

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday 4 April 2023

6:30pm

Council Chambers

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield



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EO4 Confidential - Expression Of Interest - 1/29-35 Burlington Road, Homebush

In accordance with Section 10A (2) (c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* this matter will be considered in Closed Session as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business

16. Conclusion of Meeting

MICHAEL MAMO
GENERAL MANAGER

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday 7 March 2023

6:30pm

Council Chambers

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield



Minutes of the Council Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 7 March 2023, in the Council Chambers, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

COMMENCING: 6:30pm

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

STAFF: Michael Mamo, General Manager
Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community
Clare Harley, Director Planning and Environment
Cathy Edwards-Davis, Director Engineering and Operations
Don Johnston, Chief Financial Officer
David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer

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

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

3. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Maheswaran (late arrival was at 6:50pm).

4. **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (NATURE OF INTEREST TO BE DISCLOSED)**

Councillor Blackmore declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant conflict of interest for item *12.1 Notice of Rescission - Resolution 39/23 - PE4 Planning Proposal – 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush (provided by: Councillors Sharangan Maheswaran, Karen Pensabene and Sandy Reddy)* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion and voting on this item. Councillor Blackmore declared that he was approached by the proponent of this project to a matter.

Councillor Hall declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant conflict of interest for items *12.1 Notice of Rescission - Resolution 39/23 - PE4 Planning Proposal – 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush (provided by: Councillors Sharangan Maheswaran, Karen Pensabene and Sandy Reddy)* and *CCS4 Councillor Workshop 21 February 2023* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion and voting on this item. Councillor Hall declared an association with the lessee on Parramatta Road.

Councillor Cai declared a non-pecuniary non-significant conflict of interest for items *12.1 Notice of Rescission - Resolution 39/23 - PE4 Planning Proposal – 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush (provided by: Councillors Sharangan Maheswaran, Karen Pensabene and Sandy Reddy)* and *CCS4 Councillor Workshop 21 February 2023*, and managed both conflicts of interest by leaving the meeting during the discussions and voting on items. Councillor Cai declared that he leases a property in the Sydney Markets which is in the PRCUTS zone.

Councillor Maheswaran declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest for item *CCS4 Councillor Workshop 21 February 2023* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion and voting on this item. Councillor Maheswaran declared that he previously acted for a charity associated with a director of corporate entity owning land within the area and generally (he noted these services were free of charge).

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

5.1 Holi Festival Celebration – The Indian Festival of Colours – Councillor Raj Datta

I would like to acknowledge the two Holi Festival celebrations carried out over the weekend, one supported by Council and the other by Strathfield Australia-India Council. Councillor Reddy and Madam Mayor were graciously in attendance. It was one of the best events held with lots of people, colour and dance. It is a great event for the community and the Indian subcontinent community.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting 7 February 2023

52/23

RESOLVED: (Hall / Blackmore)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 7 February 2023, 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, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall and Reddy
Against the Motion: Nil

Extraordinary Council Meeting 28 February 2023

53/244

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Reddy)

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 28 February 2023, 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, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall and Reddy
Against the Motion: Nil

Extraordinary Council Meeting 2 March 2023

54/253

RESOLVED: (Hall / Blackmore)

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 2 March 2023, 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 these Minutes have the attendance of Councillor Cai recorded as being in attendance at 6pm in the Chamber recorded and, the Chair and General Manager be authorised to sign such minutes.

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

Councillor Maheswaran arrived at the meeting, the time being 6:50pm.

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

7.1 Mayoral Minute 09-23 Airey Park Refurbishment WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor

Blackmore's Term)

MOVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Airey Park Refurbishment WestInvest Funding: \$4,154,000.

54/23

RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Airey Park Refurbishment WestInvest Funding: \$4,154,000.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

7.2 Mayoral Minute 08-23 Begnell Field Revitalisation WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)

MOVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Begnell Field Revitalisation WestInvest Funding: \$7,812,000.

55/23

RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Begnell Field Revitalisation WestInvest Funding: \$7,812,000.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

7.3 Mayoral Minute 10-23 Hudson District Park East WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)

MOVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Hudson District Park East WestInvest Funding: \$8,233,600.

56/23

RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Dominic Perrottet and his Government for the Hudson District Park East WestInvest Funding: \$8,233,600.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

7.4 Mayoral Minute 11-23 Strathfield Park Revitalisation WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)

MOVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Domenic Perrottet and his Government for the Strathfield Park Revitalisation WestInvest Funding of \$1,615,400.

57/23

RESOLVED: (Pensabene / Blackmore)

That the Mayor of Strathfield and Councillors thank the Premier of NSW Domenic Perrottet and his Government for the Strathfield Park Revitalisation WestInvest Funding of \$1,615,400.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

8. ITEMS BY EXCEPTION

58/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

I move that in accordance with Section 13 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice the items below be dealt with by exception and that they be adopted as recommended by a single Motion:

GMU3 Draft Plans of Management for Crown Lands - Strathfield Park and Bressington Park

- CCS1 Investment Report as at 31 January 2023
- CCS2 Current Status of Council Resolutions
- CCS3 Councillor Workshop 15 February 2023
- CCS6 Small Grant Application
- PE1 Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy
- PE2 Strathfield Planning Agreement Policy - Post Exhibition
- 11.1 Report from Strathfield Town Centre Master Plan Working Group Meeting on 9 February 2023
- 11.2 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 21 February 2023

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

Against the Motion: Nil

GMU3 Draft Plans of Management for Crown Lands - Strathfield Park and Bressington Park

59/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

1. That the draft Plan of Managements for Strathfield Park and Bressington Park be placed on public exhibition for a 42 day period.
2. That Council convene a Public Hearing under section 40A of the *Local Government Act 1993* in relation to the land in Bressington Park owned by Strathfield Council.
3. That the draft plans, submissions received and recommendations from the public hearing be presented to Council for adoption following the public exhibition process.
4. In the event of proposed substantive amendments arising from the consultation process, the draft plans be submitted for approval to the Minister.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS1 Investment Report as at 31 January 2023

60/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That the record of cash investments as at 31 January 2023 be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS2 Current Status of Council Resolutions

61/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

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

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS3 Councillor Workshop 15 February 2023

62/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That the report be received and noted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

CCS6 Small Grant Application

63/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That Council approves the Small Grant Application from Friends of India Australia for the support of the Holi event to be held in Strathfield Park on 19 March 2023.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

PE1 Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy

64/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That Council resolve to:

1. Place the Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy (Attachment 1) on public exhibition for 28 days;
2. Note that a Request for Tender for the appointment of a Community Housing Provider (CHP) will be issued and that Councillors will be advised of the appointment of a CHP subject to the Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy being adopted after the exhibition period.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

PE2 Strathfield Planning Agreement Policy - Post Exhibition

65/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That Council adopt the Planning Agreement Policy.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

11.1 Report from Strathfield Town Centre Master Plan Working Group Meeting on 9 February 2023

66/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That the Minutes of the Strathfield Town Centre Master Plan Working Group Meeting held on 9 February 2023 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

11.2 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 21 February 2023

67/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That the Minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 21 February 2023 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

RESOLVED BY EXCEPTION

9. PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

GMU1 2023 ANZAC Day Service

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1) That having regard for the Council resolution 176/22 and the renovation works being carried out on the Strathfield Town Hall between March and September 2023, the 2023 Anzac Day service be held at the Davey Square Memorial with the same order of proceedings as the 2022 service.
- 2) That consistent with Council resolution 176/22, the 2024 Strathfield Anzac Day service be modified as follows:
 - a) The service is held at the War Memorial located on Homebush Road in front of the Council Town Hall.
 - b) That Council investigates the possibility of a historical exhibition in the Town Hall to be hosted on Anzac Day which could also include memorabilia and video. That this be in conjunction with Strathfield Historical Society if they are available to assist.
 - c) That Homebush Road between Redmyre Road and Oxford Road be closed for the event and the closure be listed for a relevant Traffic Committee Meeting.
 - d) That the RSL be informed as part of the organisation of the event.
 - e) That local schools be invited to participate in the day more actively such as speaking, performing or laying wreaths.
 - f) That the program be approved by the Mayor and the Cumberland Sub Branch RSL at least three weeks prior to the event.

MOTION: (Datta / Hall)

That Council:

- 1) That having regard for the Council resolution 176/22 and the renovation works being carried out on the Strathfield Town Hall between March and September 2023, the 2023 Anzac Day service be held at the Davey Square Memorial with the same order of proceedings as the 2022 service.

- 2) That consistent with Council resolution 176/22, the 2024 Strathfield Anzac Day service be modified as follows:
 - a) The service is held at the War Memorial located on Homebush Road in front of the Council Town Hall.
 - b) That Council investigates the possibility of a historical exhibition in the Town Hall to be hosted on Anzac Day which could also include memorabilia and video. That this be in conjunction with Strathfield Historical Society if they are available to assist.
 - c) That Homebush Road between Redmyre Road and Oxford Road be closed for the event and the closure be listed for a relevant Traffic Committee Meeting.
 - d) That the RSL be informed as part of the organisation of the event.
 - e) That local schools be invited to participate in the day more actively such as speaking, performing or laying wreaths.
 - f) That the program be approved by the Mayor and the Cumberland Sub Branch RSL at least three weeks prior to the event.
- 3) In the interest of transparency all wreath laying arrangements shall be notified to all Councillors no less than on or before 26 March 2023 prior to ANZAC Day and all arrangements for wreath laying have an equitable arrangement for all Councillors bar the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

68/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Hall)

That Council:

1. That having regard for the Council resolution 176/22 and the renovation works being carried out on the Strathfield Town Hall between March and September 2023, the 2023 Anzac Day service be held at the Davey Square Memorial with the same order of proceedings as the 2022 service.
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For the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene, Cai, Datta, Hall, Maheswaran and Reddy

Against the Motion: Nil

GMU2 Hardship Policy

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the draft Hardship Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
2. That a report be presented to Council in response to community feedback.

MOTION: (Blackmore / Hall)

1. That the draft Hardship Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
2. That a report be presented to Council in response to community feedback.
3. That on page 2 under section 1.3 Policy Principles of the Policy that the words 'social justice,' be removed.

69/23

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Hall)

1. That the draft Hardship Policy be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.
2. That a report be presented to Council in response to community feedback.
3. That on page 2 under section 1.3 Policy Principles of the Policy that the words 'social justice,' be removed.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

GMU4 Delivery Program Progress Report - July to December 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Delivery Program Progress Report for 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022 be received and noted.

MOTION: (Datta / Hall)

1. That the Delivery Program Progress Report for 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022 be received and noted.
2. That the draft 2023/2024 Operational Plan and 4 year Delivery Program include the measurable targets and performance.

70/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Hall)

1. That the Delivery Program Progress Report for 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022 be received and noted.
2. That the draft 2023/2024 Operational Plan and 4 year Delivery Program include the measurable targets and performance.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

CCS4 Councillor Workshop 21 February 2023

Councillors Cai, Hall and Maheswaran declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting, the time being 7:20pm.

71/23

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Reddy)

That the report be received and noted.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

Councillors Cai and Maheswaran returned to the meeting, the time being 7.22pm.

Councillor Hall returned to the meeting, the time being 7:25pm.

CCS5 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA)

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Council determine any Notices of Motion for submission to the 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government by Friday 24 March 2023.
2. That Council determine its representation at the 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government.
3. That Council determine the voting delegate for the 2023 National General Assembly.

MOTION: (Reddy / Blackmore)

1. That Council determine any Notices of Motion for submission to the 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government by Friday 24 March 2023.
2. That interested Councillors advise the General Manager of interest to attend the 2023 National General Assembly before 14 March 2023.
3. That Council determines Councillor Pensabene the voting delegate for the 2023 National General Assembly.

72/23

RESOLVED: (Reddy / Blackmore)

1. That Council determine any Notices of Motion for submission to the 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government by Friday 24 March 2023.
2. That interested Councillors advise the General Manager of interest to attend the 2023 National General Assembly before 14 March 2023.
3. That Council determines Councillor Pensabene the voting delegate for the 2023 National General Assembly.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

EO1 Installation Of A Bus Shelter Outside Trinity Junior School

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council give consideration to the installation of a bus shelter on The Boulevarde, outside Trinity Junior School, in future capital works budgets.

MOTION: (Blackmore / Hall)

That Council give consideration to the installation of a bus shelter on The Boulevarde, outside Trinity Junior School, in future capital works budgets after 2025.

73/23

RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Hall)

That Council give consideration to the installation of a bus shelter on The Boulevarde, outside Trinity Junior School, in future capital works budgets after 2025.

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

Against the Motion: Nil

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Items *11.1 Report from Strathfield Town Centre Master Plan Working Group Meeting on 9 February 2023* and *11.2 Report from Traffic Committee Meeting on 21 February 2023* dealt with by exception.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

12.1 Notice of Rescission - Resolution 39/23 - PE4 Planning Proposal – 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush – Councillors Sharangan Maheswaran, Karen Pensabene and Sandy Reddy

Councillors Hall, Blackmore and Cai declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting, the time being 7:33pm.

MOVED:

That the resolution for Item PE4 Planning Proposal - 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush from the Ordinary Council Meeting 7 February 2023 below be

rescinded:

"39/23

RESOLVED: (Datta / Reddy)

That the Council note that the PP proponent at 1-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush, has lodged the rezoning review with the NSW DPE and that Council doesn't need to make a decision in relation to a gateway determination."

If the Notice of Rescission is carried, it is proposed to move the following alternative Motion:

1. Noting Strathfield Council has resolved to pursue the master planning of the PRCUTS area;
 - a. The item be deferred to the next Council meeting after Council's officers recommendations are provided,
 - b. The proponents be invited to make submissions to Council as to why the proposals be dealt with outside of the state significant precinct process and,
2. Council officers provide a recommendation on whether the strategic process is likely to provide any benefits beyond those offered by the proponents currently (including but not limited to, the value of VPA benefits, key site provisions around the consolidation of sites and infrastructure, urban design etc.).

Councillor Maheswaran withdrew the Notice of Rescission.

Councillors Hall, Blackmore and Cai returned to the meeting, the time being 7:35pm.

12.2 Options to Increase Parking Revenue – Councillor Nella Hall

74/23

RESOLVED: (Hall / Datta)

That Council resolve to:

1. Investigate opportunities to increase parking revenue by implementing non-resident parking fees using parking meters and enforcement measures; and
2. Request that a report detailing potential measures to increase Council revenue from non-resident parking enforcement and meters be tabled at a future Council Meeting.

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

Against the Motion: Councillors Blackmore, Pensabene and Maheswaran

13. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil.

14. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

15. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil.

16. CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7:40pm.

The foregoing Minutes were confirmed at the meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield on 4 April 2023.

Chairperson_____

General Manager_____

7.1 MAYORAL MINUTE 12-23 - STRATHFIELD CRICKET CLUB

AUTHOR: Karen Pensabene, Councillor

I MOVE:

That the Strathfield Cricket Club be congratulated for their achievement on winning the First Grade Grand Final and to be recognised at the next Council Meeting. The winning team will be presented with certificates from Council as acknowledge of this achievement, for this local club.

Rationale

Council to acknowledge the Strathfield Cricket Club for an exciting victory in the final of the season. Down to the last ball of the season, Strathfield Cricket Club were victorious over the Burwood First Grade Team. The whole game and the exciting last overs will be on YouTube for all cricket lovers to enjoy. Congratulations to Strathfield Cricket Club.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Strathfield Cricket Club be congratulated for their achievement on winning the First Grade Grand Final and to be recognised at the next Council Meeting. The winning team will be presented with certificates from Council as acknowledge of this achievement, for this local club.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

**7.2 MAYORAL MINUTE 13-23 - NSW STATE ELECTION 2023 RESULTS -
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY**

AUTHOR: Karen Pensabene, Councillor

I MOVE:

That the Mayor of Strathfield Council send a congratulations acknowledgement letter on behalf of Strathfield Council, to the new NSW Premier-Elect, The Hon. Chris Minns, MP and Member for Strathfield, Mr Jason Yat-Sen Li, MP on the successful NSW State Election 2023 result for the Australian Labor Party.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayor of Strathfield Council send a congratulations acknowledgement letter on behalf of Strathfield Council, to the new NSW Premier-Elect, The Hon. Chris Minns, MP and Member for Strathfield, Mr Jason Yat-Sen Li, MP on the successful NSW State Election 2023 result for the Australian Labor Party.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

7.3 **MAYORAL MINUTE 14-23 - MR AND MRS BELL RETIREMENT, OWNERS OF BAR CORTONA, HOMEBUSH - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

AUTHOR: Karen Pensabene, Councillor

I MOVE:

That Council send a card, flowers and a certificate of appreciation to Mr and Mrs Bell, Owners of Bar Cortona on their retirement.

Rationale

Council wishes to acknowledge Steve and Sue Bell, owners of Bar Cortona Café in Homebush.

