

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

# COUNCIL MEETING

## MINUTES

Tuesday 1 February 2022

Minutes of the Council Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 1 February 2022, in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

**COMMENCING:** 2pm

**PRESENT:** Councillor Matthew Blackmore  
Councillor Karen Pensabene  
Councillor Benjamin Cai  
Councillor Raj Datta  
Councillor Nella Hall  
Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran  
Councillor Sandy Reddy

**STAFF:** Henry Wong, Chief Executive Officer  
Anthony Hewton, Director Corporate and Human Services  
Melinda Aitkenhead, Director - Corporate and Financial Services  
Francis Mangru, Executive Manager, Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer  
Kandace Lindeberg, Executive Manager Landuse Planning  
David McQuade, Governance Manager

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

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

3. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Maheswaran (lateness).

4. **PECUNIARY INTEREST /CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Councillor Cai declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest for *Item 12.5 Traffic Light Installation at Flemington Road and Parramatta Road Intersection – Councillor Karen Pensabene*. Councillor Cai is a resident of Flemington Road.

Councillor Maheswaran arrived at the meeting, the time being 2:04pm.

Councillor Maheswaran declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest for *Item 12.10 Upgrade at the Junction of Underwood Road and Centenary Drive – Councillor Karen Pensabene*. Councillor Maheswaran has a professional client who resides nearby this junction.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**5.1 Notation of Previous Council Meeting Minutes**

4/22

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the minutes of previous Council Meeting Minutes, 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.

*Voting on this item was unanimous*

**5.2 Confirmation of Extraordinary Council Meeting 12 January 2022 Minutes**

5/22

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting meeting held on 12 January 2022, 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.

*Voting on this item was unanimous*

**6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**6.1 Happy Lunar New Year – Councillor Matthew Blackmore**

Happy New Year. I also want to give special thanks to Dr David Tang and the Flemington Chamber of Commerce for organising this years event.

Lunar New Year serves as a great example of the value of cultural diversity and friendship in our community.

On behalf of Strathfield Council, I would like to wish everyone happiness, good health and good fortune for the Year of the Tiger.

Thank you.

**6.2 Aboriginal Flag - Council Chamber – Councillor Karen Pensabene**

I acknowledge that the Aboriginal Flag is now in Council Chambers and wish to acknowledge the placement of this flag and I wish to thank Mayor Blackmore for this great initiative. This flag was created as a symbol of unity and national identity for the Aboriginal people during the land rights movement in the 1970s. It has

become an enduring symbol of Aboriginal strength, representing Aboriginal people in their ongoing spiritual connection to the land. In view of the flag's wide acceptance and importance in Australian society, the Commonwealth took steps in 1994 to give the flag its legal recognition. We are very pleased today that we can now recognise and observe the importance of this flag in our Chamber.

### **6.3 Indian Republic Day 26 January 2022 – Councillor Raj Datta**

I'd like to acknowledge the celebration of Indian Republic Day on 26 January 2022. It is appreciated that Council acknowledge this celebration. Australia and India will continue to work well together in many forums.

### **6.4 Hindu Federation of Australia – Councillor Nella Hall**

I'd like to acknowledge the Hindu Federation of Australia for their great work in all those back to school packs handed out to the community and also in the library. There will be a lot parents who will be very, very grateful so thank you.

### **6.5 Indian Harvest Festival – Councillor Sandy Reddy**

I would like to acknowledge the Indian Harvest Festival also known as Sankranti. The Friends of India Australia organisation have taken the initiative to organise a big Harvest Festival in Strathfield Park on 27 February 2022. An invitation has been extended to the Mayor and Councillors.

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

Nil

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

### **8.1 Mayoral Minute 1/22 - Operational Committees**

6/22

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore)

1. That Council establish the following three new Operational Committees:

*Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee*

Aims:

- To provide a forum for raising issues affecting Strathfield's multicultural community generating appropriate responses from all sectors of the community to address such issues.
- To promote cross cultural understanding and harmony within the Strathfield LGA.
- To celebrate Strathfield's rich cultural diversity.
- To provide input and ideas to assist Council run programs, services and facilities in as culturally sensitive way as possible (including harmony day celebrations).

