This register must include the development application number and description, the property address, the standard to be varied and the extent of the variation
- A report of all variations approved (including under delegation) must be submitted through the NSW Planning Portal at <a href="https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/reporting/online-submission-planning-data">https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/reporting/online-submission-planning-data</a> within four weeks of the end of each quarter (i.e. March, June, September and December) in the form provided by the Department.
- A report of all variations approved under delegation from a council must be provided to a meeting of the council meeting at least once each quarter.

Councils are to ensure these procedures and reporting requirements are carried out on behalf of Independent Hearing and Assessment Panels and Sydney district or regional planning panels.

#### Audit

The Department will continue to carry out random audits to ensure the monitoring and reporting measures are complied with. The Department and the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption will continue to review and refine the audit strategy.

Should ongoing non-compliance be identified with one or more consent authorities, the Secretary will consider revoking the notice allowing concurrence to be assumed, either generally for a consent authority or for a specific type of development.

#### Repeal of State Environmental Planning Policy No 1 – Development Standards (SEPP 1)

The repeal of SEPP 1 came into effect from 1 February 2020 as part of the SEPP Review Program to update and simplify the NSW Planning system.

SEPP 1 is repealed in circumstances where a standard instrument LEP applies in a local council



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area. The amendments included the insertion of two clauses into the SEPP (Concurrences and Consents) 2018. Clause 6 provides for the continued operation of SEPP 1 where an Interim Development Order (IDO) or a Planning Scheme Ordinance (PSO) is in effect. Clause 7 is a savings provision which continues to apply SEPP 1 for applications that were made prior to the repeal but are yet to be determined.

#### **Further information**

A Guide on Varying Development Standards 2011 is available to assist applicants and councils on the procedures for managing SEPP 1 and clause 4.6 applications to vary standards.

Links to the Standard Instrument can be found on the NSW Legislation website at: www.legislation.nsw.gov.au

For further information please contact the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's information centre on 1300 305 695.

Department of Planning, Industry and Environment circulars are available at: planning\_nsw.gov.au/circulars

#### Authorised by:

Marcus Ray Group Deputy Secretary, Planning and Assessment Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

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#### 17 PLANNING PROPOSAL: ADMINISTRATIVE AND UPDATE LEP

Report prepared by: Senior Strategic Planner

**File No.:** LEP2020/3/4 - BP20/740

#### REPORT SUMMARY

A Planning Proposal has been initiated by Council to amend the *Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014* (LEP) to update the plan and address a number of miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the plan by correcting anomalies and making clarifications. The Planning Proposal is City of Ryde wide as it affects several land use zones and sites.

The Planning Proposal also proposes to implement actions specified in the *Planning Ryde: Local Strategic Planning Statement 2020* (LSPS) and to introduce provisions to address the following:

- Remove prohibitions and restrictions in relation to uses within business and industrial zones to improve permissibility of Creative Enterprises and recreational uses.
- Provide new controls for design excellence in the City of Ryde Town Centres.
- Allow advertisements on billboards, on Council owned land with development consent and on transport related street furniture (such as bus shelters) as exempt development. All revenue will be used for public benefit, specifically, network improvements in the City of Ryde for the convenience, safety and amenity of pedestrian, cyclists and vehicle road users.
- Provide environmentally sensitive mapping and land provisions to enhance conservation management outcomes.
- Protect threatened ecological Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest community and riparian land on and adjoining the Ivanhoe Estate.
- Expand community education and capacity of Council's waste management practices.

The Planning Proposal is provided at **ATTACHMENT 1**.

A draft Ryde Creative Enterprise Strategy (draft Strategy) has been prepared and is included at Appendix A of **ATTACHMENT 1**. It recommends ways in which the City of Ryde can stimulate the creative enterprise sector. The proposal is consistent with the draft Strategy and proposes to remove unnecessary prohibitions and restrictions in relation to uses within business and industrial zones to improve permissibility of Creative Enterprises and Indoor Recreation.



As discussed above, an objective of the Planning Proposal is to make general advertising and advertising structures (billboards) permissible on Council owned land zoned Business, Industrial, Special Activities and Infrastructure; subject to appropriate controls. A draft Outdoor Advertising – Special Community Signs Policy (draft Policy) has been prepared to detail the way community benefits are to be derived for such signs and is provided at Appendix B of **ATTACHMENT 1** – **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

This report provides an overview of the Planning Proposal, the draft Strategy and draft Policy and given their interrelation recommends that they be placed on public exhibition together for a period of 28 days. It also recommends that the Planning Proposal be publicly exhibited in accordance with the Gateway Determination. Following the exhibition period, the results of the public exhibition will be reported back to Council prior to finalisation.

It is a requirement under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* the Planning Proposal be considered by the Local Planning Panel for the provision of advice to Council. The Planning Proposal was considered at the Local Planning Panel's meeting of 13 August 2020 provided the following advice:

The Panel advises that they raise no objection to the Administrative & Update LEP Planning Proposal being submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The advice was unanimous.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council forwards the Planning Proposal for Gateway Determination under Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- (b) That Council request delegation to be the Local Plan-making Authority.
- (c) That Council exhibits the draft Creative Enterprise Strategy and draft Outdoor Advertising Special Community Signs Policy with the Planning Proposal.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Administrative and Update LEP Planning Proposal CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER
- 2 Local Planning Panel Recommendation and Advice



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**Liz Coad Director - City Planning and Environment** 



# Background

The Planning Proposal has been initiated by Council staff to update and address a range of miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the LEP and to introduce new provisions and as a result there is a varied background as provided in Part 2 – An Explanation of the Provisions at **ATTACHMENT 1** – **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

A summary of this background, particularly the relevant draft Strategies and draft Policies is provided below. It is proposed to exhibit these supporting drafts with the Planning Proposal.

## The Planning Proposal

The purpose of the Planning Proposal is to amend the LEP to update and address a range of miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the plan and make clarifications to assist with the issuing of Planning Certificates issued under the Act. The Planning Proposal also introduces provisions in relation to creative enterprises, environmentally sensitive lands, advertising and signage for public benefit, design excellence provisions for the town centres of the City of Ryde and other matters. The Planning Proposal is provided at **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

The objectives of the Planning Proposal are to:

- Improve the operation of the LEP through the correction of historic errors, omissions and anomalies.
- Implement the LSPS as follows:
  - Remove prohibitions in relation to uses within business and industrial zones to help achieve employment targets, make the City of Ryde's employment and urban services lands more competitive and provide for the needs of existing and future employees, businesses and organisations.
  - Remove restrictions in relation to the development of function centres, neighbourhood shops, registered clubs, restaurants or cafes in the B7 Business Park Zone of the Macquarie Park Corridor to promote the night time economy, precinct activation and provide for the needs of employees, visitors, businesses and organisations. The proposal also improves the permissibility of Creative Enterprises in the City of Ryde.
  - Provide new controls for design excellence in the City of Ryde Town Centres.



- Permit advertising structures (billboards) as uses in Business, Industrial,
   Special Activity and Special Infrastructure zones on Council owned land where community benefit is derived from the advertising and hypothecated to access network improvement in the City of Ryde for the convenience, safety and amenity of pedestrian, cyclists and vehicle road users.
- Provide environmentally sensitive mapping and land provisions to provide conservation management outcomes for environmentally sensitive land.
- Expand community education and capacity of Council's waste management practices.
- Better provide community events that are responsive to the changing trends and needs of the community.
- Incorporate Council-initiated resolutions made with respect to general advertising so as to provide improved access facilities and transport networks as exempt development.
- Protect threatened ecological Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest community and riparian land on and adjoining the Ivanhoe Estate.

There are numerous amendments being proposed to the provisions of the LEP and maps to achieve the above objectives. Refer to Part 2 of the Planning Proposal provided at **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** for details of the amendments.

The Planning Proposal is considered to be in accordance with the requirements under Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's 'A guide to preparing planning proposals' (dated August 2016). The planning proposal adequately sets out the following:

- A statement of the objectives or intended outcomes of the proposed amending LEP;
- An explanation of the provisions that are to be included in the proposed amending LEP;
- Justification for those objectives, outcomes and provisions and the process for their implementation;
- Maps, where relevant, to identify the intent of the planning proposal and the area to which it applies;
- Details of the community consultation that is to be undertaken on the planning proposal; and
- A project timeline.



# **Draft Ryde Creative Enterprise Strategy**

In 2018, the NSW Government approved project funding to the City of Ryde as part of the Accelerated LEP review program. An important strategy required for the LEP review is the draft Strategy. A draft Strategy has been prepared for public exhibition and comment by the community. A copy of the draft Strategy is provided at Appendix A of ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

According to the draft Strategy, creative enterprises are diverse and include music and performing arts, design and visual arts, television and film, marketing, finance and distribution, social media, software development, animation, publishing, writing and printing. About 10% of employment in Ryde LGA is in the creative sector.

While these activities have all been permissible within Ryde's LGA for some time, the changes proposed expand where they can be undertaken and also provide greater flexibility for creative uses to also include supporting commercial and retail uses on the site. For example, inserting Information and Education facilities into the IN2 zone will allow uses such as performing and visual arts schools and classes to utilize spaces in Ryde's light Industrial zones, where previously they may not have been permitted. Further, by inserting Commercial premises into the IN2 zone, design and visual arts, television and film, marketing, finance and distribution, social media, software development, animation, publishing, writing and printing will all be permissible in that zone-Commercial Premises includes retail premises which are also proposed to be permitted in the B7 zones. Permitting retail premises allows supporting sales of products arising from Creative Enterprises (and small enterprise start-ups), where previously that may not have been permissible. By allowing Retail premises in the IN2 and B7 zones, creative enterprises can be supported through the selling of art and artisan products in shops and markets in that zone.

The draft Strategy also recommends that council stimulate the sector, and play a role as developer, facilitator and promoter. The following table summarises the recommendations of the draft Strategy and how they are to be addressed:



Creative Enterprise Strategy recommendation	Comment on how it is to be achieved by Council	Included in Planning Proposal
Increase the availability of affordable, flexible floor space for creative land uses	The draft Creative Enterprise Strategy includes a number of recommendations that underpin proposed amendments to the LEP. These amendments include removing community facilities and other land uses from the list of prohibited uses in the business and light industrial land use zones to introduce greater flexibility and availability of floor space for creative industries. These proposed amendments will also facilitate small to Medium enterprise start-ups which have similar floor space needs.	Yes
Promote urban renewal and revitalization in centres such as Gladesville, West Ryde and the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct (MEEP)	A key recommendation of the Strategy is to undertake Master Plans for West Ryde and the MEEP. When adopting the Ryde Local Strategic Planning Statement, Council supported a future West Ryde Master Plan. The Greater Sydney Commission is managing the planning for the MEEP.	No
Leverage Council investment in community facilities by providing floorspace for creative enterprises	<ul> <li>Council is implementing this recommendation through:</li> <li>The Ryde Central project which includes a Community and Cultural Hub that makes provision for exhibition and makers spaces and performance space; and</li> <li>City of Ryde Social and Cultural Infrastructure Framework 2019-2041.</li> </ul>	No
Continue existing relationships with Macquarie University and Meadowbank TAFE	Noted	No
Enhance the creative Ryde brand and network of creatives	This recommendation is to be referred to relevant Council staff for comment regarding how it might be practicably achieved.	No

As discussed above, the draft Strategy supports proposed land use changes of the Planning Proposal. It is recommended that it be placed on exhibition at the same time as the Planning Proposal and that a report be provided to Council after the exhibition.



# An Outdoor Advertising – Special Community Signs Policy

Council at its meeting of 25th August 2015 considered a report recommending that in pursuit of accruing public benefits, that outdoor advertising opportunity be explored. As discussed above, the Planning Proposal seeks to make general advertising and advertising structures (billboards) permissible on Council owned land in specific zones (excluding open space and residential) within the City subject to appropriate controls. This approach will provide Council with some flexibility in considering appropriate locations, size and illumination for such signage and enable targeted community consultation when a development application for an advertising structure is under consideration.

A draft Policy has been prepared to detail the way community benefits are to be derived for such signs and is provided at Appendix A of **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. The draft Policy also provides a framework that ensures advertising provided on such signs is safe and inoffensive.

The principle objective of the draft Policy is to require outdoor advertising on Council controlled sites to contribute, via a monetary or Work in Kind arrangement, to Council to enable provision of a range of direct or in-direct community benefits. Direct public benefits may include: improvements to traffic safety, improved public transport services, public amenity and school safety. Indirect public benefits can be delivered in the form of the use (from time to time) of the digital advertising structure for promotion of community programs, public events, public safety programs or other appropriate public purposes.

Under the draft Policy, proposals for such signs in the City of Ryde will also only be progressed according to, and when consistent with, the Guidelines of the draft Policy. The guidelines cover issues including management, operation, content and public benefit.

As the draft Policy relates directly to the introduction of advertising provisions in the LEP (discussed above), it is recommended that it be placed on exhibition at the same time as the Planning Proposal and that a report is provided to Council after the exhibition.

#### Ryde Local Planning Panel

Under the Section 9.1 Ministerial Direction signed on 27 September 2017, all Council's in the Greater Sydney Region are required to send all Planning Proposals (except those of a minor or inconsequential nature) to a Local Planning Panel comprised of independent experts. The Panel is to review the Proposal and make recommendations to Council.



The Planning Proposal was considered by the Ryde Local Planning Panel at their meeting on 13 August 2020. The Panel's recommendation was as follows (see recommendation and advice provided at **ATTACHMENT 2**):

'That the Ryde Local Planning Panel recommend to Council that the Planning Proposal be submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.'

#### **Internal Referrals**

As discussed above, the Planning Proposal seeks to make general advertising and advertising structures (billboards) permissible on Council owned land in specific zones within the City subject to appropriate controls. A draft Outdoor Advertising - Special Community Signs Policy is provided at Appendix A of **ATTACHMENT 1** – **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** to detail how the public benefit will be derived. Input from Council's Property Team has been incorporated into the draft Policy.

The proposed environmentally sensitive lands provisions and mapping have been referred to Council's Environmental Team. See Part 2 - An Explanation of Provisions and maps at Appendix H to J of **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** for an explanation of the proposed provisions and land to which the provisions apply. Council's Environment Team supports their implementation to achieve environmental management outcomes for the City of Ryde's most environmentally sensitive land.

#### Planning Assessment of Planning Proposal

The assessment of the Planning Proposal has been undertaken in accordance with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's 'A guide to preparing planning proposals' (dated August 2016).

# Part 1 Objectives and intended outcomes

The objectives of the proposed changes to the LEP are provided above and detailed in Part 1 – Objectives or Intended Outcomes in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. The intended outcomes are also detailed in that part of the attachment.

#### Part 2 Explanation of provisions

An explanations of provisions is detailed in Part 2 – Explanation of Provisions of **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER** and not detailed here due to the amount of proposed new and amendments to existing provisions proposed.



#### Part 3 Justification

# Need for the Planning Proposal

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment's 'A guide to preparing planning proposals' requires the following two questions be answered to demonstrate the need for the proposal:

- 1. Is the planning proposal a result of an endorsed local strategic planning statement, strategic study or report?
- 2. Is the planning proposal the best means of achieving the objectives or intended outcomes, or is there a better way?

The Planning Proposal is not a result of a single strategic study or report. It responds to matters that have been raised by Council staff in relation to the operation of the LEP. It also responds to parts of the LSPS and Council resolutions detailed in Part 2 – An Explanation of the Provisions and Part 3 - Justification in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. The Planning Proposal is required to amend the LEP to resolve the identified issues and implement the decisions of Council.

The Planning Proposal is the only means to achieve the intended outcomes as amendments to the LEP are required.

#### Relationship to Strategic Planning Framework – The Strategic Merit Test

The planning proposal meets the strategic merit test which is outlined in the following table. More detail is provided in Part 3 - Justification of **ATTACHMENT 1**.

Strategic Merit Issue	Comment
State Environmental	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the
Planning Policies and	relevant State Environmental Planning Policies and Local
Local Directions	Planning Directions under Section 9.1 of the
	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. An
	analysis of compliance with these policies is provided in
	the attached Planning Proposal (refer to pages 59-63 of
	ATTACHMENT 1)
Greater Sydney Region	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the
Plan - A Metropolis of	Greater Sydney Region Plan - A Metropolis of Three
Three Cities	Cities (refer to pages 28-29 of ATTACHMENT 1).
North District Plan	The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with the
	North District Plan (refer to pages 29-31 of
	ATTACHMENT 1)

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Strategic Merit Issue	Comment
Planning Ryde: Local	The Planning Proposal is consistent with Council's
Strategic Planning	adopted LSPS and implements several planning priorities
Statement 2020	identified by the strategy (refer to page 32-34 of
	ATTACHMENT 1).