Bar Cortona was established in 2001 and after over 20 years they have decided to close their doors.

Bar Cortona is not just a Café, it's a place where residents in Homebush mark as a meeting place and directory. *'You know, it's just up from Bar Cortona.'*

Patrons have laughed, sung, and sometimes danced whilst having lunch or breakfast at Bar Cortona.

We wish Sue and Steve every happiness in their retirement.

Thank you.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council send a card, flowers and a certificate of appreciation to Mr and Mrs Bell, Owners of Bar Cortona on their retirement.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

7.4 MAYORAL MINUTE 15-23 - MAINTENANCE ON STATE RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE

AUTHOR: Karen Pensabene, Councillor

I MOVE:

That Council write to Transport for NSW and request that they increase their maintenance on rail infrastructure land, including graffiti removal, weed management and litter collection. If Transport for NSW is unable to increase their maintenance on their infrastructure, that they grant Council permission to undertake graffiti removal, weed management and litter collection on their infrastructure and property.

Rationale

The Strathfield community values its streetscape areas, and it is desirable that they are well maintained and aesthetically pleasing.

There are a number of prominent locations in the Strathfield area, including the underpass at Raw Square, Strathfield where maintenance on State Rail infrastructure and property is currently poor. There is regular graffiti painted onto the walls and bridge structures and there are weeds and rubbish on railway land.

Strathfield Council employs its own maintenance staff, who undertake work through the LGA on a daily basis. These staff could be utilised to help keep these important civic areas clean.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council write to Transport for NSW and request that they increase their maintenance on rail infrastructure land, including graffiti removal, weed management and litter collection. If Transport for NSW is unable to increase their maintenance on their infrastructure, that they grant Council permission to undertake graffiti removal, weed management and litter collection on their infrastructure and property.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

GMU1 **VICTOR CHANG SCHOOL SCIENCE AWARDS 2023**
AUTHOR: Ayla Karabulut, Manager, Communications and Events
APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Support the achievements of participating local schools by hosting the 2023 Victor Chang School Science Awards during National Science Week 12-20 August 2023
2. Host the 2023 Victor Chang School Science Awards in a suitable Council owned venue i.e. Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub or Community Centre
3. Approve funding of \$3,000 to be allocated in the draft 2023/24 budget for the hosting of the 2023 Victor Chang School Science Awards

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To confirm Council's involvement and funding of the 2023 Victor Chang School Science Awards for local participating schools.

REPORT

The Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute contacted Council to gauge interest in hosting the 2023 Victor Chang Science Awards for student winners residing within the Strathfield Local Government Area (LGA). The awards recognise high achieving year 11 students studying STEM subjects in NSW, and aim to stimulate growth in science, technology, engineering and mathematics subject areas.

A number of schools expressed an interest to the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute in being involved with the 2023 Victor Chang Science Awards.

Each council manages awards ceremony invitations and RSVP's. Following closure of nomination submissions, the Institute will send each participating Council a final contact list of nominees (including email addresses) in the relevant LGA.

With the assistance of the Institute, Council manages the awards ceremony, including venue and refreshments. The Institute will endeavour to have an esteemed scientist(s) address the winners with an inspirational and motivational presentation.

The Institute provides Council with winners' certificates and a letter of congratulations from their Executive Director, Professor Jason Kovacic.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Proposed Expenditure: \$3,000

Funding for the Victor Chang School Science Awards to be included in the 2023/24 Financial Year budget.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

CCSI INVESTMENT REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2023
 AUTHOR: Deo Narayan, Coordinator Finance Operations
 APPROVER: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

That the record of cash investments as at 28 February 2023 be received and noted.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To submit Council's record of cash investments as at 28 February 2023 pursuant to Clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

REPORT

Investment Allocation and Performance

Investment Portfolio as at 28 February 2023

Call Accounts	Allocation (%)	Amount (\$)
Term Deposits	83	43,000,000
Cash At Bank and At Call Investment	17	9,267,784
Total Investments		52,267,784

* Investment Portfolio details are listed in the attachment.

As at the end of February 2023, the portfolio was mainly directed to fixed term deposits (83%). The remaining portfolio is directed to various cash accounts (17%) for current liquidity needs.

Council's performance for the month ending 28 February 2023 is summarised as follows:

Performance

Council's performance for the month ending 28 February 2023 is summarised as follows:

Performance (Actual)	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year
Official Cash Rate	0.25%	0.77%	1.42%	1.70%	1.81%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	0.24%	0.76%	1.40%	1.68%	1.76%
Council's T/D Portfolio[^]	0.19%	0.60%	1.10%	1.32%	1.66%
Outperformance	-0.05%	-0.16%	-0.30%	-0.36%	-0.09%

[^]Total portfolio performance excludes Council's cash account holdings. Overall returns would be lower if cash was included.

Performance (Annualised)	1 month	3 months	6 months	FYTD	1 year
Official Cash Rate	3.35%	3.18%	2.89%	2.56%	1.81%
AusBond Bank Bill Index	3.18%	3.11%	2.85%	2.54%	1.76%
Council's T/D Portfolio[^]	2.56%	2.45%	2.24%	1.99%	1.66%
Outperformance	-0.62%	-0.66%	-0.61%	-0.55%	-0.09%

[^]Total portfolio performance excludes Council's cash account holdings. Overall returns would be lower if cash was included.

For the month of February, the total investment portfolio (excluding cash) provided a return of +0.19% (actual) or +2.56% p.a. (annualised), underperforming the benchmark AusBond Bank Bill Index return of +0.24% (actual) or +3.18% p.a. (annualised). This relative 'underperformance' has been due to the unexpected aggressive rate hikes undertaken by the RBA. Whilst this 'underperformance' may continue in the short-term.

Council's deposit portfolio was yielding 2.50% p.a. up 9bp from the previous month), with a weighted average duration of 413 days (~1.13 years).

Council has earned interest revenue totalling \$685,847 as at 28 February 2023, being 225.61% of the original full year projected budget.

Below is a table showing the restrictions placed on the cash and investments held:

Investments Represented by	28 February 2023 (\$)
Externally Restricted Reserves	
Domestic Waste Management	3,196,235
Unexpended Grants	9,099,151
Developer Contributions	14,827,599
Stormwater Management	705,616
Total Externally Restricted Reserves	27,828,601
Internally Restricted Reserves	
Plant Replacement	1,129,614
Employee Leave Entitlement	1,285,159
Deposits/Retentions and Bonds	11,395,033
Adshel (Bus Shelters)	270,000
Technology	133,665
Carry Forwards	37,621
Future Major Expenditure	2,052,570
Parkscape Improvements	29,000
Risk Management	195,362
Election	30,194
Hudson Park Driving Range	69,000
Total Internally Restricted Reserves	16,627,218
Total Restricted Reserves	44,455,819
Unrestricted	7,811,965
Total Investments	52,267,784

* Unrestricted funds, whilst not subject to a restriction for a specific purpose, are fully committed via Council's adopted Operational Plan.

Certification – Responsible Accounting Officer

The Chief Financial Officer hereby certifies that the investments listed above have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Clause 212 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* and Council's Investment Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Investment Performance - February 2023

ATTACHMENT 1



Investment Report

01/02/2023 to 28/02/2023



Portfolio Valuation as at 28/02/2023

Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Capital Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	08/03/2022	08/03/2023	1.0200	1,000,000.00	10,004.38	782.47
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	18/08/2022	05/04/2023	3.6900	2,000,000.00	39,427.40	5,661.37
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	18/05/2021	18/05/2023	0.6000	2,000,000.00	9,435.62	920.55
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	18/08/2022	07/06/2023	3.8300	3,000,000.00	61,384.93	8,814.25
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	23/07/2021	24/07/2023	0.6500	1,000,000.00	3,900.00	498.63
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	18/08/2022	23/08/2023	4.0100	1,000,000.00	21,423.29	3,076.16
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	02/09/2022	06/09/2023	4.2200	2,000,000.00	41,621.92	6,474.52
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	27/10/2021	26/10/2023	0.9600	4,000,000.00	3,471.78	2,945.75
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	02/09/2022	08/11/2023	4.2500	2,000,000.00	41,917.81	6,520.55
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	09/12/2021	13/12/2023	1.4300	2,000,000.00	6,425.21	2,193.97
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	14/09/2022	10/01/2024	4.3000	2,000,000.00	39,583.56	6,597.26
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	07/02/2022	07/02/2024	1.7200	2,000,000.00	2,073.42	2,073.42
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	08/03/2022	07/03/2024	1.9500	1,000,000.00	19,126.03	1,495.89
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	27/10/2022	02/04/2024	4.6400	2,000,000.00	31,780.82	7,118.90
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	18/05/2021	20/05/2024	0.7500	1,000,000.00	5,897.26	575.34
BOQ	BBB+	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	30/11/2022	05/06/2024	4.5600	2,000,000.00	22,737.53	6,996.16
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	07/12/2022	05/06/2024	4.5300	1,000,000.00	10,425.21	3,475.07
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	07/02/2023	10/07/2024	4.6400	1,000,000.00	2,796.71	2,796.71



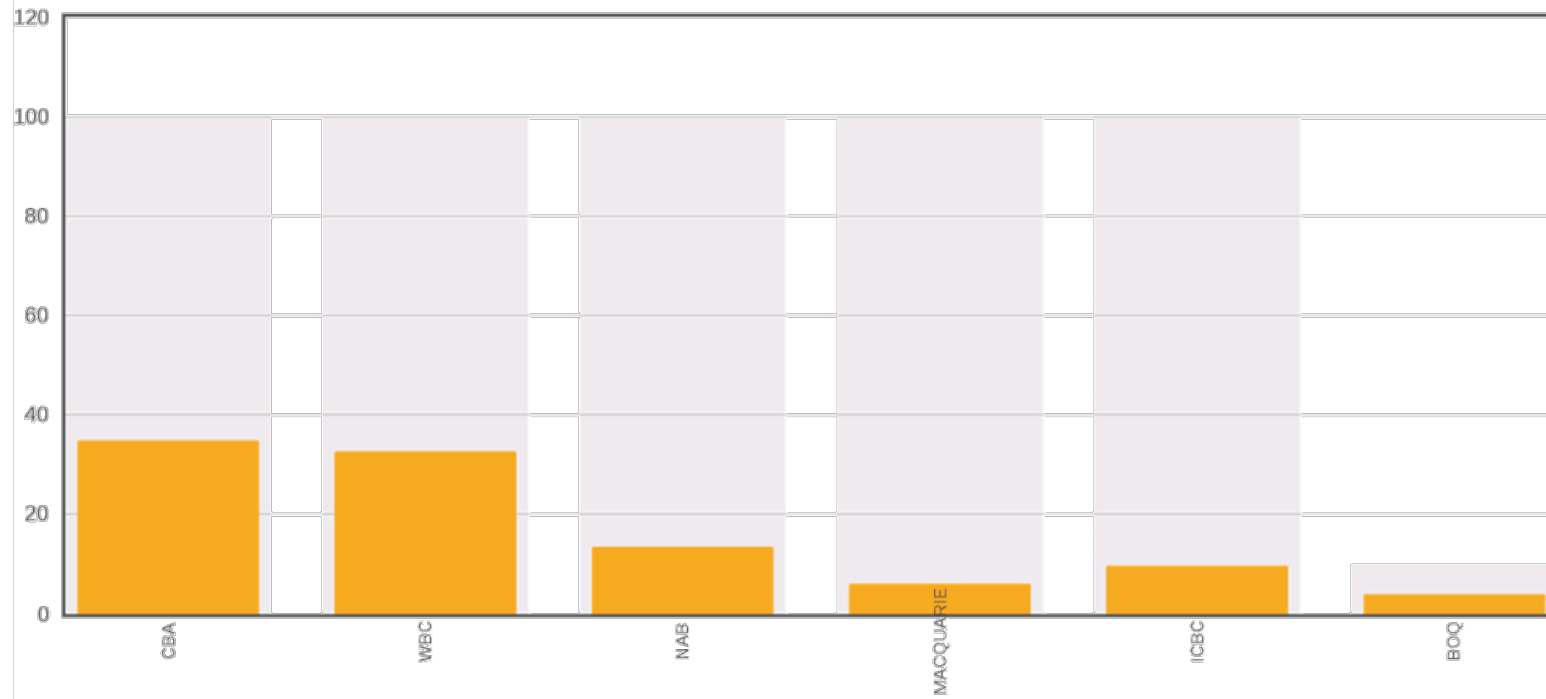
Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Capital Value	Accrued	Accrued MTD
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	27/10/2021	30/10/2024	1.3500	5,000,000.00	6,102.74	5,178.08
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	18/05/2021	19/05/2025	1.0000	1,000,000.00	7,863.01	767.12
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	27/10/2021	29/10/2025	1.5900	2,000,000.00	2,875.07	2,439.45
NAB	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Annual	18/05/2021	15/05/2026	1.3000	1,000,000.00	10,221.92	997.26
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	Quarterly	27/10/2021	28/10/2026	1.8200	2,000,000.00	3,290.96	2,792.33
Macquarie Bank	A+	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	28/02/2023	28/02/2023	3.4000	3,111,349.49	7,866.02	7,866.02
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	28/02/2023	28/02/2023	3.1000	1,460,676.02	1,010.95	1,010.95
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	CASH	GENERAL	Monthly	28/02/2023	28/02/2023	3.3500	4,695,758.48	7,094.32	7,094.32
TOTALS								52,267,783.99	419,757.86	97,162.52



Counterparty Compliance as at 28/02/2023

Long Term Investments

Compliant	Bank Group	Term	Rating	Invested	Invested (%)	Limit (%)	Limit (\$)	Available
✓	Commonwealth Bank	Long	AA-	18,156,434.50	34.74	100.00	-	34,111,349.49
✓	Westpac	Long	AA-	17,000,000.00	32.52	100.00	-	35,267,783.99
✓	NAB	Long	AA-	7,000,000.00	13.39	100.00	-	45,267,783.99
✓	Macquarie Bank	Long	A+	3,111,349.49	5.95	100.00	-	49,156,434.50
✓	ICBC Sydney Branch	Long	A	5,000,000.00	9.57	100.00	-	47,267,783.99
✓	BOQ	Long	BBB+	2,000,000.00	3.83	10.00	-	3,226,778.40
TOTALS				52,267,783.99	100.00			

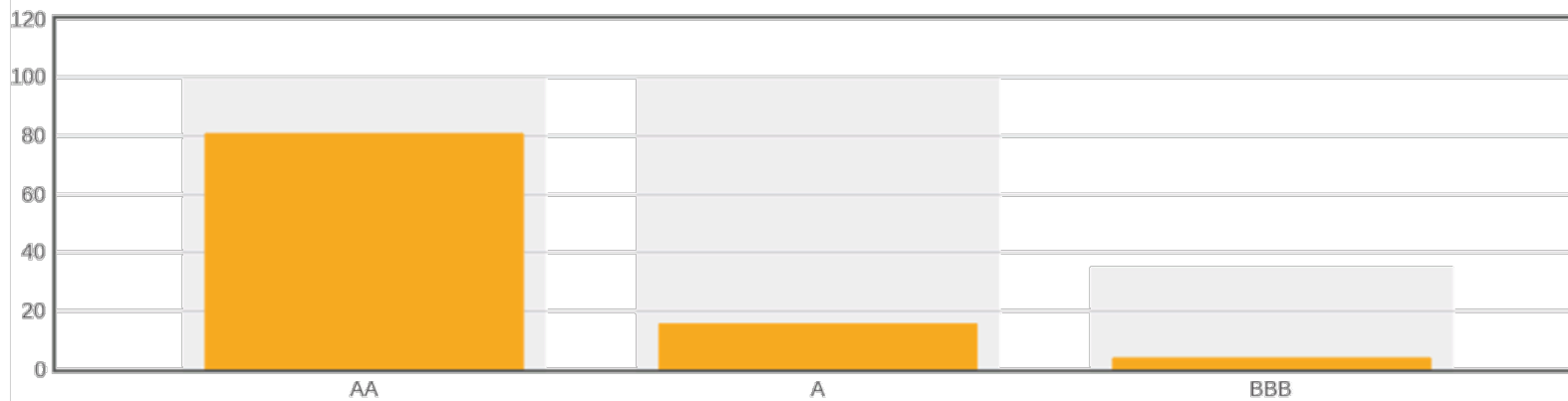
Counterparty Compliance - Long Term Investments

Credit Quality Compliance as at 28/02/2023

Long Term Investments

Compliant	Rating	Invested (\$)	Invested (%)	Limit (%)	Available
✓	AA	42,156,434.50	80.66	100.00	10,111,349.49
✓	A	8,111,349.49	15.52	100.00	44,156,434.50
✓	BBB	2,000,000.00	3.83	35.00	16,293,724.40
TOTALS		52,267,783.99	100.00		

