

# **MINUTES**

**Council Meeting**

**7 August 2018**

Minutes of the Council Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 7 August 2018, in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

**COMMENCING:** 6.30pm

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

**STAFF:** Henry Wong, General Manager  
Stephen Clements, Director Infrastructure, Development & Environment  
Anthony Hewton, Director Corporate & Human Services  
James Ng, Manager Administration  
Kathie John, Acting Governance Coordinator

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

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

3. **APOLOGIES**

Nil

4. **OPEN FORUM**

Teresa Le Strange addressed the meeting concerning Pilgrim Park and Item 5.1 Senior Staff Matter – Notice of Rescission signed by Councillors Vaccari, Kokkolis and Blackmore dealt with at Council's Extraordinary Meeting held on 9 July 2018.

Sue McDonald addressed the meeting discussing the budget regarding Council's live music in Strathfield Square event held during the summer months.

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

Nil

6. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**158/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Kokkolis / Doueih)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting meeting held on 3 July 2018, 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, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

**159/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Kokkolis / Vaccari)

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting meeting held on 9 July 2018, 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, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

## **7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

### **7.1 Father Paul Ryan**

That Council acknowledge the passing of Father Paul Ryan.

Councillor Vaccari advised that he attended the funeral of Father Paul on 7 August 2018.

Councillor Pensabene also acknowledged Father Paul.

### **7.2 107th Birthday - Ms Johanna Zirkzee**

Cr Gulian Vaccari attended Ms Zirkzee's 107th Birthday on 4 August 2018 and presented her with flowers on behalf of Council.

## **8. DEFERRED/OUTSTANDING MATTERS AWAITING REPORT**

Nil

## **9. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS**

Nil

## **10. MAYORAL MINUTE(S) IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL'S CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

### **10.1 Mayoral Minute No. 16/18 - Chess Board Strathfield Square**

I MOVE:

1. That a Giant Chess Board be installed in Strathfield Square before 1 December 2018:
  - a. The preferred location of the Chess Board being the western side boundary behind the bus shelter, but Council officers to provide advice if this is not appropriate.
  - b. The chess pieces to be left in Strathfield Square between 8am till 4:30pm Monday to Friday and during the appropriate daytime hours on the weekends depending on Council staff working hours.

**160/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

THAT:

1. That a Giant Chess Board be installed in Strathfield Square before 1 December 2018:
  - a. The preferred location of the Chess Board being the western side boundary behind the bus shelter, but Council officers to provide advice if this is not appropriate.
  - b. The chess pieces to be left in Strathfield Square between 8am till 4:30pm Monday to Friday and during the appropriate daytime hours on the weekends depending on Council staff working hours.
2. That this initiative be funded at the next Budget Quarterly Review.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

## **10.2 Mayoral Minute No. 17/18 - Graffiti Initiatives**

I MOVE:

1. That with immediate effect Strathfield Council move to a policy of addressing high risk, public facing graffiti prone areas with the application of an appropriate mural.
2. That using its extensive archives and resident knowledge base, Council ensures that all murals which are commissioned reflect the history of the immediate area.
3. That this initiative addresses not only problem Council property, but also property owned by other government organisations (for example, railways, schools etc.) and also private property.
4. That an appropriate protocol be developed so that the permission of non-Council land owners can be sought and gained.
5. That given their successful and ongoing mural initiative, the Inner West Council be

consulted in the setting up of this project.

6. That this initiative be funded at the next Budget Quarterly Review.

**161/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

1. That with immediate effect Strathfield Council move to a policy of addressing high risk, public facing graffiti prone areas with the application of an appropriate mural.
2. That using its extensive archives and resident knowledge base, Council ensures that all murals which are commissioned reflect the history and heritage of the immediate area.
3. That this initiative addresses not only problem Council property, but also property owned by other government organisations (for example, railways, schools etc.) and also private property.
4. That an appropriate protocol be developed so that the permission of non-Council land owners can be sought and gained.
5. That this initiative be funded at the next Budget Quarterly Review.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

### **10.3 Mayoral Minute No. 18/18 - Smoke Free Laws**

I MOVE:

That Council provide:

1. A report to an upcoming workshop on the number of fines:
  - a. Issued to people for smoking within four (4) metres of a pedestrian entrance/exit to any licensed premises or restaurant in the Strathfield local government area.
  - b. Issued to people smoking in outdoor public places including within 10 metres of children's playgrounds, spectator areas at sports ground/recreation facilities, public transport stops and platforms and within four (4) metres of any entrance to any public building within Strathfield local government area.
2. A report to the October 2018 Council meeting including, but not limited to, the revenue raised, the number of fines issued, campaigns conducted to educate people about the legislation concerning where they can't smoke, and future plans for increased enforcement in Strathfield local government area.