#### Key Assessment Issues

Due to the amount of proposed new provisions, amendments to existing provisions and amount of subject land, key assessment issues relevant to the Planning Proposal are detailed in Part 2 – Explanation of Provisions and Part 3 – Justification within ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

## Local Planning Panel advice

It is a requirement under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* that the Planning Proposal be considered by the Local Planning Panel. The Planning Panel has no delegated authority with respect to the Planning Proposal and is simply tasked with review and an advisory role under the Act. The Planning Proposal was considered at the Local Planning Panel's meeting of 13 August 2020 provided the following advice:

The Panel advises that they raise no objection to the Administrative & Update LEP Planning Proposal being submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The advice was unanimous.

#### **Financial Implications**

Adoption of the recommendation will have no financial impact.

# **Options**

Option 1 (Recommended) – Endorse the Planning Proposal, draft Strategy and draft Policy

This option is supported as it will update and address a range of miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the LEP through the correction of anomalies. It will also achieve the above objectives that are considered beneficial to the City of Ryde for the reasons specified.

This option is also supported as the draft Strategy will be able to be implemented to stimulate the creative enterprise sector within the City of Ryde and the draft Policy will ensure general advertising and advertising structures (billboards) made permissible on Council owned land will derive community benefits.



Should Council support the recommendations, the first step in the process to amend the LEP is to request a Gateway Determination followed by Community Consultation and a further decision by Council after consultation as to whether or not the Proposal should be brought into effect, along with the draft Strategy and draft Policy.

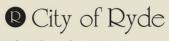
### Option 2 – Not endorse the Planning Proposal, draft Strategy and draft Policy

This option is NOT supported for the following reasons:

- The Planning Proposal will not proceed to Gateway or community consultation, and the range of miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the plan will not be addressed through the correction of anomalies. It will also not achieve the above objectives that are considered beneficial for the reasons specified to the City of Ryde.
- Council will not receive the results of the public exhibition of the draft Strategy and draft Policy to make informed decisions regarding their adoption. The draft Strategy will not be implemented to stimulate the creative enterprise sector within the City of Ryde and community benefits for general advertising and advertising structures (billboards) on Council owned land will not be received.



#### **ATTACHMENT 2**



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ADVICE & STATEMENT OF REASONS
RYDE LOCAL PLANNING PANEL

Date of Determination	13 August 2020
Panel Members	Abigail Goldberg (Chair) Jane Fielding (Independent Expert) Ian Stapleton (Independent Expert) Bec Ho (Community Representative)
Apologies	NIL
Declarations of Interest	NIL

Public meeting held remotely via teleconference (Council staff at the North Ryde Office) on 13 August 2020 opened at 5:00pm and closed at 5:42pm.

Papers circulated electronically on 5 August 2020.

#### MATTER CONSIDERED

Planning Proposal to amend the *Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014* (LEP) to update the LEP and address a range of administrative issues identified in the operation of the plan and to introduce provisions to:

- Increase floor space available for creative enterprises by removing some prohibited land uses within business and light industrial land use zones;
- · Protect environmentally sensitive lands;
- · Permit advertising and signage for public benefit;
- Require design excellence within the centres of the City of Ryde; and

Other miscellaneous matters (e.g. clarify clauses).

#### PANEL CONSIDERATIONS AND ADVICE

The Panel considered the matters listed at item 6 the material listed at item 7, and the material presented at meetings and briefings listed at item 8 in Schedule 1.

The Panel advises that they raise no objection to the Administrative & Update LEP Planning Proposal being submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The advice was unanimous.

#### REASONS OUTLINED IN COUNCIL'S REPORT

The Panel raises no objection to the below reasons, as outlined in the report:

The Planning Proposal has been initiated by Council to update and address a range of
miscellaneous administrative issues identified in the operation of the LEP and to introduce new
provisions to implement actions identified in the Council's adopted LSPS and previous Council
resolutions.



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 The Planning Proposal is generally consistent with relevant State and Local legislation, directions, polices and strategic directions, including Council's LSPS, and will have a minimal environmental, social and economic impact.

The Panel also raises no objection to the recommendation in Council's report.

#### CONDITIONS

Not applicable

PANEL I	MEMBERS
Abigail Goldberg (Chair)	Mary
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# **ATTACHMENT 2**

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	SCHEDOLE 1		
1	Application No.	NA NA	
2	Proposal	The purpose of this Planning Proposal is to amend the Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014 (LEP) to update the LEP and address a range of administrative issues identified in the operation of the plan and to introduce provisions to:  • Increase floor space available for creative enterprises by removing some prohibited land uses within business and light industrial land use zones;  • Protect environmentally sensitive lands;  • Permit advertising and signage for public benefit;  • Require design excellence within the centres of the City of Ryde; and • Other miscellaneous matters (e.g. clarify clauses).	
3	Street Address	Citywide	
4	Applicant	City of Ryde	
5	Reason for referral to RLPP	Required by Ministerial Direction made under Section 9.1 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 dated 27 September 2018	
6	Relevant mandatory considerations	Not Applicable	
7	Material considered by the Panel	Council assessment report     Administrative & Update LEP Planning Proposal	
8	Meetings, briefings and site inspections by the Panel	Site inspection: NA  Briefing: 13 August 2020 Attendees:  Panel members: Abigail Goldberg (Chair), Jane Fielding, Ian Stapleton, Bec Ho  Council staff: Dyalan Govender, Michael Edwards  Papers were circulated electronically on 5 August 2020	
9	Council Recommendation	That the Ryde Local Planning Panel recommend to Council that the Planning Proposal be submitted for Gateway Determination under 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.	
10	Conditions	Not Applicable	



# 18 AMENDMENT TO THE 2020/21 FEES AND CHARGES SCHEDULE FOR THE USE OF DUNBAR PARK

**Report prepared by:** Sportsground Liaison Officer, Sportsgrounds and Recreation File No.: GRP/20/20 - BP20/846

#### REPORT SUMMARY

This report follows the public exhibition of the proposed introduction of an hourly hire fee for the use of Dunbar Park for athletics activities during the winter (off) season and outlines the feedback received. Following consideration of that feedback, a recommendation has been made by staff on a revised fee to the City of Ryde 2020/21 Fees and Charges Schedule as set out in this report.

At the Ordinary Council meeting on 23 June 2020 when adopting the Four Year Delivery Program 2020-2024, the resolution included:

That in accordance with Section's 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act (1993), Council adopts the draft Four Year Delivery Program 2020- 2024 including the One year Operational Plan for 2020/2021, incorporating the following:

That Council, via a public exhibition process, add a new fee to its 2020/21 Fees and Charges Schedule of \$14.65 p/hr for City of Ryde Based Clubs and \$29.30 for non-City of Ryde based clubs for use of Dunbar Park for athletic activities.

This fee was proposed as part of the Council Report on the Fees and Charges Schedule, in response to a submission to the Operational Plan during the Public Exhibition Period. This submission was made by the Ryde Athletics Club, regular users of Dunbar Park. The proposed fee, would apply to out of season use of Dunbar Park, was recommended by staff as it was based on the fee charged for comparable facilities by surrounding Local Government Areas. This is in accordance with Council's Sports Ground User Fees and Contributions Policy and the Sport and Recreation Strategy (Goal 7 – Sustainable Management of facilities and Sport). This is where fees and charges are set with the aim of recovering 25% of the costs associated with sportsfield maintenance and management and consistent with other NSROC Councils. It is also the same approach applied to other users of Council's sporting fields for 'out of season' activities. This is where a fee is applicable to utilise Council's sporting fields for training conducted by sporting groups out of season.

During the public exhibition period which included a Have Your Say process which ran from 13 July 2020 until 10 August 2020, thirteen submissions were received on the Have Your Say website with a further nine being received via e-mail. A table outlining the submissions received can be found at **ATTACHMENT 1.** 



Of the 22 Submissions, 18 did not support the introduction of any new fee, 3 considered the introduction of a lower revised fees reasonable and 1 submission did not relate to fees and charges. Many of the submissions opposing the fee were on the basis of additional costs being imposed on members to participate in the sport.

Based on the submissions received and following discussions with representatives from the Ryde Athletics Club, staff recommend that Council adopt an amended fee of a half field charge with the hourly rate of \$7.40 for City of Ryde Based Clubs. This will allow the Ryde Athletics Club to utilise part of the field for its activities, meeting their needs for the current style and format of winter training the club undertakes. Consistent with Council's Sportsground Fees and Contributions Policy this rate is recommended to be doubled for groups based out of the area.

Based on the 3 hour p/week booking the club has made for the winter season the amended fee would be a maximum amount of \$444.00 to the club for the 20 week season if a booking is required for every single occasion and less if that is not the case. Discussion with club representatives indicated that a booking would not be required on every occasion as the nature of some training sessions involved running off site and non-exclusive use of the park by a limited number of attendees on an informal basis.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council add a new fee in its 2020/21 Fees and Charges Schedule of \$7.40 p/hr for half field use of Dunbar Park for Athletic Activities for City of Ryde based groups and \$14.80 for those based outside the LGA.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Submission Table for Dunbar Park

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#### Discussion

Early in 2020 Ryde Athletics Club, who are based at Dunbar Park, approached Council to book this location for the upcoming winter season athletics training. Through the usual booking process, staff advised that a seasonal hire fee for Dunbar Park was currently the same fee in winter as it was for summer (\$6,450).

Ryde Athletics Club raised concerns over this fee as the number of available daylight training hours was less in the winter period as compared to the summer season. They stated that the club only have two small training groups who train over winter and would therefore place less wear and tear on the ground. This seasonal fee, if imposed would under the current climate, cause financial stress to the club.

Ryde Athletics made a submission during the statutory public consultation period for Council's annual Fees and Charges. This submission requested that Council amend the wording of Ground Hire – Sporting Fields from Seasonal Hire to Annual Hire without any change to the proposed fee amount.

They further stated that during the winter period that training would be for a lesser period of time and with a lesser number of participants and that they were not requesting exclusive use of the park during these times.

In response to this submission staff included in the report back to Council, a recommendation to introduce an hourly fee that would apply over the winter period. At the Ordinary Council meeting on 23 June 2020 Council adopted the Four Year Delivery Program 2020-2024 Including One Year Operational Plan 2020/2021.

#### Consultation

During the public exhibition process, which ran from 13 July 2020 until 10 August 2020, thirteen submissions were received on the Have Your Say website with a further nine being received via e-mail. A table outlining the submissions received can be found at **ATTACHMENT 1.** 

The majority of the submissions were from past and present committee members as well as parents and members of Ryde Athletics Club. While some agreed that there should be a fee for the use of Dunbar Park during the winter season, many were objecting at the figure of \$14.65 p/hr that was being shown in Council's Fees and Charges.



In response to the feedback being received, Council contacted the President of Ryde Athletics Club proposing the following amended fee and arrangements:

- Members of the community, including those involved with the Athletics Club, are able to utilise council parks for informal recreation activities when it involves less than 50 people without the need to obtain a permit from Council and pay a fee. This will however not give those users exclusive use of the area and the ability to ask other people in the space to 'move on'. There will also need to be consideration made for public liability and insurance issues where activities are conducted without a formal booking with Council.
- Based on the feedback received staff will propose to amend the fee to be a
  half field charge with the hourly rate of \$7.40 for City of Ryde Based
  Clubs. This will allow the Ryde Athletics Club to utilise part of the field for its
  activities and would apply to the current style and format of winter training the
  club undertakes.

# Analysis of the submissions received during the Public Exhibition Period for the Dunbar Park Hourly Hire Fee Have Your Say - 10 August 2020.

a of	SUBMISSION DETAIL	DISCUSSION
the	<b>Submission 1 –</b> CM D20/118108	
e Co	I am writing to lodge a complaint against the proposed introduction of a \$14.65 per hour winter training fee.	Participant numbers
uncil Me	Ryde Athletics have two small training groups who train over winter. The jumps group have not in fact trained this winter season due to proposal to Covid and concerns as to the proposed charging of these field fees. The other group is our middle distance/cross country group who train hire of field. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays.	proposal to allow partial hire of field.
eting No. 11/20	Our Covid required training sheets for the period between 1st June and 9th July record a total of 67 athletes or an average of 3.5 athletes attending per session. The highest attendance of the group was 7 on 2 occasions and the lowest, 2 on 5 occasions. The middle distance/cross country group do not use any equipment, block off any lanes, prevent any other park visitors from accessing the field. In fact, for many weeks in the cross-country season they don't use the track but run through the surrounding park and streets. In line with Ryde Athletics tradition, neither our jumps or middle-distance coach charge for these sessions.	
0, dated Tuesda	In the past couple of months, we have been told by Council staff that these small groups cannot continue to train if they don't have a booking, they'll then have to pay a fee. We have been told that this fee will give us exclusive use of the park; something we have no interest in obtaining as our training groups use so little of the park at any time we see no need to exclude other residents and believe it would be detrimental to the club's relationship with the local community. We have been told there is no alternative. We have said our squad would happily just turn up and take our chances as to whether or not they can use the field because someone else has booked it and have been told we could be fined if we did that.	
y 22 Septemb	My children competed at Ryde for over a decade and as a family we would go down there all year round and train a couple of times a week, sometimes by ourselves sometimes with other families. On any given day at Dunbar you can see other families and other groups doing that or a multitude of other activities (soccer, football, kites, bikes, walking, jogging). They don't need a booking or have to pay a fee and nor did my family when we trained. I don't see why our athletes are being singled out when they are local residents just like everyone else using the park just because they have a coach with them, especially when the group is so small in numbers.	
er 2020.	There must be some sort of compromise or common-sense approach that can be applied that lets these small groups train just as other families, friends and other groups use the field for free? The proposed fee has the potential to add up to \$1500 to our park fees, an almost 25% on what we pay for summer season. When you compare the tiny number of athletes who are training over winter to the hundreds of little athletes who compete on Saturday morning, a fee as proposed seemed highly disproportionate.	
	Ryde Council has been very supportive of our Club over the years and we were especially grateful for last season's flexibility in finding us an alternative field while Dunbar was being repaired. Ryde Athletics has been a big part of the fabric of the Ryde area now for over 60 years and we hope to continue that role for decades to come.	

ng Proposed amended fee of allows for partial hire of field as suggested in submission.	J.	D) #		.; Φ n ≒ n
Submission 2 – CM D20/118190  I agree with the \$14.75 fee but propose council introduce a second fee as well to better represent how the ground is currently used during Proposed amended fee winter by Ryde Athletics Centre. The Proposed \$14.75 fee would be for if we (RLAC) are holding a race event and require exclusive use of allows for partial hire of Dunbar. In winter this would happen once or twice a season at our night of PB's. In light if this we request a separate charge for nonexclusive training in groups of less than 30 where we only require partial use of up to 1/4 of the ground to cover our winter training as submission.	That council introduce 2 separate fees  1. That Council add a new fee to its 2020/21 Fees and Charges Schedule of \$14.65 p/hr for City of Ryde Based Clubs and \$29.30 for son-City of Ryde based clubs for exclusive use of Dunbar Park for athletic activities."  2. That Council add a new fee to its 2020/21 Fees and Charges Schedule of \$3.75p/hr for City of Ryde Based Clubs and \$7.50 for exclusive use of 1/4 of Dunbar Park for athletic training activities."	How I came up with the\$3.75 figure and points to consider:  1. We (RLAC) do not need exclusive use of the park for winter training. We would at the most only require less than 1/4 (more like 1/8th) of dunbar for winter fitness training. We have always shared the ground with multiple other Ryde citizens without any drama during our training times. Currently we run winter training 4 nights a week for 1-1.5 hours at at time depending on the amount of daylight. Also It is only small groups that attend. (most that has ever been there is less than 20 kids at a time).	The reason for this 2nd fee is we don't believe council has taken enough of the "criteria" from the fees and charges doc & our actual winter use into enough consideration. Please note I have used "inverted commas" to indicate extracts from councils fees and charges document.	"the cost of providing the service" this winter fee is not in line with summer fees on a wear and tear of the grounds by per athlete or capita basis. with this new fee it is much more expensive for winter use over summer due to the volume of Ryde athletes using it. per capita basis. with this new fee it is much more expensive for winter use over summer due to the volume of Ryde athletes using it. per capital basis. with this new fee it is much more expensive for winter use over summer due to the volume of Ryde athletes using it. The coaches are supplied under a commercial basis as coaches are volunteers and we council although with less regularity still has winter maintenance to do.  "whether the goods or service are supplied under a commercial basis," it is not a commercial basis as coaches are volunteers and we council although with less regularity still has winter maintenance to do.  "whether the goods or service are supplied under a commercial basis," it is not a commercial basis as coaches are volunteers and we council although with less regularity still has winter training. The coaches Ross Foster and Lynda was a RLAC junior athlete and now a second generation RLAC coach that passionately volunteers her time for our country and Lynda was a RLAC junior athlete and now a second generation RLAC coach that passionately volunteers her time for our country and lynda was a RLAC junior athlete and now a second generation RLAC coach that passionately volunteers her time for our community. There is a real chance if we charge the kids extra it will decimate the already small winter squads and we could lose these 2 icons of sheltics coaching in our area to future generations. These are charged at \$1.80 each an hour 1/8th of the proposed fee.