Wellbeing Advisory Committee

Aims:

- To promote wellness in the Strathfield LGA with a focus on women's issues, mental health, social isolation, key community health matters requiring interagency cooperation and key issues affecting the local community's wellbeing / quality of life.
- Provide input into key Council events related to the above themes such as International Women's Day, Share the Dignity Program, Are you OK Day / awareness on mental health issues and the neighbour 2 neighbour program.

Local Economic Development and Partnership Advisory Committee

Aims:

- To allow dialogue between key business and traders groups in the Strathfield LGA and Council to see what initiatives can be put in place to assist and promote Local Economic Development in the Strathfield LGA.
- To explore possible partnership opportunities and to allow input from local business to Council on how its programs, services and facilities can assist them and the broader community at the same time.
- Provide input into how to market the Strathfield LGA as a destination to do business or visit and utilize local businesses.

2. That the Chief Executive Officer to provide a briefing report with a recommended Terms of Reference (including membership make up) for each Committee to the March 2022 Councillors Workshop.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

## 8.2 Mayoral Minute 2/22 - Comprehensive Tree Maintenance Program

7/22

**RESOLVED:** (Blackmore)

That Council:

Subject to statutory consultation requirements, provision be made in the Community Strategic Plan and the 2022/2023 Operational Plan for a comprehensive LGA wide tree maintenance program to include:

- Under pruning of street trees over footpaths, nature strips, driveways and roads;
- Clearance pruning of street trees focused around street and regulatory signs, street lights, streets with high volume large vehicle traffic;
- Street tree removal and then replacement of dead, dying or dangerous street trees;
- Pruning in key parks in the interests of safety and amenity including removal and replacement of dead or dying trees;
- Urgent and reactive work required in the course of the year following resident service requests and/or major storm events and the like.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

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

Nil

#### **10. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**

##### **10.1 Strathfield Local Planning Panel Members**

As it has been over 5 years since the SLPP members have been appointed, will the Mayor be reviewing a changeover of the members? How many appointed members and how many community members are on the Committee?

Mr Stephen Clements, Director Infrastructure, Development and Environment provided the following response:

Statutory rules govern Local Planning Panel operations and in 2021 the then Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment (DPIE) undertook a member refreshment program and in July 2021 Council's committee membership, including experts and community members were refreshed accordingly.

Further, in respect to the membership composition this is determined and mandated by DPIE's (now Department Planning and Environment) Local Planning Panel Charter and outlined in the Local Planning Panels Direction – Operational Procedures which Council must follow.

There are 12 expert members, including the Chair, and 6 community members. All are appointed by the Minister for Planning following a government mandated due diligence process.

## **11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

### **11.1 Report from Traffic Committee meeting on 16 November 2021**

**8/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 16 November 2021 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

### **11.2 Report from Traffic Committee meeting on 21 December 2021**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 December 2021 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

**MOTION:** (Hall / Pensabene)

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 December 2021 be noted and the recommendations be adopted subject to the following amendment:

Item 6.1 Rochester Street and Burlington Road, Homebush – Timed Parking, Kiss & Ride and Disabled Park Space

That the East Side of Rochester Street – modify 48 meters (7 car spaces) of the Kiss & Ride to No Parking 8:00am – 9:00am & 2:30pm – 3:30pm – SCHOOL DAYS, and 1P – 9:30am – 2:30pm/8:00am – 6:00pm SAT & SUN to 8:00am – 9:00am/2:30pm – 4:00pm – SCHOOL DAYS 1P – 9:00am – 2:30pm/8:00am – 6:00pm SAT & SUN.

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**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Pensabene)

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 December 2021 be noted and the recommendations be adopted subject to the following amendment:

Item 6.1 Rochester Street and Burlington Road, Homebush – Timed Parking, Kiss & Ride and Disabled Park Space

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For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

## **12. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO NOTICE**

### **12.1 Open Space in Courallie Avenue Precinct – Councillor Raj Datta**

MOVED:

That a report be presented before the Council at the April 2022 Council Meeting in relation to developing additional park/open space in the Courallie Avenue precinct:

1. The report to state progress achieved so far since 2017 September towards remediation of any contaminated land, progress on creating additional park space and amenities in the Courallie Avenue precinct of Homebush West.
2. The report to include options and plan including a timeline for delivery of the additional public space and amenities for the community as a priority deliverable.

