

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday 1 November 2022

6:30pm

Council Chambers

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield

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

COMMENCING: 6:30pm

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

STAFF: Michael Mamo, General Manager
Cathy Edwards-Davis, Director, Engineering and Operations
Tony Reed, Project Officer
Peter Coulton, Project Officer
Chris Nascimento, Manager, Corporate Services
Cathy Jones, Chief Strategy Officer
David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer

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

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

3. **APOLOGIES**

Nil.

4. **OPEN FORUM**

Mrs Mariana Emmanuel, Strathfield Council resident, addressed the meeting to discuss items:

1. Development at 38 Myrna Road
2. Cooks River pathway

Mr Assad Boutros, Strathfield Council resident, addressed the meeting to discuss Begnell Field – flooding at neighbouring properties.

Mrs Teresea Le Strange, Strathfield Council resident, addressed the meeting to discuss items:

1. Cooks River pathway
2. PV Narashima Rao (Rao) Celebration Bust – installation at Melville Reserve

5. PUBLIC ADDRESS

Nil.

6. PECUNIARY INTEREST /CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Reddy)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting meeting held on 4 October 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

8. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

8.1 Federal Government's Initiative in the Federal Budget Announcement – Councillor Karen Pensabene

I wish to acknowledge the Federal Government's initiative in the Federal Budget announced on Tuesday 25 October 2022.

Local Governments have signed up to a landmark Housing Accord between the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments, investors, and the residential development, building and construction sector that plans to deliver up to one million affordable homes for Australians.

President Linda Scott said including the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) as a representative of Australia's 537 Councils was recognition of the key role local government plays in facilitating affordable housing.

In response to ALGA's advocacy, the Federal Budget also included the \$250 million expansion of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program through to 2025-26, and a \$200 million per year Disaster Ready Fund from 2023-24.

Secured through ALGA's advocacy, this Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program extension will help Councils build and upgrade playgrounds, libraries, cycling paths, and swimming pools right across our nation.

ALGA's advocacy had also delivered an extra \$100 million in Financial Assistance Grants for councils in this year's Budget, bringing the total for 2022-23 to \$2.92 billion (including \$2.1 billion pre-paid in 2021-22).

8.2 Certificate of Achievement Award from Royal Australian Affiliated Societies Committee - Secretary of Historical Society, Ms Cathy Jones – Councillor Karen Pensabene

I wish to acknowledge and congratulate the Secretary of the Strathfield Historical Society, Ms Cathy Jones on receiving the Certificate of Achievement Award from the Royal Australian Affiliated Societies Committee.

Cathy received her award for absolute dedication and care for everything Historical in Strathfield, Including being the secretary for Historical Society for many years. Her wealth of knowledge about Strathfield's history is outstanding.

Congratulations Cathy, we know how much you do for our Strathfield area, but kudos to you - that the Australian Affiliated Society have recognised you as well. Such a great achievement.

This story, with Cathy's permission be published in the E News and in our next mail out Newsletter.

8.3 Victims of the South Korean Halloween Tragedy – Councillor Matthew Blackmore

At least 151 innocent people perished in a horrific incident as part of Halloween Celebrations in Seoul. On Behalf of Strathfield Councillors, Staff and Residents we wish to extend our deepest sympathies to the families and the Korean Community in Strathfield and our Sister City in Gapyeong.

8.4 Vani Devi - Daughter of PV Narashima Rao, 9th Prime Minister of India – Councillor Matthew Blackmore

I wish to extend our gratitude to Mrs Vani Devi for the donation of 5 books to the Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub. Some of these books are translated in Telugu and will be a great addition to our existing Telugu collection.

8.5 Principal of Seorak High School Gapyeong – Councillor Matthew Blackmore

I wish to extend thanks for the book of poems written by School Students in Korean donated to the Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub.