I look forward to hearing from you on the near future

<u>al</u>	mo idi	ar Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training.  Proposed fee allows for the partial hire of Dunbar deart to accommodate reduced participant numbers.	y a
3. "the capacity of the user to pay" the \$6000 season fee is already a real stretch for us as a club. We have kids who make it to national level events and need financial support to travel to these events and we struggle to raise funds to support them already. any extra expenses on an already stretched budget will have an impact on our club and athletes. we will struggle to have the capacity to pay this extra hire charge. This is confirmed by the fact that we (RLAC committee) are discussing charging for winter training, reducing winter training hours and increasing fees to cover this extra \$1500pa cost.  4. "the impact of the activity on public amenity" compared to summer there is zero extra income to council as there is no other winter ten will be so much more expensive than summer for far less impact on the grounds.  5. "competitive market prices" with winter training we do not need exclusive use of dunbar and rarely even use 1/4 of the field. Also as discussed above on a per capita basis this winter fee will be so much more expensive than summer for far less impact on the grounds.	Bottom line is we want to continue to do the right thing By council and our community but would appreciate a bit more consideration from council around this new fee please?  Council around appreciate a bit more consideration from soil thing by the improvements you made to Dunbar. With this consideration. It has been awesome to work with your guys recently on the improvements you made to Dunbar. With this council the park and it is a low to see and I look forward to hearing back from you guys	Elbave just heard some disturbing news that Ryde Council is thinking of charging fees to the Ryde Athletics Centre for the use of Dunbar Park as a winter training venue. This had not occurred previously and I am asking that you will look into this matter.  Thave been a member of this athletics club since 1968, when it was the Ryde Women's Amateur Athletics Club. Subsequently I became, at various times, Coach, President, Vice President, Treasurer and Committee member. I was President of the club when Ryde Council set up Dunbar Park, which had been a council tip I believe, for use as a recreational reserve. There was a great deal of outcry from many vocal residents and the council gave us use of the ground it was understood that we would pay a peppercorn rent for its use, as it was solving some headaches for the council. Since that time, the s has changed its name to the Ryde Athletics Centre, a very successful club, with athletes who compete at state level at all ages from Under 7's to Masters athletes. When Ryde Little Athletics Centre set up a competition venue on Saturday mornings the council was very helpful and have continued to make the ground available and do some wonderful things to keep it up to date and efficient. The fees have been paid for the use in the summer season, but do not apply for the winter season, when the club uses the ground only a few times per week for a couple of hours and for only 3-7 becopie.	The fees have been paid for the use in the summer season, but do not apply for the winter season, when the club uses the ground only few times per week for a couple of hours and for only 3-7 people. We could not possibly afford the approximately \$1500 extra that this new fee structure would impose upon the club which means that winter training would not go on, causing athletes in this district to fall behind their peers in other areas.

<b>Submission 4 –</b> CM D20/119076	
I am a Life Member and Director of the Ryde Athletics Centre that is based at Dunbar Park. My ties with the Centre date back over 40 Under the years when I joined the club as a 9 year-old athlete at the suggestion of my mother, Rosyln Mitchell nee Cramp (a founding member of Sportsgrothe club, former Athlete, former President and Life Member). Over these 40 years I have been a child athletes, Open athlete, Masters Policy on Athlete and now Director of the Club, Life Member and volunteer Level 2 Advanced Coach who gives my time free of charge to coach the complete Ryde Little Athletes during both Summer and Winter.	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council
I was distressed to hear of the Council's recommendation to introduce an off-season fee of \$14.65 per hour to apply only to athletics such as groups training at Dunbar over the months of April to July as this will cause a great impost on the Club.	assets for formal activities such as training.
In my long association with the Club, a winter fee has never been part of council's approach to charging the Club. The introduction of such a fee for the small training groups (sometimes only two or three athletes) that are run by me and a fellow life member, Ross Forster, could place such a financial burden on the Club that it would need to cease such training. Both Ross and I do not charge for our coaching and, yet, the results our coaching achieves are substantial! Both of us have coached athletes to Zone, Region, State and even National levels. Ross has coached athletes who have gone on to International competitions. We have been supporting the youth of the Ryde Area achieve their best for many, many years: something the Ryde City Council should be proud of and actively support. My services are actually sought after by other Little Athletics Centres who were willing to pay, but I have remained loyal to Ryde despite no fee for service.	allows for partial hire of Dunbar Park to accommodate reduced participant numbers.
Dunbar Park has always been a multi-use park, well used by its local residents. Athletes from Ryde and other clubs, local people walking or running for exercise, families teaching their children to play soccer or rugby, just kick a ball around, ride bikes, walk dogs or just sit outdoors are all part of the Dunbar community. While Ross and I are coaching, there are regularly other groups utilising the ground and we never insist on exclusive use of the park.	
Ryde Athletics Centre have never sought to stop other people sharing the park with them over the winter season. In all the times over the years that I have been coaching at Dunbar there has always been plenty of field for Ryde's small training groups as well as local residents and other organised groups to exercise together. For the Council to seek to impose a fee on just a handful of these park users i.e. our Ryde athletes, is very unjust, unfair and inequitable.	
I would respectfully ask that the council reconsider the recommendation to introduce such a fee.	
1 104 17 75 fee for exclusive use of Dunbar. However Could we request a separate charge on a per lane basis as the 2 lanes at a time.	Proposed amended fee allows for partial hire of
Maybe \$2 per lane per nour?  The training is non exclusive in small groups. We have always shared the ground with lots of other Ryde citizens without any problems submission. Adminited for training times. So I don't think it's fair to be charged for the full use of dunbar when it's not required for training. We really only use 5-10% of dunbar at training and there is always more general public using dunbar than there is in our training sessions.	neid as suggested in submission.
The coaches are volunteers and this is free for athletes for winter training. The coaches Ross Foster and Lynda Calder are awesome,	

who have been offering this community service for generations of junior Ryde athletes for over 40 years. Ross has trained kids that have gone on to represent our Australia. I worry if we charge the kids extra it will ruin the winter squads or worse, we could lose these coaches to future generations of Ryde kids.	
The expenses of sports clubs are already a financial strain and charging an extra \$1800 will have a big financial impact on our club and athletes. They will struggle to have the capacity to pay this extra hire charge. I've heard the committee are discussing charging for winter training, reducing winter training hours and increasing fees to cover this extra cost.	
Thank you for taking this submission into consideration and look forward to hearing back from you guys. <b>Submission 6 –</b> CM D20/119599	
tment in our sporting field. As you know, there are still a few issues with the ground which I hope in September.	Based upon previous usage patterns the
I would however, like to address the issue of the proposed changes to the fees. In particular, the hourly charge for use of the grounds.  This would greatly impact our family personally if the club decided to pass pan this cost and begin charging for participation in training a sessions so kindly run by ex-athletic club members, which to date, have been free, and have proved valuable for our young athletes.  If there's one thing that this pandemic has done, it's made us realise what is essential and non-essential - and kids sport is essential.  Increasing the cost of this sport could potentially mean we miss out. I lost my job due to COVID-19 and family budgets remain tight. I would hope that the bottom line is considered in conjunction with parents' pockets.	equates to an increase of a maximum of \$444.00 for the club over the season.
Many thanks for your consideration of removing these proposed hourly fees and charges for our club.	
Submission / - CM DZU/ 19462	
I am a Ryde resident and my children are members of the Ryde Athletics Centre and have been for 4 years now. I am also the newly lelected Registrar of the Ryde Athletics Centre.	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting
I was concerned to hear of the Council's recommendation to introduce an off-season hourly fee of \$14.65 to apply only to athletics cogroups who train at Dunbar Park.	user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council
ogs, fly kites, teach their theites clubs and local school or using the field then why ivities are generally happening	assets for formal activities such as training. Proposed amended fee allows for partial hire of Dunbar Park to
on the field at the same time. I would like to object to the introduction of the fee on the grounds of fairness.	accommodate reduced
Often over winter I will take my children down to Dunbar for some training and sometimes will meet up with some of their friends or other families from the Club to do cross country or track and field training for school carnivals. From what I understand this would be fee free but if one of the club's coaches was to join us then a council fee could be charged. This seems very unfair.	participant numbers.
Dunbar is a big park with room for lots of different activities. There has always been plenty of field for training and local residents, the	

community and other groups to equally share the park without any problems. To now try and impose a fee on just one of those activities whilst the others have free access, seems completely inequitable and unfair.	
I would appreciate if Council reconsidered the introduction of this fee.	
<b>Submission 8 –</b> CM D20/120357	
sed amendments to the hiring charges to Dunbar Park, to include an hourly rate for use of the	Under the City of Ryde
	Sportsground Allocation
the largest user of Dunbar Park. Ryde athletes have been using	Policy organised sporting
up	user groups must
to soo local children or all ages spend their saturday mornings competing there. Many also train on summer evenings. A smaller number foorti continue to train during the winter off-season. Like many	complete a booking in order to utilise Council
olunteers and aim to keep the cost of membership as low as possible. As a	assets for formal activities
	such as training. Hire of
club has paid Ryde Council a once-a-vear fee for exclusive use of Dunbar at agreed times. Council's fee schedule	previously been listed as
-	seasonal' fee in Council's
	adopted Fees and
	Charges covering either
garrangement. This training has always occurred on a non-exclusive	the 'summer' (Sept-Mar)
	or 'Winter' (Apr-Aug)
	period. Based upon
1. It will increase the rees paid by Kyde Athletics to Kyde Council. As a community organisation that runs on a tight budget, we will have prevention but to pass this cost on to athletes who train in winter possibly meaning some talented athletes will be unable to	previous usage patterns
will at least	fee equates to a
_	naximum increase of
	\$444 p.a for the club and
	allows for partial hire of
use the track would not expect to share use with others who have not paid - in fact they may choose instead to train independently of the factor club at no cost. Excluding non-members from Dunbar during winter training is a change to	Duribar Park to accommodate reduced
	participant numbers.
plans to introduce	
additional tees tor our very limited winter use of Dunbar Park. I would like to propose the following alternatives: 1. Limited winter use to be included as part of the current annual fee.	
Our preferred approach would be to include winter training hours without additional cost to a club that pays a seasonal fee. To ensure our	
use remained reasonable, it could be limited to a maximum number of hours a week and a maximum number of athletes at a time. These	
available for those wanting to obtain exclusive use of the field, with priority over non-paid bookings.	
Another possibility (not preferred by the club) would be to allow partial field bookings at a lower cost, restricting the hirer's exclusive use to only one area, or particular running lanes.	

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Ryde Council for its ongoing support of athletics at Dunbar Park. Members of the club executive and committee are available to discuss these matters with Council staff.  Submission 9 – CM D20/120332	r our athletes training at Dunbar Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting	5 F		hould only be practicing, unless	me to Ryde rather than join another	or our training without fees.	is imposed on the training groups it Based upon previous kids active all year round. It's usage patterns the proposed fee equates to a proposed fee		when my clubs manager		user groups must only consists of Max 7 people, complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training. Based upon previous usage	patterns
I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Ryde Council for its ongoing support of athletics at Dunbar Park. Members of the club executive and committee are available to discuss these matters with Council staff.  Submission 9 – CM D20/120332	I am writing to object to the Ryde Council's going to start charging fees to the Ryde Athletic Centre for our athletes training at Dunbar Park.	Having been a past athlete, coach, President and committee member over many years, (since 1956) and having Council's approval to train without paying for the park, I am disappointed that Council should start charging fees. Our coaches do not charge our athletes for training and the coaches give up their time for our athletes to get important information. Our athletes have been very successful in all areas of competitions, being local district, state, national and overseas.	We have a very good attendance for training by the little A,s and seniors (now being one club under the name of Ryde Athletics Centre), training during summer and winter, and all the coaches giving up their time to bring the athletes up to this standard.	We do not object to other groups using the grounds, and while some groups play games, when they should only be practicing, unless they have paid to play games against other groups, we can all practice at the same time.	Our Centre caters for the whole community of Ryde and we should be encouraging our athletes to come to Ryde rather than join another clubs.	I would encourage the Council to please let our Centre continue using Dunbar Park for our Athletes for our training without fees. <b>Submission 10 –</b> CM D20/138488	I object to the proposed hourly fees for the use of Dunbar. If it leads to an increase in summer fees or is imposed on the training groups it will deter our kids training through the colder months which would go against the idea of keeping our kids active all year round. It's interesting that the state government provides the active kids voucher to assist reduce costs and council impose more costs? Our kids represent the Ryde club and area at state and national events and council should be proud of the local talent and dedication of its athletes.	We are all a Ryde locals who pay our rates which have increased, and should have adequate sporting fields to support its residents and athletes. Perhaps charge more for outside area usage or schools.  Submission 11 – CM D20/138493	I am an athlete that competes for Ryde Athletics and trains every week at Dunbar Park. I was quite shocked when my clubs manager emailed me about this new proposal and I am writing to you today to encourage you to not go ahead with it.	Firstly, I already pay an annual fee to my little athletics club that includes registration and track use costs and I should not have to pay more.	Secondly, my training group which is the main (pretty much only) group that uses Dunbar park to train, only consists of Max 7 people,	

meaning minimal harm towards the grounds. There are usually heaps of members of the general public that use the grounds all day every day to walk, run, play with the ball etc, so I believe they use and damage the ground more than the people who use it just to run to on. My group only trains on the track 3 times a week where we use it for 1 - 1 and a half hours, and in the winter, we use the streets surrounding dunbar Park for cross country practice, meaning during the winter, the track is barely used by my training group.	the proposed amended fee equates to a maximum increase of \$444 p.a for the club and
Thirdly, if the fee is passed on, I may have to reconsider whether I can continue training due to the cost.	Dunbar Park to
Fourthly, it would be very unfair to make the people who train on the park pay and not those who do their exercise every day on the track or others who come and use it. All public parks are free for the community to use, so why should we have to pay to use this public park.	accommodate reduced participant numbers.
For my fifth point, I would like to state the impact of the costs on families. Some families lack sufficient funds and will be unable to pay these fees, meaning their children will be unable to exercise, leading to unhealthy children and obesity which Australia is one of the leading countries for. If we are all about encouraging physical activity, then making people pay is not the way to go and will discourage people to go to dunbar park and will make them have to travel further to exercise which is unessesary and a pain, especially for working parents and people.	
Overall, I strongly encourage you to not go ahead with this proposal as it will negatively impact the public and the Ryde Athletics Club.	
<b>Submission 12 –</b> CM D20/139497	
N/A	N/A
<b>Submission 13 –</b> CM D20/138498	
lletics Centre at Dunbar Park since 2002. I am a life member, have served Senior Division Committee. The Ryde Athletics Centre has been	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation
supporting and training ryde Attrictes for freatry to years frow. I am very concerned at the impact and unfairness of the proposed new winter hiring hourly fee of \$14.65 that would apply to Ryde	rolley organised sporting user groups must
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П	assets for formal activities
	such as training. Based upon previous usage
In the past couple of months, we have been told by Council staff that these small groups cannot continue to train if they don't have a booking they like bark.	patterns the proposed
Ę	maximum increase of
that can provide for shared use which seems an oversight on Council's part given how many more people are moving into Ryde via high since development, whilst we have a set number of fields and parks for people to exercise in.	\$444 p.a for the club and allows for partial hire of
	Dunbar Park to
Other local people use the field to exercise, walk their dogs or teach their or rugby or ride their bikes. If those people are not being charged for using	accommodate reduced participant numbers.
the field then why should a small training group, not interfering with other's enjoyment of the field, have to pay? None of these park users have to book the field before they can use it so why do our athletes?	

