

MINUTES

Council Meeting
3 December 2019

Minutes of the Council Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 3 December 2019, in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

COMMENCING: 6:30pm

PRESENT: Councillor Matthew Blackmore
Councillor Maryanne Duggan
Councillor Nella Hall
Councillor Stephanie Kokkolis
Councillor Karen Pensabene
Councillor Gulian Vaccari

STAFF: Henry Wong, Chief Executive Officer
Stephen Clements, Deputy CEO, GM Planning, Environment & Urban Services
Anthony Hewton, GM, People Place & Civic Services
Cathryn Bush, Executive Manager Administration Services
David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer

1. **OPENING:** The Prayer was read.

2. **RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS:** The Recognition was read.

3. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Antoine Doueihi (Mayor).

4. **OPEN FORUM**

Mr Gregory Dening addressed the meeting to discuss the Hudson Park Concept Plan.

Mr Michael Benson addressed the meeting to discuss the redevelopment of Hudson Park.

Dr Damian Maher addressed the meeting to discuss the Strathfield Connector.

Dr Robyn Pogmore addressed the meeting to discuss Voluntary Planning Agreements.

5. **PECUNIARY INTEREST /CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Item 13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal.

Councillor Vaccari declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant interest in *Item 13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal* submitting the following reason:

"I am a member of Strathfield Rotary whose appeal would benefit if the NOM is approved. I will not vacate the room."

Councillor Hall declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant interest in *Item 13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal* submitting the following reason:

"Member of Rotary and former Board Member of Bendigo. I will vacate the chamber."

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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RESOLVED: (Vaccari / Hall)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting meeting held on 5 November 2019, a copy of which has been furnished to each Councillor, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting and that the Chairman and General Manager be authorised to sign such minutes.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

7.1 Acknowledgement 100th Birthday - Mr Cyril Clymo

RECOMMENDATION

That Council write to Mr Cyril Clymo on his 100th birthday to acknowledge Mr Cyril Clymo on reaching this milestone centenary birthday and to congratulate him on turning 100 years of age.

MOTION: (Hall / Pensabene)

That Council write to Mr Cyril Clymo on his 100th birthday to acknowledge Mr Cyril Clymo on reaching this milestone centenary birthday and to congratulate him on turning 100 years of age.

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RESOLVED: (Hall / Pensabene)

That Council write to Mr Cyril Clymo on his 100th birthday to acknowledge Mr Cyril Clymo on reaching this milestone centenary birthday and to congratulate him on turning 100 years of age.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil

8. DEFERRED/OUTSTANDING MATTERS AWAITING REPORT

Nil.

9. MAYORAL MINUTE(S) IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

Nil.

10. COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR (SUBMITTED IN WRITING IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE)

Nil.

11. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil.

12. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

12.1 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 19 November 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 19 November 2019 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

Note: Mr John Krebs, representative from the Marie Bashir Public School Parents & Citizens Association, addressed the meeting to discuss road safety near Marie Bashir Public School.

MOTION: (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 19 November 2019 be noted and the recommendations be adopted with the exception of Item 6.9 of 19 November 2019 Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes.
2. That Item 6.9 (Albert Road & Heyde Avenue, Strathfield) of the 19 November 2019 Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes be referred to a future Traffic Committee meeting, with options for the treatment of the marked elevated crossing to improve pedestrian safety taking into account the age of the children involved, for further consideration.

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RESOLVED: (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 19 November 2019 be noted and the recommendations be adopted with the exception of Item 6. of 19 November 2019 Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes.
2. That Item 6.9 (Albert Road & Heyde Avenue, Strathfield) of 19 November 2019 Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes be referred to a future Traffic Committee meeting, with options for the treatment of the marked elevated crossing to improve pedestrian safety taking into account the age of the children involved, for further consideration.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

13. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO NOTICE

13.1 Pedestrian Crossing - Hampstead Road, Homebush West – Councillor Hall

MOVED:

That Council investigate with the Traffic Committee the possibility of installing a pedestrian crossing on Hampstead Road in the vicinity of Melville Reserve.

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RESOLVED: (Hall / Blackmore)

That Council investigate with the Traffic Committee the possibility of installing a pedestrian crossing on Hampstead Road in the vicinity of Melville Reserve.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal – Councillor Vaccari and Kokkolis

MOVED:

That in view of the recent and ongoing disastrous drought across a number of states, including NSW, that Council:

1. Make a \$5,000 donation to the recently launched Bendigo and Adelaide Bank/Rotary Clubs of Australia Drought Appeal.
2. Provide an opportunity for our community to also contribute by supporting the work which Strathfield Rotary will do in fundraising for this initiative at the upcoming Christmas Carols at Bressington Park.
3. Establish collection points at various customer interaction points (up until Christmas Eve).
4. Advertise this initiative on all of Council's electronic platforms, encouraging residents and ratepayers to also contribute, and noting that contributions can also be made at the Homebush and Strathfield Branches of the Bendigo Community Bank. That residents be made aware that donations above \$2 are tax deductible.