**MOTION:** (Datta / Pensabene)

That a report be presented before the Council at the April 2022 Council Meeting in relation to developing additional park/open space in the Courallie Avenue precinct:

1. The report to state progress achieved so far since 2017 September towards remediation of any contaminated land, progress on creating additional park space and amenities in the Courallie Avenue precinct of Homebush West.
2. The report to include options and plan including a timeline for delivery of the additional public space and amenities for the community as a priority deliverable.
3. That Council update new Councillors on what work has been done since previous Council.

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**RESOLVED:** (Datta / Pensabene)

That a report be presented before the Council at the April 2022 Council Meeting in relation to developing additional park/open space in the Courallie Avenue precinct:

1. The report to state progress achieved so far since 2017 September towards remediation of any contaminated land, progress on creating additional park space and amenities in the Courallie Avenue



precinct of Homebush West.

2. The report to include options and plan including a timeline for delivery of the additional public space and amenities for the community as a priority deliverable.
3. That Council update new Councillors on what work has been done since previous Council.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.2 Safe Pedestrian Access at Marlborough Road/Homebush Bay Drive to Flemington Markets – Councillor Raj Datta**

11/22

**RESOLVED:** (Datta / Hall)

1. That Council prepares a report including possible options and funding needs for building a safe pedestrian access through the Marlborough Road/Homebush Bay Drive for the residents of the Courallie Avenue precinct for their safe access to the Flemington Market.
2. That the report be presented before the Council for review and consideration at the April 2022 Council Meeting with a view to progressing it through appropriate identified key stakeholders and agencies.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**Procedural Motion**

**MOTION:** (Hall)

That Items 12.3 Flyover/Overpass at Arthur Street and Centenary Drive, Homebush West – Councillor Raj Datta and 12.12 Resolution of Centenary Drive Traffic Choke-Point – Arthur Street and Centenary Drive – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran be considered together.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.3 Flyover/Overpass at Arthur Street and Centenary Drive, Homebush West – Councillor Raj Datta**

**MOVED:**

1. That Council prepares a report including possible options and funding needed for building a

flyover/overpass across the intersection of Arthur Street and Homebush Bay Drive in Homebush West.

2. That the report be presented before the Council for review and consideration in the April 2022 Council Meeting for further progress through identified agencies and key stakeholders.

**MOTION:** (Datta / Maheswaran)

1. That Council prepares a report including possible options and funding needed for building a tunnel/flyover/overpass across the intersection of Arthur Street and Homebush Bay Drive in Homebush West.
2. That the report be presented before the Council for review and consideration in the April 2022 Council Meeting for further progress through identified agencies and key stakeholders.
3. That Council write to relevant State Government agencies to request an update on plans to upgrade the junction at Arthur Street and Centenary Drive.

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**RESOLVED:** (Datta / Maheswaran)

1. That Council prepares a report including possible options and funding needed for building a tunnel/flyover/overpass across the intersection of Arthur Street and Homebush Bay Drive in Homebush West.
2. That the report be presented before the Council for review and consideration in the April 2022 Council Meeting for further progress through identified agencies and key stakeholders.
3. That Council write to relevant State Government agencies to request an update on plans to upgrade the junction at Arthur Street and Centenary Drive.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.4 Flag/Banner Holders in Strathfield LGA Shopping Centres and Outside Community Buildings –  
Councillor Karen Pensabene**

13/22

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Reddy)

That Council report to the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting the cost and implementation of flag/banner holders in Strathfield LGA shopping centres and poles outside prominent Community buildings e.g. library.