Ryde Council has worked hard with Ry compete and train. I am appreciative o I would ask though that Council recons not imposing a similar fee on all users.	Ryde Council has worked hard with Ryde Athletics over many seasons to ensure that the local children have a good facility at which to compete and train. I am appreciative of how they have supported us. I would ask though that Council reconsider the introduction of this fee on the basis that it is unfair to impose a fee on some users whilst not imposing a similar fee on all users.	
<b>Submission 14 –</b> CM D20/138500	D20/138500	
I am a Life Member of the	I am a Life Member of the Ryde Athletics Centre based at Dunbar Park, Marsfield.	Under the City of Ryde
My family and I have bee	ith the club for almost 20 years and we have spent many hours volunteering to help the club	Policy organised sporting
piovide a worlderial confinition in the confinition		user groups must complete a booking in
I was surprised to learn or groups training at Dunba	I was surprised to learn of the Council's recommendation to introduce an off-season fee of \$14.65 per hour to apply only to athletics groups training at Dunbar over the months of April to July.	order to utilise Council assets for formal activities
In my long association w	s In my long association with the Club a winter fee has never been part of council's approach to charging the Club. The introduction of any on new fee could see the Club cut back on training or other assistance it provides to our local Ryde athletes.	such as training, based upon previous usage patterns the proposed
Towns and control of		amended fee equates to a
o charge a ree for small unreasonable when the a similar way.	To charge a ree for small group training (usually only two of three athletes, conducting low impact/usage winter sessions) seems unreasonable when the athletes are regularly outnumbered by other users of the oval at the same time, who are using the field in a similar way.	maximum increase of \$444 p.a for the club and allows for partial hire of
		Dunbar Park to
Dunbar Park has always to stop other people shar has always been plenty of	Dunbar Park has always been a multi-use park, well used and shared by all its local residents - Ryde Athletics Centre has never sought to stop other people sharing the park with them over the winter season. In all the times over the years that I have been at Dunbar there passion of field for Ryde's very small training group as well as local residents and other groups.	accommodate reduced participant numbers.
For the Council to seek to	For the Council to seek to impose a fee on just a handful of these park users - ie Ryde Athletes, seems particularly unfair.	
I respectfully request that the council re <b>Submission 15 –</b> CM D20/138502	I respectfully request that the council reconsider the recommendation to introduce this fee.  Submission 15 – CM D20/138502	
I have had an association	e Athletics Centre at Dunbar Park for over 34vrs and have been a Life Member of Rvde Athletics	Under the City of Ryde
for over 20 years. Even t	)	Sportsground Allocation
official and throws coach use of Dunbar. I am disa	official and throws coach. I live only a few streets away from Dunbar (Alison St, Eastwood) and so am very familiar with the community less of Dunbar. I am disappointed that Council thinks it now appropriate to penalise and charge, one small group of users over others.	Policy organised sporting user groups must
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athletes there. We could	with	assets for formal activities
the way that Koss's runn If you are going to charge	<u>e</u>	such as training.
to pay a fee as well? Wh normally) and use the thr	to pay a fee as well? What of the local school groups that come down during the school athletics season (over the winter months normally) and use the throws and jumps areas and practice track and relay? Should they be made to pay as well? What of the families	

that come to practice on the track with their children learning to ride a bike? Should they be made to pay as well?  The answer is no none of them including small groups associated with the Club should be charged over the winter season. As far as the winter training undertaken by Ryde athletes goes there is minimal impact on the field given the size of the squads especially when compared to the constant, local foot traffic of residents and other park users.  I would appreciate Council reconsidering the imposition of this fee.	
<b>Submission 16 –</b> CM D20/138504	
My 16 year old daughter has been a part of Ryde Athletics since she was 5, competing there every Saturday. She has been training at Und Dunbar Park 3 times per week since she was 10 and represents NSW in Athletics and Cross Country. I strongly oppose the hourly hire Spotential is looking to introduce I have lived in Ryde for 20 years and have always haid my rates. I don't think it is at all fair that Doling	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting
fore S.	user groups must
The introduction of this fee would directly impact my daughter as I would not be able to afford to pay to have her train there. Council order should be encouraging these up and coming athletes and encouraging children to be active, not dis encouraging them through making it assume the assume the contract of the contr	order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training.
117 – CM D20/138506	D
I have been a Ryde resident for over 20 years and 3 of my children are members of the Ryde Little Athletics Centre and have been for 8 Spo years now. I have also served on the committee as the Championships officer for 2 years. My husband and I have been active Poli members of the club and both are age managers for 2 of our children.	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting
l am concerned to hear that the Council is recommending to introduce an off-season hourly fee of \$14.65 to apply only to athletics groups com who train at Dunbar and would like to object to this fee.	complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities
Many people use Dunbar Park over the winter months. Some are from Ryde Athletics, some from other athletics clubs and local school groups also come to train there for their carnivals or cross country. Other local people use the field to exercise, walk their dogs, fly kites, teach their children to play soccer or rugby or ride their bikes. If those people are not being charged for using the field then why should Ryde athletes who are working in small groups over winter have to pay? Especially when these activities are generally happening on the field at the same time.	such as training.
During winter school holidays, I often take my children to Dunbar to do additional training. My understanding is that this would be free, however if my children were to be there with one of the coaches, a fee would be charged. This seems quite unfair.	
Dunbar is a big park with room for lots of different activities. There has always been plenty of field for training and local residents and other groups to equally share the park without any problems. To now try and impose a fee on just one of those activities whilst the others have free access, seems completely inequitable and unfair.	
I would appreciate if Council reconsider the introduction of this fee.	
<b>Submission 18 –</b> CM D20/138510	
I am a Director and Committee Member of the Ryde Athletics Centre based at Dunbar Park. My son has been a member of the club for 6   Und years during which I have volunteered in various capacities including age manager, coach and vice president. Poli	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting

athletics groups training at Dunbar over the months of April to July.  Coaching at Ryde Athletic Centre is conducted by volunteers and offered free to athletes to support their development and enjoyment of such	user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training.
I am sure you are aware that Dunbar Park is multi-use and, even during training, is used by members of the public for recreational and sporting purposes - we support this and believe a park with joint use is best for our club and the general public. In this way we can all enjoy the facilities Dunbar Park has to offer.	
Our success as a club (one of the largest little athletics clubs in NSW) has been built on being integrated into the community and also as part of the fabric of the City of Ryde. One of our goals is to encourage athletes to join Ryde Athletics and through this enhance their health and wellbeing - we feel this is especially important for children who tend to spend less time being active than those of previous generations.	
To support Ryde Athletic Centre to continue providing a wonderful club to the City of Ryde, I respectfully ask the council to reconsiderthe recommendation to introduce an off-season fee and by doing so, allow the club, its volunteers and athletes continue to enjoy Dunbar Park along with other users at no additional cost.	
We believe that, through our club, we showcase City of Ryde athletic talent and trust you will continue to support us to achieve this in the years to come	
<b>Submission 19 –</b> CM D20/138512	
I am a Ryde resident and my children are members of the Ryde Athletics Centre and have been for 4 years now. I am also the newly elected Registrar of Ryde Athletics Centre.  I was concerned to hear of the Council's recommendation to introduce an off-season hourly fee of \$14.65 to apply only to athletics groups who train at Dunbar.  I would appreciate the introduction of the fee on the grounds of fairness. Many people use Dunbar Park over the winter months.  Some are from Ryde Athletics, some from other athletics clubs and local school groups also come to train there for their camivals or cross country. Other local people use the field to exercise, walk their dogs, fly kites, teach their children to play soccer or rugby or ride their bikes. If those people are not being charged for using the field then why should Ryde athletes who are working in small groups over their bikes. If those people are not being charged for using the field then why should Ryde athletes who are working in small groups over winter have to pay? Especially when these activities are generally happening on the field at the same time.  Often over winter I take my children down to Dunbar for some training and sometimes will meet up with some of their friends or other families from the Club to do cross country or track and field training for school carnivals. From what I understand this would be fee free but if one of the club's coaches was to join us then a council fee could be charged. This seems very unfair.  Dunbar is a big park with room for lots of different activities. There has always been plenty of field for training and local residents and other groups to equally share the park without any problems. To now try and impose a fee on just one of those activities whilst the others have free access, seems completely inequitable and unfair.  I would appreciate if Council reconsidered the introduction of this fee.	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training.

<b>Submission 20 –</b> CM D20/138515	
nmenced in 1977 when my sons started in Little Athletics. Shortly after that I became a track coach ber in 1993 and have also served in various positions on the committees of both the Junior and still coaching I am currently the Registrar and Race Reporter for our Senior Division as well as a	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting
o small group of athletes all year around for 43 years. I have always provided this free of charge to our have trained many Ryde athletes to state and national medals and two of our group in recent years have spresent Australia at the Commonwealth Youth Games, the World Junior Championships, the World Athletics Cross Country.	complete a booking in order to utilise Council assets for formal activities such as training. Based
I was disappointed to read of the Council's recommendation to introduce a new off-season fee of \$14.65 per hour to apply only to my praining group for the months of April to July. This rate is determined as a fee for exclusive use of the park, something that we neither a seek nor would want as we see Dunbar as a shared park for all users.	patterns the proposed amended fee equates to a maximum increase of \$444 p.a for the club and
In all the times I have coached in winter there has never been the need for us to have exclusive use of the park as we only ever have a handful of athletes there. We have always shared the park with anyone else who wanted to use the track or field. Over winter my group on not use any equipment, block off any lanes, prevent any other park visitors from accessing the track or field. In fact, for manysessions a over cross-country season we don't use the track and they run through the surrounding park and streets. Over this winter season the size of the group has averaged 3.5 athletes per training session. The highest number has been 7 and lowest 2.	allows for partial hire of Dunbar Park to accommodate reduced participant numbers.
Dunbar Park has always been a multi-use park, well used by its local residents and generations of Ryde athletes. Over my years standing there for three afternoons each week I've seen athletes training from local schools, from Ryde and other clubs, local residents walking or running for exercise, families teaching their children to play soccer or rugby, bikes being ridden, or families just sitting in the Park enjoying the afternoon sun. While I coach, there are regularly other groups utilising the ground and because of the size of the park and the small size of our group, we don't interfere with them, nor they us.	
Ryde athletes have happily and amicably trained on Dunbar Park over winter for many years. We have never tried to conceal from Council that we train over winter. In fact, there are at least two permanent signs at Dunbar that have been there for many years showing our training days. I would be highly doubtful that anyone has ever complained to Council that we have interfered with their enjoyment of the park. I believe that these Ryde athletes should have as much right as any of the other people who use Dunbar to spend time at Dunbar without incurring a fee.	
I do appreciate that Ryde Council has worked hard with Ryde Athletics over many seasons to ensure that the local children have a good facility at which to compete and train. I am appreciative of how they have supported us. I would ask that they continue to provide that support by reconsidering the introduction of this fee on the basis that it is unfair to impose a fee on some users whilst not imposing a similar fee on all users.	
Il community. I am also a member of Ryde Athletics Centre. I pay rates and taxes to council for me to take a group of kids to the park to kick a ball around, but if my daughter wants to do a etics Centre coach (who is offering his time free of charge) we would need to pay to use the park. I	Under the City of Ryde Sportsground Allocation Policy organised sporting user groups must complete a booking in order to utilise Council

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think it is entirely unreasonable and not in the interests of the community. Ryde athletic centre training sessions are conducted with	assets for formal activities
respect for facilities and for other users of the park. When council signs indicate that Dunbar park is closed Ryde Athletics centre	such as training.
members train elsewhere. We have seen others train on Dunbar at such times with complete disrespect for the park. In such	
circumstances I have also seen Ryde Athletics Centre coaches act in Councils best interests trying to persuade others (individuals and	
families using the park) to comply with council guidance (and cease using the park)	
<b>Submission 22 –</b> CM D20/138525	
I do not believe Ryde City Council should charge extra monies for athletes using Dunbar Part during the winter. I agree with a fee for	. Under the City of Ryde
their Saturday Club races but during the winter months the park is not used to capacity. Surely we should be encoring people to exercise.   Sportsground Allocation	Sportsground Allocation
Having lived on the park for over 30 years, the park is not used to capacity at most times only primary schools and on Saturday mornings   Policy organised sporting	Policy organised sporting
in summer	user groups must
	complete a booking in
	order to utilise Council
	assets for formal activities
	such as training.



# 19 DRAFT NATURAL AREAS GENERIC PLAN OF MANAGEMENT AND CHANGES TO COMMUNITY LAND CATEGORISATIONS

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#### REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to place the draft Natural Areas Generic Plan of Management (NAGPoM) on public exhibition. Additionally, staff have made recommendations relating to changes to land categorisation in a number of Council parks across the LGA. Details of these locations and proposed changes are outlined in the body of this report.

A Plan of Management is a document which guides the management of community land. The NAGPoM covers several sites which contain land categorised as Natural Area.

Council engaged Gondwana Consulting to prepare the NAGPoM. This firm has considerable experience in the preparation of Plans of Management for parks, sportsgrounds and natural areas.

Engagement with internal stakeholders and Community consultation was undertaken prior to and during the development of the document with feedback considered during the development of the NAGPoM. A report detailing the outcomes of the community consultation is contained in Section 3.2.2 in the NAGPoM document provided in ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

Under the Local Government Act 1993 (LGA) and the recently introduced Crown Land Management Act 2016 (CLMA), Councils are required to prepare Plans of Management for all Community and Crown land within their local government area. The legislation also requires that the plans are publicly exhibited in accordance with the NSW Government's Crown Land Community Engagement Strategy, which will allow the community to formally provide submissions.

In accordance with the requirements of the CLMA, Council is to forward a copy of the draft NAGPoM which contains Crown land, to the Minister responsible for Crown Lands, seeking their approval prior to public exhibition. Should the Minister require any changes to the draft NAGPoM, these must be carried out prior to the documents being placed on public exhibition.

The public exhibition of the draft NAGPoM, details how Council proposes to manage its parks and reserves which have community land categorised as Natural Areas. The exhibition will provide a further opportunity for the community to make comment on their future management. Once finalized it will be the document outlining to the Community how Council will manage the land.



A full list of ownership, zoning, categorisation and location of the Natural Areas covered is provided in the appendices to the NAGPoM document which is provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

The draft NAGPoM will establish processes that:

- Enable the future management, maintenance and enhancement of Natural Area biodiversity and habitat.
- Conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function, protection and conservation.
- Provide for the conservation of natural vegetation, especially endangered ecological communities and habitat areas for threatened species.
- Establish and manage environmentally and ecologically sensitive areas of remnant bushland, water courses, and wetlands
- Outline the long term sustainable management protection and enhancement of the Community and Crown land estate and how these will provide for a range of natural spaces to the residents of Ryde.

The NAGPoM contains detailed information on the legislative requirements, planning context and expressly authorises the issuing of leases, licences and other estates on these areas. While the Plan of Management expressly authorises and enables certain functions such as the issuing of leases and licences in these parks, any major works in these areas would still require the relevant planning approvals.

The action plans in the NAGPoM outline the key management issues, the core objectives / targets, the actions to achieve these objectives, the performance measures and the priority / timeframes for each of the five management directions:

- Provision and access,
- Environmental sustainability
- Management and maintenance,
- Community engagement,
- · Leases and licences.

Details are provided within the body of this report of the consultation undertaken to date and the process and estimated timeframes required for the reporting and public exhibition of the NAGPoM.

Following approval from the Minister and the prescribed Public Exhibition period, a subsequent report will be prepared and presented to Council providing details on the submissions made by the community and identifying any suggested amendments to the NAGPoM.

In accordance with the requirements of the CLMA, Native Title advice on the areas of Crown Land covered by the GPoM Parks, General Community Use and GPoM Sportsgrounds has been obtained and incorporated into the documents.



The Minister responsible for Crown Lands provided direction to undertake Public Hearings for multiple categorisations of pieces of Crown land as part of the transfer of this land to be managed under the Local Government Act. As a result staff have taken the opportunity to include a number of other changes to land categorisation in this process. This rectifies where existing land categorisation anomalies existed and the categorisation was not consistent with how the land is currently managed or aligns to plans for the future use of that area.