**162/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

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2. A report to the October 2018 Council meeting including, but not limited to, the revenue raised, the number of fines issued, campaigns conducted to educate people about the legislation concerning where they can't smoke, and future plans for increased enforcement in Strathfield local government area.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **10.4 Mayoral Minute No. 19/18 - Synthetic Sports Pitches and Improved Basketball/Netball Facilities**

I MOVE:

1. That the construction of two (2) of the synthetic sports pitches foreseen by Council's recently adopted Community Strategic Plan be fast-tracked and be completed by the end of this financial year.
2. That the opportunity for a complex of outdoor basketball or netball courts be investigated.
3. That Council officers recommend by way of report the best location for these facilities to be constructed but take into account:
  - a. The fact that Council's existing synthetic sports pitches are in the centre and north of the LGA, and that there is a lack of such facilities in other areas.
  - b. That Council desires a net increase in formal sports grounds if possible, not just the replacement of existing sports grounds with synthetic sports pitches.
  - c. The opportunities which the reassignment of Hudson Park Golf Course might present.

**163/18**

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  - b. That Council desires a net increase in formal sports grounds if possible, not just the replacement of existing sports grounds with synthetic sports pitches.
  - c. The opportunities which the reassignment of Hudson Park Golf Course might present.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **10.5 Mayoral Minute No. 20/18 - Solar Panels on Council Building**

This Motion was Withdrawn.

#### **10.6 Mayoral Minute No. 21/18 - Heritage Properties and Conservation Zones**

I MOVE THAT:

1. Council ensures that its policy on turning individual properties into heritage items takes into strong account the attitudes of the current owner of the property, to the extent that listing should not proceed if the current property owner is not in favour.
2. Council ensures that its policy on the creation of conservation zones takes into account the need for the overwhelming number (80%) of potentially affected residents to be supportive of any proposal to create the said conservation zone.

**164/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

That:

1. Council ensures that its policy on turning individual properties into heritage items takes into strong account the attitudes of the current owner of the property, to the extent that listing should not proceed if the current property owner is not in favour.
2. Council ensures that its policy on the creation of conservation zones takes into account the need for the overwhelming number (80%) of potentially affected residents to be supportive of any proposal to create the said conservation zone.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

#### **10.7 Mayoral Minute No. 22/18 - Return and Earn Scheme**

I MOVE:

That Council write to the Minister for the Environment, the Hon. Gabrielle Upton to:

1. Congratulate her on the overwhelming success of the Return and Earn Scheme, which has so far collected more than 460 million drink containers from 632 collection points across NSW since its introduction on 1 December 2017;
2. Thank the Minister for installing a two-bay Return and Earn collection station at Strathfield Town Centre, which processes on average more than 120,000 containers each week; and
3. Request the Minister to introduce legislation as a matter of urgency banning single-use plastic shopping bags in all NSW retail businesses. Further that the government legislate a compulsory charge of 50 cents per 'reusable bag' retailers might wish to distribute.

**165/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

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3. Request the Minister to introduce legislation as a matter of urgency banning single-use plastic shopping bags in all NSW retail businesses. Further that the government legislate a compulsory charge of 50 cents per 'reusable bag' retailers might wish to distribute.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

Cr Nella Hall left the meeting, the time being 07:09 PM

#### **10.8 Mayoral Minute No. 23/18 - Solar My School**

I MOVE:

That Council engage with 'Solar My Schools' to introduce the program into schools within the Strathfield LGA, commencing with a pilot program at Strathfield Girls High School, and then potentially to other educational institutions within the LGA.



**166/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**10.9 Mayoral Minute No. 24/18 - Traffic Lights Cnr Flemington and Parramatta Roads, Homebush West**

I MOVE:

That Council write to the Minister for Transport, The Hon. Andrew Constance, MP to request a set of traffic lights at the corner of Flemington and Parramatta Roads, Homebush West. The letter should provide brief details of resident concerns, a need to improve pedestrian access to local transport links, growing population and previous unsuccessful discussions with the Roads and Maritime Services.

**167/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

That Council write to the Minister for Transport, The Hon. Andrew Constance, MP to request a set of traffic lights at the corner of Flemington and Parramatta Roads, Homebush West. The letter should provide brief details of resident concerns, a need to improve pedestrian access to local transport links, growing population and previous unsuccessful discussions with the Roads and Maritime Services.