The report to include budget implications and time delivery of the project.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.5 Traffic Light Installation at Flemington Road and Parramatta Road Intersection – Councillor Karen Pensabene**

*Councillor Cai declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in this item and left the meeting, the time being 2:55pm.*

MOVED:

That Council write to Transport NSW, the NSW Minister for Planning and the construction company currently building the industrial site at the corner of Welfare Street and Parramatta Road, Homebush West, requesting the approved traffic lights be installed as soon as possible on the corner of Flemington Road and Parramatta Road.

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That Council write to Transport NSW to follow up, the NSW Minister for Planning and the construction company currently building the industrial site at the corner of Welfare Street and Parramatta Road, Homebush West, requesting the approved traffic lights be installed as soon as possible on the corner of Flemington Road and Parramatta Road with an update and approximate date for completion.

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**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That Council write to Transport NSW to follow up, the NSW Minister for Planning and the construction company currently building the industrial site at the corner of Welfare Street and Parramatta Road, Homebush West, requesting the approved traffic lights be installed as soon as possible on the corner of Flemington Road and Parramatta Road with an update and approximate date for completion.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

*Councillor Cai returned to the meeting, the time being 3:01pm.*

**12.6 Community Newspaper – Councillor Karen Pensabene**

**15/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That Council report to the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting options regarding:

- Providing an independent monthly newspaper
- To be delivered in mailboxes to all residents in the Strathfield LGA
- The report should include budget implications and tender process
- The community newspaper be part of the current CSP review and 2022/2023 Operational Plan

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **12.7 Strathfield Council Depot – Councillor Karen Pensabene**

**MOVED:**

1. That Council no longer endorses the moving of the Strathfield Council Depot at 1 Weeroona Road to Hudson Park West at Arthur Street..
2. All work associated with the planned move of the Council depot immediately cease.
3. This piece of land be restored as an urban park, including walkways and tree planting to restore the local flora and fauna.
4. That the tunnel under Hudson Park be restored and reopened for access to the community.

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Reddy)

1. That Council no longer consider the moving of the Strathfield Council Depot at 1 Weeroona Road to Hudson Park West at Arthur Street.
2. All work associated with the planned move of the Council depot immediately cease.
3. This piece of land be restored as an urban park, including walkways and tree planting to restore the local flora and fauna.
4. That the tunnel under Hudson Park be lit for access to the community.
5. That Council write to Crown Land to withdraw application for reclassification.

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**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Reddy)

1. That Council no longer consider the moving of the Strathfield Council Depot at 1 Weeroona Road to Hudson Park West at Arthur Street.
2. All work associated with the planned move of the Council depot immediately cease.
3. This piece of land be restored as an urban park, including walkways and tree planting to restore the local flora and fauna.
4. That the tunnel under Hudson Park be lit for access to the community.
5. That Council write to Crown Land to withdraw application for reclassification.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### 12.8 Planning Controls for Homebush West – Councillor Benjamin Cai

*Councillor Maheswaran declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in this item and left the meeting, the time being 3:17pm.*

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**RESOLVED:** (Cai / Hall)

That a report to the March Planning Workshop be prepared on the possibility of strengthening planning controls for land on Marlborough Road and Courallie Avenue, Homebush West, to ensure that developments in this local area are consistent with the rest of Strathfield, as expected by the community.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

*Councillor Maheswaran returned to the meeting, the time being 3:21pm.*

#### 12.9 Parking and Safety Improvement to Courallie Avenue, Homebush West – Councillor Benjamin Cai

18/22

**RESOLVED:** (Cai / Hall)

That an options report, with cost estimates, be provided to the April 2022 Council Meeting on the possibility of realigning/widening the full length of Courallie Avenue, Homebush West.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **12.10 Upgrade at the Junction of Underwood Road and Centenary Drive – Councillor Karen Pensabene**

*Councillor Maheswaran declared a non-pecuniary/non-significant conflict of interest in this item and left the meeting, the time being 3:25pm.*

MOVED:

That Council write to relevant MPs (including Federal MP Fiona Martin), State Government and Federal Government agencies to request an update on plans to upgrade the junction at Underwood Road and Centenary Drive.

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Datta)

That Council write to relevant MPs (including Federal MP Fiona Martin), State Government, Federal Government agencies, Olympic Park Authority, Canada Bay Council, Parramatta Council and Cumberland Council to request an update on plans to upgrade the junction at Underwood Road and Centenary Drive.

