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ICAC INVESTIGATION

The City of Ryde Council today has been advised of an upcoming public inquiry by the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), to be centred on allegations involving the Mayor, CIr Ivan Petch, and external parties.

ICAC will be holding a public hearing which will commence on Monday 15 July 2013 in Sydney. The hearing is expected to run for 7 – 10 days.

Council's Acting General Manager, Danielle Dickson, said due to the confidential nature of all ICAC investigations, she is not in a position to publicly discuss details of the investigation or the scheduled public hearing.

Ms Dickson said that while it was a challenging time for both the community and the staff, the day-to-day operations of Council will not be affected by the investigation.

"ICAC's Notice of the public inquiry makes no reference to the operational workings of Council or the high level of service that Council staff provides to our community," she said.

Ms Dickson added that the City of Ryde will continue to cooperate fully with the ICAC investigation and inquiry.

For full Terms of Reference and information on this matter go to www.icac.nsw.gov.au/investigations/current-investigations/investigationdetail/195

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