All Community Land needs to be categorised under the local Government Act and broadly speaking there are four main categories:-

- Natural Area (a number of sub categories can apply)
- Sportsground
- Park
- General Community Use

Each of these categorise have defined objectives for the land which governs the types of activities that can occur on them. The categories relate to the relevant Plan of Management Document applicable to that land categorisation and makes it clear for residents how their community land will be managed and utilised by Council. The proposed changed to land categorisation ensures the use of the relevant piece of community land aligns to its current use and is able to be utilised to best meet the needs of the community.

The details of the changes to park categorisations, the reasoning behind the proposed changes and the results of these public hearings, are contained in the Public Hearing and Submissions Reports provided in **ATTACHMENT 5** – **CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**. A number of these changes also apply to some parks included in the NAGPoM.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That the draft Generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas be forwarded to the Minister responsible for Crown Lands seeking their approval to place the document on public exhibition
- (b) That once approval is obtained, the draft Generic Plan of Management for Natural Areas be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- (c) That submissions be accepted by Council for up to a further 14 days after the completion of the exhibition period.
- (d) That a subsequent report be brought back to Council outlining the responses obtained during the public exhibition period.
- (e) That Council adopts the amended land categorisations for the Community Land detailed in the 'Public Hearings and Submissions Report' prepared by Parkland Planners.



### ATTACHMENTS - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

- 1 NAGPoM Draft for Minister
- 2 NAGPoM Appendix A Land Information Community and Crown Lands
- 3 NAGPoM Appendix B Map Series of all land parcels, presented by subcategory
- 4 NAGPoM Appendix C Natural Areas Online Survey Results Report
- 5 NAGPoM Public Hearing Report Final 19 August 2020

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#### **Plan of Management Requirements**

A Plan of Management is required to be prepared for public land which is owned by a Council and classified as community land under the *Local Government Act 1993* (LGA).

Plans of Management are also required for Crown land under the recently introduced *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (CLMA), with Section 3.23(6) of the Act stating that Plans of Management for Crown land are to be prepared and adopted in accordance with the provisions of the LGA.

Under the LGA, community land is to be categorised as one or more of the following:

- Natural area,
- Sportsground,
- Park.
- Area of cultural significance,
- General community use.

Land that is categorised as a Natural Area is to be further categorised as one or more of the following:

- Bushland.
- Wetland,
- Escarpment,
- Watercourse,
- Foreshore,
- A category prescribed by the regulations.

The draft NAGPoM sets out the management framework for the prescribed categorisation of Natural Area. In a number of instances there are multiple categorisations within the same park and as such the applicable Plan of Management would apply to the management of each categorised area. Council has recently prepared Generic Plans of Management for Parks, General Community Use, Sportsgrounds and Parramatta River Parklands.

# A copy of the draft NAGPoM is provided in **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER.**

The LGA states that all community lands are required to be covered by a Plan of Management and must identify:

- the category of the land,
- objectives and outcomes for the land,
- the means by which Council proposes to achieve objectives and outcomes,
- the way by which Council proposes to assess its performance, and,
- expressly authorises any leases, licences or other estates.



The nature and use of community land may not change without an adopted Plan of Management. In the case of parks, or sections of these parks identified as Crown land in the NAGPoM P, these will be dealt with in accordance with the CLMA.

While a Plan of Management expressly authorises and enables certain functions such as the issuing of leases and licences in these parks, any major works in these areas would still require the relevant planning approvals to be undertaken.

Any capital projects undertaken by Council within these parks would continue to have the normal community consultation process undertaken as part of the delivery of that project.

In the case of delivery plans for Crown land that involve the issue of tenures or a public work, it is a requirement of the CLMA that our appointed Native Title Manager Lands Advisory Service, provide NTSCorp, who are the Native Title Service Provider for Aboriginal Traditional Owners in New South Wales, notification and provide them the opportunity to comment.

Section 253, *Native Title Act* defines a public work to mean any of the following that is constructed or established by or on behalf of the Crown, or a local government body or other statutory authority of the Crown, in any of its capacities:

- (i) a building, or other structure (including a memorial), that is a fixture; or
- (ii) a road, railway or bridge; or
- (iia) a stock-route for the purposes of Division 2 or 2A of Part 2; or
- (iii) a well, or bore, for obtaining water; or
- (iv) any major earthworks; or
- (v) a building that is constructed with the authority of the Crown, other than on a lease

Both the LGA and the CLMA now allow Council's to manage land under its control with one management document. Issues such as categorisation of the land, setting of core objectives and the measurement of performance as well as the issuing of leases, licences and other estates will have the complexity and duplication removed. Community involvement in the ongoing management of these areas will therefore be improved.



# **City of Ryde - Natural Areas Generic Plans of Management**

As part of the ongoing management for all of Council's open spaces, the draft NAGPoM has been prepared to establish processes that:

- Enable the future management, maintenance and enhancement of Natural Area biodiversity and habitat.
- Conserve biodiversity and maintain ecosystem function, protection and conservation.
- Provide for the conservation of natural vegetation, especially endangered ecological communities and habitat areas for threatened species.
- Establish and manage environmentally and ecologically sensitive areas of remnant bushland, water courses, and wetlands.
- Outline the long term sustainable management protection and enhancement of the Community and Crown land estate and how these will provide for a range of natural spaces to the residents of Ryde.

Once adopted, the NAGPoM will replace and/or extinguish the following current Plans of Management:

- Generic Plan of Management for Community Land 2001
- Brush Farm Park and Lambert Park Plan of Management 2009
- Shrimptons Creek Parkland Plan of Management 2012
- Yamble Reserve Plan of Management 2014.

In the case of larger parks covered by the NAGPoM, such as Brush Farm Park and Lambert Park, the management of each categorised area will be carried out in accordance with the objectives and actions set out in their applicable GPoM.

Some site specific actions that pertain to established and future management practices in these larger parks can be undertaken through a future masterplanning process.

#### Consultation

Community engagement is an important part of the process of preparing a Plan of Management. Community engagement is essential to ensure that Plan of Management meet the needs of the local community for their Parks, General Community Use land and Sportsgrounds, and to communicate to the community, Council's aims for the management of parks in the City of Ryde.



Community engagement undertaken for the preparation of the draft NAGPoM went beyond the minimum requirements for engagement for the preparation of a draft Plan of Management under the LGA and the CLMA. The information and feedback received thus far has assisted with the drafting of the NAGPoM that will be exhibited to the community.

During development of the NAGPoM an online Have Your Say survey was undertaken. The purpose of the survey was to understand what the Ryde community value about Natural Areas, why people visit Natural Areas, what their level of satisfaction is with current management practices and priorities for future management.

The survey extended from 13 August to 29 September 2019 and was available on the City of Ryde Have Your Say website.

Three Community Drop-In Sessions were held in early September to promote the survey – these were held at Portius Park, Darvall Park and Santa Rosa Park. Posters to promote the survey were also placed near entrances to a number of Natural Areas.

Fifty eight responses were received. A full analysis of the community consultation is contained in Section 3.2.2 in the NAGPoM document as **ATTACHMENT 1 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

As well as the on-line survey and face to face interviews, feedback was also sought from other external and internal stakeholders including:

- Relevant extensive community input to the 2028 Community Strategic Plan in 2017-18,
- Copies of the Action Plans from the NAGPoM were distributed to members of the Bushland and Environment Advisory Committee. Their feedback was used to assist in the preparation of the draft document.

Further consultation will also be carried out during the formal public exhibition of the NAGPoM. Comments made during the exhibition process will be used to assist with the finalisation of these documents.

Subject to Council resolving to place the draft NAGPoM on public exhibition, the following programme is proposed. This programme is predicated on approvals from the Minister for Lands and Forestry to publicly exhibit the NAGPoM.

- Draft NAGPoM will be forwarded to the Minister for Lands and Forestry for their approval to publicly exhibit the plans.
- Draft NAGPoM publicly exhibited and placed on the Council Website, Libraries and Customer Service areas, notices to be placed in the identified Natural Areas and advertised in the Ryde City View.



- Undertake any further Public Hearings on anticipated Ministerial direction to
  resolve multiple categorisations and recategorisations of nominated parks. The
  approval by the Minister for Lands and Forestry for the other Plans of
  Management that contain Crown land with multiple categorisations contained a
  requirement to undertake a Public Hearing for recategorisation of parks. As it
  was anticipated that this will also be the case for the NAGPoM, Council
  included these as well as other parks where anomalies in the categorisations
  presently existed into the Public Hearings for the other Generic Plans of
  Management. The subsequent exhibition and preparation of the final NAGPoM
  is therefore predicated on this timeframe and any subsequent public hearing
  requirements.
- Notifications of the draft plans to key user groups and the Bushland and Environment Advisory Committee informing them of the public exhibition period.
- Plan removed from public exhibition and final submissions received.
- Review completed, plan amended and reported to Council for adoption of NAGPoM and recategorisation of nominated parks.

#### **Initial Categorisation of Crown Land**

All Crown Land is assigned a "Purpose" by the Department of Industry Crown Lands. This Purpose best aligns with the reserve's intended use. In the case of the Crown Land covered by the NAGPoM, these have been assigned the single Purpose of Public Recreation. Councils have been advised by the Department of Industry Crown Lands that there can only be one categorisation per Purpose in the initial categorisation phase. In the case of Crown Land in the NAGPoM, the Department of Industry Crown Lands has assigned the categorisation "Park".

At the Council meeting on 11 December 2018, Council resolved to advise the Minister of our acceptance of the initial categorisation of Park which would cover the parcels of Crown land identified the Generic Plan of Management Parks, General Community Use and Generic Plan of Management Sportsgrounds.

Council also made application to have parks that were identified in the Generic PoM 2001 as being wholly Natural Area, to be assigned an initial categorisation of "Natural Area" as part of the preparation phase for the development of the Natural Areas Generic PoM. On 20 November 2019, Council received notification that our application for the initial categorisation of Natural Area for six (6) Crown land parks that are wholly Natural Area had been accepted. These parks were:

- Kitty Creek Reserve,
- Barton Reserve,
- Lucknow Park,



- Part of Pembroke Park,
- Martin Reserve, and
- Portius Park.

Advice from the Office of Local Government Crown Lands further states that while only one categorisation can be assigned at the initial categorisation phase per purpose, additional categorisations can be assigned as part of the Plan of Management process. This would cover a number of Council parks where more than one categorisation exists in the same park and was the methodology used for the preparation of the NAGPoM.

Until such time as the NAGPoM is prepared and adopted, the applicable PoM for the individual parcels of land will continue to be used to manage these areas.

During the review phase for the preparation of our PoMs, if there is an identified reason to change the categorisation, then the applicable requirements will be undertaken to ensure compliance with the LGA. Should Council wish however to alter the current categorisation of a park or the existing boundary of a categorisation within a park, this would in the case of Crown land, require Ministerial approval and would trigger the requirements of the LGA where a Public Hearing would be required.

# **Public Hearings**

In the case of the Parramatta River Parklands Plan of Management, Council was directed by the Department to undertake a Public Hearing for a small area of Morrison Bay Park as well as the multiple categorisations of Crown land Parks contained in the PoM.

A face to face Public Hearing in accordance with Section 40A of the Local Government Act 1993 was scheduled to be carried out However due to the restrictions placed on public gatherings as a result of COVID-19, the meeting was rescheduled as an audio-visual webcast held on 27 May 2020.

The hearing was chaired by Sandy Hoy, a consultant with extensive experience in conducting these hearings. Five (5) persons registered and took part in the meeting via a phone call or video link. A further 2 written submission were received via the Have Your Say Page, e-mail or post. The Public Hearing Report has been provided as **ATTACHMENT 5 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

In the case of the Generic Plans of Management for Parks and General Community Use and Sportsgrounds, correspondence from the Department further informed Council that the initial categorisations for all the Crown Reserves proposed in the GPoMs have been accepted, with the exception of Crown Reserve (R500342 – Marsfield Park).



The proposed categorisation of General Community Use for a small portion of the park, which was the former site of a now demolished amenities building to the south of the park was not approved and Council was directed to recategorise this area as Park. A Public Hearing was therefore required to be undertaken as per Section 40A of the *Local Government Act 1993* to enable this recategorisation.

Council was also directed to undertake a Public Hearing in relation to the multiple categorisations of ten (10) Crown land parks covered by the GPoMs. This was due to the fact that while these parks have multiple categorisations, our initial assignment of a categorisation to the Department, which most closely aligned to the reserve purpose of Public Recreation was only permissible as a single categorisation and as such s3.23(7)(d) of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* applies. These were:

- Brush Farm Park
- Glen Street Reserve
- Marsfield Park
- Monash Park
- North Ryde Park
- Ryde Park
- Stewart Park
- Westminster Park

The public hearing was also used to correct a number of anomalies in relation to the manner in which seven (7) parks covered by GPoMs are currently categorised and maintained. The proposed recategorisations will bring them in line with their respective Plan of Management and future use. These were:

- Proposed categorisation/recategorisation of parts of Glades Bay Park as Natural Area-Bushland or Park
- Proposed recategorisation of parks in the Draft Natural Areas Generic Plan of Management to Natural Area-Bushland or Park: -
- part of Burrows Park from General Community Use to Natural Area-Bushland
- part of Denistone Park, all of Hubert Hunt Reserve, part of Stewart Park from Park to Natural Area-Bushland
- all of Civic Gateway and part of Pindari Park from Natural Area-Bushland to Park.

Due to the restrictions placed on public gatherings as a result of COVID-19, the meeting was carried out as an audio-visual webcast held on Wednesday 22 July 2020.



The hearing was chaired by Sandy Hoy, a consultant with extensive experience in conducting these hearings. Six (6) persons registered and took part in the meeting via a phone call or video link. Five (5) written submissions were received via the Have Your Say Page, e-mail or post.

The Public Hearing Report, which includes the proposed changes to land categorisation requiring Council adoption, has been provided as **ATTACHMENT 5 – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER**.

#### Native Title Requirements

Preparation of the NAGPoM, which contain parcels of Crown land now require a qualified 'native title manager' to oversee and approve dealings and actions that may affect native title.

Native title managers must have training or qualifications that have been approved by the Minister. Council, as Council Crown Land Managers, must obtain the written advice of at least one native title manager where it grants certain interests in the land, including leases, licences, easements, mortgages, covenants and other restrictions on use.

This requirement does not apply to 'excluded land', which includes:

- land subject to a determination under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* that native title rights and interests have been extinguished or do not exist,
- land where the native title rights and interests have been compulsorily acquired,
- land for which a 'native title certificate' is in effect.

A native title certificate can be issued by the Minister for Lands and Forestry where there is adequate evidence to show that native title rights and interest for the land have been extinguished or do not exist. The issue of a native title certificate does not affect rights under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

Under Section 8.8 of the CLMA, Council has given notice via resolution to the Minister for Lands and Forestry that Lands Advisory Services Pty Ltd has been engaged as Native Title Manager for the CoR.

#### Conclusion

The finalisation of the NAGPoM will complete the City of Ryde's suite of Generic Plans and Management and adopt a consistent and holistic manner in which to manage the present maintenance, future expansion and improvement of the natural areas within the City's Open Space Network.



The actions and performance measures set out in the document will facilitate the protection, enhancement and linking of these natural areas for the City of Ryde community.

The adoption of the proposed categorisations contained in the Public Hearing Reports will allow for these areas to align with the categorisations that best describe their usage.

Future activities in the assigned park categorisations will also be required to meet the leasing and licensing requirements set on in the applicable plan of management to ensure they meet with their core objectives.



# 20 TRAFFIC AND PARKING MATTERS APPROVED BY THE RYDE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Report prepared by: Senior Coordinator - Transport Services

**File No.:** GRP/09/3 - BP20/882

#### REPORT SUMMARY

Due to the current pandemic, Council ceased all face to face Traffic Committee meetings. As a result of the cessation of face to face meetings, Council now sends all traffic committee members the latest Council initiated traffic and parking related proposals for their approval and commentary. Members of the committee are listed below.

City of Ryde (Chair)Senior Coordinator	Transport Services (for Mgr. Transport)
Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW)	North West Precinct
NSW Police Force	Ryde Local Area Command
Member for Ryde (6 items)	The Hon. V Dominello MP
Member for Lane Cove (3 items)	The Hon. A Roberts MP

The August Traffic Committee agenda consisted of nine (9) proposals of traffic and parking matters. All traffic committee members approved the proposals and no objecting comments or disclosures of interest were received. Sydney Buses (Western Region) were also advised of the proposals and did not raise objection.