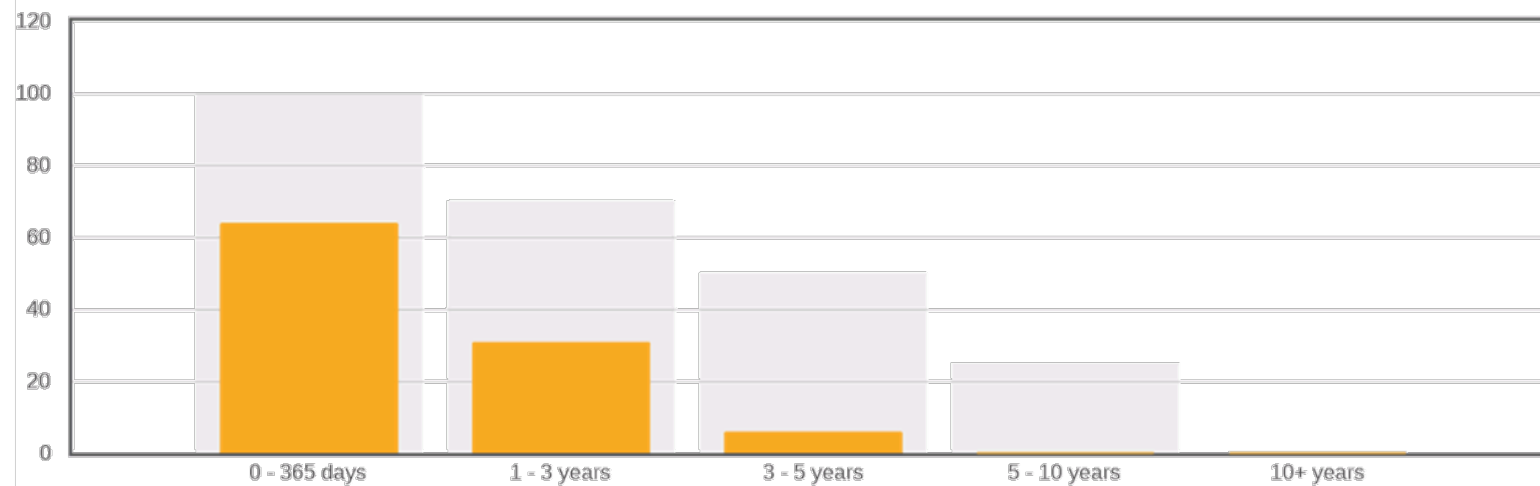
Credit Quality Compliance - Long Term Investments



Maturity Compliance as at 28/02/2023

Compliant	Term	Invested	Invested (%)	Min Limit (%)	Max Limit (%)	Available
✓	0 - 365 days	33,267,783.99	63.65	0.00	100.00	19,000,000.00
✓	1 - 3 years	16,000,000.00	30.61	0.00	70.00	20,587,448.79
✓	3 - 5 years	3,000,000.00	5.74	0.00	50.00	23,133,892.00
✓	5 - 10 years	-	0.00	0.00	25.00	13,066,946.00
✓	10+ years	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	-
TOTALS		52,267,783.99	100.00			

Maturity Compliance



Portfolio Comparison

From: 31/01/2023 To: 28/02/2023

Issuer	Rating	Type	Rate	Purchase	Maturity	Interest	31/01/2023	28/02/2023	Difference
Westpac	AA-	TD	0.8700	07/02/2022	07/02/2023	At Maturity	1,000,000.00	-	-1,000,000.00
NAB	AA-	TD	1.0200	08/03/2022	08/03/2023	At Maturity	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	3.6900	18/08/2022	05/04/2023	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
NAB	AA-	TD	0.6000	18/05/2021	18/05/2023	Annual	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	3.8300	18/08/2022	07/06/2023	At Maturity	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	-
NAB	AA-	TD	0.6500	23/07/2021	24/07/2023	Annual	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	4.0100	18/08/2022	23/08/2023	At Maturity	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	4.2200	02/09/2022	06/09/2023	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
Westpac	AA-	TD	0.9600	27/10/2021	26/10/2023	Quarterly	4,000,000.00	4,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	4.2500	02/09/2022	08/11/2023	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	1.4300	09/12/2021	13/12/2023	Annual	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
Westpac	AA-	TD	4.3000	14/09/2022	10/01/2024	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	1.7200	07/02/2022	07/02/2024	Annual	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	1.9500	08/03/2022	07/03/2024	Annual	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Westpac	AA-	TD	4.6400	27/10/2022	02/04/2024	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
NAB	AA-	TD	0.7500	18/05/2021	20/05/2024	Annual	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
BOQ	BBB+	TD	4.5600	30/11/2022	05/06/2024	At Maturity	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-



Issuer	Rating	Type	Rate	Purchase	Maturity	Interest	31/01/2023	28/02/2023	Difference
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	4.5300	07/12/2022	05/06/2024	At Maturity	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	4.6400	07/02/2023	10/07/2024	At Maturity	=	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
Westpac	AA-	TD	1.3500	27/10/2021	30/10/2024	Quarterly	5,000,000.00	5,000,000.00	-
NAB	AA-	TD	1.0000	18/05/2021	19/05/2025	Annual	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Westpac	AA-	TD	1.5900	27/10/2021	29/10/2025	Quarterly	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
NAB	AA-	TD	1.3000	18/05/2021	15/05/2026	Annual	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Westpac	AA-	TD	1.8200	27/10/2021	28/10/2026	Quarterly	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
Macquarie Bank	A+	CASH	3.3000	31/01/2023	31/01/2023	Monthly	3,103,602.52	3,111,349.49	7,746.97
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	CASH	2.8500	31/01/2023	31/01/2023	Monthly	420,683.66	1,460,676.02	1,039,992.36
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	CASH	3.1000	31/01/2023	31/01/2023	Monthly	2,905,758.48	4,695,758.48	1,790,000.00
TOTALS							49,430,044.66	52,267,783.99	2,837,739.33



Trades in Period

From: 01/02/2023 To: 28/02/2023

New Trades

Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Value	Ref
Commonwealth Bank	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	07/02/2023	10/07/2024	4.6400	1,000,000.00	
TOTALS								1,000,000.00	

**Sell Trades**

Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Sell	Yield/Margin	Face Value	Gross Value	Capital Value	Ref
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No entries for this item



**Matured Trades**

Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Interest	Purchase	Maturity	Rate	Value	Ref
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	07/02/2022	07/02/2023	0.8700	1,000,000.00	
TOTALS								1,000,000.00	





Interest Received in Period

From: 01/02/2023 To: 28/02/2023

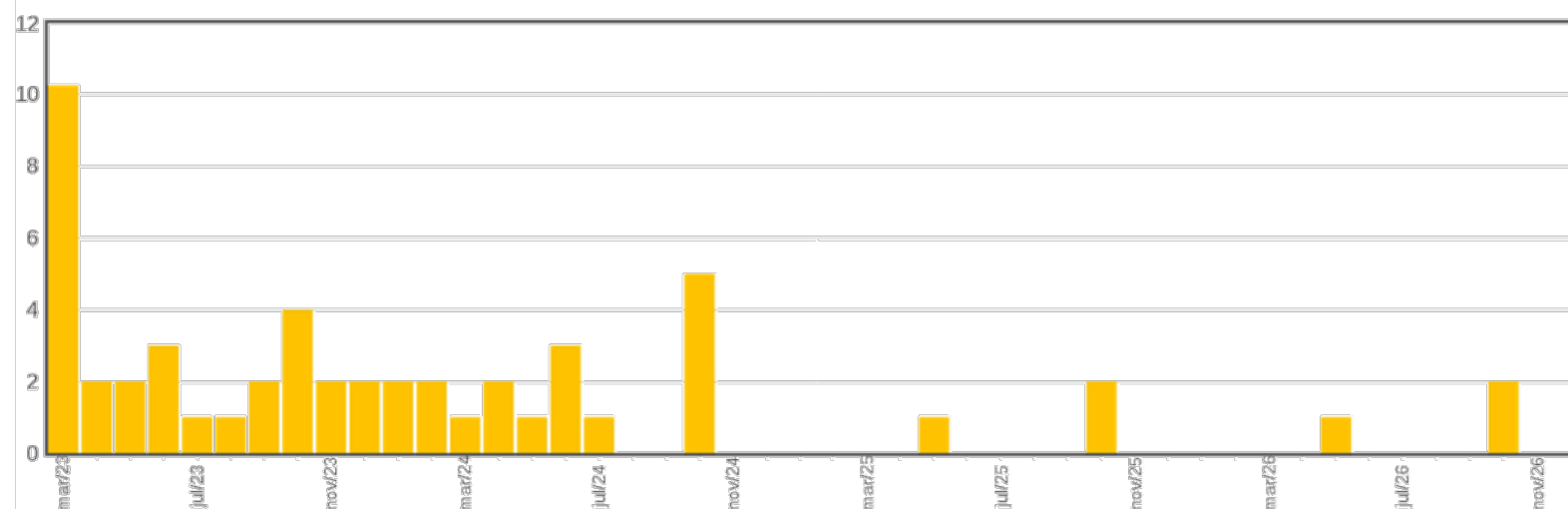
Periodic Interest

Issuer	Rating	Type	Alloc	Frequency	Value	Purchase	Maturity	Coupon Date	Type	Rate	Received
Westpac	AA-	TD	GENERAL	At Maturity	1,000,000.00	07/02/2022	07/02/2023	07/02/2023	Maturity	0.8700	8,700.00
ICBC Sydney Branch	A	TD	GENERAL	Annual	2,000,000.00	07/02/2022	07/02/2024	07/02/2023	Periodic	1.7200	34,400.00
TOTALS					3,000,000.00						43,100.00



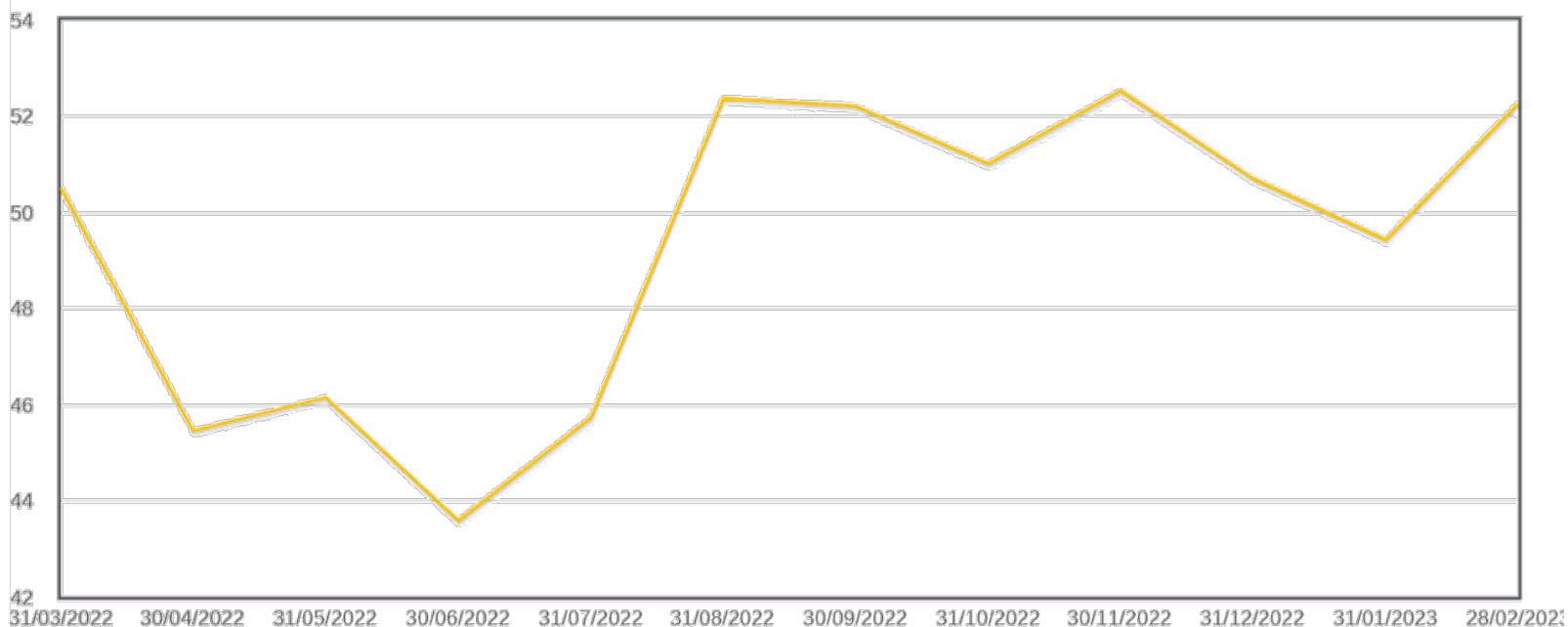
Maturity Cashflow as at 28/02/2023

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2023	-	-	10,267,783	2,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	4,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	29,267,783.99
2024	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	3,000,000	1,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	-	-	17,000,000.00
2025	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	2,000,000	-	-	3,000,000.00
2026	-	-	-	-	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	2,000,000	-	-	3,000,000.00
TOTALS													52,267,783.99



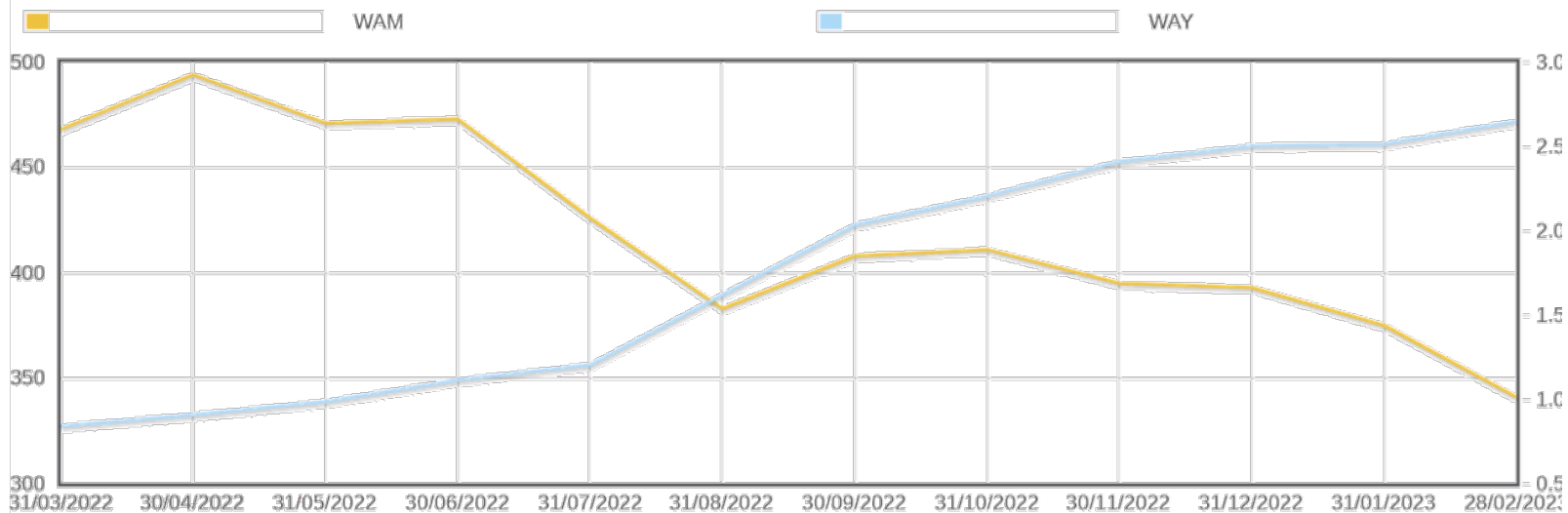
Historical Portfolio Balances (in MM) as at 28/02/2023

31/03/2022	30/04/2022	31/05/2022	30/06/2022	31/07/2022	31/08/2022	30/09/2022	31/10/2022	30/11/2022	31/12/2022	31/01/2023	28/02/2023
50.51	45.46	46.15	43.59	45.73	52.37	52.21	51.01	52.53	50.70	49.43	52.27