8.6 Acknowledgment of the work by Mr Tony Reed, Acting Director, Engineering and Operations and Project Officer – Councillor Matthew Blackmore

I wish to acknowledge the hard work of Mr Tony Reed, Acting Director, Engineering and Operations and Project Officer. Tony has been a figure of stability and common sense, and has helped Strathfield Council to

set a solid foundation for our new direction.

9. DEFERRED/OUTSTANDING MATTERS AWAITING REPORT

Nil.

Items by Exception – Section 13 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice

222/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That in accordance with Section 13 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice:

1. Council alters the Order of Business in accordance with Clause 8.1, and
2. The items listed below be dealt with by exception and that they be adopted as recommended by a single Motion:

- 10.1 Mayoral Minute 25/22 – Extension of Trading hours Hudson Park Driving Range
- 13.1 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 18 October 2022
- 14.2 Hudson Park Driving Range Issues - Councillor Benjamin Cai
- 14.6 Public Open Space - Homebush West - Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran
- GMU4 Sister City Visit to Gapyeong, South Korea
- GMU5 Annual Report 2021-2022
- CCS1 Investment Report - September 2022
- CCS2 Councillor Workshop 11 October 2022
- CCS3 Current Status of Council Resolutions
- CCS4 Councillor Workshop 19 October 2022
- CCS6 Tenders Advertised and Awarded October 2022
- CCS9 Councillor Workshop 26 October 2022
- EO1 Homebush West - Traffic Study
- EO2 26-28 Pomeroy Street
- EO4 Community Garden in Strathfield South
- EO5 Disabled Access to Bark Huts Reserve and Local Government Area Parks
- EO6 Shade Covers Over Playgrounds

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

Against the Motion: Nil

10.1 Mayoral Minute 25/22 - Extension of Trading Hours Hudson Park Driving Range

223/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Strathfield Council:

- Extend the hours of operation of the Hudson Park Driving Range
- That any development requirements be lodged in the earliest possible time frame and consultation be conducted as per the development requirements
- That the approved trading hours be changed to Monday to Sunday 6.30am - 1am
- That any permanent adjustment to actual operating hours be brought to Council
- That a report be brought to a future council meeting reviewing the efficiency of the current operating system with a view to increase turnover, increase self-serve capacity, reduce hogging of bays and increase other revenue streams

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

13.1 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 18 October 2022

224/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 18 October 2022 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

14.2 Hudson Park Driving Range Issues – Councillor Benjamin Cai

225/22

RESOLVED ON NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BENJAMIN CAI

Moved by: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That a report to Council be prepared on the feasibility of an automatic numbering queuing/ticketing machine at the Hudson Park Driving Range for users to create order and clarity about bookings and placement during operating times.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

14.6 Public Open Space - Homebush West – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran

226/22

RESOLVED ON NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR SHARANGAN MAHESWARAN

Moved by: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Council provide Councillors with recommendations at the next Councillor Workshop for:

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1. The resolution of the open air storage garbage at the corner of Courallie Avenue as well as identifying the underlying reasons that caused this wildly inappropriate situation to arise, and
 2. The strategic acquisition of land for dedication as public open space in the Homebush West area around Courallie Avenue and Marlborough Road.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

GMU4 Sister City Visit to Gapyeong, South Korea

227/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the report on the Council Sister City visit to Gapyeong, South Korea report be adopted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

GMU5 Annual Report 2021-2022

228/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

To adopt the Annual Report 2021-2022.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS1 Investment Report - September 2022

229/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the record of cash investments as at 30 September 2022 be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS2 Councillor Workshop 11 October 2022

230/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the report be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS3 Current Status of Council Resolutions

231/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

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

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS4 Councillor Workshop 19 October 2022

232/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the report be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS6 Tenders Advertised and Awarded October 2022

233/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the monthly report of Council tenders advertised and awarded in October 2022 be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS9 Councillor Workshop 26 October 2022

234/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That the report be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