Note: Councillor Hall having declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant interest in Item 13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal, left the Chamber at 7:23pm and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter.

Note: Councillor Vaccari declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant interest in Item 13.2 Council Support for the Australian Drought Appeal and did not vacate the Chamber.

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RESOLVED: (Vaccari / Kokkolis)

That in view of the recent and ongoing disastrous drought across a number of states, including NSW, that Council:

1. Make a \$5,000 donation to the recently launched Bendigo and Adelaide Bank/Rotary Clubs of Australia Drought Appeal.
2. Provide an opportunity for our community to also contribute by supporting the work which Strathfield Rotary will do in fundraising for this initiative at the upcoming Christmas Carols at Bressington Park.
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For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

13.3 Council Membership of the Australian Local Government Women's Association – Councillor Pensabene

MOVED:

1. That Strathfield Council become a member of the Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA).
2. That the annual tax deductible membership fee of \$275 be funded from the general funds budget.

Note: Councillor Hall returned to the meeting, the time being 7:42pm.

MOTION: (Pensabene / Duggan)

1. That Strathfield Council become a member of the Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA).
2. That the annual membership fee of \$275 be funded from the budget.

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RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Duggan)

1. That Strathfield Council become a member of the Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA).
2. That the annual membership fee of \$275 be funded from the budget.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

13.4 Creation of a Strathfield Council Multicultural Committee – Councillor Pensabene

MOVED:

That Strathfield Council report to the March 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting the possibility of introducing a Multicultural Committee in Strathfield.

MOTION: (Pensabene / Hall)

That Strathfield Council report to the March 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting the possibility of introducing a Multicultural Committee in Strathfield.

For the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Motion was put and Councillor Blackmore (Deputy Mayor/Chair) stated there being no majority declared the motion **Lost**.

13.5 Support of Local Government NSW 'Save Our Recycling Campaign' – Councillor Pensabene

MOVED:

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council make representation to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
3. That Council write to the Premier, The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Energy and Environment, The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Treasurer, The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Shadow Minister for the Environment and Heritage, The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC, and Shadow Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Greg Warren, seeking support for the 100% reinvestment of the Waste Levy collected each year into waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
4. That Council take a leading role in activating the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' campaign locally.
5. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.
6. That Council formally advise Local Government NSW that Council has endorsed the '*Save Our Recycling*' advocacy initiative.

MOTION: (Pensabene / Duggan)

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council make representation to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
3. That Council write to the Premier, The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Energy and Environment, The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Treasurer, The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Shadow Minister for the Environment and Heritage, The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC, and Shadow Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Greg Warren, seeking support for the 100% reinvestment of the Waste Levy collected each year into waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
4. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.

FORESHADOWED MOTION: (Blackmore)

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council write to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP and the Minister for Energy and Environment, The Hon. Matt Kean MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
3. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.

MOTION: (Pensabene / Duggan)

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council make representation to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.

3. That Council write to the Premier, The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP, Minister for Energy and Environment, The Hon. Matt Kean MP, Treasurer, The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP, Shadow Minister for the Environment and Heritage, The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC, and Shadow Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Greg Warren, seeking support for the 100% reinvestment of the Waste Levy collected each year into waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
4. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.

For the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Motion was put and Councillor Blackmore (Deputy Mayor/Chair) stated there being no majority declared the motion **Lost**.

The Foreshadowed Motion became the **Motion**.

MOTION: (Blackmore / Vaccari)

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council write to and make representation to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP and the Minister for Energy and Environment, The Hon. Matt Kean MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
3. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.

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RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Vaccari)

1. That Council endorse Local Government NSW's campaign, '*Save Our Recycling*', to realise the reinvestment of 100% of the Waste Levy collected each year by the NSW Government in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
2. That Council write to the local State Member, The Hon. Jodi McKay MP and the Minister for Energy and Environment The Hon. Matt Kean MP, in support of this campaign objective – for the NSW Government to commit to reinvest 100% of the Waste Levy in waste minimisation, recycling and resource recovery.
3. That Council endorse the distribution and display of the Local Government NSW '*Save Our Recycling*' information on Council premises, as well as involvement in any actions arising from the initiative.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari
Against the Motion: Nil.