The proposed traffic and parking matters now require the approval of Council. For ease of review, details of the proposals identified in the recommendations below are provided as **ATTACHMENT 1**.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses the following Ryde Traffic Committee recommendations:

# (A) PARSONAGE STREET, WELL STREET AND LOOP ROAD, RYDE - VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

The following changes be made in Parsonage Street, Well Street and Loop Road:

- a) The proposed pedestrian refuge on Loop Road immediately south of the roundabout with Parsonage Street be removed, with pedestrian fencing to be provided to prevent pedestrians from crossing from Loop Road to the southern side of Parsonage Street.
- b) The passenger vehicle access driveway to the residential and shopping component of the development be redesigned such that it does not become the 4<sup>th</sup> leg of the roundabout of Parsonage Street/Loop Road.



- c) A new design be prepared to show a relocated combined access/egress driveway approximately 12m east of the existing roundabout at Parsonage Street/Loop Road.
- d) A raised pedestrian crossing facility be provided on Parsonage Street immediately west of the roundabout with Wells Road and be designed such that it is not located on a multi-laned road.
- e) Pedestrian fencing be provided such that all pedestrian access from Parsonage Road be directed to the main pedestrian access point to the development on Well Street.
- f) The design for the proposed access driveway, deceleration lane, pedestrian fencing and raised pedestrian crossing be tabled at a future Ryde Traffic Committee meeting for discussion.

# (B) PARKLANDS ROAD, RYDE - DOUBLE BARRIER LINES

That double barrier lines be installed on Parklands Road as follows:

- a) Along the bend between 79 83 Parklands Road;
- b) Along the bend between 87 91 Parklands Road
- c) Along the bend between Parklands Road and Trevitt Road

#### (C) STATION STREET, WEST RYDE – PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made to parking restrictions in Station Street:

- a) No Stopping signage be installed on both sides of Station Street from the property boundary of 62/64 Station Street south as far as the intersection of Station Street and Sherbrooke Road.
- b) Statutory No Stopping restrictions be installed on Sherbrooke Road at its intersection with Station Street.
- c) 'GIVE WAY' signage and delineation be marked on Sherbrooke Road at Station Street, with an additional 5m of BB lines on Sherbrooke Road at Station Street.



# (D) PHILLIP ROAD AND MITCHELL STREET, PUTNEY - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made in Phillip Road and Mitchell Street:

- a) 12 metres No Stopping on both sides of all four approaches;
- b) 8.5 metres double barrier (BB) lines on western approach along Phillip Road;
- c) Give Way signs and associated line marking on all four approaches

### (E) BELMORE STREET, WEST RYDE - PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made in Belmore Street:

 Four on-street parking be removed such that the western side of Belmore Street between Constitution Road and Junction Road is now a full time No Stopping zone.

#### (F) GLADSTONE AVENUE, RYDE - CHANGE OF INTERSECTION CONTROL

The following changes be made to the intersection:

- a) Convert 'GIVE WAY' control to 'STOP' control on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde;
- b) Install 10m long double barrier lines on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde.

#### (G) TWIN ROAD, NORTH RYDE - SCHOOL PICK-UP AND SET DOWN

The following changes be made in Twin Road:

- a) That 32m of No Parking 8am 9.30am 2.30pm 4pm School Days Only, be installed on the southern side of Twin Road between the driveway access of No.10 Twin Road, and the statutory No Stopping Ryde.
- The driveway of No.10 Twin Road be marked with a painted island to improve resident access.
- c) That 47m of No Stopping 2.30pm 4pm be installed on the northern side of Twin Road between the carpark access of 15-29 Twin Road and the Bus Zone Stop 211383.



#### (H) MALVINA STREET, RYDE - SCHOOL PICK-UP AND SET DOWN

The following changes be made in Malvina Street:

a) That 19m of No Stopping 8am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 4pm School Days Only, be installed on the eastern side of Malvina Street between the existing No Parking 8am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 4pm zone and the statutory No Stopping zone associated with the intersection of Malvina Street and Laurel Place.

# (I) DOBSON CRESCENT AND MYRA AVENUE, RYDE - CHANGES TO PARKING AND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

The following changes be undertaken in Dobson Crescent and Myra Avenue:

- a) Myra Avenue Removal of the existing "ALL TRAFFIC RIGHT ONLY" opposite the egress driveway from Northcross Christian School.
- b) Myra Avenue Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the side frontage of No. 59 Lane Cove Road.
- c) Dobson Crescent Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM &
   2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the northern side between
   Lane Cove Road and Martin Street.

# (J) HALCYON STREET, GLADESVILLE - ALTERATION TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS

The following changes be made in Halcyon Street:

- a) That 24m of No Parking be installed on the eastern side of Halcyon Street between the existing No Parking zones, at the driveway access of No181 Ryde Road and 1.5m north of the driveway access of No.15 Halcyon Street.
- b) That a Traffic Management Plan be created to formalise the current traffic flow arrangements at Rhapsody Dance Studio (181A Ryde Road).
- c) The intersection of Halcyon Street and Ryde Road be line marked with TB hold lines and 10m of BB line be installed on Halcyon Street.



## **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Traffic Committee Agenda

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ITEM (A) PARSONAGE STREET, WELL STREET AND LOOP ROAD, RYDE

SUBJECT: VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

#### **BACKGROUND**

City of Ryde Council ('Council') is currently assessing a Development Application ('DA') for a proposed mixed use development, located at 155 Church Street, Ryde ('Subject Site'). **Figure 1** illustrates the site location within the context of its surrounding road network.



Figure 1 – Site Location (Source: Nearmap)

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The subject DA involves the demolition of existing site structures and the construction of a multi-storey mixed use development comprising the following yield:

- 43 residential apartments, with the following dwelling mix:
  - 6 one bedroom apartments;
  - 24 two bedroom apartments; and
  - 13 three bedroom apartments.
- 72 serviced apartments, with the following dwelling mix:
  - 33 studio apartments;
  - 25 one bedroom apartments; and
  - 14 two bedroom apartments.
- 690m<sup>2</sup> of commercial floor space; and
- 3,956m<sup>2</sup> of retail floor space, comprising:
  - 3,334m<sup>2</sup> supermarket; and
  - 622m<sup>2</sup> specialty shops.

The supermarket and retail / commercial tenancies are proposed to be provided at basement and ground floor levels, with up to nine levels of the residential and serviced apartment dwellings. A large public plaza is also proposed to be provided at ground floor level, situated within the north-western portion of the site.

#### **Proposed Parking Arrangements**

The proposed development is to be serviced by four (4) levels of basement parking (Basement Levels 2-5) containing a total of 295 car parking spaces, six (6) motorcycle parking spaces and 81 bicycle parking spaces.

The visitor / customer parking for the supermarket and retail / commercial tenancies are proposed to be serviced by basement levels 2 and 3, whilst the retail / commercial staff, resident, residential visitor and serviced apartment parking is proposed to be serviced by basement levels 4 and 5.

#### Passenger Vehicle Access Arrangements

Vehicular access to the proposed off-street parking provision is proposed via a single driveway connecting with Parsonage Street at the north-western corner of the site. The proposed access driveway comprises:

- A left turn entry deceleration lane, approximately 35m in length (including taper);
   and
- An exit lane forming a new leg to the existing roundabout controlled junction of Parsonage Street and Loop Road.

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A boom gate is proposed within basement level 2 to control traffic entering and exiting the site.

#### Service (Heavy) Vehicle Access and Loading Dock Arrangements

The proposed development is to be serviced by a heavy vehicle loading dock contained within the north-eastern corner of the site separate to the off-street passenger vehicle parking area and access driveway.

Vehicular access to the loading dock area is proposed via an exclusive left turn deceleration lane within the northbound Church Street carriageway servicing Well Street in conjunction with an egress only driveway connecting directly to Well Street.

The largest/longest vehicle to be serviced within the loading dock area is proposed to be a 12.5m long Heavy Rigid Vehicle (HRV).

It is noted that the proposed heavy vehicle access driveway treatment has been endorsed by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) via letter dated 25 July 2019 (TfNSW Reference: SYD19/00708/02 (A28408310)).

#### Pedestrian Access Arrangements

Pedestrian access is proposed as follows:

- A new pedestrian entrance at the north-western corner of the site connecting with the southern Well Street road reserve; and
- A new pedestrian entrance is proposed at the southern property boundary, which proposes access to the existing service road ('Waterview Street').

#### Proposed Pedestrian Infrastructure

A pedestrian refuge is proposed at the following locations to provide pedestrian connectivity to the site:

- Within the splitter island within the Loop Road approach at its junction with Parsonage Street; and
- Within the splitter island within the eastern Well Street approach at its intersection with Parsonage Street and Porter Street.

The abovementioned vehicle, parking and pedestrian access/infrastructure arrangements are reflected in the latest architectural plans dated March 2020, which should be referenced in conjunction with this report. Electronic copies of these architectural plans are submitted under a separate cover.



## **COUNCIL CONCERNS**

Council's Transport Department is concerned with the design of the proposed passenger vehicle access driveway and the pedestrian refuge across Loop Road, with respect to traffic and pedestrian safety. **Table 1** below provides a summary of these concerns.

TABLE 1 – TRAFFIC RELATED CONTENTIONS					
Proposed Design Component	Council's Concerns				
1) Exit driveway forming a new leg of the roundabout intersection of Parsonage Street and Loop Road	The proposed vehicular egress treatment is considered to be unsafe due to the lack of separation between the egress driveway and the adjoining Waterview Street. Under this arrangement, a vehicle exiting the development site will have restricted sight distance to a vehicle exiting concurrently from the service road, which can increase the risk of potential accidents.  Further, the egress driveway design does not satisfy the deflection requirements specified within Austroads <i>Guide to Road Design Part 4B: Roundabouts</i> .  There is also the risk associated with an errand vehicle entering the development site via the egress driveway from the roundabout. In consideration of this and the above reasons, the proposed vehicular driveway arrangement is considered to be unsatisfactory from a traffic safety context.				
2) Pedestrian refuge within the splitter island of the Loop Road approach of its intersection with Parsonage Street	The proposed location of the pedestrian refuge is considered to be unsafe due to the curve within Loop Road and the trees within the road reserve along both sides of the road, which can affect the sight line afforded to pedestrians crossing the road at this location.  Further, an independent assessment have been undertaken by TTPP, a specialist traffic engineering consultancy, which have identified that the proposed location does not meet the sight distance requirements specified within Austroads <i>Guide to Road Design Part 4A: Unsignalised and Signalised Intersections</i> for a pedestrian crossing facility. In this regard, pedestrians should be discouraged to cross the road at this location.				



Based on the traffic & pedestrian safety issues previously identified in **Table 1**, the following actions are recommended:

- The passenger vehicle access driveway is to be relocated (away from the junction of Parsonage Street and Loop Road) and the proposed pedestrian refuge within Loop Road is to be removed to address the concerns raised in **Table 1** to ensure desirable traffic & pedestrian safety outcomes is achieved.
- The passenger vehicle access driveway (comprising both the entry/exit lanes) is to be redesigned to be shifted approximately 12m to the east of the roundabout controlled junction of Parsonage Street and Loop Road to minimise conflict with this intersection.

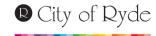
The above measure will result in a slight reduction to the length of the proposed deceleration entry lane (which is already short due to the geometrical constraints of the adjoining road network). However, this is not expected to generate any additional impedance to the through traffic flow within the adjoining southbound Parsonage Street carriageway due to the proposed vehicular control point (i.e. boom gate) being located well within the site (in basement level 2). As such, there is capacity within the internal roadway to adequately accommodate the potential traffic queues generated by the proposed development without significant impacts to the adjoining through traffic flow along Parsonage Street.

3. A public pedestrian link is to be considered across Parsonage Street to connect the site with the existing footpath along the western side of Parsonage Street. The potential location for this pedestrian link is illustrated within **Figure 2**.

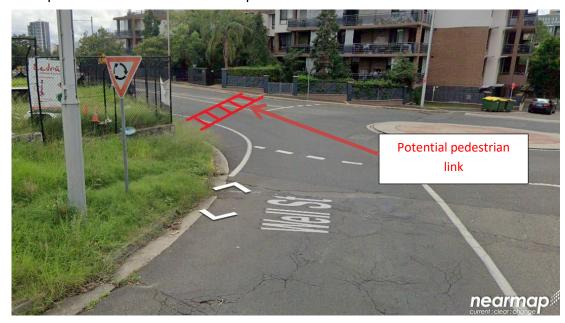


Figure 2 - Location of Potential Pedestrian Link

 Recent observations of Parsonage Street have indicated that the consistent vertical and horizontal alignment of Parsonage Street in the immediate



vicinity of this location results in good sight distance conditions being provided in all directions. See photos below for reference.



**View from Well Street** 



**View from Porter Street** 

The retail component of the proposed development is expected to attract the
majority of its pedestrian traffic from the north and west (within Meadowbank)
rather than south and east (within Putney), whereby pedestrians would either
have to cross Church Street or walk along the footpath along Loop Road to
access the site. As such, prospective shoppers from the east and south are
more likely to travel by car rather than walk to the site.



With regards to the above, a pedestrian link across Parsonage Street to connect with the existing footpath along its western side is expected to be beneficial in accommodating the majority of the foot traffic that is likely to be generated by the proposed development.

- 4. With regards to the potential future pedestrian link across Parsonage Street recommended in point 3, it is Council's preference that this pedestrian facility be a raised pedestrian crossing. It is noted that Section 6.4.4 of the supplement to Austroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 10: Traffic Control and Communication Devices specify the following numerical warrants for a pedestrian crossing:
  - i) Normal warrant:
     A pedestrian (zebra) crossing is warranted where: In each of three separate one hour periods in a typical day
    - (a) the pedestrian flow per hour (P) crossing the road is greater than or equal to 30;

**AND** 

(b) the vehicular flow per hour (V) through the site is greater than or equal to 500

AND

(c) the product PV is greater than or equal to 60,000

The traffic study prepared by Road Delay Solutions associated with the subject DA indicates that the proposed development is projected to generate 553 vehicle movements to/from the site for the AM and PM peak hour periods.

Further, based on the 2026 peak hour traffic volumes presented within the traffic study (which includes traffic generated by the proposed development), Parsonage Street, in the immediate vicinity of the potential pedestrian crossing location is projected to carry bidirectional traffic volumes in the order of 1,200-1,700 vehicles (or around 600-850 vehicles in each direction) per hour during peak hour periods for the year 2026 (which includes the traffic generated by the proposed development). In this regard, the numerical warrant for a pedestrian crossing within Parsonage Street with respect to vehicular traffic flow is likely to be met in the future, as it is anticipated to be equal or greater than 500 movements/hour over three separate hours.

With regards to pedestrian traffic flow to/from the site at the proposed crossing location, it is noted that the site is located within close proximity to high density residential development and Meadowbank Public School, which occupy the land to the north and west of the site. These developments are expected to generate



pedestrian demand to/from the site primarily associated with shopping within the supermarket & specialty retail tenancies, proposed as part of the subject DA.

Further, future occupants of the residential component of the proposed development could also generate walk trips associated with the collection/drop-off of children within Meadowbank Public School, which is located approximately 700m walking distance to the site. In consideration of this and the above discussion, the numerical warrant for a pedestrian crossing within Parsonage Street is also expected to be met with respect to the number of pedestrians using this crossing to cross the road in the future, which is likely to be equal or greater than 30 movements/hour over three separate hours.

Consideration should therefore be given for the provision of a pedestrian crossing at the location shown in **Figure 2** as it is anticipated to satisfy the numerical warrants in the future.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- a) The proposed pedestrian refuge on Loop Road immediately south of the roundabout with Parsonage Street be removed, with pedestrian fencing to be provided to prevent pedestrians from crossing from Loop Road to the southern side of Parsonage Street.
- b) The passenger vehicle access driveway to the residential and shopping component of the development be redesigned such that it does not become the 4<sup>th</sup> leg of the roundabout of Parsonage Street/Loop Road.
- c) A new design be prepared to show a relocated combined access/egress driveway approximately 12m east of the existing roundabout at Parsonage Street/Loop Road.
- d) A raised pedestrian crossing facility be provided on Parsonage Street immediately west of the roundabout with Wells Road and be designed such that it is not located on a multi-laned road.
- e) Pedestrian fencing be provided such that all pedestrian access from Parsonage Road be directed to the main pedestrian access point to the development on Well Street.
- f) The design for the proposed access driveway, deceleration lane, pedestrian fencing and raised pedestrian crossing be tabled at a future Ryde Traffic Committee meeting for discussion.