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**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Datta)

That Council write to relevant MPs (including Federal MP Fiona Martin), State Government, Federal Government agencies, Olympic Park Authority, Canada Bay Council, Parramatta Council and Cumberland Council to request an update on plans to upgrade the junction at Underwood Road and Centenary Drive.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

*Councillor Maheswaran returned to the meeting, the time being 3:28pm.*

#### **12.11 Naturalisation of the Cooks River – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran**

**20/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Maheswaran / Pensabene)

That Council write to relevant Ministers, Members of Parliament, State Government agencies and the Premier of New South Wales calling on the NSW Government to fully fund the naturalisation of the Cooks River through the Strathfield Local Government Area and the environmental remediation of the Cooks River

basin where required.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.12 Resolution of Centenary Drive Traffic Choke-Point - Arthur Street and Centenary Drive – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran**

Item 12.12 was considered during the discussion of Item 12.3.

**12.13 Homebush West Traffic Study – Councillor Sharnagan Maheswaran**

21/22

**RESOLVED:** (Maheswaran / Pensabene)

That a report, including costs, be provided to the March 2022 Council Meeting commissioning of a traffic/engineering study to upgrade Courallie Avenue in Homebush West with the objective of:

1. Allowing two way traffic along Courallie Avenue,
2. Providing additional street parking on Courallie Avenue and surrounding streets, and
3. Improving pedestrian walkways on Courallie Avenue, Marlborough Road, Mandemar Avenue, and Telopea Avenue to provide additional greenery and improve pedestrian safety – particularly, lighting around the Centenary Drive crossings.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.14 Local Environmental Plan 2021 – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran**

22/22

**RESOLVED:** (Maheswaran / Hall)

1. Council write to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to request an update on the gateway review of the Draft Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021.
2. That a report be prepared including costing on:
  - a) The preparation and sending residents a plain English summary of changes to the Local Environmental Plan specific to the suburb within the Council area
  - b) As part of the exhibition of the Draft Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021, Council prepare a series of community forums:



- i. Guided and advised by relevant urban planning and architects expertise,
  - ii. Where residents are able to voice their views on the future character of their communities
3. Council's currently adopted Community Participation Plan October 2020 be provided as part of the report.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **12.15 Council Property and Utilisation – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran**

**23/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Maheswaran / Reddy)

That a report be presented to the first available Councillor's Workshop setting out:

1. All property owned by Strathfield Council,
2. Identifying which properties are available for public access;
  - a) The terms on which public access is available and if data is available, and
  - b) Any data relating to the utilisation of the property.
3. The terms of any lease arrangement or agreement over the property between Strathfield Council and any third party.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **12.16 Safety Outdoor Dining – Councillor Nella Hall**

**MOVED:**

1. That Council investigate and report on the cost and benefits of installing bollards on each corner of Rochester Street and Burlington Road which contains outdoor dining tables.
2. That Council provide the report at the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting.

**MOTION:** (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That Council investigate and report on the cost and benefits of additional pedestrian safety measures on each corner of Rochester Street and Burlington Road with the intent of improving the safety of diners at



the outdoor dining table area.

2. That Council provide the report to a future Councillor Workshop.

**24/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That Council investigate and report on the cost and benefits of additional pedestrian safety measures on each corner of Rochester Street and Burlington Road with the intent of improving the safety of diners at the outdoor dining table area.
2. That Council provide the report to a future Councillor Workshop.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

#### **12.17 Public Toilet Signage – Councillor Nella Hall**

**MOTION:** (Hall / Cai)

That Council provide a report on the costs of including signage in each shopping precinct which directs the public to the nearest public toilet facility. Examples would be a sign directing the public to the public toilets at the Strathfield Library and Innovation Hub and at Homebush West to the public toilets at Flemington Station.

For the Motion: Councillors Cai and Hall

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Datta, Maheswaran and Reddy

The Mayor declared the Motion **Lost**.