EO1 Homebush West - Traffic Study

235/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Council undertake the Homebush West Precinct traffic study as part of the broader Strathfield Local Government Area Traffic and Transport Study, which is currently underway.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

EO2 26-28 Pomeroy Street

236/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

1. That Council advises the Department of Education that it is no longer prepared to leave the 26-28 Pomeroy Street, Homebush site on hold and that it is intended to proceed to assess the property for the provision of community facilities.
2. That Council proceeds to test for acid sulphate soil.
3. That Council enters an Expression of Interest process to attract proposals for establishing community facilities on the site.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

EO4 Community Garden in Strathfield South

237/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That consideration be given to a community garden in Dean Reserve in the Recreation and Open Space Study to determine the level of community support and the most suitable location.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

EO5 Disabled Access to Bark Huts Reserve and Local Government Area Parks

238/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Council receive and note the report.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

EO6 Shade Covers Over Playgrounds

239/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That:

1. Council liaise with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for funding from the WestConnex project for shade sails at Ismay Reserve.
2. Consideration be given to shade sails at Ismay Reserve South (20 Parramatta Road), Tavistock Reserve and Centenary Playground as part of the Open Space and Recreation Study, including identifying funding sources.
3. Shade sails not be installed at Strathfield Park and Freshwater Park as they have adequate shade from existing trees.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

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

10.2 Mayoral Minute 26/22 - Building Works Approved Hours of Construction and Types of Work

MOVED:

That Strathfield Council:

- Put as a standard condition of consent that "Hours of Construction" be between Monday to Saturday 7am to 5pm.
- That Council adds an addition clause which states something to the effect that works that do not create excessive noise, disrupt neighbours and do not use any form of machinery such as Painting, Flooring, Installations etc. to be permissible 7 Days a week between 7am to 5pm.
- That Council allow staff on any building site to access their Site Office or Lunch room from 6.30am with a view to eliminating any possible complaints from neighbours about staff loitering outside prior to commencing work.

MOTION: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

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2. That this matter be brought to a future Councillor Workshop.

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RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

1. That Strathfield Council:
- Put as a standard condition of consent that "Hours of Construction" be between Monday to Saturday 7am to 5pm.
 - That Council adds an addition clause which states something to the effect that works that do not create excessive noise, disrupt neighbours and do not use any form of machinery such as Painting, Flooring, Installations etc to be permissible 7 Days a week between 7am to 5pm.
 - That Council allow staff on any building site to access their Site Office or Lunch room from 6.30am with a view to eliminating any possible complaints from neighbours about staff loitering outside prior to commencing work.
2. That this matter be brought to a future Councillor Workshop.

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

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

Items dealt with by exception.

14. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO NOTICE

- 14.1 Notice of Rescission - Resolution 243/22, Strathfield 6-10 Year Housing Target – Councillor Karen Pensabene, Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran and Councillor Matthew Blackmore**

WE MOVED:

That on the basis that the Minister for Planning and Homes has indicated at a meeting held on 12 October 2022 with the Mayor and General Manager of Strathfield Council that the timeframe for satisfying the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021 (the 'Plan') gateway conditions, as specified, will be extended to

enable Council further time to complete the necessary strategic evidence base work and subsequent exhibition of a revised Plan.

Further, to enable Council to undertake the additional work on the Plan, we move that Council's decision of 4 October 2022 being Item PE2 in respect of Strathfield's 6-10 Year Housing Target be rescinded:

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RESOLVED: *(Blackmore / Pensabene)*