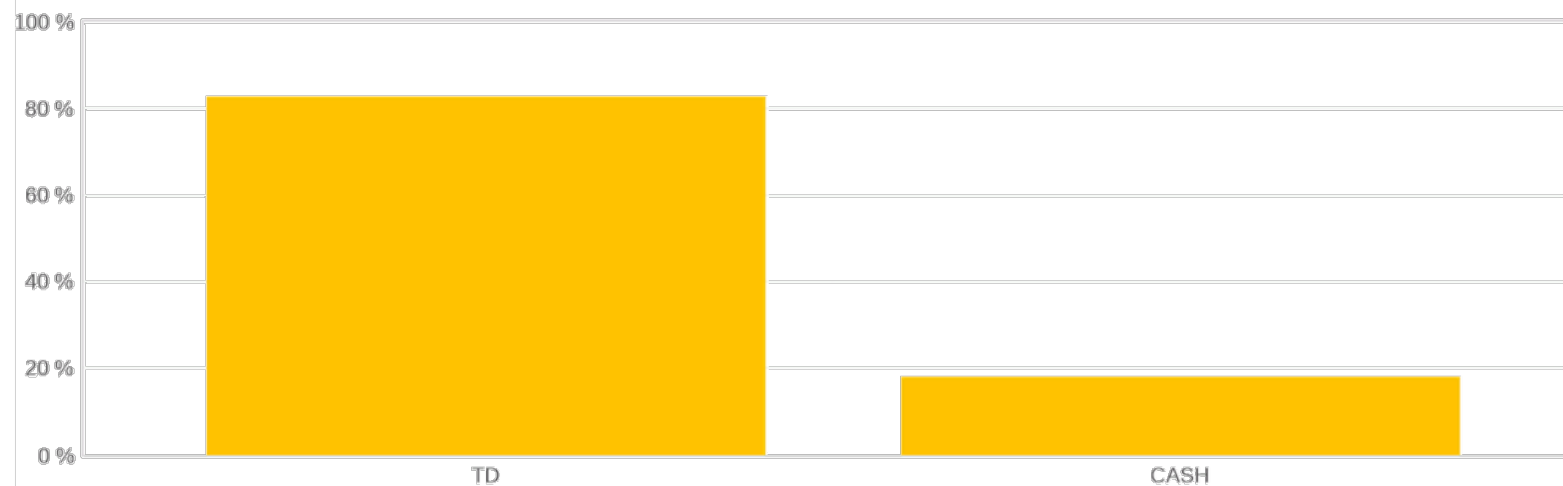
Historical Ratios as at 28/02/2023

	31/03/2022	30/04/2022	31/05/2022	30/06/2022	31/07/2022	31/08/2022	30/09/2022	31/10/2022	30/11/2022	31/12/2022	31/01/2023	28/02/2023
WAM	468	494	471	473	426	383	408	411	395	393	375	3
WAY	0.8405	0.9064	0.9862	1.1138	1.2028	1.6188	2.0339	2.2046	2.4097	2.5028	2.5136	2.64



Asset Class as at 28/02/2023

Code	Number of Trades	Invested	Invested (%)
TD	23	43,000,000.00	82.27
CASH	6	9,267,783.99	17.73
TOTALS	26	52,267,783.99	100.0



CCS2 COUNCILLOR WORKSHOP 21 MARCH 2023
AUTHOR: David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer
APPROVER: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and noted.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of the report is to present a summary to Council of the items discussed at the Councillor Workshop held on Tuesday 21 March 2023 and follow up action required.

REPORT

Attendees

Councillors Cai, Blackmore, Hall and Pensabene

Apologies

Councillors Datta, Maheswaran and Reddy

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Cai declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest for *Item PE1 Update on Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy (PRCUTS) - Homebush Precinct* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion on this item. Councillor Cai's office is leased from Sydney Markets that is located along the Parramatta Road.

Councillor Hall declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest for *Item PE1 Update on Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy (PRCUTS) - Homebush Precinct* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion on this item. Councillor Hall declared an association with the lessee on Parramatta Road.

Councillor Blackmore declared a non-pecuniary, significant conflict of interest for *Item EO3 Confidential: Expression Of Interest - 1/29-35 Burlington Road, Homebush* and managed the conflict of interest by leaving the meeting during discussion on this item. Councillor Blackmore declared that he has started employment with the company who advertised the premises yesterday.

The following items were discussed at the Councillor Workshop held on 21 March 2023:

Item Reference	Title	Summary	Follow Up Action
GMU1	ANZAC Day	Councillors were provided a summary of the program for ANZAC Day that will be held on Tuesday 25 April 2023 at Davey Square Reserve by Council officers. Special guest speaker Amy	Event preparation ongoing

		Bulters, Royal Australian Navy Commanding Officer will be attending the event. A wreath will be laid by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor on behalf of Council. Councillors are welcome to lay wreaths they have purchased order being – 1. Cumberland RSL Branch, 2. Strathfield Council (Mayor/Deputy Mayor), 3. Sally Sitou and representative for Jason Yat-Sen Li, MP, 4. Councillors and 5. Members of the public including schools and attendees	
GMU2	Strathfield Festival	Council has been granted permission to extend the event from a one day event to three days and will now be held from Thursday 27 April 2023 until Saturday 29 April 2023. The schedule, activities/attractions and how the event will be promoted were presented to Councillors	Event preparation ongoing
CCS1	iConciergeCRM Venue Bookings System Demonstration	Council staff gave Councillors a live demonstration of how the new iConcierge platform operates. The application will be available for customers to book Council venues and facilities seamlessly	Venue/facility information data to be provided by Council staff. Application configuration ongoing
CCS2	Library Strategy 2023-2028	How Council will meet the education, learning and library service needs of the community over the next five years is detailed in the Draft Library Strategy 2023-2028 issued to Councillors. A summary including but not limited to the benefits library services offers Strathfield Council's diverse multicultural community and local businesses, positive outcomes forming relationships/partnerships can bring and importance of investing in facilities and the Library and Community Services Team presented to Councillors	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
CCS3	Review of the Parameters of the 2023/2024 Budget	Councillors were provided an overview of the timelines and parameters proposed to be used for the preparation of the draft 2023-24 Budget to be presented before Councillors at a future Councillor	To go to future Councillor Workshop

		Workshop with view to finalise and adopt 2023/2024 budget by 30 June 2023	
CCS4	Small Grant Application	Small grant application submitted by the Strathfield Raiders and will be presented to the next Ordinary Council Meeting 4 April 2023	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
CCS5	2023 National General Assembly - Notices of Motion	No Notices of Motion received from Councillors. Deadline to submit Notices of Motion to the Australian Local Government Association no later than Friday 24 March 2023	No further action
PE1	Update on Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy (PRCUTS) - Homebush Precinct	An update on Council's progress in regard to PRCUTS explained to Councillors. Meetings and discussions with the Department of Planning and Environment ongoing. Councilors endorsed officers advising the Department of Planning and Environment of Council's preference to have assistance provided to draft an Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme	Council to progress Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme and Infrastructure Strategy. A report will go to a future Council Meeting
EO1	Possible Speed Bumps & Safety Camera - Courallie Avenue	The findings of the investigation into installing speed bumps and safety cameras at Courallie Avenue presented to Councillors. Council officers found that speeding wasn't prevalent on the Courallie Avenue public road and current measures in place are adequate	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
EO2	Coronation Parade War Memorial	Scope of works and costing provided to Councillors. Total cost estimate is \$43,000 and Council has applied for a Community War Memorial Funding Grant	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
EO3	Confidential: Expression Of Interest - 1/29-35 Burlington Road, Homebush	Councillors informed that Council had received four EOIs and details of each including positives and negatives considered. Items to be negotiated with preferred tenant discussed	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
EO3	Confidential: Leases and Licences	The need for Council to develop a Land and Property Strategy presented to Councillors. Options to Council and obligations under the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> including the responsibilities of Council/tenant	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023

		discussed and a review of leases and licences expiring in short term shared	
<p><u>Mayor's Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council celebrated International Women's Day at the Homebush West Community Centre on 8 March 2023 with guests including Ms Jana Pittman and Fitted for Work representatives Ms Candice Graham and Ms Susie Pavey. The event was well attended and generous donations much appreciated. • Harmony Day 2023 celebration was held on 21 March 2023 at the Dutton Centre. The event celebrated all multiculturalism and the atmosphere was great. Well done to Ms Kathryn Fayle, Manager, Library and Community Services and the team for managing the event. <p><u>General Manager's Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Pensabene was elected Mayor and Councillor Blackmore Deputy Mayor at the Extraordinary Council Meeting 2 March 2023 for the term until September 2023. • Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy (PRCUTS) meetings with Ms Clare Harley, Director Planning and Environment ongoing. • Over 100 people attended International Women's Day with more than \$1,000 raised for Fitted for Work • Harmony Day was a fantastic event with a wide variety of teas on offer. • WestInvest projects progressing with next deadline set 24 April 2023 for funding deeds to be executed. • Several local roads across the Local Government Area have been repaired successfully including but not limited to Hillcrest Avenue, Strathfield Avenue, Homebush Road and Water Street. • The Exeloo public toilet will be completed and installed at Henley Road in the Homebush West shopping district soon. • An agreement on the use of the fields between sports groups Strathfield Raiders and Strathfield Eagles has been reached. • Reports on the ANZAC Day ceremony and Strathfield Festival will go to the next Ordinary Council Meeting on 4 April 2023. A summary of each event will be presented at this Councillor Workshop. • The next Citizenship Ceremony to be held on 27 March 2023 will be held at the Homebush West Community Centre due to renovation works at the Town Hall Building. Scaffolding is due to be erected at the end of March 2023. • An Extraordinary Council Meeting has been tentatively scheduled for 11 April 2023 to consider the 2023/2024 financial budget. Councillors to be notified if/when confirmed. 			

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report

CCS3 **CURRENT STATUS OF COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS**
AUTHOR: David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer
APPROVER: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

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

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To the report on the current status of Council resolutions.

REPORT

Attached is a summary of the outstanding and acquitted Council resolutions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Outstanding and Acquitted Council Resolutions

ATTACHMENT 1

Outstanding Council Resolution Actions

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
7 March 2023	2023 ANZAC Day Service	Presented to Councillor Workshop 21 March 2023
7 March 2023	Options to Increase Parking Revenue	Will be investigated in conjunction with the preparation of the Parking Strategy. Also to be considered during process of supply of new parking meters (tender currently open)
7 March 2023	2023 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA)	Travel and accommodation to be organized for Councillors attending event
7 March 2023	Hardship Policy	Hardship policy has been amended so that under section 1.3 Policy Principles the words 'social justice' is removed. Policy is now on public exhibition for community feedback.
7 March 2023	Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy	Draft Strathfield Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy on exhibition
7 March 2023	Draft Plans of Management for Crown Lands – Strathfield Park and Bressington Park	Draft Plans of Management on exhibition until 28 April 2023. Public hearing being organised
28 February 2023	Proposed Special Rate Variation and Rating Structure Changes	Report presented to Extraordinary Council Meeting 28 February 2023
28 February 2023	Managing Council-Related Development Policy – Conflicts of Interest	Council to adopt Managing Council-Related Development Policy and the amended Community Participation Plan at conclusion of exhibition pending no submissions.
28 February 2023	Strathfield Connector Bus Review Report	Project brief being prepared for Consultant

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 02-23 Partnership with Community Corrections	Council has contacted Community Corrections Office and provided information. Awaiting response
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 01-23 ANTaR Inner West - Uluru Statement from the Heart and Proposed Referendum	Meeting scheduled in late March 2023 with the Mayor and Council officers to discuss proceedings
7 February 2023	Proposed change to Public Space Legacy Program Grant Milestone	Allocation of \$150,000 for the preparation of a Strathfield Medium Density Housing Strategy must be included in Quarter 2 Budget Review. Council to go to market to appoint consultant. Council has received letter accepted milestone.
7 February 2023	Planning Proposal - PP 2018/2 - 125 Parramatta Road and 52 & 54 Powell Street, Homebush	Proponent invited to make submission. submissions by Friday 31 March 2023. To go to Council Meeting 2 May 2023
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 03-23 Working with the Community Churches and Organisations	Education and community listing on website complete. Further report to be presented to Council
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 04-23 - Coronation Parade War Memorial Arch	To go to April 2023 Council Meeting
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 06-23 Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy	Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy on exhibition
7 February 2023	Mayoral Minute 05-23 Cricket Pitch Maintenance	To go to Council Meeting 2 May 2023
7 February 2023	Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy	Update presented to Councillor Workshop 21 March 2023

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
7 February 2023	Hudson Park Driving Range Sign	Advertising Policy being prepared. Fees and Charges to be reviewed end of March 2023
7 February 2023	Community Garden Rear of Bates Street Community Centre	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
6 December 2022	Proposed Consultation for Changes to Council's Rating Structure Included a Proposed Special Rate Variation (SRV) for Long Term Financial Sustainability	Presented to Extraordinary Council Meeting 28 February 2023
6 December 2022	Mayoral Minute 27/22 - Resilient Sydney Mayoral Summit on Affordable Housing	Executive report being prepared. Affordable Housing Tenancy Policy on exhibition
6 December 2022	Speed Bumps and Safety Cameras Courallie Avenue	To go to Council Meeting 4 April 2023
1 November 2022	Mayoral Minute 26/22 - Building Works Approved Hours of Construction and Types of Work	To go to future Councillor Workshop
1 November 2022	26-28 Pomeroy Street	Acid sulphate soil testing commenced on 21 March 2023
1 November 2022	Possible Land Purchase	In progress (Confidential under Section 10A (2) (d) (ii) of <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>)
1 November 2022	Shade Covers Over Playgrounds	To be considered as part of the Recreation Study
1 November 2022	Planning Proposal to Rezone Land at Homebush	Further investigation and preparation required to lodge planning proposal
1 November 2022	Community Garden in Strathfield South	To be considered as part of the Recreation Study
1 November 2022	Ismay Reserve Deed of Agreement	Meeting with NSW Transport scheduled
1 November 2022	Hudson Park Driving Range Issues	Tender for the Hudson Park business case has been advertised

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
4 October 2022	DCP Environmental Changes	To go to Councillor Workshop July 2023
6 September 2022	Shade Covers Over Playgrounds	To be considered as part of Recreation Study
6 September 2022	Homebush West Shopfront	Letters sent 2 February 2023 to both Rotary Club of Strathfield and Flemington Chamber of Commerce to form partnership. Matter ongoing
7 June 2022	Council Requests and Services Application	Presented to Councillor Workshop 21 March 2023. Go live date anticipated for July 2023
7 June 2022	Garbage Collection Lead Times and Illegal Dumping	Council managing service. Booking system to be developed
1 June 2021	Mayoral Minute 7/21 - Proposed Renaming of Belfield section in Strathfield Local Government Area to Strathfield South	Meeting with GNB held 23 March 2023. To go to Councillor Workshop 18 April 2023

Acquitted Council Resolutions

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
7 March 2023	Mayoral Minute 08-23 Begnell Field Revitalisation WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)	Letters sent 21 March 2023
7 March 2023	Mayoral Minute 09-23 Airey Park Refurbishment WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)	Letters sent 21 March 2023
7 March 2023	Mayoral Minute 10-23 Hudson District Park East WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)	Letters sent 21 March 2023
7 March 2023	Mayoral Minute 11-23 Strathfield Park Revitalisation WestInvest Funding (Submitted During Mayor Blackmore's Term)	Letters sent 21 March 2023
7 February 2023	Planning Proposal - 17-20 Loftus Crescent, Homebush	To go to Council Meeting 2 May 2023
7 February 2023	Report - Federal Government Funding for Trove	Letters drafted and to be sent to Minister from Mayor's office
7 February 2023	Planning Proposal - PP 2019/12 - 200-206 Parramatta Road, Homebush	To be considered as part of the North Homebush Precinct strategy
7 February 2023	Strathfield Council - Finding Deed for Regional and Local Roads Repair Program	Letters sent 7 March 2023
7 February 2023	Report of Submissions - Amendment to Part N - Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) - Strathfield Consolidated DCP 2005	Amendment to Part N - Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) - Strathfield Consolidated DCP 2005
7 February 2023	Planning Proposal - 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush	Rescission Motion lodged
7 February 2023	2023-2024 Stronger Together Major Festival Local Council Grants Program	2023 Cooks River Fun Run and 2023 Homebush Village Fair cancelled and budgeting finalised

Meeting Date	Subject	Comments
7 February 2023	Hume Recycling Material Recovery Facility and its Implications for Strathfield Council	Meeting with Re-Group held and representations made to the Minister for Planning
6 December 2022	Homebush North Masterplan and Contributions Framework Project	North Homebush Precinct strategy ongoing
6 December 2022	Planning Proposal - PP 2018/2 - 125 Parramatta Road and 52 & 54 Powell Street Homebush	Proponent invited to make submission by 31 March 2023
6 December 2022	Planning Proposal - 11-16 Loftus Crescent, 2 Subway Lane, 5&9-11 Knight Street & 88-92A Parramatta Road, Homebush	Part of rezoning review
6 December 2022	Planning Proposal - 17-20 Loftus Crescent, Homebush	Awaiting Department of Planning to provide their input as to whether they will support undertaking of North Homebush Precinct Masterplan
6 December 2022	Planning Proposal - PP 2019/12 - 200-206 Parramatta Road, Homebush	Proponent invited to make submission by 31 March 2023
6 December 2022	Planning Agreement Policy	Planning Agreement Policy adopted following exhibition
6 December 2022	Bus Shelter/Shade at Trinity Junior School - The Boulevard/Llandilo Avenue	To go to Council Meeting 7 March 2023
1 November 2022	Notice of Rescission - Resolution 243/22, Strathfield 6-10 Year Housing Target	Local Housing Strategy under review. Council in process of identifying suitably qualified consultants to contribute to Strathfield Town Centre Masterplan
5 July 2022	200-206 Parramatta Road, Homebush - Planning Proposal	Resolution superseded by resolution 290/22

CCS4 TENDERS ADVERTISED AND AWARDED FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2023

AUTHOR: David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer

APPROVER: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council tenders advertised and awarded in February and March 2023 be received and noted.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report details Council tenders advertised and awarded in February and March 2023.