ITEM (B) PARKLANDS ROAD, RYDE

SUBJECT: DOUBLE BARRIER LINES

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00538

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to any items discussed below.

#### **Discussion**

Council has been contacted by a concerned resident regarding inappropriately parked vehicles on Parklands Road and Trevitt Road which forces them into the path of oncoming vehicles.

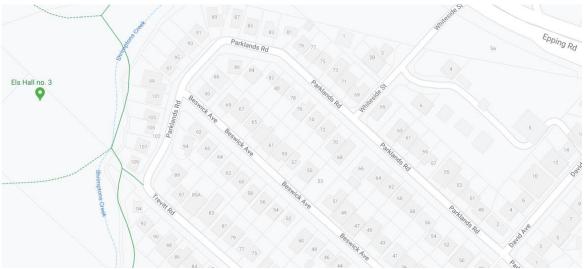


Figure 1: Location Plan

On-site observations concur with the resident's observation that vehicles parked on the bends of Parklands Road and Trevitt Road would force motorists into the path of oncoming vehicles.

It should be noted that all properties have access to off street parking, with a 2P resident parking scheme operating on both sides of the road. The fact that a resident parking scheme operates on both sides of the road means that commuter parking in the street is not an issue with ample on-street parking available for residents.

It is thus proposed that double barrier lines be installed at two locations on Parklands Road and at the interface of Parklands Road and Trevitt Road. The constrained



carriageway width at these locations means that all on-street parking in the vicinity of the double barrier lines will be prohibited.



Figure 2: Proposed Location of Double Barrier Lines



Figure 3: Proposed Location of Double Barrier Lines

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



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All directly impacted residents were letterboxed with the above proposal with residents given 3 weeks to voice their opinion. Four responses were received, with three in favour of the proposal and one against. The resident that opposed the proposal has access to off-street parking in addition to the significant on-street parking that is available to all residents.

The proposal will facilitate safe passage through the bends for all road users, in addition to improving sight distances lines to residents emerging from their driveways.

#### Recommendation:

That double barrier lines be installed on Parklands Road as follows:

- Along the bend between 79 83 Parklands Road;
- Along the bend between 87 91 Parklands Road
- Along the bend between Parklands Road and Trevitt Road



ITEM (C): STATION STREET, WEST RYDE

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED REFERENCE: T2020-00407

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Council has received several requests from local residents for it to investigate the provision of additional No Stopping signage on Station Street to raise motorists awareness of the 3m rule to double barrier lines.

Residents have also requested that all statutory No Stopping restrictions at the intersection of Station Street/Maxim Street and Station Street/Sherbrooke Road be reviewed and enhanced where appropriate.



Figure 1: Location Plan



In response to these requests, a site investigation was undertaken to assess the extent of illegal parking along Station Street. Currently double barrier lines are marked on Station Street from the property boundary of 62/64 Station Street to its intersection with Sherbrooke Road. The width of the road is approximately 9m wide, so vehicles parked along this section of Station Street do so in contravention of the NSW Road Rules as the 3m rule to double barrier lines is not met.

The intersection of Sherbrooke Road with Station Street is presently unmarked with no delineation provided to guide vehicles through this intersection. The statutory No Stopping restrictions are missing from this intersection.

To address the above safety deficiencies the following changes are proposed;

- Installation of No Stopping signage on Station Street at all locations where the 3m rule to double barrier lines is not met.
- Installation of signage designating the statutory No Stopping restrictions on Sherbrooke Road at Station Street, West Ryde;
- Installation of 'Give Way' signage and delineation with associated double barrier lines on Sherbrooke Road, West Ryde to highlight the correct travel path through the intersection.

No consultation with local residents is required because all the proposed No Stopping signage is merely to enforce the existing NSW Road Rules associated with double barrier lines and intersections.

# Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

- 1. No Stopping signage be installed on both sides of Station Street from the property boundary of 62/64 Station Street south as far as the intersection of Station Street and Sherbrooke Road.
- 2. Statutory No Stopping restrictions be installed on Sherbrooke Road at its intersection with Station Street.
- 3. 'GIVE WAY' signage and delineation be marked on Sherbrooke Road at Station Street, with an additional 5m of BB lines on Sherbrooke Road at Station Street.





Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (D): PHILLIP ROAD AND MITCHELL STREET, PUTNEY

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED REFERENCE: T2020-00472

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Council has received a request from a local resident regarding vehicles that park to close to the roundabout at Phillip Road and Mitchell Street, Putney. This issue occurs on all arms of the intersection. As a result, motorists are forced to drive over the rumble bars that are currently installed on the eastern approach of Phillip Road, northern and southern approaches of Mitchell Street, Putney.



Figure 1: Location Plan

# ITEM 20 (continued)

# **ATTACHMENT 1**



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To address this safety concern and to deter motorists from parking within the statutory No Stopping restriction zone associated with roundabouts the following changes are proposed:

- Installation of 12 metres No Stopping on both sides of all four approaches;
- Installation of 8.5 metres double barrier (BB) lines on western approach along Phillip Road;
- Installation of roundabout delineation on all approaches to the roundabout...

No consultation with local residents is required as the proposed double barrier lines on the western approach along Phillip Road are located within the statutory No Stopping zone.

# **Recommendation:**

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

- 1. 12 metres No Stopping on both sides of all four approaches;
- 2. 8.5 metres double barrier (BB) lines on western approach along Phillip Road;
- 3. Give Way signs and associated linemarking on all four approaches



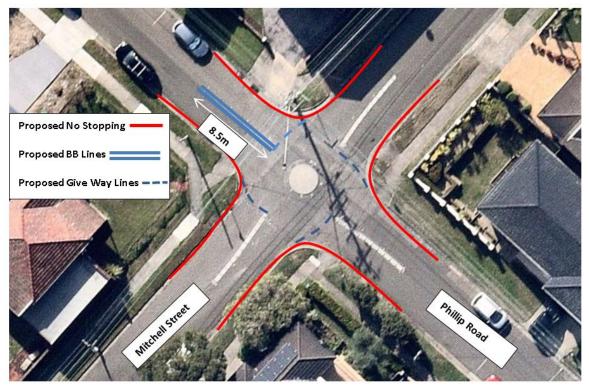


Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (E): BELMORE STREET, WEST RYDE

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00473

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Council has received a request from the Business Infrastructure Department to investigate removing 4 on-street parking spaces on the western side of Belmore Street between Constitution Road and Junction Street to address localised congestion due vehicles parked at this location.

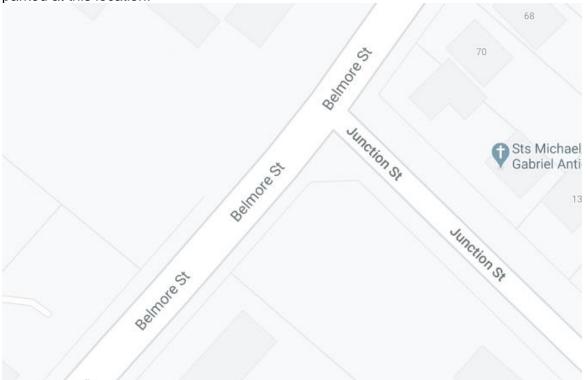


Figure 1: Location Plan

In response to this request, a site investigation was undertaken where it was observed that when vehicles are parked at this location, they significantly obstruct the northbound through traffic flow along Belmore Street which results in congestion at both nearby signalised intersections.



To overcome this issue, it is proposed that the following changes be undertaken on Belmore Street (see sketch plan attached):

 Installation of No Stopping along western side of Belmore Street immediately south of Junction Street

#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

1. Four on-street parking be removed such that the western side of Belmore Street between Constitution Road and Junction Road is now a full time No Stopping zone.



Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (F): GLADSTONE AVENUE, RYDE

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF INTERSECTION CONTROL

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00669

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION**

Council has received a request from a local resident to investigate converting the existing 'GIVE WAY' control to 'STOP" control on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde to improve safety at the intersection.

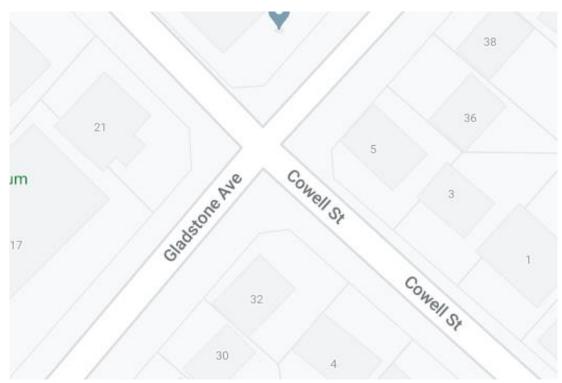


Figure 1: Location Plan

It was observed during the site investigation that sight distance on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue to Cowell Street is limited to 20m which does not meet the minimum sight distance requirement of 30m at an unsignalised intersection. In addition, the carriageway gradients on the Gladstone Avenue approaches are very steep whereby motorists should be required to come to a complete stop before turning into Cowell Street or traversing the intersection.



To address this safety concern, it is proposed that the following changes be undertaken on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue, Ryde (see sketch plan attached):

- Conversion of 'GIVE WAY' control to 'STOP' control on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde;
- Installation of 10m long double barrier lines on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde.

Given there is no impact on the surrounding properties, no community consultation was undertaken.

#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

- 1. Convert 'GIVE WAY' control to 'STOP' control on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde;
- 2. Install 10m long double barrier lines on both approaches of Gladstone Avenue at Cowell Street, Ryde.



Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (G): TWIN ROAD, RYDE

SUBJECT: SCHOOL PICK-UP AND SET DOWN

ELECTORATE: LANE COVE

WARD: EAST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00692

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Council has received a request to investigate the operation of the traffic associated with the existing pick-up and set down arrangements at Ryde East Public School.

After attending the school to observe on-site conditions it was determined that the efficient operation of the queue was being significantly impacted by a small area of unrestricted parking between John Miller Street and the school gate. Vehicles parking in this area required motorists to manoeuvre around parked vehicles to join the queue.

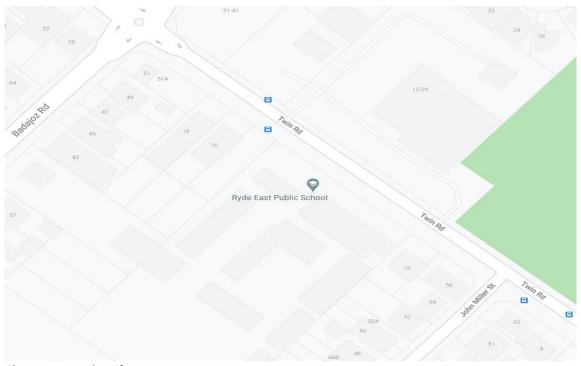


Figure 1: Location Plan

To improve the operation of the Kiss n Ride queue on the southern side of Twin Road, it is intended to expand the existing No Parking 8am – 9.30am 2.30pm – 4pm School Days

# ITEM 20 (continued)

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

Only zone by 32m as shown in Figure 2 (below). The existing zone is shown in dark green with the expanded zone shown in light green.

This will impact on the unrestricted parking zone along the residential frontages of No.10 Twin Road and the side frontage of No.56 John Miller Street An individually addressed information letter was hand delivered to affected residents advising of the proposed changes, with contact details provided to allow for comments or concerns to be received. No comments were received from residents.

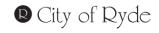
Additionally the restricted carriageway width (7.8m) is causing significant friction in the traffic flow, particularly as this street accommodates bus movements. Whilst this congestion does effectively lower speeds it is creating significant localised congestion during the afternoon school pick up period.

To mitigate this issue it is intended to install a section of timed No Stopping 2.30pm – 4pm on the northern side of Twin Road to allow vehicles to pass freely and thus ease congestion in the vicinity of the school. The operators of the disability support services opposite the school have been advised of this and support the proposal.

#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

- 1. That 32m of No Parking 8am 9.30am 2.30pm 4pm School Days Only, be installed on the southern side of Twin Road between the driveway access of No.10 Twin Road, and the statutory No Stopping Ryde.
- 2. The driveway of No.10 Twin Road be marked with a painted island to improve resident access.
- 3. That 47m of No Stopping 2.30pm 4pm be installed on the northern side of Twin Road between the carpark access of 15-29 Twin Road and the Bus Zone Stop 211383.



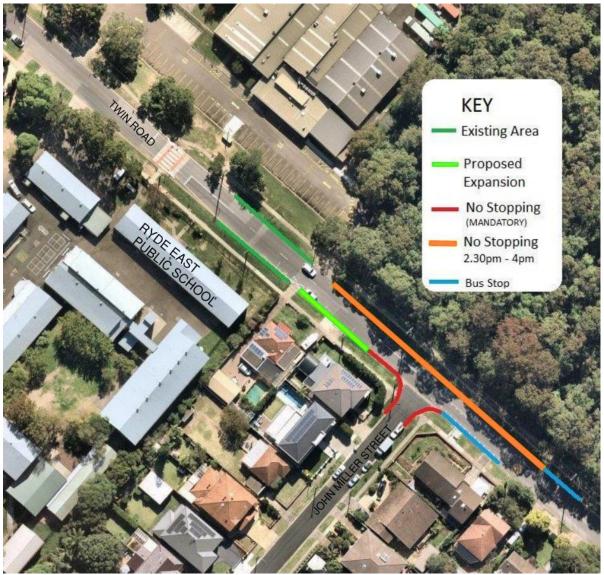


Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (H): MALVINA STREET, RYDE

SUBJECT: SCHOOL PICK-UP AND SET DOWN

ELECTORATE: LANE COVE

WARD: EAST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00694

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

Council has received several requests to investigate traffic congestion associated with the pick-up and set down arrangements at Ryde Secondary College.

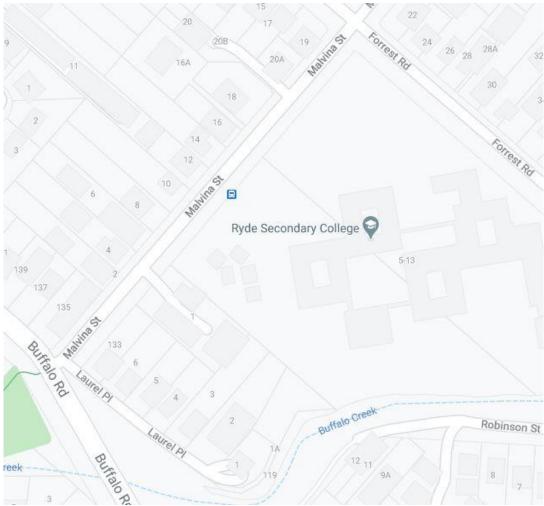


Figure 1: Location Plan

# ITEM 20 (continued)

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

Given the size and student numbers attending Ryde Secondary College some degree of traffic congestion during the school pick up and set down peaks is inevitable. Whilst the school has the advantage of two large frontages to facilitate kiss and drop zones, the majority of all vehicular traffic travels up and down Malvina Street.

The majority of on-street parking along the eastern side of Malvina Street, south of Forest Road is restricted in some capacity. It comprises of a significant length of bus zone, time restricted No Stopping zones and time restricted No Parking zones which facilitate Kiss and Ride operations associated with Ryde Secondary School.

There is however a small length of unrestricted parking located between the end of the Kiss and Ride zone and the No Stopping restrictions associated with the intersection of Malvina Street with Laurel Place. This unrestricted zone currently accommodates 3 onstreet parking spaces. The school zone hour localised congestion that is a daily occurrence on Malvina Street occurs adjacent to this unrestricted parking zone. The carriageway width of Malvina Street constricts to 8.5m at this location, with on-street parking impacting on the flow of vehicles attempting to access / egress to/from Malvina Street.

To alleviate the above congestion it is proposed that this 3 space unrestricted parking zone be converted to a time restricted school zone No Stopping zone. The zone would revert back to unrestricted parking outside the above time periods. This area lies along the side frontage of a residential subdivision associated with 133 Buffalo Road. All of these properties have access to off street parking and thus the proposal will have a negligible impact on their amenity.