1. *Council supports the delivery of the 6-10yr housing supply within the Strathfield local government area.*
2. *Council is to commission studies within the Strathfield LGA mentioned within the Local Housing Strategy submitted to the department and as recommended by the Department in their letter dated 21st September 2021 including but not limited to the entire area subject to PRCUTS, Homebush West Town Centre/Flemington, Strathfield Town Centre including the expansion of the Town Centre, Liverpool Rd Centre and Belfield.*
3. *In order to meet our Communities needs for Housing Diversity and as per the recommendation of the Department, Council is to investigate areas of Low Density residential with the intention of reviewing the density and increasing our R3 areas to provide housing options such as Townhouses and Villas.*
4. *In order to meet our Communities needs for additional Freestanding Dwellings, Council is to investigate areas where properties have a Dual Street Frontage with the intention of providing an alternate minimum lot size to facilitate subdivision of these properties.*
5. *That Council investigates the inappropriate zoning of any Commercial Building with a view to rezone it back to a zoning which allows Commercial/ Shop top use.*
6. *That Council investigates the residents request for the removal of the Conservation Area located at Welfare St and Flemington Rd, Homebush West with a view of increasing its capacity as an employment zone.*
7. *That Council takes into consideration the recommendations of the Town Centre Masterplan Committee if they are endorsed by Council.*
8. *Council endorses a procurement process being undertaken to appoint suitably qualified consultants to prepare the relevant studies that will inform a future Planning Proposal as part of a significant amendment to the Strathfield local Environmental Plan (LEP) and possible future amendments to that LEP.*
9. *That a further update be provided to the December Council meeting on the outcome of the procurement process in item 2 above for Council to confirm the budget allocation and specific studies to be included as part of the initial version of the LEP and the studies to be included as part of future amendments to that LEP.*
10. *That the four existing proponent led planning proposals within the Homebush Precinct be brought to an ordinary Council meeting for Individual consideration.*
11. *Council withdraws the Strathfield LEP2021 from the NSW Planning Portal.*
12. *Council write to Strathfield's State and Federal Members and relevant Ministers seeking support*

in obtaining financial assistance from State Agencies, including Department of Planning and Environment and Transport for New South Wales to support a revised Planning Proposal for a comprehensive review of the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan.

13. *Council integrate its review of the employment zones and the enhancement of the employment zones into the LEP review.*
14. *That Council write to the Department of Planning and Minister for Planning to explain Council's non-compliance with the previous timetable for delivery of the Strathfield LEP and include in that correspondence Council's reasoning that the underlining strategic and planning studies required to provide an effective LEP including meeting the Department's expectations with respect to housing supply and employment zones where not sufficiently progressed. Council has now endorsed a strategy in which those studies will be undertaken subject to funding and with a view to complying with the Department's strategic objectives for the area.*

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

Against the Motion: Nil"

The Rescission Motion was put.

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Hall

The Mayor declared the Rescission Motion carried.

ALTERNATE MOTION: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

1. Council supports the delivery of the 6-10yr housing supply within the Strathfield local government area.
2. Council endorses a procurement process to appoint suitably qualified consultants to prepare the relevant studies to inform a future Planning Proposal/s for the North Homebush Precinct and to include the entire area of PRCUTS and adjoining residential and open space precincts. These studies will inform individual Planning Proposals which will be part of future amendments to the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan (LEP).
3. That a further update be provided to the December Council Meeting on the outcome of the procurement process in item 2 above for Council to confirm the budget allocation and specific studies to be included as part of the initial version of the LEP and the studies to be included as part of future amendments to that LEP.
4. Council writes to the Minister for Planning and Department of Planning & Environment seeking an extension to the Gateway Determination to allow Council to proceed with proposed Strathfield LEP 2021, incorporating the changes identified in the gateway conditions and submission of additional supporting documentation.
5. That the three existing proponent led planning proposals within the Homebush Precinct, that have already

received recommendations from the Strathfield Local Planning Panel (SLPP) to proceed, be presented at an Ordinary Council Meeting for Individual consideration.