REPORT

Tenders awarded in February 2023

Date Awarded	Tender Description	Successful Tenderer
No tenders awarded in February 2023		

Tenders awarded in March 2023

Date Awarded	Tender Description	Successful Tenderer
No tenders awarded in March 2023		

Tenders advertised in February 2023

Date Advertised	Date Closing/Closed	Tender Description	Status
No tenders advertised in February 2023			

Tenders advertised in March 2023

Date Advertised	Date Closing/Closed	Tender Description	Status
15/03/2023	05/04/2023	The Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Parking Meters (STRATH-1053153)	Open
22/03/2023	21/04/2023	Driving Range Design and Construct or Design, Construct & Operate Under Licence (STRATH-1053934)	Open

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

CCS5 LIBRARY STRATEGY 2023-2028

AUTHOR: Kathryn Fayle, Manager, Library & Community Services

APPROVER: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the draft Library Strategy be adopted by Council.
2. That the draft Library Strategy to be placed on public exhibition for 4 weeks (28 days).

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek approval for the draft Library Strategy 2023-2028 to be adopted and placed on public exhibition in accordance with the Community Engagement Strategy.

REPORT

The Strathfield community values education and learning and the importance of library services.

The Library Strategy 2023-2028 outlines a vision for the community and identifies future needs for library services in relation to changing demographics of the Strathfield community.

Under Council's Community Engagement Strategy, impact of the draft library strategy is assessed as low level e.g., LGA-wide lower impact on the majority of the Strathfield LGA. The issue has a low risk of conflict and/or controversy.

The methods of engagement will include exhibition of the draft strategy on the Council website, Customer Service Centre and Council Library, notification of the exhibition via Library Management System to all library members.

Following public exhibition of the draft strategy and consideration of submissions, a further report will be prepared for Council consideration.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding has been provided in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Strathfield Library Strategy 2023-2028

ATTACHMENT 1



Strathfield Library Services Strategy 2023-2028

'Learn, Engage and Create'

As gateways to knowledge and culture, libraries play a fundamental role in society. The resources and services they offer create opportunities for learning, support literacy and education, and help shape the new ideas and perspectives that are central to a creative and innovative society.

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Acknowledgement of Country

In the spirit of reconciliation Strathfield Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the area and their connections to land, rivers and community. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

DRAFT

Message from the Mayor, Karen Pensabene

Our community values education and learning and the importance of library services. The Library Strategy 2023-2028 outlines a vision for the community to 'Learn Engage and Create' and identifies future needs for library services in relation to the changing community diversity and population growth.

The Strathfield Library Services Strategy 2023-2028 contains 4 Goals we aim to deliver on:

1. Be a welcoming destination with flexible spaces
2. Have innovative and accessible services
3. Actively engage through programs and partnerships
4. Library team to be supported and developed as a skilled and cohesive team

These goals resonate with the Strathfield Council's Community Vision that "It's culturally diverse and socially cohesive community is proud of its heritage and residential character ... Strathfield is a place that embraces learning, culture, productivity and opportunity." Our strategy will be in place to guide our actions to meet the needs of the Strathfield community over the next five years.

Alongside the growth of digital and online resources, Strathfield Library remains a key facility in the community for social space. Although libraries continue to provide traditional services, the community expectation is for the modern library to be a community hub where people can socialise, access information and experience lifelong learning outside schools and tertiary institutions.

In an era of easy access to information our Library continues to provide what the Internet cannot and that is social connection. Bringing people together enables the Strathfield community to learn, engage and create in a welcoming environment with a professionally skilled library team.

I look forward to engaging with Councillors, staff and residents to ensure the delivery of the library strategy is effective in achieving quality services and programs and generating community pride within the Strathfield Local Government Area.

Strathfield Local Government Area

The Strathfield Local Government Area (LGA) is undergoing significant change. While characteristics of the various stages of the area's historic development are still evident in its built and natural environment, significant changes are occurring in population size, age profiles, demographics, urban environment and cultural diversity, which creates challenges and opportunities for social, environmental, educational, recreational, health and wellbeing, economic outcomes.

The Strathfield Local Government Area (LGA) is located in Sydney's Inner West about 10.5 kilometres from the City Centre and half way between Parramatta and the City. The Council is classified as a medium size Council.

Strathfield Council has a total area of approximately 13.9 square kilometres. The size of the LGA is variously reported. ABS uses 14 square kilometres, Office of Local Government reports the size as 13.9 square kilometres and Council documents often states 14.1 square kilometres.

Strathfield Council is bounded by Burwood Council at the east and north-east, City of Canada Bay at north, Canterbury-Bankstown Council at the south, Cumberland Council at west and City of Parramatta Council at north-west.

The Strathfield LGA includes the following suburbs:

- Part of Strathfield (postcode 2135)
- Strathfield South (2136)
- Homebush (2140)
- Homebush West (2140)
- Part of Belfield (2191)
- Part of Greenacre (2190)

Sydney Markets is located in the suburb of Homebush West but has its own postcode of 2129

Strathfield Community Demographic

Population: 45,930

Age Groups:

Age Group	Percentage
0-4	5.2%
5-11	6.9%
12-17	5.4%
18-24	12%
25-34	24.3%
35-49	19.7%
50-59	9.9%
60-69	8.3%
70-84	6.6%
85 and over	1.8%

Our Vision

The vision for Strathfield Library is to be a welcoming destination that provides a range of facilities, services and programs over the next four years to enable customers to learn, engage and create.

The vision for the library service is to provide opportunities for people to access information and resources to grow their knowledge and learning. Learning may be developed through programs, reading, research and online material to improve literacy, knowledge and technology skills.

Strathfield Library will be a partner for learning opportunities and will offer space for collaborative learning that enhances creativity. The library will also provide technology and information support to facilitate the development of new ideas, and from this the community gains in social capital.

24,515 registered borrowers^{*1}

65,428 physical items owned^{*1}

14,218 electronic items accessible^{*1}

8,387 (on average) visitors per month^{*2}

50,472 physical loans in 6 months^{*2}

173 events and activities held over 6 months^{*2}

^{*1} State Library NSW - Public Library Statistics 2021/22

^{*2} Statistics reporting July 2022 - December 2022

Library Customer Feedback - What the Community Told Us

A library customer satisfaction survey was held in 2022 in partnership with University of South Australia

What our Library Patrons Told Us

SUMMARY

- Respondents rated “Be well maintained” and “Always have clean amenities” highest on expectations
- Respondents rated “Be well maintained” and “Always be clean” highest on performance
- Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub’s best performing attributes compared to the CERM PI CSQ Benchmarks included “Have friendly staff” and “Have well-presented staff”
- Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub achieved an overall service quality score of **92%**

KEY STATISTICS



94% respondents are likely to recommend the Library to others



41% respondents visit between 9am-noon



55% respondents drive in a personal car



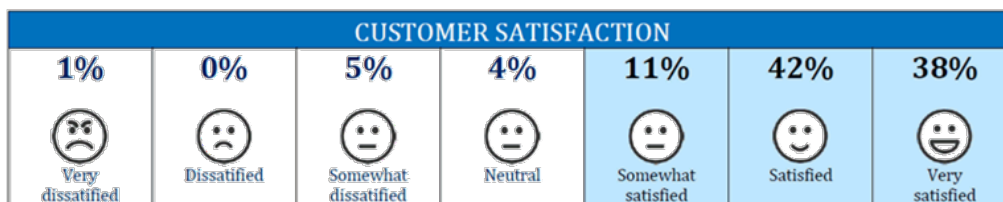
91% respondents are satisfied*
*measured range from somewhat satisfied to very satisfied



55% respondents indicate “In the Library” as the most common source for Library updates



44% respondents visit with family / friends



- **91%** of all of respondents indicated they were somewhat to very satisfied with the Library's service overall.
- The mean **satisfaction** for Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub is **6.0** (slightly above "Satisfied") out of a 7-point scale, which is lower than the CERM PI Libraries 2021 Benchmark (6.1)
- **94%** of all respondents indicated either "Maybe", "Likely" or "Very Likely" to **recommend** Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub to others.
- The mean **recommendation** for Strathfield Council Library and Innovation Hub is **6.3** (above "Likely") out of a 7-point scale, which is **higher** than the CERM PI Libraries 2021 Benchmark (6.1)



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What your customers said*:

"I am very satisfied"

"I think the events are somewhat satisfactory - it is just about raising general awareness of these programs. I always find out about programs that I like, just to discover that it's too late"

"I think the technology is somewhat advanced. However, the computers are a bit slow, and tend to be a bit laggy. Please consider upgrading your computers. Also increase general awareness of the services that are available please"

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OUR SERVICES

Strathfield Library provides both print and digital collections, spaces and community services and programs.

Spaces

The library provides a range of spaces including;

- Study Stadium
- Learning Lab
- Children's area
- Youth area
- Lounge area
- Ironbark Room
- Ironbark Gallery
- Jacaranda Room
- Local Studies Room
- Outdoor deck and seating areas

Collection for all ages

Print

- Fiction, non-fiction, graphic novels, magazines and newspapers
- Large Print books
- Materials in Chinese, Korean and Tamil and other languages provided by NSW State Library

Audio Visual

- Talking Books
- DVDs
- Music CDs

Digital

- E- books
- E-magazines
- E- audio books

Specialist

- Local studies resources

- Road to IELTS (English learning)
- Podcast Studio
- Virtual Reality (Games and education)
- Library Book Lockers (online ordering and click and collect service)
- Mobile Phone Chargers
- 3D printer
- Extended hours access to library facility
- UV Sanitiser as a CoVid response for library returns

Online Access

- Library catalogue online, with access to physical, digital and e-book collections
- Reserve and collect in library and via the library book lockers
- Public computers
- Docking stations for own device
- Free public WiFi

Printing

- Printing, photocopying and scanning facilities

Programs and Services

- Story time sessions for young children, including bilingual sessions
- School Holiday programs
- Reading Buddies literacy development for children aged 5-12 years
- Home Library service provides books and other materials to house bound residents and nursing home residents
- Book Club
- 'Craft and Cuppas' Group
- Technology and innovation programs
- Justice of the Peace services
- Services and programs in multicultural languages

Library Trends

Strathfield Council has reallocated staff efforts to enhance customer experience by introducing technology to reduce manual handling with RFID self checkers, improving access to library collection with the library book locker click and collect service and delivering a pilot project for extended hours facility access for library members.

When developing a library strategy, benchmarking with other public library services and identifying key issues and challenges for the future is essential in meeting the needs of the community and its changing demographic.

Redefining Library Spaces

Library services need to evolve and change in order to meet the needs of the community. Libraries are no longer just a place for books, and emerging technologies and use of space are important to the library service. The library of the future needs to provide a range of functions that continue to meet community need for information, social networking, learning and creativity.

Public libraries have a role in engaging the community and providing programs and services that bring people together with shared interests. Library spaces need to be flexible and provide interactive environments to meet the needs of all age groups.

Strathfield Council has sought to meet the needs of its community by upgrading the internal library space in 2020 with a \$1.7 million budget to better activate the space and provide a new level of flexibility in services and programs. Later an external deck was added in 2022 for \$200,000 to improve the amenity for library patrons.

Programs and Partnerships

Libraries still maintain a traditional role that is enhanced by programs and partnerships. Providing services out of hours is essential in a changing community, and this has been implemented through the book locker click and collect service and has been complimented with the extended hours access pilot.

Literacy remains an important role of public libraries and ensuring outreach programs that engage children in reading both outside and inside the library is paramount. Despite the growth of digital and online resources, the library is relevant as a social space and a provider of lifelong learning opportunities.

Meeting the Needs of a Diverse Community

Library services and programs need to adapt and respond to the needs of a diverse community with information and programs provided in English as well as other languages. Serving the multicultural community needs can be achieved in developing partnerships with multicultural service providers and program development using demographic data as a planning tool.

Library collection also needs to be inclusive with library materials in a range of languages with priority given to the main ethnic languages in the community demographic.

Innovation and Creativity

The use of space for creative activities and technology has changed the way libraries provide services. Makerspace had its beginnings in about 2006 in response to peer to peer learning and the need for informal learning spaces. Fostering a culture of innovation and creativity is essential for future planning.

By providing informal learning spaces this enables the users to become the creators themselves and the library is then not providing the traditional role of knowledge creation. There can be interactive learning environments and technologies for content creations such as pod casting, virtual reality and innovative activities using 3D printing.

By providing greater public accessibility such as with extended hours access, the library spaces can be where users share their knowledge while creating and learning simultaneously. This demonstrates that the library can fulfil its role in the community as a social space that fosters creativity, innovation and the sharing of knowledge.

Libraries as Urban Placemakers

Libraries become a place destination for visitors and this in turn provides an economic benefit to nearby shops and businesses. Libraries with inspirational design and architecture create a desirable community hub that engages the wider community and provides both economic and social benefit.

The library can be a place to provide leisure time, learning through programs and technology or browsing the collection. Ensuring hours of operation meet community needs and providing free and accessible parking enhance the opportunity for the library to be an urban placemaker.

Setting the Direction

Strathfield Library's future direction is influenced by external factors and Council's strategic plans and policies

External Influences	Internal Influences
<p>Library Legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library Act 1939 NSW <p>Association Library and Information Association (ALIA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines, standards and outcome measures for Australian Public Libraries (July 2016) <p>State Library NSW - Strategic Plan 2019-2023</p> <p>Put the reader and visitor first</p> <p>We aim to put readers and visitors at the centre of everything to do.</p> <p>Expand our audiences</p> <p>We want to reach young audiences, culturally diverse audiences, and people who are not yet aware of what the Library can offer them.</p> <p>Staff culture</p> <p>We aim to foster a culture based on respect, support and responsibility, which staff are comfortable to make their own contributions.</p> <p>Global Library Trends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Redefining library spaces Programs and partnerships Libraries as urban placemakers Innovation and creativity 	<p>Strathfield 2035 Community Strategic Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connectivity Community Wellbeing Celebrating Culture and Place Liveable Neighbourhoods Responsible Leadership <p>Council Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code of Conduct Child Protection Policy Community Engagement Strategy Procurement Policy Work Health and Safety Policy <p>Library Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children and Young Persons in Library Policy Library User Conduct Policy Home Library Service Policy Library Public Access to Internet Policy Library Collection and Development Policy Library Copyright Notices Policy

Strathfield Library is the local centre of information, making all kinds of knowledge and information accessible to its members and visitors. The library seeks to be a community hub for innovation and shared learning whilst supporting the community with access to lifelong learning and literacy support for all ages.

The Strathfield Library Services Strategy 2023-2028 is the framework to guide delivery of quality library services and programs to meet the needs of a diverse community. The strategy has considered global trends, national and state frameworks, and local priorities and customer survey to guide future direction.