Cr Nella Hall returned to the meeting, the time being 07:11 PM

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**10.10 Mayoral Minute No. 25/18 - Women's Shelter Working Group**

I MOVE:

1. That Council write to The Hon. Pru Goward MP, Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault inquiring as to the level of funding which is available from the state government for women's shelters, and more generally what initiatives and support the state government has in place to reduce the rates of domestic violence in our community.
2. That Council play an increased role in advocating for increased funding for the

sector.

3. That Council in association with its local businesses host an annual Mayoral local toy drive at Christmas open to residents, ratepayers and Council staff, the proceeds of which to be distributed to needy local residents, including those subject to domestic violence.
4. That Council create a directory of services available to the victims of domestic violence and have it available on Council's website.
5. That relevant organisations, including local schools, be invited to participate in Strathfield Council's White Ribbon Day events.
6. That Council contact the Hills Shire Council to obtain information about and then investigate that councils Transitional Housing Policy and the basis on which The Sanctuary-Hills Women's Shelter was established and the governance and financial models under which it operates.
7. That the Strathfield Council Women's Shelter Working Group be abandoned with immediate effect in favour investigation of the above mentioned Transitional Housing Policy.

168/18

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

1. That Council write to The Hon. Pru Goward MP, Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault inquiring as to the level of funding which is available from the state government for women's shelters, and more generally what initiatives and support the state government has in place to reduce the rates of domestic violence in our community.
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6. That Council contact the Hills Shire Council to obtain information about and then investigate that councils Transitional Housing Policy and the basis on which The Sanctuary-Hills Women's Shelter was established and the governance and financial models under which it operates.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**169/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari)

That:

That the following will be discussed at a Councillor Workshop:

7. That the Strathfield Council Women's Shelter Working Group be abandoned with immediate effect in favour investigation of the above mentioned Transitional Housing Policy.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

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

Nil

**12. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

Nil

**13. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

**13.1 Report from Strathfield Women's Shelter Working Group meeting held on 25 June 2018**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Strathfield Women's Shelter Working Group meeting held on 25 June 2018 be noted and the recommendations (if any) be adopted.

**170/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Duggan)

That the matter be Deferred.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**13.2 Report from Traffic Committee meeting held on 17 July 2018**

**171/18**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 17 July 2018 be noted and the recommendations (if any) be adopted.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

#### 14. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO NOTICE

##### 14.1 Park Exercise Equipment at Cosgrove Park – Cr Pensabene

I MOVE:

That Council investigate and report on the cost of installing 'park exercise equipment' at Cosgrove Park.

**172/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That Council investigate and report on the cost of installing 'park exercise equipment' or other alternative improvements at Cosgrove Park.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

##### 14.2 Offensive Noises – Cr Hall

I MOVE:

That council prepare a report which includes a compliance policy for Council's management of offensive noise incidences including noise arising from Industrial, commercial, residential, animals or pet noises.

**173/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Blackmore)

That council prepare a report which includes a compliance policy for Council's management of offensive noise incidences including noise arising from Industrial, commercial, residential, animals or pet noises.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

##### 14.3 Increasing Access to Greenspace for Junior Sports – Cr Blackmore

I MOVE:

That:

1. A report be provided to the September, 2018 council meeting on the feasibility of using the green space associated with the Dutton Centre for organised junior sporting groups to train on. The report include details of any other group currently using the outdoor facilities.
2. The report include how appropriate lighting could be made available considering mid winter use, and also if any area within the perimeter would be more suitable than any other area within the perimeter so as to minimise affectation on local residents.

**174/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Doueihi)

That:

1. A report be provided to the September, 2018 council meeting on the feasibility of using the green space associated with the Dutton Centre for organised junior sporting groups to train on. The report include details of any other group currently using the outdoor facilities.
2. The report include how appropriate lighting could be made available considering mid winter use, and also if any area within the perimeter would be more suitable than any other area within the perimeter so as to minimise affectation on local residents.

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Pensabene

#### **14.4 Reimbursement from State Government of Amalgamation Court Proceeding Costs – Cr Pensabene**

I MOVE:

That Council report on the status of the court proceedings with the State Government regarding the court costs to be paid back to Strathfield Council after the decision of Amalgamation was not going to proceed.