6. In accordance with the Local Housing Strategy assurance letter, Council continues with the studies within the housing investigation Areas for Homebush West Town Centre/Flemington, Liverpool Road Centre and Belfield. A report for any Planning Proposal is to be presented to Councillor Workshop based on feasibility and economic analysis of these areas.
7. Council instigates a review and update of the Strathfield Local Housing Strategy, acknowledging the communities need for housing diversity and further investigate area of low density residential with the intention of reviewing the density and increase medium density residential zoned lands to provide additional housing options such as townhouse and villas.
8. Council endorses a procurement process to appoint suitably qualified consultants to prepare the relevant studies that will inform the Strathfield Town Centre Masterplan, which will include a potential expansion of the area. The relevant consultants are to liaise with key stake holders and the Strathfield Town Centre Masterplan Committee. The Masterplan is to inform a future Planning Proposal to amend the Strathfield LEP.
9. Further investigations be undertaken and reported back to future Council Workshops, with a view to these matters being incorporated into future amendments to the Strathfield LEP and is to include, but not limited to;
 - investigate areas where properties have a Dual Street Frontage with the intention of providing an alternate minimum lot size to facilitate subdivision of these properties
 - investigate the inappropriate zoning of any Commercial Building with a view to rezone it back to a zoning which allows Commercial/ Shop top use.
 - investigate the residents request for the removal of the Conservation Area located at Welfare Street and Flemington Road, Homebush West with a view of increasing its capacity as an employment zone.
10. That Council write to the Department of Planning and Minister for Planning to explain Council's non-compliance with the previous timetable for delivery of the Strathfield LEP and include in that correspondence Council's reasoning that the underlining strategic and planning studies required to provide an effective LEP including meeting the Department's expectations with respect to housing supply and employment zones where not sufficiently progressed. Council has now endorsed a strategy in which those studies will be undertaken subject to funding and with a view to complying with the Department's strategic objectives for the area.

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RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

1. Council supports the delivery of the 6-10yr housing supply within the Strathfield local government area.
2. Council endorses a procurement process to appoint suitably qualified consultants to prepare the relevant studies to inform a future Planning Proposal/s for the North Homebush Precinct and to include the entire

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

Against the Motion: Nil

**14.3 Street Bin Installation Along The Crescent between Flemington Station and Hornsey Road –
Councillor Benjamin Cai**

MOVED:

For a report to Council on the cost of purchasing and installing one or more street bins along The Crescent between Flemington Station and Hornsey Road.

MOTION: (Cai / Pensabene)

For a report to Council on the cost of purchasing and installing one or more street bins along the northern kerbside opposite Eastbourne Road on The Crescent.

FORESHADOWED MOTION: (Hall)

1. For a report to Council on the cost of purchasing and installing one or more street bins along the northern kerbside opposite Eastbourne Road on The Crescent.
2. And for the report also to include the installation of a street bin along Hume Highway, South Strathfield on the corner of Cosgrove Road at the bus stop.

The Motion was put.

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RESOLVED: (Cai / Pensabene)

For a report to Council on the cost of purchasing and installing one or more street bins along the northern kerbside opposite Eastbourne Road on The Crescent.

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Datta and Hall

The Foreshadowed Motion lapsed.

**14.4 Reporting on Council Casual and Temporary Staff and Contractor and Consultant Arrangements
– Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran**

MOVED:

That:

1. Council prepare a report for presentation at the next Councillor Workshop stating:
 - a) The number of people employed by Strathfield Council consistently for a period in excess of six months on a casual basis during FY2021/2022, FY2020/2021,
 - b) The number of people employed by Strathfield Council in excess of one year on a temporary contract during FY2021/2022, FY2020/2021, and
 - c) The number of contracts for the provision of services, where the service is predominantly the provision of labour (including where the contract is for the supply of labour and supplies but the predominant component of the supply is labour costs) and details of said contracts for FY2021/2022, FY2020/2021.
2. Council resolves in-principle that:
 - a) Where work is being undertaken by Council, it is preferable that the work be undertaken by permanent staff of the Council,
 - b) Strathfield Council does not support the use of contractors or consultants for services that could be economically undertaken by permanent staff of the Council, and
 - c) Where the undertaking of work by Strathfield Council staff is not possible or not desirable due to economies of scale, Council should look to partnerships with other Councils to undertake work.
3. On receiving the above mentioned report, Council will review the Contract Management Policy and Procurement Policy and make recommendations to the Councillors in Workshop on whether amendments are necessary to ensure the principles stated at point 2.
4. Council will assess whether it is feasible to publish the information mentioned at point (1) and provide its recommendations to Council in Workshop.
5. Council provide a report to the next Councillor Workshop setting out what procedures are in place by Council to ensure contractors and consultants engaged by Council have complied with relevant State and Federal laws regarding employment standards.