LEARN, ENGAGE and CREATE

To achieve the vision of **Learn, Engage and Create** the focus of the service will be its people and the community. The development of the four goals to support the outcomes for Strathfield Library are;

Goal 1: Strathfield Library is a welcoming destination with flexible spaces

Goal 2: Strathfield Library delivers innovative and accessible services

Goal 3: Strathfield Library will activate and engage through programs and partnerships

Goal 4: Strathfield Library will continue to support and develop a skilled and cohesive Library Services team

GOAL 1***Welcoming destination with flexible spaces***

COMMITMENT	ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
Our library will be a welcoming Hub and provide a range of quality services, programs and events	1.1 Maintain and promote our library as as an attractive and welcoming destination with flexible, multi-use spaces	2028
Our library is more than books, with activities and services to engage the community	1.2 Ensure Strathfield Library is meeting the needs of its customers through engagement, effective feedback and long term infrastructure planning	2028
Our Library is comprised of flexible, multi-use spaces that provide an environment for learning and sharing knowledge	1.3 Engage with local educational institutions and community organisations to create connections and visitations	2024
Our library supports emerging artists and local history knowledge	1.4 Provide art and local history exhibitions in the gallery space within the library	2023
Our library is accessible to library patrons after hours	1.5 Provide and promote extended hours access to library patrons to enhance service flexibility	2024

GOAL 2***Innovative and accessible services***

COMMITMENT	ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
Our systems and business processes enable our customers quality service experience	2.1 Develop a business improvement approach to service delivery to enhance customer experience	2026
Our library provides reliable high quality systems both in the library, on-line and with the book locker services	2.2 Create opportunity for customers to engage with new and innovative technology	2023
Our services are supported by technology, equipment, vehicles and spaces that create innovative activities and learning experiences	2.3 Enhance access to online services and the digital experience through effective engagement and marketing	2024

GOAL 3***Activate and engage through programs and partnerships***

COMMITMENT	ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
Our team is active within the local community with outreach programs, services and activities to attract new people to the library	3.1 Develop programs to encourage reading and literacy and learning opportunities	2024
Our library programs and services are inclusive to meet the needs of a multicultural community	3.2 Diversify programs to connect and engage with the multicultural community	2023
Public spaces are activated through children's storytime to enhance literacy outcomes in early childhood	3.3 Activate and promote library programs and services in the library and other community spaces	2025
Library visitations are increased due to effective service and program promotion	3.4 Develop a marketing plan to increase community awareness of library programs services and features	2024

GOAL 4***Support and develop a skilled and professional team***

COMMITMENT	ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME
Our team provides excellent customer service enhanced by training and coaching	4.1 Develop a professional training program to support skills and knowledge growth across the team	2024
Our team strives to deliver quality outcomes in a culture of continuous quality improvement	4.2 Develop individual staff professional development plans to address skill needs in line with service delivery	2025
Our team provides a positive work culture which focuses on collegiality, accountability and team goals	4.3 Provide performance feedback and reviews to establish a positive values driven team culture	2025
Our team enhances service delivery through research, benchmarking and professional networking to enhance skills and service delivery	4.4 Develop and deliver programs that address the needs of a diverse community and meet the emerging technology trends of service delivery	2028
Strong and responsive leadership that supports team development and succession planning of emerging leaders and career opportunities	4.5 Provide mentoring and support to staff to professionally develop to effective skilled service managers	2025

IMPLEMENTATION

An annual operational plan will be developed, outlining the key programs, services and tasks to be undertaken to achieve the goals set out in this five year strategy.

Where additional resources are required, these will be sought through external funding opportunities, partnerships and Council's budget processes.

The delivery of this strategy is about the commitment of Strathfield Council and its library team and the support of partners.

EVALUATION

Ongoing quality improvement is the measure of success of this strategy. Evaluation will be achieved by benchmarking against key performance indicators, customer feedback, staff feedback, number of visitations and membership.

Reports on library outputs are made 6 monthly to Council's Community Strategic Plan – Delivery Program and annually to the State Library of NSW

Key Performance Indicators

Number of library members
Library Membership as % of population
Number of physical items borrowed
Number of physical items returned
Number of items borrowed electronically
Attendance at programs
Number of new programs developed
Number of users of WiFi
Customer Satisfaction Survey
Staff Feedback

CCS6	SMALL GRANT APPLICATION - STRATHFIELD JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB
AUTHOR:	Kathryn Fayle, Manager, Library & Community Services
APPROVER:	Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the Small Grant Application from Strathfield Junior Rugby League Football Club to support the sporting activities for children and youth development in the Strathfield Local Government Area.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

That the application from Strathfield Junior Rugby League Football Club be evaluated for funding request of \$2,500 to support delivering canteen in the winter season to ensure sufficient funds for continuation of sporting services for youth.

REPORT

Due to booking anomalies for Begnell Field for the 2023 football season, this community organisation would be adversely affected for its fund raising with limited access for operating a canteen in the winter season. This small grant will offset the loss predicted due to the booking changes for the club at Begnell Field to enable a healthy, active environment and program for Strathfield children and youth.

The application seeks funding to support the ongoing delivery of a sporting program that addresses children and youth wellbeing. This request aligns with the theme Community Wellbeing and the goal 'Healthy and Active Communities' as per Council's Community Strategic Plan, Strathfield 2035.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding has been provided in the current budget for this purpose as set out below:

Applicant	Funding Request	Budget Available
Strathfield Junior Rugby League Football Club	\$2,500	\$12,500

ATTACHMENTS

1. Small Grant Application - Strathfield Raiders
2. Strathfield Raiders Constitution and Policies
3. Australian Securities and Investments Commission - Incorporation Summary - Strathfield Raiders

ATTACHMENT 1



Small Grants Application Form – Groups and Organisations

Eligibility and conditions

Strathfield Council's Small Grants Policy provides amounts up to \$2,500 to eligible individuals or groups, subject to approval and provision of supporting documentation. If your organisation is granted financial assistance, the grant must be acquitted eg provide evidence in form of receipts to Council. Failure to provide this information may result in Council excluding your organisation from future grants.

Eligibility for groups and organisations is limited to those community groups, not for profit organisations, schools and/or registered charitable organisations that are located in the Strathfield Council area and/or provides services to the Strathfield Council area.

A group or organisation is not eligible if they have:

- outstanding or non-acquitted grants with Strathfield Council
- are not located and/or providing services within the Strathfield Council area
- seeking retrospective funding or the request is generated via bulk mail.

Council does not provide financial assistance for commercial or profit-driven entities, including registered clubs or State or Federal Government departments or agencies

Grants are only available to the following:

- community organisations requiring financial assistance to provide a service or activity of benefit to the Strathfield community where no alternative grant program is available
- request for a donation or support for a fundraising event for a registered charity or not for profit organisation

The Small Grants Policy is available at <https://www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au/council/policies-plans-and-regulations/policies/>

For further information, please contact Council at 9748 9999 or email: council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au

About your organisation or group

Name of group or organisation Strathfield Junior Rugby League Football Club

Home Ground - Begnell Field, Madeline St - Belfield
PO Box 4320 Homebush South NSW 2140

Address

Contact name and title of position Nazih Touma

Contact number(s) 0401 804 099

Email: president@strathfieldraiders.com.au

Is your organisation a charitable organisation or incorporated? Please provide registration details and ensure copies of your registration or incorporation are attached to the application.

Strathfield Junior Rugby League Football Club (Strathfield JRLFC) is a Not for Profit sporting club

Describe your organisation and its key objectives (Attach additional information to the application if there is insufficient space)

Strathfield JRLFC's aim is to provide a positive and active environment for the promotion and development of childrens mental and physical wellbeing through sporting activities in the Strathfield Municipality.

About your proposal**Amount Requested \$ 2500**

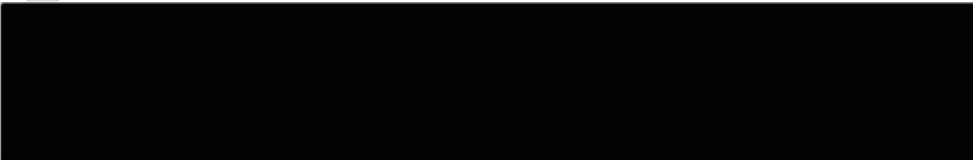
Purpose of the grant eg description of the project or activity in which assistance is sought and how the funds will be spent. *(Attach additional information to the application if there is insufficient space)*

This funding is being sought to assist us in delivering on our sporting canteen for the 2023 Winter Season. We are seeking funding as we have had a change this year that has resulted in our not being able to run our games as per our usual arrangements and the funding will assist us in continuing to provide our sporting services to the youth of Strathfield.

What do consider are the benefits to the Strathfield community of your proposal? (attach additional information to the application if there is insufficient space)

___To encourage in the Strathfield Community children's participation in sport for the improvement of mental and physical health, promote sportsmanship, and nurture the future of children of all genders in Rugby League and Girls NRL Tag. To provide a safe, fair and positive environment for children from the ages of 6 - 17 years of age. To assist children to learn the value of team sport, encourage and foster the development of players' social and sporting skills, as well as, assist them in their personal growth.

Provide bank account details (for depositing of grant if successful)



Have you applied, received or denied any grants in the last 12 months from Council or from any other organisation for the same purpose or project? If so, please provide details.

No

Completion of Application

In completing your application, please ensure the following documents are attached:

- Registration certificates ie charitable organisation or Incorporation
- Constitution of the organisation or group
- Any relevant documents that support your request for financial assistance

I, the undersigned, have read the Strathfield Council Small Grants Policy and acknowledge and agree that all the information provided for this application is in accordance with the Strathfield Municipal Council conditions set out in the policy. I understand that failure to comply with any of these terms and conditions or the provision of false information to obtain any benefits will result in Council seeking reimbursement of any monies provided and the Applicant(s) may be subject to other legal action including but not limited to criminal prosecution and any other available legal remedies as a result of fraudulent and dishonest conduct.

Name(s) of Applicant (s): Nazih Touma _____

Signature of Applicant (s) _____ 4 / 03 / 2023

Privacy Statement

Council manages privacy and personal information in accordance with relevant legislation and Council's Privacy Management Plan. Information on how Council handles your personal information is explained in Council's Privacy Management Plan.

Council collects and stores your personal information in relation to your application and participation in the Small Grants Fund process. You accept the provision of personal information is voluntary but failing to provide all or part of the sought after information may mean Council cannot process your entry. Information provided by you may be accessed by government agencies and members of the public in accordance with relevant legislation.

Council is to be regarded as the agency that holds the information. Under the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 you can apply to access records of personal information Council holds about you, and then apply to amend or correct personal information.

You can access your personal information by writing to Council's Privacy Contact Officer at PO Box 120, Strathfield NSW 2135. You can view Council's Privacy Management Plan by visiting www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au/council/privacy-management/

ATTACHMENT 2



Strathfield Junior Rugby League Club Incorporated Constitution and Club Policies Dated 23rd May, 2008

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SECTION A AIMS OF THE CLUB

- 01 To provide a positive and active environment for the promotion and development of rugby league in the Strathfield and surrounding Municipalities.
- 02 To encourage participation, improve skills, promote sportsmanship, and nurture the future of children in rugby league.
- 03 To provide a safe, fair and positive environment for players to enjoy rugby league.
- 04 To assist players to learn the value of team sport, encourage and foster the development of players' social and sporting skills as well as assist them in their personal growth.

SECTION B THE EXECUTIVE

05 The executive of the Club shall comprise of,

President
 Vice President (s)
 Secretary
 Assistant Secretary
 Treasurer
 Assistant Treasurer
 Registrar
 Grievance Officer
 Assistant Registrar

Some roles may be combined if no other persons are willing to nominate for the above-mentioned positions. There must be a minimum of five members on the Executive.

- 06** Other sub-committees will be formed to organize fundraising, social events, ground management and age group managers. These committees may comprise of some Executive members. All decisions made by such committees must be sanctioned by the Executive.
- 07** The Executive members will have equal right to apply for and be nominated for team official positions, i.e. Coach, manager or trainer.
- 08** The Executive Committee must have close liaison with the Balmain District Junior Rugby League. At least one member should be a member of the B.D.J.R.L. Management Committee.
- 09** The Executive Committee shall finalise all sponsorships and at least two Executive members will represent the club at meetings with prospective sponsors.
- 10** The Executive Committee will decide on all the distribution of all team funds, which have been accumulated through fund raising or sponsorship.
- 11** The Executive Committee will monitor the behavior of all teams, players, officials and parents at training, games, social events or end of season trips. Any persons who have behaved in a manner contrary to the image and goodwill of the club will be requested to appear before the Executive and explain their actions. The Executive Committee will then take whatever action they deem necessary.
- 12** The Executive Committee may elect a member to such Committee in cases of members resignation during their term of office or if insufficient members being elected at the Annual General Meeting. Such elections must be sanctioned at the following general meeting.
- 13** All decisions pertaining to the day to day running of the club must be made of at least three Executive Members; other members must be informed of these decisions as soon as possible.
- 14** The Strathfield Raiders are affiliated with the Balmain District Junior Rugby League Club and all members will be bound by the **NSW RUGBY LEAGUE CODE OF CONDUCT as supplied by Balmain JRLFC on 17th August 2004.**
- 15** These Rules will be read in conjunction with the Model Rules for Incorporated Associations and where there is a conflict between these rules and those of the Model Rules for Incorporated Associations then these rules shall prevail.
- 15A** The Executive Committee may not compromise of more than two representatives of the one team.

SECTION C DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE**PRESIDENT**

- 16 The President shall preside over all meetings in a fair and just manner giving all Members equal time in discussions.
- 17 The President will notify all Executive Members at least one week prior to Executive meetings to be held. He/She will advise the time and venue of such Meetings and the agenda to be discussed.
- 18 The President will advise all Club Members at least one week prior to all General Meetings. He/She will advise the time and venue of such meetings.
- 19 The President will have a casting vote, if required, in matters, which require a vote.

VICE –PRESIDENTS

- 20 The Vice President(s) shall preside over any meetings required in the absence of the President.
- 21 The Vice- Presidents(s) may hold other Executive positions and may be chairman to sub-committees.

SECRETARY

- 22 The Secretary shall keep records of all meetings, which are held.
- 23 The Secretary shall receive all incoming correspondence and advise the meetings of such information.
- 24 The Secretary shall send all club correspondence as required or requested by the club.
- 25 The Secretary shall liaise between the club and sponsors, sub-committees. Balmain District Junior League, other clubs, and organizations
- 26 The Secretary shall provide copies of the previous meetings minutes, to all members at general meetings.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

- 27 The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary in all the required duties of the Secretary
- 28 The Assistant Secretary shall fulfill the duties of the Secretary in the absence of the Secretary at any meetings.

TREASURER

- 29 The Treasurer shall receive all incoming monies and deposit all such monies in the Club bank account.
- 30 The Treasurer shall pay all club accounts as agreed by the Executive Committee and or Club Members.
- 31 The Treasurer shall submit a balance sheet to all general meetings. This balance sheet is to be made accessible to all club members.
- 32 The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account and balance sheet of all club funds.
- 33 The Treasurer shall be responsible for the keeping of all club-banking accounts. Two other members of the Executive will be signatories to this account. At least two signatures are required to withdraw from the account.
- 34 The Treasurer shall submit an annual financial report to the Annual General Meeting.
- 35 The Treasurer shall be responsible for collecting of all registration fees.

REGISTRAR

- 36 The Registrar shall ensure that all players are registered with the club prior to District registration.

- 37 The Registrar shall ensure that all players prior, to registration with the Balmain Junior League, have paid club fees, and if new players have a birth Certificate and Medicare registration number.
- 38 The Registrar shall ensure that all club official i.e. Coaches, managers and Trainers are registered with the Balmain District.
- 39 The Registrar will liaise with the Balmain District Registrar and ensure all relative books and cards are filled out correctly.

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

- 40 The Assistant Registrar shall assist the Registrar in all the required duties of the Registrar.
- 41 The Assistant Registrar shall fulfill the duties of the Registrar in the absence of the Registrar at any meetings.

GRIEVANCE OFFICER

- 42 The Grievance Officer shall handle all issues relating to grievances from Committees, Coaching Staff, Players and Parents in order to bring the best beneficial outcome for the club.
- 43 The Grievance officer shall advise the Executive Committee of any such occurrences in a timely fashion.
- 44 If the Grievance officer is unable to settle the issue with the persons involved satisfactorily, the issues will be elevated to the Executive, in writing, for a final decision.
- 45 The Grievance Officer should always approach problems from a neutral prospective. If the Grievance Officer is personally involved with the issue, then the Executive shall form a sub committee, to reach a final decision.

SECTION D MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

- 46 The President and/or Secretary may arrange for Executive to meet and discuss club business and any topics which may require resolution.
- 47 The President shall, where possible, give members at least one weeks notice prior to the meeting.
- 48 The Secretary shall keep records of all Executive Meetings. A quorum for an Executive meeting shall be five members.
- 49 The Executive must meet at least once a month as a minimum between January to October.

GENERAL MEETINGS

- 50 General Meetings are open to all club members and supporters.
- 51 Dates for General Meetings are usually set down at the commencement of the year. These dates may alter during the year in which case, the Executive must inform all members of the club of the changed date and or venue at least one week prior to the meeting.
- 52 A quorum for a General Meeting is five members.
- 53 The Agenda for a General Meeting shall be as follows,

Apologies
Minutes from the previous meeting
Business arising from the minutes
Correspondence
Treasurer's report
Balmain District report

Registrars report
Team reports
General Business

- 54 At least one person associated with the team preferably, coach, manager or trainer should represent all teams.
- 55 In matters, which require resolution by voting, each member shall have one vote only. Executive members who may hold more than one position are limited to one vote. The President has the casting vote in case of a drawn vote.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- 56 The Annual General Meeting is held on a date after the completion of the playing season.
- 57 The Executive must give all members at least fourteen days notice of the time and venue of the Annual General Meeting.
- 58 A quorum for an Annual General Meeting shall be ten members.
- 59 The Agenda for an Annual General Meeting shall be as follows,

Apologies

Minutes of the previous AGM
Business arising from the minutes.
Correspondence.
President's report.
Secretaries report.
Treasurer's report and annual statement of accounts.
Election of Executive positions for the following year.
General Business

- 60 Members, over the age of eighteen, may nominate for Executive or sub-committee position within the club. All nominations for such positions must be in writing (addressed to the Secretary) at least seven days prior the Annual General Meeting.
- 61 Members must have attended at least four meetings during the year to qualify for voting rights at the Annual General Meeting unless they are a Coach, Trainer or Manager in the current year (as they are deemed to have donated sufficient time to the club).