**175/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Duggan)

That concerning proceedings commenced by Council in the Land and Environment Court of New South Wales against the Government of the State of New South Wales and the costs incurred in relation to the prosecution of that action, that Council report at the next workshop:

1. The current status of each proceeding commenced.
2. Steps taken by way of demand or in respect of cost assessment or otherwise to recover the costs of those proceedings from the State.
3. That Council's report be taken to the October Council Meeting.

For the purposes of the above motion, a reference to the proceedings is a reference to:

*Strathfield Municipal Council v Minister for Local Government* [2016] NSWLEC 124  
*Strathfield Municipal Council v Minister for Local Government* [2017] NSWCA 188

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Doueihi, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

#### **14.5 Community Facility Regular Hirer Fees and Charges Policy for Senior and Religious Groups – Cr Pensabene**

MOTION: (Pensabene / Hall)

I MOVE:

That Council administers the following policy for General Fees and Charges for Senior and Religious groups.

REGULAR HIRE GROUPS using the Community facilities for 350 hours or less per year, pay \$500 per year inclusive of cleaning and utility costs.

The policy will exclude premium spaces e.g. Town Hall, but applicable to General Community Centres across the LGA.

For the Motion: Councillors Duggan, Hall and Pensabene

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Mayor declared the Motion Lost.

#### **14.6 Residential Strata Waste Services Report - Cr Blackmore**

I MOVE:

That Council prepare a report to the October ordinary council meeting investigating the current services provided to residential Strata properties within our LGA.

The report to include but not limited to:

- \* Educational information, signage and other resources we could provide to residents, strata managers, body corporate and real estate agents in relation to available waste services including bin repairs, rules in relation to waste services and availability of council clean ups to owners and tenants.

- \* Feasibility of auditing Residential Strata properties in relation to their waste services including but not limited to appropriate services and bin repair or replacement.

- \* Potential programs that could be established in relation to Residential Strata Blocks reducing their waste.

\* The possibility of a welcome package to new residents to include waste calendar, available waste services, street sweeping calendars and councils relevant contacts.

The report to include budgetary implications, funding source and expected timeframe.

That Council invite the chair of the owners corporation of each strata block to an appropriate Council forum.

Cr Nella Hall left the meeting, the time being 08:13 PM

Cr Nella Hall returned to the meeting, the time being 08:15 PM

**176/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Kokkolis)

That Council prepare a report to the October ordinary council meeting investigating the current services provided to residential Strata properties within our LGA.

The report to include but not limited to:

\* Educational information, signage and other resources we could provide to residents, strata managers, body corporate and real estate agents in relation to available waste services including bin repairs, rules in relation to waste services and availability of council clean ups to owners and tenants.

\* Feasibility of auditing Residential Strata properties in relation to their waste services including but not limited to appropriate services and bin repair or replacement.

\* Potential programs that could be established in relation to Residential Strata Blocks reducing their waste.

\* The possibility of a welcome package to new residents to include waste calendar, available waste services, street sweeping calendars and councils relevant contacts.

The report to include budgetary implications, funding source and expected timeframe.

That Council invite the chair of the owners corporation of each strata block to an appropriate Council forum.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **14.7 Feasibility of Joining the Climate Council's Cities Power Partnership (CPP) – Cr Duggan**

MOTION: (Duggan/Pensabene)

I MOVE:

That a report be prepared for the September 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting on the feasibility of joining the Climate Council's Cities Power Partnership (CPP).

The report to include information on the following:

- 1) Details of the CPP including broad aims and objectives
- 2) Potential benefits of membership
- 3) 5 possible key actions which Council could nominate for the Strathfield Local Government Area which would improve the uptake of renewable energy, reduce carbon emissions, enhance energy efficiency and increase the use of sustainable transport.

For the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Mayor declared the Motion Lost.

#### **14.8 Feasibility of Strathfield Council Joining the “Renew our Libraries” Campaign – Cr Duggan**

MOTION: (Duggan/Pensabene)

I MOVE:

That a report be prepared for the September 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting on the feasibility of Strathfield Council joining the “Renew our Libraries” campaign initiated by the NSW Public Libraries Association and Local Government NSW. The campaign has been initiated in response to successive NSW State Government’s reduction in public library funding and further budget cuts in the 2018/2019 NSW State Budget.

The report to include information on the following:

- 1) Details of NSW Government funding cuts to public libraries
- 2) Aims and objectives of the “Renew our Libraries” campaign
- 3) The steps council could take to support the campaign.

For the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

The Mayor declared the Motion Lost.