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RESOLVED: (Maheswaran / Pensabene)

1. Council prepare a report for presentation at the next Councillor Workshop stating:
 - a) The number of people employed by Strathfield Council consistently for a period in excess of six months on a casual basis during FY2021/2022, FY2020/2021,
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For the Motion: Councillors Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall and Maheswaran

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore and Reddy

14.5 Dedication of Land at Mandemar Avenue – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran

MOVED:

That Strathfield Council provide to the Councillors in Workshop an update on options to remediate or compel the remediation and make use of the land at Mandemar Avenue, forming part of the former Ford Motor Plant, including particularly any action required to be taken to decontamination of the land.

Councillor Maheswaran withdrew his Notice of Motion.

14.7 Planning Proposal to Rezone Land at Homebush – Councillor Sharangan Maheswaran

MOVED:

That Council prepare and lodge with the Department of Planning a Planning Proposal for the rezoning of the land located at:

- Lot 20 DP1031702 and Lot 9 DP958678

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- Lot 100 DP874681, part Lot 101 DP874681 and part Lot C and D DP15312
 - Lot 38 and 39 DP15312, part Lot 40 DP15312, part Lot 41A DP321739, X DP359920, part Lot 3
 - DP130612 and part Lot 4 DP15561
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For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

GMU1 Ismay Reserve Deed of Agreement

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- Note the report on the Draft Deed of Agreement dated 13 October 2022
- Authorise the General Manager to finalise and execute the Deed of Agreement

MOTION: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

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

Against the Motion: Nil

GMU2 Policy Review

RECOMMENDATION

That the following draft policies and strategy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days

and a subsequent report made to Council addressing issues raised from community feedback:

1. Draft Community Engagement Strategy
2. Draft Lobbying Policy
3. Draft Licencing and Leasing Policy
4. Draft Records Management Policy
5. Draft Nature Strip Maintenance Policy
6. Draft Library User Conduct Policy
7. Draft Library Public Access to Internet Policy

MOTION: (Maheswaran / Reddy)

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RESOLVED: (Maheswaran / Reddy)

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

Against the Motion: Nil

GMU3 WestInvest funding - reallocation of Local Government Funding Pool

247/22

RESOLVED: (Hall / Reddy)

That:

1. Council formally determines to not proceed with the Strathfield Leisure Centre Project (at Hudson Park) and updates the budget, Long Term Financial Plan, and other associated Integrated Planning & Reporting (IP&R) documents.
2. Council formally advise the Department of Premier and Cabinet that it wishes to withdraw its Local Government Allocation funding round WestInvest application (WILGA001), Hudson Park Leisure Centre.
3. Council approves for alternative applications and associated business cases to be prepared and lodged under the WestInvest Local Government Allocation funding round for the following projects:

Project	Estimated Cost \$
Hudson Park East	7,860,000
Airey Park	3,350,000
Begnell Field	6,300,000
Strathfield Park	1,300,000
Sub total	18,810,000
Allowance for contingency and escalation costs	3,005,000
Total	21,815,000

4. Council notes that the cost estimates may be adjusted as project scoping progresses in conjunction with the application process.
5. Council endorses amending the LRCI funding (Round 3) Project Nomination from the Hudson Park East/West underpass in order to use the funds to finalise the Town Hall repairs.
6. That the business cases submitted for each project be brought to the February 2023 Council Meeting for Councillors information.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

CCS5 Ordinary Council Meeting, Committee and Councillor Workshop Schedule 2023

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the 2023 Ordinary Council Meetings are held at 6:30pm on the first Tuesday of each month except

January in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield in accordance with clause 3.1 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice and section 365 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

2. That the Committee schedule be received and noted.
3. That Councillor Workshops for 2023 are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30am and as required by the General Manager with agreement from the Mayor in the Community Meeting Room, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield and by audio visual link.