SECTION E TEAM OFFICIALS

- 62 Team officials shall be Coach, Manager and Trainer (s).
- 63 Members who wish to apply for positions as team officials should apply in writing (addressed to the Secretary). The Executive will then decide on appointments. Team officials are to show, at all times, an example of sportsmanship and fairness in their direction and leadership of the players under their care.
- 64 Team officials must advise all players of cancellation or change of time or venue to training sessions and games.
- 65 A team official must remain with any player at the conclusion of training sessions until the player is collected.
- 66 All team officials should be financial Members.
- 67 All team officials must be registered with the Balmain District Junior Rugby League.
- 68 At least one team official should attend club general meetings or offer apology.

COACH

- 69 All international coaches (Under 13's and up) must hold a NSWRL Level 1 Coaching Certificate.
- 70 All Mini and Mod Coaches (Under 6's to Under 12's) must hold a suitable accreditation from Balmain Junior League.
- 71 The coaches should strive to update their knowledge and technique in the coaching of their players.
- 72 Coaches will instruct their players to show respect to the referee, game officials, team-mates, opposition players and spectators at all times.
- 73 Coaches should replace any player whose actions on the field are destructive to the image of the club or team.
- 74 Coaches are to meet with the Director of Coaching at least twice during the season and discuss training methods. The Director of Coaching will be available at all times to assist the coach if required.

MANAGER

- 75 The Manager is responsible for all communication between the Club, the Executive and all members of his team.
- 76 The Manager shall be responsible for all gear issued to the team and shall arrange for the cleaning and maintenance of all such gear.
- 77 The Manager shall ensure all team members are properly attired in the Club playing strip at each match.
- 78 The Manager shall monitor the conduct of all team members and supporters, any incidents of offensive behavior, at any time, should be reported to the Executive.
- 79 The Manager should ensure all players and team officials are correctly registered with the Balmain District Junior Rugby League.
- 80 The Manager shall be responsible for the promotion, distribution and collection of all fundraising items and notices, which the club may issue.
- 81 The Manager will contact the Secretary on the Sunday night of the weekends round of football and inform him/her of the game result.
- 82 The Manager will contact the Publicity Officer on the Monday night after the weekend's round and give him/her a team report.

TRAINER

- 83 The Trainer shall assist the Coach and Manager at training sessions and matches.
- 84 The Trainer will attend any first aid courses which the Club shall provide and shall update their knowledge of first aid whenever possible.
- 85 The Trainer shall be responsible for all equipment necessary for administering aid to players during matches.
- 86 The Trainer must comply with the Balmain District Junior Rugby League rules regarding on field trainers behaviour and on accreditation.

SECTION F PLAYERS

- 87 Players must show the highest respect for the Team Officials of their team and their conduct, at all times, and must not be contrary to the image and goodwill of the Club. Failure to do so will result in the player appearing before the Executive to explain their actions.
- 88 Players are to attend all training sessions. All absences are to be reported to the Coach or Manager before the training session.
- 89 Players are to be attired in the appropriate Strathfield Raiders football jersey, shorts, socks and boots during a game.
- 90 Players are to pay registration fees on the set registration day.

- 91 Players should contact their Coach, Manager or an Executive Member regarding any problem, which may arise as a result of being a member of the Strathfield Junior Rugby League Club.
- 92 Players should arrive for their games at least thirty minutes prior to the set time for the commencement of their game.

SECTION G PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

- 93 Parents should advise the Team Manager, or Grievance Officer or a member of the Executive of any problems which may arise as a result of their child playing for the Club. If required a special meeting with the Executive may be arranged to discuss the problem.
- 94 Parents and Supporters are expected to attend social functions and support any fund raising activities, game day rosters, field setup, canteen duties, BBQ duties, which the Club may arrange from time to time.
- 95 Parents are expected to support the team their child plays for by attending matches whenever possible.
- 96 Parents and Supporters are to support their team in a positive manner. Any unseemly behavior while supporting this Club will not be tolerated and those guilty will be asked to explain their behavior to the Executive and may lead to the deregistering of their child.
- 97 Parents are expected to deliver and pick up players from training sessions at the scheduled times for the sessions.

SECTION H TEAM SELECTIONS

- 98 The maximum number of registered players in a single team will be determined by the guidelines set out by the Balmain District Junior Rugby League. In the event of a single team having more players than the BDJRL recommend, consideration will be given to players who have been with the club for the previous season(s). In the case of a team coach and manager requesting numbers above this limit, an application in writing to the Executive and the BDJRL for consideration. Every effort will be made to find a club for those that cannot be placed in one of our teams.
- 99 The table below shows the minimum number of registered players required in an age group before the Executive will consider entering two teams in that age group as well as the Maximum Registered players allowed in any age group.

<i>Age Group</i>	<i>Minimum Registered Players</i>	<i>Maximum Registered Players for one team</i>
Mini League (6 – 8)	18	12
Mod League (9 – 11)	24	15
International League (13 – 21) Mod League (12)	32	18

- 107 If two teams are entered in a particular age group, they will be split using the following criteria:

Mini League – Boys that have played previously with the Strathfield Raiders will remain together where possible (at the Coaches discretion). Boys that are new to the club, but who have friends at the club will be allowed to play with those friends if numbers permit.

Mod League – (9, 10, 11, 12) Teams will be selected on merit with a consideration given to those boys that have been at the club for the previous three seasons. The Team Coach, Director of Coaching and one other independent club member nominated by the executive will make selections. All grading and rankings are to be documented in a form acceptable to the Executive. Should a child's parent nominate to play with a

particular friend, sibling or group of friends then those children will be graded on the lowest graded player within that group.

International League – (13, 14, 15, 16) Teams will be selected on merit with the consultation of the Director of Coaching, Team Coach and one other independent club member nominated by the executive.

International League – (18, 21.) In the event that an Under 16s team moves up to the Under 18s the next season, every attempt will be made to keep this team together with the same rule applying to 18s moving up to 21s. Players who would prefer to change from one team to another of course would be accommodated.

108 Players are required to play in their correct age group unless there are exceptional circumstances requiring them to play up an age group. In the event that players are required to play up an age group, prior parental consent is required in writing together with consent from the Director of Coaching and the Coach of the team that the child is registered in. In any event no child can play up to three years above their age group.

108A These are general guidelines and individual cases may be brought to the Executive Committee for consideration.

109 In the event that there is a dispute or a contentious grading issue then these are referred to the Executive Committee whose decision is binding and final.

109B In the event that the Club elects to enter a knock out Competition the Club will enter one team per age group into the knock out competition. The selection of the Team will be at the sole discretion of the Coach in that age group. If there is more than one Coach in that age group then the Executive will appoint the Coach to represent the Club in Knock out Competition.

SECTION I AWARDS

110 Major Awards

Senior Player of the Year (Under 13 to 21)

Mod Player of the Year (Under 9 to 12)

Mini Player of the Year (Under 6 to 8)

111 Minor Awards

Two Trophies shall be awarded to each team at the discretion of the Team Officials.

112 The Coach of the team will select the player to receive the “Best and Fairest Trophy “ and the players themselves will select the player to receive the “Players Player Trophy”

113 All players will receive a memento for playing with the Club.

SECTION J CLUB MEMBERSHIP

A Club member is defined as anyone who meets the following criteria.

1. A current financial member of the Club. A current financial member must pay an annual fee of \$10.00 inclusive of GST which may vary from time to time. To have voting rights you must pay the membership fee prior to the 30 June of the current year and you must have attended four general meetings prior to the AGM.

SECTION K LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND 5 & 10 YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

Consideration for Club Life Membership will be given to those who meet the following criteria.

4. Be founding members and/or five years consecutive service to the club.
5. The nominee is over 18 years of age.
6. The Secretary with details of the nominee's service receives a nomination for life membership from another club member.
7. A signed secondary nomination from a club member.

Nominations must be presented to the Secretary two weeks before the clubs Presentation Day. All nominations received will be publicized on this day.

A vote on the nomination will then be held at the Annual General Meeting, which will take place at some point after Presentation Day. A majority vote of 75% will be required for the nominee to be granted life membership.

5 and 10-Year Service Awards

A medallion will be awarded to any player who plays for the club for 5 consecutive seasons.

A significant memento will be presented to any player who plays for the club for 10 consecutive seasons.

If a player has registered for the club, but is unable to be placed in a team due to no team being entered in that particular age group, he may still be considered for such an award upon returning to the club and completing his 10 years service.

In the case of a player missing a season due to exceptional circumstances, the committee may use its discretion when deciding eligibility for such awards.

A player who does not pay his registration fees will not have that year's service counted towards any such award.

SECTION L CONCLUSION

- 114 _ Executive has the right to make adjustments to this code. This, however, may only be done at an Executive Meeting. All Club members would then be notified of any such changes as soon as possible.

ATTACHMENT 3

**ASIC**

Australian Securities & Investments Commission

Association**STRATHFIELD JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB INCORPORATED**

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Association Summary

Name: STRATHFIELD JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB INCORPORATED

ABN:

Registration Number: INC9886083

Registered State: New South Wales

Registration Date: 08/08/2006

Status: Registered

Type: Associations

Regulator: Office of Fair Trading, New South Wales

PEI UPDATE : GATEWAY DETERMINATION STRATHFIELD LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2021

AUTHOR: Clare Harley, Director Planning and Environment

APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Resolve, under the provisions of s3.35 (4) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, to request that the Minister determine that the draft Planning Proposal for the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021 not proceed; and
2. Be provided with a briefing, at a Councillor Workshop, to confirm next steps for progressing key components contained within the draft Local Environmental Plan 2021, in a new Planning Proposal to amend the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2012.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Council with a status update in relation to the draft Planning Proposal for the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021 and seek a resolution to request the Minister to determine that it not proceed.

REPORT

In 2021 Council resolved to prepare a draft Planning Proposal for a new Local Environmental Plan. In April 2022 the Department of Planning and Environment issued a Gateway Determination which identified an extensive list of matters that should not be progressed, or which required significant additional work. The Gateway required Council to:

- Publicly exhibit a draft Planning Proposal by 29 October 2022
- Publish (formerly known as gazettal) of the new Local Environmental Plan by 29 April 2023.

Council has previously been advised that the draft Planning Proposal was a 'comprehensive' LEP review. However, the nature of the proposed changes to planning controls do not warrant a new Local Environmental Plan and are considered by the Department of Planning and Environment to be of a 'housekeeping' nature. Other matters included in the draft Planning Proposal do not have sufficient evidence base to progress at this stage and Council will not be able to meet the dates identified in the Gateway Determination and as we have not sufficiently progressed the required additional studies it is unlikely that an extension to the Gateway would be granted.

Therefore, in order to progress orderly planning, it is proposed that Council request that the Minister determine that the draft Planning Proposal for the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2021 not proceed. It is proposed that Council subsequently submit a new Planning Proposal(s) which may, in a number of instances, closely reflect the draft Planning Proposal titled Strathfield LEP 2021. However, the new Planning Proposal(s) would amend the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2012.

A Roadmap for progressing a new Planning Proposal can be provided at a Councillor Workshop and in a subsequent Council report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications at this stage.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

PE2 **NORTH HOMEBUSH (PARRAMATTA ROAD CORRIDOR URBAN TRANSFORMATION STRATEGY) AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONTRIBUTIONS SCHEME AND INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS STUDY**

AUTHOR: Clare Harley, Director Planning and Environment

APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That Council confirms endorsement of the preparation of an Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme and Infrastructure Needs Study in conjunction with the NSW Department Planning and Environment, who will fund and procure consultants.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Council that the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) will engage and fund consultants to undertake two studies which will help Council to progress planning for the Parramatta Road Corridor Urban Transformation Strategy (PRCUTS):

- Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme
- Local Infrastructure Needs Study

REPORT

In December 2022, Council resolved to support the delivery of the 6–10-year housing supply in the PRCUTS (North Homebush) but resolved not to fund masterplanning of the precinct. In February 2023, Council resolved to explore opportunities for working collaboratively with the DPE to progress the masterplanning of North Homebush.

Council's General Manager and Director Planning and Environment subsequently met with DPE to discuss potential ways to progress masterplanning in the Precinct. DPE have advised that, at this time they have limited resources to apply to a masterplan and related technical studies.

However, they have offered to procure and fund two pieces of work which will assist council to progress with planning for PRCUTS (North Homebush):

- Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme
- Local Infrastructure Needs Study

Both studies need to be committed and completed by the end of June 2023. Council staff will provide input to the scope of both studies as well as be provided with opportunities to review draft documents.

An Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme is an important piece of work which will enable Council to introduce planning controls into the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan to require either the delivery of Affordable Housing units or a monetary contribution for affordable housing. An Affordable Housing Contribution Scheme sets out how, where and at what rate development contributions can be collected by Council for Affordable Housing and is in addition to s7.11 and s7.12 Development Contributions and any required Regional or State Infrastructure Contributions.

The benefits of a local infrastructure study being progressed include:

- Identification of infrastructure for the public realm in the precincts
- Inform Councils Development Contribution Plan(s)
- Describe how the need for essential infrastructure can be met by a landowner/developer

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as the two studies are to be funded and procured by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

EO1 INVESTIGATION INTO POSSIBLE SPEED BUMPS AND SAFETY CAMERAS FOR
COURALLIE AVENUE (RESOLUTION 276/22)

AUTHOR: John Inglese, Traffic Engineer

APPROVER: Cathy Edwards-Davis, Director, Engineering and Operations

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council does not install speed humps or cameras in the private or public road sections of Courallie Avenue, based on the traffic speed and volume results in the report.
2. That Council undertake follow-up traffic surveys in 12-months' time to monitor any changes in traffic behaviour.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 6 December 2022, resolved:

"276/22

RESOLVED: (Datta / Maheswaran)

That Council investigate the possibility of installing speed bumps and safety cameras at Courallie Avenue to prevent car racing at night and report to a future Council Meeting findings and cost to install."

This report has been prepared in response to this resolution.

REPORT

Council has undertaken traffic speed and volume surveys in Courallie Avenue and Telopea Avenue and the results are detailed in the following table and plan.

- 2 Tube count locations in Courallie Ave (Private Road)
- 3 Tube count location in Courallie Ave (Public Road)
- 1 Tube count location in Telopea Ave (Public Road)

Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Courallie Avenue	Private Road - Marlborough Road to Courallie Ave (EB)	2,456 vpd	46.3 km/h
	Private Road - Marlborough Road to Courallie Ave (WB)	1,797 vpd	44.5 km/h
	Combined	4,253 vpd	45.6 km/h

Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Courallie Avenue	Private Road – West of Courallie Ave (EB)	2,466 vpd	41.8 km/h
	Private Road – West of Courallie Ave (WB)	2,656 vpd	47.4 km/h
	Combined	5,300 vpd	45.1 km/h