#### **12.18 Night Time Safety Lighting at Pedestrian Crossings – Councillor Nella Hall**

**MOVED:**

1. That Council assesses each pedestrian crossing in the LGA for safety with regard to sufficient night time lighting above each pedestrian crossing.
2. That Council prepare a report with the findings and associated costs for the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, and that the costs be included in the 2022-2023 Operational Plan.
3. That Council also include the intended pedestrian crossing on Homebush Road near Strathfield Park as

part of the assessment and costing.

**MOTION:** (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That Council assesses each pedestrian crossing in the LGA for safety with regard to sufficient night time lighting above each pedestrian crossing.
2. That Council prepare a report with the findings and associated costs for the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, and that the costs be included in the 2022-2023 Operational Plan.
3. That Council also include any approved new pedestrian crossings as part of the assessment and costing.

**25/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Pensabene)

1. That Council assesses each pedestrian crossing in the LGA for safety with regard to sufficient night time lighting above each pedestrian crossing.
2. That Council prepare a report with the findings and associated costs for the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting, and that the costs be included in the 2022-2023 Operational Plan.
3. That Council also include any approved new pedestrian crossings as part of the assessment and costing.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**12.19 Mayor Elected by the Residents – Councillor Nella Hall**

**MOTION:** (Hall / Cai)

That Council include a constitutional referendum at the 2024 Local Council Elections to consider the democratic election of the Mayor by the electors and residents of the Strathfield LGA.

For the Motion: Councillors Cai and Hall

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Datta, Maheswaran and Reddy

The Mayor declared the Motion **Lost**.

**13. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**CS1 Electoral Funding Obligations of Newly Elected Councillors and Mayors**

**26/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Reddy)

That Council receive and note this report.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

## **CS2 Current Status of Council Resolutions**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Hall)

1. That the report on the current status of Council resolutions be noted.
2. That resolution 80/21 of the Ordinary Council Meeting 4 May 2021 – Item Local Environment Plan 2021 Community Consultation be reinstated in the Outstanding Council Resolutions Actions report.

**27/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

1. That the report on the current status of Council resolutions be noted.
2. That resolution 80/21 of the Ordinary Council Meeting 4 May 2021 – Item Local Environment Plan 2021 Community Consultation be reinstated in the Outstanding Council Resolutions Actions report.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

## **CS3 Investment Report - December 2021**

**28/22**

**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Hall)

That the record of cash investments month ending 31 December 2021 be received and noted.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**CS4 Voting Delegates for Special Local Government NSW Conference**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council nominate representatives to attend and vote at the Local Government NSW Special Conference to be held in person at the Hyatt Regency Sydney from Monday 28 February 2022 to Wednesday 2 March 2022.

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Datta)

1. That Councillor Blackmore, Councillor Pensabene and Councillor Reddy be nominated representatives to attend and vote at the Local Government NSW Special Conference
2. That Councillors interested in attending the event contact the CEO.

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**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Datta)

1. That Councillor Blackmore, Councillor Pensabene and Councillor Reddy be nominated representatives to attend and vote at the Local Government NSW Special Conference
2. That Councillors interested in attending the event contact the CEO.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**CS5 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government**

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council determine any Notices of Motion for submission to the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government by Friday 25 March 2022.
2. That Council determine its representation at the 2022 National General Assembly of Local Government.
3. That Council determine the voting delegate for the 2022 National General Assembly.

**MOTION:** (Pensabene / Cai)

1. That Councillor Blackmore be nominated the voting delegate for the 2022 National General Assembly.
2. That Councillors interested in attending the event contact the CEO.

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**RESOLVED:** (Pensabene / Cai)

1. That Councillor Blackmore be nominated the voting delegate for the 2022 National General Assembly.
2. That Councillors interested in attending the event contact the CEO.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

**PPC1 Breathing Life into Industrial Areas**

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**RESOLVED:** (Hall / Pensabene)

That the report be received and noted.

For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

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

Nil

**15. CLOSED SESSION**

Nil

**16. TABLED ITEMS**

- 16.1 Mayoral Diary and Expenses
- 16.2 Mayoral Invitations and Replies

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 4:28pm.**

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 1 March 2022.

Chairman\_\_\_\_\_

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