MOTION: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

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2. That the November Ordinary Council Meeting be moved 14 November 2023.
3. That the October Ordinary Council Meeting be moved to 10 October 2023.
4. That the Committee schedule be received and noted.
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RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Datta and Maheswaran

CCS7 NSW Local Government 2024 Elections - Returning Office

249/22

RESOLVED: (Maheswaran / Reddy)

That Council write to the NSW Electoral Commission to indicate it's support for the proposal to locate the Returning Office for the NSW Local Government 2024 Election in the Combined Regional Returning Officer Office of Burwood, with neighbouring Councils the City of Canada Bay Council and Burwood Council.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

CCS8 Council Arrangements Over the Christmas and New Year Period Recess 2022/2023

250/22

RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Reddy)

1. That Council be in recess from Wednesday 7 December 2022 to Monday 6 February 2023.
2. That pursuant to section 377 of the *Local Government Act 1993* delegated authority be granted to the Mayor and the General Manager, jointly to exercise any function of the Council during the Council recess with the exception of:
 - Determination of applications for dwellings and ancillary structures and residential flat developments for which more than two objections have been received;
 - Determination of applications for residential flat buildings of three storeys or more;
 - Rezoning matters;
 - Subdivision applications (with the exception of strata subdivisions); and
 - Entering into of leases/licenses.
3. That a full list of any matters considered under such delegation be submitted for Council's information to the meeting to be held on Tuesday 7 February 2023.

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

Against the Motion: Cai, Datta and Hall

PEI Sydney Eastern Planning Panel - Strathfield Local Member

251/22

RESOLVED: (Reddy / Maheswaran)

1. That Council resolve to select Mike Ryan and Sue Francis as Local Members for the Sydney Eastern Local Planning Panel for a period of up to three years from the date of the Council resolution.

2. That Council resolve to select Fiona Prodromou as the alternate member for the Sydney Eastern Local Planning Panel for a period of up to three years from the date of the Council resolution.
3. That Council endorse the recommended remuneration for each panel member / panel meeting.
4. That Council endorse the draft Memorandum of Understanding to be sent to each Local Member.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

EO3 Australia Culture and Commerce Association (ACCA) Licence Request Strathfield Community Centre Office 1B Bates Street

252/22

RESOLVED: (Reddy / Hall)

That Council enter into a 2 year licence for the office at 1B Bates Street with the Australian Culture and Commerce Association. The licence fee is to be \$203.60 per month plus GST, and subject to annual CPI increases.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

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

Nil.

17. CLOSED SESSION

17.1 Mayoral Minute 27/22 - Possible Land Purchase

253/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That in accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) (ii) of the *Local Government Act 1993* the following matter be considered in Closed Session for the reason stated:

17.1 Confidential Mayoral Minute 27/22 – Potential Land Purchase

In accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) (ii) of the *Local Government Act 1993* this matter will be considered in Closed Session as it relates to commercial information of a confidential nature that

would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

The meeting Closed Session at 8:41pm.

Councillor Cai left the meeting, the time being 8:52pm.

The meeting commenced Open Session at 9:01pm.

OPEN COUNCIL RESUMED

17.1 Mayoral Minute 27/22 - Possible Land Purchase

254/22

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Pensabene)

That Council proceed as resolved in Closed Session.

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

Against the Motion: Nil.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9:04pm.

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 6 December 2022.

Mayor_____

General Manager_____