#### **14.9 Drought Assistance Drive – Cr Duggan**

I MOVE:

That Strathfield Council conduct a drought assistance fundraising drive for a registered charity involved in helping farmers during the worsening drought crisis.

It is recommended that council convene a project group with interested councillors to arrange:

- a) Selection of an appropriate registered charity,(e.g. Aussie Helpers, Rural Aid, Buy a Bale, Drought Angels, or the Lions Club's Need for Feed), and



- b) Development of a project plan, including marketing/communication, fundraising administration, potential collection avenues (e.g. councils, residents, businesses, Spring Fair), liaison with the registered charity and any other related issue.

Cr Karen Pensabene left the meeting, the time being 08:27 PM

Cr Karen Pensabene returned to the meeting, the time being 08:28 PM

**177/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Duggan / Kokkolis)

That Strathfield Council conduct a drought assistance fundraising drive for a registered charity involved in helping farmers during the worsening drought crisis.

It is recommended that council convene a project group with interested Councillors to arrange:

- a) Selection of an appropriate registered charity,(e.g. Aussie Helpers, Rural Aid, Buy a Bale, Drought Angels, or the Lions Club's Need for Feed), and
- b) Development of a project plan, including marketing/communication, fundraising administration, potential collection avenues (e.g. councils, residents, businesses, Spring Fair), liaison with the registered charity and any other related issue.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **14.10 Bankstown/Marrickville Corridor and Inner West Council Planned Precinct – Cr Pensabene**

This Motion was Withdrawn.

### **15. GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **GM1 Draft Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy**

RECOMMENDATION:

That as required under Section 253(1) of the *Local Government Act, 1993*, (the Act), the draft 'Strathfield Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy' be placed on public exhibition for 28 days with any submissions received reported back to Council.

**178/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari / Kokkolis)

That as required under Section 253(1) of the *Local Government Act, 1993*, (the Act), the draft 'Strathfield Councillors Expenses and Facilities Policy' be placed on public exhibition for 28 days with any submissions received reported back to Council.

That the following clauses in the policy are amended as shown:

- 6.5. In relation to all Sister City visitations, Councillors will self-fund airfares.
- 6.9 Any Council-funded airfares will be funded to economy level only.
- 6.23. No alcohol will be provided at any Council function apart from when external dignitaries are invited.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Doueihi, Hall, Kokkolis and Vaccari

Against the Motion: Councillors Duggan and Pensabene

## **GM2 Marketing and Communications Plans for Council Run Events**

**179/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Kokkolis)

That the report be received and noted.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

## **GM3 Council's Reachout Program**

RECOMMENDATION:

I MOVE:

That Council investigate and prepare a report for the following resident reach out programs including an Outdoor Entertainment Program of:

1. Live music in Strathfield Square during the summer months
2. Homebush Village Fair
3. BBQ's in the park incorporating council information stand and Meet Your Councillor

**180/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Blackmore)

That Council investigate and prepare a report for the following resident reach out programs including an Outdoor Entertainment Program of:

1. Live music in Strathfield Square during the summer months
2. Homebush Village Fair
3. That the budget for the music in Strathfield Square be limited to \$20,000 and the budget for the Homebush Village Fair be limited to \$25,000.
4. The location of the Homebush Village Fair only be on Rochester Street between The

Crescent and Burlington Road.

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

Against the Motion: Councillor Pensabene

The Mayor declared the Motion Carried.

### **CS1 Investments Report as at 30 June 2018**

**181/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Vaccari)

That the record of cash investments as at 30 June 2018 noted.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

### **CS2 Renaming Parts of Belfield**

**182/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Blackmore)

That Council consult with residents who would be affected by the proposal to rename parts of Belfield to Strathfield South and then submit the proposal to the Geographical Names Board of New South Wales for consideration.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

### **CS3 Easy to do Business - Service NSW**

**183/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Vaccari / Hall)

That Council enter into an agreement with Service NSW to participate in the *Easy to do Business* program.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

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**CS4 Current Status of Council Resolutions**

**184/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Kokkolis / Hall)

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

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**ID1 Identifying Leash Free Areas**

**185/18**

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore / Kokkolis)

1. That Council note the community response and do not proceed with Leash Free Areas at Pilgrim Park, Boden Reserve and Wallis Reserve.
2. That Council does not investigate additional leash areas in the Local Government Area (LGA) as the existing leash free areas are sufficient to accommodate the residents.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

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

**17. CLOSED SESSION**

Nil

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.00pm.**

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 4 September 2018.

Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

General Manager\_\_\_\_\_