13.6 Climate Change Policy and Strategy – Councillor Duggan

MOVED:

1. That Council prepare a draft Climate Change Policy and Strategy for an April 2020 Councillor Workshop which includes the following:
 - a. Action and initiatives to support Council, residents and local businesses to become more energy efficient and increase the use of low-carbon and renewable energy;
 - b. Membership of the Cities Power Partnership program;
 - c. Redesign of the Climate Change information on the Council website to incorporate information on impact on the local area, mitigation initiatives and support for local renewable energy projects;
 - d. Carbon emission targets for the Local Government Area and the incorporation of these targets in the Strathfield Local Strategic Planning Statement;
 - e. Establish a Climate Change Mitigation Grant in the Council's annual community grants program;
 - f. Establish Climate Change Leadership Awards in 2020 to recognise local businesses, schools, community and youth initiatives aimed at reducing carbon footprint, increasing the use of renewable energy, and/or action to reduce risks associated with climate change.
2. That Council provide a detailed report to the July 2020 Council Meeting on actions and achievements towards becoming a more energy efficient area and reducing the local carbon footprint.

MOTION: (Duggan / Pensabene)

1. That Council prepare a draft Climate Change Policy and Strategy for an April 2020 Councillor Workshop which includes the following:
 - a. Action and initiatives to support Council, residents and local businesses to become more energy efficient and increase the use of low-carbon and renewable energy;
 - b. Redesign of the Climate Change information on the Council website to incorporate information on impact on the local area, mitigation initiatives and support for local renewable energy projects;
2. That Council provide a detailed report to the October 2020 Council Meeting on actions and achievements towards becoming a more energy efficient area and reducing the local carbon footprint.

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RESOLVED: (Duggan / Pensabene)

1. That Council prepare a draft Climate Change Policy and Strategy for an April 2020 Councillor Workshop which includes the following:

- a. Action and initiatives to support Council, residents and local businesses to become more energy efficient and increase the use of low-carbon and renewable energy;
 - b. Redesign of the Climate Change information on the Council website to incorporate information on impact on the local area, mitigation initiatives and support for local renewable energy projects;
2. That Council provide a detailed report to the October 2020 Council Meeting on actions and achievements towards becoming a more energy efficient area and reducing the local carbon footprint.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

13.7 International Day of People with a Disability 2019 – Councillor Duggan

MOVED:

1. That Council acknowledge *'International Day of People with a Disability 2019'* by becoming a member of The Australian Network on Disability.
2. That Council report back to the July 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting on achievements and initiatives in relation to inclusion of people with disability.

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RESOLVED: (Duggan / Hall)

1. That Council acknowledge *'International Day of People with a Disability 2019'* by becoming a member of The Australian Network on Disability.
2. That Council report back to the July 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting on achievements and initiatives in relation to inclusion of people with disability.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

13.8 Donation to 'Symphonia Jubilate Outback' Initiative – Councillor Duggan

MOVED:

That Council organise for an appropriate donation for the Symphonia Jubilate Outback initiative.

MOTION: (Duggan / Pensabene)

That Council donate \$2,000 for the Symphonia Jubilate Outback initiative.

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RESOLVED: (Duggan / Pensabene)

That Council donate \$2,000 for the Symphonia Jubilate Outback initiative.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

CS1 Investment Report as at 31 October 2019

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RESOLVED: (Vaccari / Kokkolis)

That the record of cash investments as at 31 October 2019 be noted.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil

CS2 Current Status of Council Resolutions

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RESOLVED: (Vaccari / Hall)

That the report on the current status of Council resolutions be received and noted.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Nil.

DEU1 Community Participation Plan - Outcome of Exhibition

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RESOLVED: (Vaccari / Pensabene)

1. That Council note the Community Participation Plan is a transfer of existing advertising and notification procedures for development applications.
2. That the provisions of Part L in the Strathfield Consolidated Development Control Plan 2005 be repealed.
3. That Council accept the report and endorse the implementation of the draft Community Participation Plan as Council's community engagement framework.
4. That Authority be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer to make any further minor amendments, correct errors or technical revisions to the Community Participation Plan.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Duggan, Hall, Kokkolis, Pensabene and Vaccari
Against the Motion: Nil.

15. MATTERS OF URGENCY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CLAUSE 241 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT GENERAL REGULATION, 2005

Nil.

16. CLOSED SESSION

Nil.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9:07pm.

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 4 February 2020.

Chairman_____ Chief Executive Officer_____