

City of Ryde MEDIA RELEASE

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MAYOR ACKNOWLEDGES SUFFERING CAUSED TO COUNCILLORS BY ICAC

At an Extraordinary Council Meeting on Friday 16 September 2016, the new Mayor of the City of Ryde, Clr Bill Pickering, tabled a Mayoral Minute that acknowledges the current status in relation to the previous investigation undertaken by the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

In his first act as Mayor, Clr Pickering said: "It is important to put the record straight that three serving Councillors - Clr Jeff Salvestro-Martin, Clr Justin Li and Clr Terry Perram - had been excluded from any charges whatsoever following the ICAC investigation and hearings commenced in 2012.

"As Mayor, I wish to personally acknowledge the personal hurt and suffering that has been caused to these three Councillors and their families by the investigation process.

"The City of Ryde needs to move on from this short, but dark time in our history. We must look to the future with all Councillors playing their role for the betterment of our City."

The Mayoral Minute was adopted by Council.

For a full transcript of Mayoral Minute # 14-16 go to www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/MM14

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