#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

That 19m of No Stopping 8am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 4pm School Days Only, be installed on the eastern side of Malvina Street between the existing No Parking 8am – 9.30am & 2.30pm – 4pm zone and the statutory No Stopping zone associated with the intersection of Malvina Street and Laurel Place.

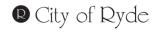




Figure 2: Proposed Restrictions:



ITEM (I): DOBSON CRESCENT AND MYRA AVENUE, RYDE
SUBJECT: CHANGES TO PARKING AND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

ELECTORATE: RYDE WARD: CENTRAL

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00529

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **Discussion:**

Northcross Christian School is located on Lane Cove Road between Dobson Crescent and Myra Avenue in Ryde. The school has a one way, on-site Kiss & Ride (pick-up/drop-off) facility with entry from Dobson Crescent and exit via Myra Avenue.



Figure 1: Northcross Christian School – Onsite Kiss & Ride



Following various requests from residents and the School, Council conducted a traffic study to investigate the increasing level of traffic congestion on Dobson Crescent during drop-off and pick-up times, as vehicles queue to enter the on-site Kiss & Ride.

Existing Parking/Traffic Conditions are shown in Figure 2 below:

- Dobson Crescent is approximately 7.3m wide with unrestricted parking on both sides of the street. This only allows for a 3m wide lane for vehicles to travel in both directions.
- There is "NO PARKING 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the school frontage on Dobson Crescent to allow vehicles to queue to enter into the Kiss & Ride.
- There have been a number of reports of vehicles driving along the verge and footpath in an attempt to get around the congestion on Dobson Crescent.



Figure 2: Existing parking restrictions.

On Myra Ave, school traffic is prohibited from turning left upon exiting which was a
condition imposed under the Development Consent in 2002. An "ALL TRAFFIC
RIGHT ONLY" sign was approved and installed to address concerns raised by
residents of the potential risks in increasing in traffic along Myra Avenue heading
southbound.



- There is currently unrestricted parking on the southern side of Myra Avenue between the school driveway and Lane Cove Road. Hence vehicles turning right exiting the school joins a queue around parked vehicles waiting to turn left onto Lane Cove Road.
- During a site inspection, it was observed that the hold up in the movement of vehicles through the on-site Kiss & Ride area was due to vehicles queuing on Myra Avenue to turn left onto Lane Cove Road. As a result this was causing queuing on Dobson Crescent.

Myra Avenue is a loop road that runs parallel and intersects Lane Cove Road at 160m apart. Hence removal of the right turn only requirement out of the school would allow vehicles to disperse in both directions along Myra Avenue onto Lane Cove Road, thus improving traffic flow and reducing the congestion on Dobson Crescent.

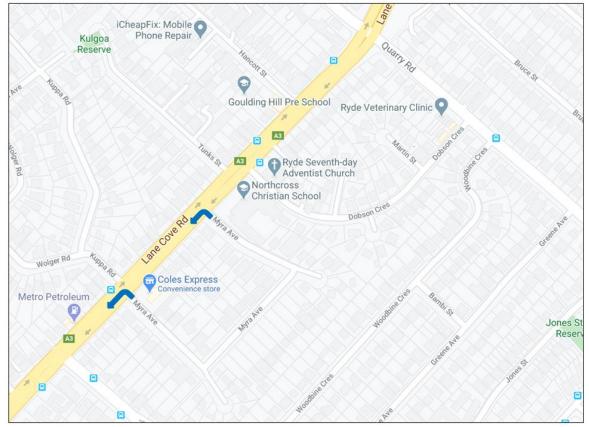


Figure 3: Lane Cove Road and Myra Avenue intersections.



# Proposal:

With the increased numbers of vehicles using the Kiss & Ride facility due to Covid-19 restrictions and increasing risks to pedestrians, a review was undertaken with the following changes being proposed:

- Myra Avenue Removal of the existing "ALL TRAFFIC RIGHT ONLY" to reduce congestion by dispersing traffic in both directions to Lane Cove Road.
- Myra Avenue Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the frontage of No. 59 Lane Cove Road to provide storage for queuing vehicles turning left onto Lane Cove Road.
- Dobson Crescent Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the northern side between Lane Cove Road and Martin Street to provide sufficient lane width for two way traffic.



Figure 4: Proposed changes on Myra Avenue



Figure 5: Proposed changes on Dobson Crescent

# **Community Consultation:**

Council conducted consultation on the above proposals from 1 - 31 July 2020 with the results contained in Table 1.

Location	Myra Avenue	Dobson Crescent
Surveys distributed	57	22
Responses received	4	5
Support	2	3
DO NOT support	2	1
Undecided	0	1
Not specified	0	0

Table 1: Summary of survey results.

A petition was also received from 13 other properties along Myra Avenue and Adam Street objecting to the proposal to remove "ALL TRAFFIC RIGHT ONLY" at the school. The main concern was the lack of footpath on Myra Avenue and the potential risks to pedestrians with the increase of traffic flow.

To address residents' concern, Council has secured funding from an external government grant to construct a footpath along the entire length of Myra Avenue in this financial year.

A traffic count was also conducted in March 2020 indicating approximately 70 vehicles used the Kiss & Ride and exited via Myra Avenue between 3 – 3:30pm. If vehicles were



permitted to turn left out of the school and with a 50/50 distribution, it is estimated that there could be an addition 35 vehicles over the 30mins period during the school pick up time along the Myra Avenue. This suggests that the traffic impact would be minimal to the local network.

In addition, a resident on Dobson Crescent also submitted an electronic petition from 2019 with 102 signatures requesting the Council to install parking restrictions on one side of Dobson Crescent to allow two way traffic flow. This has been considered as support for the installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the northern side between Lane Cove Road and Martin Street.

#### Recommendation:

That the Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be undertaken:

- 1. Myra Avenue Removal of the existing "ALL TRAFFIC RIGHT ONLY" opposite the egress driveway from Northcross Christian School.
- 2. Myra Avenue Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the side frontage of No. 59 Lane Cove Road.
- 3. Dobson Crescent Installation of "NO STOPPING, 8:00AM-9:30PM & 2:30PM-4:00PM, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" along the northern side between Lane Cove Road and Martin Street.



ITEM (J): HALCYON STREET, GLADESVILLE

SUBJECT: ALTERATION TO PARKING RESTRICTIONS

ELECTORATE: LANE COVE

WARD: EAST

ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED T2020-00693

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary interest with regard to the item discussed below.

# **DISCUSSION:**

Council has received a request to investigate traffic congestion associated with Rhapsody Dance Studios which operates from Gladesville Bowling and Sports Club located at 181A Ryde Road, with a frontage on Halcyon Street.

Given that there is 40m between the intersection of Ryde Road and the entrance to the dance studio vehicles are regularly observed queueing on the western side of Halcyon Street to, and in some cases onto, Ryde Road. Whilst this queue is formed there is insufficient space to allow for the passage of any traffic as the carriageway width of Halcyon Street at this location is 7.3m.



Figure 1: Location Plan

# ITEM 20 (continued)

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**



Ryde Traffic Committee

The issue at this location is the localised congestion caused by parents picking up and dropping off children from the Rhapsody dance studio. The use of this facility was approved by Council as part of LDA2015/0642.

The dance studio is approved for classes for up to 64 children, which is expected to generate traffic of 54 vehicles per hour in peak periods, as identified in the traffic assessment submitted as part of the development application.

Council have been in contact with the operators of the dance studio regarding congestion on Halcyon Street, in response to Council's concerns the studio has adjusted the operation of the site.

Where previously classes began and ended on the hour, arrangements have been made for students to be dropped off 10 minutes prior to the commencement of classes to separate those dropping off students with those picking up from the previous class.

The studio has also positioned a marshal in the porte cochere to supervise the operation of the pick-up and set down. Parents using the porte cochere have been directed to exit the site via a left turn only with those accessing Ryde Road to do so via Swan Street.

The level of congestion at the studio has been significantly reduced by these actions, however some issues are still present, which can be largely resolved through alteration of parking restrictions in the area. The studio operator has agreed to formalise the changes in a Traffic Management Plan, which will be drafted by Council's traffic section. This document will manage the operations of the studio and advise parents of the conditions.

It has been observed that vehicles parking in the unrestricted parking on the opposite (eastern) side of Halcyon Street are allowing parents to pick up and drop off children, creating pedestrian movements across Halcyon Street. This is a short section of unrestricted parking, sufficient for three vehicles. Removal of this parking will prevent the pedestrian activity associated with the uncontrolled drop off and improve the traffic flow.

During observations of the site it was noted that the intersection of Halcyon Street and Ryde Road is not well defined with vehicles turning right from Halcyon Street frequently too far across the intersection impeding the movement of vehicles turning right into Halcyon Street from Ryde Road. This can be addressed by the installation of a small section of double barrier (BB lines) on Halcyon Street and hold line (TB) lines at the intersection.

When this dance studio was approved it was a condition of consent that 12 spaces be allocated within the existing carpark, off Swan Street, to manage overspill from the studio. It should be noted that Gladesville Bowling Club has submitted a development application to convert one bowling green into additional car parking. Additional parking provided as part of this development will remove some demand for parking on Halcyon Street and Pelican Street. The Traffic Management Plan will incorporate the use of these spaces.

The revised parking restrictions and the implementation and formalisation of the Traffic Management Plan will significantly reduce the localised congestion previously observed on Halcyon Street.



#### Recommendation:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that the following changes be made:

- That 24m of No Parking be installed on the eastern side of Halcyon Street between the existing No Parking zones, at the driveway access of No181 Ryde Road and 1.5m north of the driveway access of No.15 Halcyon Street.
- That a Traffic Management Plan be created to formalise the current traffic flow arrangements at Rhapsody Dance Studio (181A Ryde Road).
- 3. The intersection of Halcyon Street and Ryde Road be line marked with TB hold lines and 10m of BB line be installed on Halcyon Street.

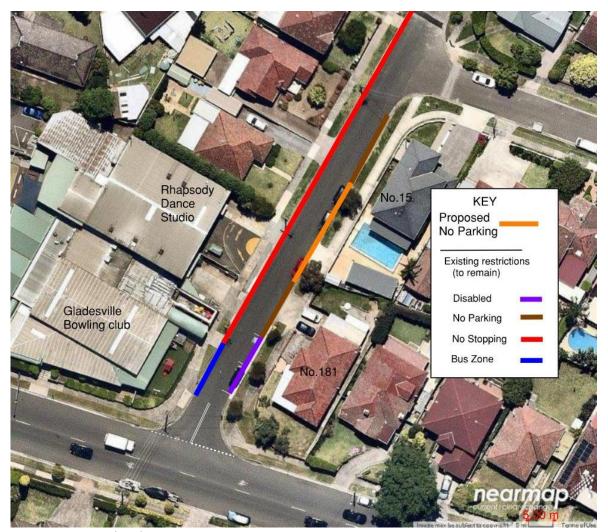


Figure 2: Proposed Parking Restrictions



# 21 REPORTS DUE TO COUNCIL

Report prepared by: Civic Services Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/4/2 - BP20/855

# 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 8 September 2020 (listing ATTACHED – CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER).

It should be noted that when this report was last presented to Council on 23 June 2020, there were 75 reports listed and following consideration of that report there were 33 overdue reports due to Council.

There are currently 69 reports listed in the attachment and following consideration of this report, there will be 39 overdue reports due to Council.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report on Outstanding Council Reports be endorsed.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

1 Outstanding Reports to Council - as at 8 September 2020 - CIRCULATED UNDER SEPARATE COVER

Report Prepared By:

Amanda Janvrin Civic Services Manager

Report Approved By:

John Schanz Manager - Corporate Governance

Steven Kludass Director - Corporate Services



# INFORMATION REPORT

22 REPORT FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL - EXCLUSION OF ITEM OF BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 AUGUST 2020

Report prepared by: General Manager

File No.: CLM/20/1/1/2 - BP20/918

# **REPORT**

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of one (1) item of business (proposed Notice of Motion) that was excluded from the Agenda for the Council Meeting of 25 August 2020 in accordance with Section 3.32 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice which reads as follows:-

3.32 The General Manager must not include in the agenda for a meeting of Council any business of which due notice has been given if, in the opinion of the General Manager, the business is, or the implementation of the business would be, unlawful. The General Manager must report, without giving details of the item of business, any such exclusion to the next meeting of Council.

This was excluded as in my opinion and after consultation with the appropriate Council staff, the implementation of the item of business was considered to be unlawful.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.

Report Prepared and Approved By:

George Dedes General Manager



# **NOTICES OF MOTION**

1 DEFERRED MOTICE OF MOTION: CITY OF RYDE COMMUNITY SUPPORT PLAN DURING THE COVID-19 AND RECOVERY PLAN FROM COVID-19 - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

File Number: CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/472

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meetings held on 26 May 2020 and 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

- (a) That the General Manager prepare a City of Ryde Community Support Plan on how City of Ryde can support the Ryde Community to cope with the COVID-19 crisis focused on economically disadvantaged citizens. The report to be presented at the next Council meeting with recommendations for immediate implementation.
- (b) That the General Manager prepare a City of Ryde Recovery Plan, to present to Council which includes:-
  - (i) a financial recovery plan;
  - (ii) an organisational recovery plan; and
  - (iii) a community and economic recovery plan.
- 2 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: GRANT VISA EXTENSIONS TO THE HONG-KONG INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WHO BECAME POLITICAL REFUGEES Councillor Dr Peter Kim

**File Number:** CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/593

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council declare that "Ryde Council support the Hong Kong ex-pats in Ryde and Australia in pursuing a democratic way of life". All supporting Councillors to sign the declaration and initiate a media campaign through the usual medial channels.
- (b) That Council write to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Immigration, and their Federal oppositions to consider offering a four-year extension of visas to those Hong Kong International Students and ex-pats already in Australia.
- (c) That the General Manager reports all correspondences on this subject in the Council meeting agenda under the Precis of Correspondence.



# 3 DEFRRED NOTICE OF MOTION: 'CLOSING THE GAP' IN RYDE LGA - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

File Number: CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/592

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

- (a) That the Council affirm our commitment in 'Closing the Gap' that aims to reduce disadvantage among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ryde citizens with respect to life expectancy.
- (b) That the Council affirm its commitment in reducing 'the Gap' by accelerating improvements in life outcomes, programs and services need to be designed, developed and implemented in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, primarily living in Ryde.
- 4 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: GENERAL MANAGER PERFORMANCE REVIEW Councillor Dr Peter Kim

File Number: CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/764

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

That the Council allow all twelve (12) Councillors to participate in the upcoming General Manager Performance Review.

5 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: COUNCILLORS REGISTER OF INTEREST - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

**File Number:** CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/870

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

#### **MOTION:**

That the General Manager publish the Councillors' register of interest in the Council website.



# 6 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: CITY OF RYDE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS - Councillor Dr Peter Kim

File Number: CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/871

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

That the General Manager provides a report on:-

- Details of all current legal cases
- Identify all cases that do not have a reasonable prospect of success
- Identify all cases that can be resolved via mediation
- Ryde Council policy changes required to seek compulsory mediation before starting any legal proceedings
- All legal proceedings to be only commenced with the approval of the Council through the Council meeting which includes a signed Statutory Declaration by the legal officer to attest that the proposed case has a reasonable prospect of success
- 7 DEFERRED NOTICE OF MOTION: RYDE RELIEF SMALL BUSINESS FUND Councillor Dr Peter Kim

File Number: CLM/20/1/1/6 - BP20/872

This Notice of Motion was deferred from the Council Meeting held on 25 August 2020.

# **MOTION:**

- (a) That Council establishes the Ryde Relief Small Business Grant to all our town centres and small businesses in Ryde, with the exclusion of recipients of Eastwood Small Business Grant.
- (b) That \$6.5m be proposed for this initiative and funded from the 'Investment Property Reserve'.
- (c) That the 28 day public exhibition period to commence in September 2020.
- (d) That this initiative be notified to the small businesses through all media channels, business chambers and organisations, and letterbox drops of the flyers to the small businesses in the shopping districts.
- (e) That after the exhibition period, the report to be brought back to the Council with recommendations about implementation of the Ryde Relief Small Business Grant in October 2020.



# **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

# 23 ADVICE ON COURT ACTIONS

# Confidential

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

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

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

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

**Report prepared by:** General Counsel **File No.:** GRP/09/5/15 - BP20/809

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