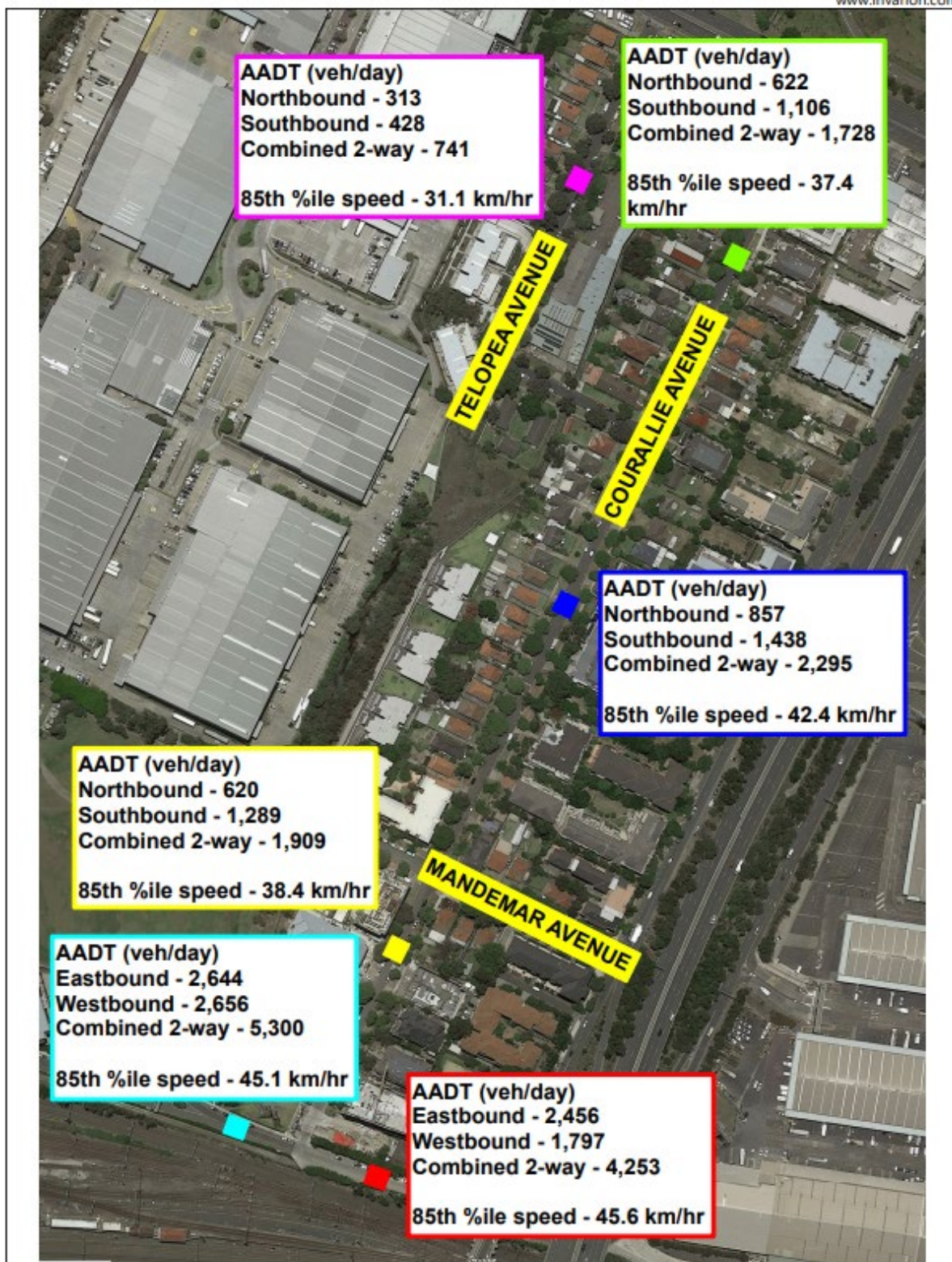
Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Courallie Avenue	Public Road – Between Courallie Avenue and Mandemar Street (NB)	620 vpd	38.1 km/h
	Public Road – Between Courallie Ave and Mandemar Street (SB)	1,289 vpd	38.5 km/h
	Combined	1,909 vpd	38.4 km/h

Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Courallie Avenue	Public Road – Between Telopea Avenue and Mandemar Street (NB)	857 vpd	42.0 km/h
	Public Road – Between Courallie Avenue and Mandemar Street (SB)	1,438 vpd	42.6 km/h
	Combined	2,295 vpd	42.4 km/h

Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Courallie Avenue	Public Road – Between Telopea Avenue and Parramatta Road (NB)	622 vpd	35.5 km/h
	Public Road – Between Courallie Avenue and Parramatta Road (SB)	1,106 vpd	38.4 km/h
	Combined	1,728 vpd	37.4 km/h

Location	Section	AADT (vehicles per day)	85 th ile speed
Telopea Avenue	Public Road – Between Courallie Avenue and Parramatta Road (NB)	313 vpd	30.4 km/h
	Public Road – Between Courallie Avenue and Parramatta Road (SB)	428 vpd	31.5 km/h
	Combined	741 vpd	31.1 km/h

The above results are colour coded with the following plan (see Figure 1 below).



The traffic speed data indicates that vehicles in Courallie Avenue and Telopea Avenue are travelling within the 50 km/hr speed limit and therefore there is no justification for the installation of any traffic management or speed limiting devices.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no works recommended and therefore there are no financial implications.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

EO2 CORONATION PARADE WAR MEMORIAL
AUTHOR: Christopher Richmond, Building Facilities Coordinator
APPROVER: Cathy Edwards-Davis, Director, Engineering and Operations

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive and note the report.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

At the Ordinary Council Meeting of 7 February 2023, Council resolved:

*"4/23
RESOLVED: (Blackmore / Hall)*

- 1. For Council to provide a Report to the March Workshop on the cost of repairing the plaques on the Coronation Parade War Memorial Arch.*
- 2. Council beautify the Coronation Parade War Memorial Arch by removing the weeds and installing flowers in the ceramic bowls and including better lighting.*
- 3. Council to seek grant funding to complete the required restoration works and its ongoing maintenance. If there is no grant funding available a report to go to Council to be provided."*

This report has been prepared in response to this resolution.

REPORT

Cost Of Repairing Plaques

The following works are required to repair the plaques:

- **Brickwork** – steam clean exterior brickwork to reduce biological and pollution staining and apply a biocide to deter future biological staining
- **Tiles** – clean to reduce calcium deposits
- **Plaques** – patch areas of damage with a colour-matched hydraulic lime mortar
- **Metal Railings** – remove loose paint, prepare surface, undertake corrosion treatment, prime, and recoat with appropriate outdoor paint system
- **Gilding** – regild plaque letters

The estimated cost for these repair works is \$44,000.

Lighting

A lighting upgrade has been completed in this area. The light fittings have been upgraded and are sympathetic to the original light fittings for the arch.

Council staff will investigate whether it is feasible to upgrade the globe for the light on the flag.

Beautifying Coronation Parade War Memorial/Lighting

Fountain Grass (*Pennisetum Alopecuroides*) will be planted on either side of the arch.



Grant Funding

Council has applied for a Community War Memorial Funding Grant for \$10,000 for use at this location. Council is waiting to be advised if successful with the grant.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total cost of repairing the plaques is approximately \$44,000 and there are no funds in the current budget for this project. A grant for \$10,000 has been sought to contribute to these costs. The funding for these works will be considered in future capital works budgets.

The proposed landscaping improvements can be funded from existing maintenance funds.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

EO3 LEASES AND LICENCES - LAND AND PROPERTY STRATEGY

AUTHOR: Cathy Edwards-Davis, Director Engineering & Operations

APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council staff prepare a draft Land and Property Strategy and report this to Council with the intention to place the Strategy on public exhibition.
2. That Council gives public notice, in accordance with Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, that it proposes to grant a lease for the following properties: 25 Broughton Road, Strathfield; Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street, Homebush; and 1A Bates Street, Strathfield.
3. That Council advertise a Tender, in accordance with Section 46A and Division 1 of Part 3 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, calling for Expressions of Interest for a lease for the following properties: 25 Broughton Road, Strathfield; Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street, Homebush; and 1A Bates Street, Strathfield.
4. That Council note and endorse the proposed arrangements for 28 Pomeroy Street, Homebush and Airey Park as contained within the report.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to recommend a Strategy for managing the leasing and licencing of Council property to ensure equity, consistency and transparency in decision making regarding Council's property assets into the future.

The report also seeks to outline a process and methodology to manage properties which have leases and licences which are scheduled to expire in 2023 and which is consistent with the *Local Government Act 1993* requirements.

REPORT

Introduction

Council owns 56 buildings and structures, which have a replacement cost of \$66 million. Council leases and licences some of these buildings to others for both community and commercial use.

Council's Building Asset Management Plan has identified that Council has a building backlog of \$1.5 million. The backlog is defined as assets which are in poor and very poor condition. The Office of Local Government recommends that Council's have an infrastructure backlog which is less than 2.0% of its overall assets. Strathfield Council currently has an overall infrastructure backlog of \$16.1 million which is 4.21%, which exceeds the guidelines. In part due to this infrastructure backlog, Council has recently made an application for a Special Rate Variation to help address this significant funding gap.

Land and Property Strategy

It is proposed to develop a Land and Property Strategy (LAPS) for Council owned property. The purpose of the LAPS is to ensure the community's assets are being effectively managed and protected for the long-term best interests of the community. The LAPS provides a framework to ensure equity, consistency, accountability, certainty, and transparency in long term property asset decision-making.

The objectives of the LAPS are to provide a strategic framework to manage land and property assets to deliver the following:

- Generate savings and increased revenue.
- Identify inconsistencies, deliver efficiencies, and support data driven decision-making.
- Improve governance and processes, ensuring compliance with Council's statutory obligations.
- Align with Council's long-term financial plan.
- Identify the true cost of services to Council and ratepayers.
- Create a fair and transparent approach for use of Council's properties.
- Align with Community Strategic Plan (CSP) and all Council Strategic Plans.

The principles of the LAPS are as follows:

- Optimise benefits to the community to ensure sustainability and equity.
- Demonstrate industry 'Best Practice', be transparent, consistent, manage risk and demonstrate best value for money.
- Meet the needs of our community now and in the future.
- Optimise Council revenue to support services delivery and community capacity.

Lease and Licence Legislation

Leases and licences for Council properties are subject to strict legislative requirements as outlined in the *Local Government Act 1993*. The legislation outlines the following:

- A lease or licence of community land must be authorised by a Plan of Management.
- The lease or licence must be for a purpose consistent with core objectives of the categorisation and zoning of the land.
- In addition, leases and licences of Crown land must be consistent with the dedication or reservation.
- The maximum period for a lease or licence is 21 years if granted by Council or 30 years if granted by Council with the consent of the Minister for Local Government.
- Any proposed lease or licence for more than 5 years must be by tender (Expression of Interest) unless it is to a non-profit organisation.

Lease and Licence Processes

The *Local Government Act 1993* also specifies the process that must be taken in relation to a proposed lease or licence. All licences, including less than five years or for a period between 5 to 21 years must include a notification process. The notification includes the following:

- Give public notice of the proposal through Council's website.
- Place a notice of the proposal on the land.
- Notify owners adjoining the land.

Once the notification period has ended. Council must give consideration to any submission received from the community in relation to the proposed lease or licence.

A Minister can “call in” a proposed lease of 5 years or less. Approval (or refusal) for the lease is then granted by the Minister. For a proposed lease of 5 to 21 years, if an objection has been received, it must be referred to the Minister for consideration and approval or refusal.

Council has resolved that all leases and licences must be reported to the body politic before execution. At the Council meeting on the 2 August 2022, it was resolved (166/22):

That Council, pursuant to the powers of delegation conferred upon Council by sections 377 and 381 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW), and pursuant to every other power it hereunto enabling, hereby delegate to the General Manager of the Council (and to the person acting in the position of General Manager during any period of vacancy in the office or absence from duty of the General Manager), the power to exercise all the functions, powers, duties and authorities conferred or imposed upon the Council (“functions”) pursuant to:

1. The Local Government Act 1993 (NSW); and...

Always subject to the limitations, restrictions and conditions specified in the following schedule, as well as those otherwise relevantly applicable as a matter of law, to which this delegation is at all times subject:...

5. That the terms of any lease or license be reported to the body politic before the execution of any such agreement. All leases and licenses must be executed by both the General Manager and the Mayor (or their delegates).

Leases and Licences Subject to Expire

Considering the above Council resolution, Council staff have undertaken a review of leases and licences which have expired, or which are due to shortly expire. These include the following:

Property	Current Tenant	Expiry Period
28 Pomeroy Street	Strathfield Men's Shed	10/12/15
25 Broughton Road	Homebush Out of Hours School Care	6/5/23
Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street	Strathfield One-Stop Childcare	30/8/23
Airey Park Oval & Pavilion (9 months pa)	Strathfield Cricket Club	31/8/23
1A Bates Street	Integricare P/L (Childcare)	2/1/24

In relation to Strathfield Men's Shed, the whole property is being investigated further. On this basis it is recommended that their lease be retained on a month to month based until Council determines what to do with the site.

In relation to Airey Park Oval and Pavilion, it is recommended that licence be permitted to expire and that this site be managed similarly to other sporting grounds and that it be booked through the normal Council seasonal hire process.

In relation to the childcare centres, under the legislation, Council must complete the notification process and give consideration to any submissions received. It is recommended that these leases be advertised and go through an open Expression of Interest process to test the market and to ensure the properties are being managed in a transparent and equitable manner.

Where a current lessee/licensee is running a business at the premises and Council conducts an Expression of Interest process, Council will notify the current tenant and negotiate a hold over period of up to one year to allow for any transition arrangements.

It is noted that as part of the application for the Special Rate Variance (SRV), staff were given the direction from Council to identify opportunities for savings and/or increase income across the Council services.

Expression of Interest

The Expression of Interest process is a formal public open process which invites applicants to make a submission to Council which outlines their offer to Council in return for a lease on the property.

It is important to note that when considering any Tender or Expression of Interest, value for money does not just consider potential revenue. Council gives consideration to weighted criteria. In the instance of a property Expression of Interest, the weighted criteria may consider factors such as:

- Consistency and historical tenancy of the site including current usage and demand for the facility.
- Alignment with Council's Community Strategic Plan
- Community benefits, including the need for the service/ proposed site usage and the availability of alternatives in the area.
- Community benefits, including the percentage of the Strathfield population that benefits from the service.
- Community benefits, including service provision to families with a low socio-economic background, culturally and linguistically diverse communities and people with disabilities.

Consultation

Council staff advised Homebush Out of Hours School Care and Strathfield One-Stop Childcare that consideration was being given to the Lease renewal process for 2023 and they have subsequently made submissions to Council. Staff met with the two organisations to outline the proposed Lease process. In this context, further information is provided on the two organisations.

Homebush Out of Hours School Care (HOOSH)

HOOSH describe their organisation and services as follows, "As a part of the Homebush Out-of-School Care Inc family, we share a common goal. We are a non-profit organisation governed by a Parent Committee made up of parents like you. That means our children's' needs always come first.

“Our philosophy is summed up in just a couple of sentences: A home away from home with all that encompasses home and family. We respect all cultural differences and make the centre a place all children are happy to attend, rather than made to attend.”

HOOSH has 90 places per day, with an average use of 78 places per day. They service 108 families.

HOOSH has been in operation for 35 years, with the lease largely being “rolled over” every five years.

HOOSH have made capital contributions to the property in the last five years, including the following:

- Painting of homework room passage, TV room, office and all rooms trim painted.
- New carpet in TV room and office
- All floors stripped and sealed.
- Annual check tag electrical work
- Alarm system installed at premises.
- Soft fall laid in playground cost.

Additional information is provided in the confidential attachment.

Strathfield One-Stop Childcare (SOCCS)

SOCCS describe their organisation and services as follows, “Strathfield One Stop Child Care Service is a not-for-profit early learning centre in Homebush providing support to families through quality care and education for young children. Here at SOCCS, we are passionate about your child’s welfare and learning.”

“With a home-like environment, we provide secure childcare facilities and educational programs that are meaningful and stimulating to let them thrive at their own pace. Our children are under the care of highly qualified and multicultural teachers and staff that have many years of experience.”

“We are proud of our dedicated team helping children develop their potential, facilitate learning experiences, and look after the unique needs of each child. As a parent managed organisation, we focus on ensuring that parents, families, and community members are involved. We encourage them to actively participate, contribute ideas, skills, and knowledge and provide us with valuable feedback to enrich our programs.”

SOCCS has 85 places per day. Children are aged six weeks to six years.

SOCCS has been in operation for 25 years, with the lease largely being “rolled over” every five years.

SOCCS have made capital contributions to the property in the last five years, including the following:

- Renewed artificial lawn.
- 50% cost replacement air conditioners
- New kitchenette and nappy change area
- Internal painting of centre
- New sand pit

Additional information is provided in the confidential attachment.

At the last census, Strathfield Council has a population of 45,390.

Capital Renewal

Council has recently undertaken an audit of its building assets and has found the following in relation to the properties.

25 Broughton Road

Building assets are broken down into components (eg. fittings, roof, mechanicals). 25 Broughton Road has an average condition rating of 2.93. Over the next 10 years, Council will need to spend at least \$279,000 on renewal works. Should Council choose to renew the entire building, the cost would be in the order of \$2 million.

2A Fraser Street

2A Fraser Street has an average condition rating of 2.77. Over the next 10 years, Council will need to spend at least \$789,000 on renewal works. Should Council choose to renew the entire building, the cost would be in the order of \$4 million.

Council staff have proposed that these properties go through an open Expression of Interest process to test the market. Through this process, applicants may offer to undertake the necessary capital renewal works. If Council resolves not to proceed with the Expression of Interest process, Council will need to fund these renewal works. This would be funded from SRV rates paid by Strathfield property owners.

Alternative Option

Council staff have outlined a proposed recommended process for the Leases which are due to expire. If the elected Council chooses not to endorse the staff recommendation an alternative resolution may be worded as follows:

1. That Council gives public notice, in accordance with Section 47 of the Local Government Act, that it proposes to grant a lease for the following properties: 25 Broughton Road, Strathfield; Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street, Homebush; and 1A Bates Street, Strathfield.
2. That Council give consideration to any submissions received as part of the public notice process in relation to the proposal to grant a lease and should the submissions provide negative feedback, a further report will be provided back to Council.
3. That Council give consideration to any submissions received as part of the public notice process in relation to the proposal to grant a lease and should the submissions provide negligible negative feedback, that Council delegate for the General Manager to enter into negotiations with the current tenants, in accordance with the negotiation parameters (as a minimum) outlined in the report, for

the following properties: 25 Broughton Road, Strathfield; Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street, Homebush; and 1A Bates Street, Strathfield.

4. Should negotiations with the current operators be unsuccessful in achieving the minimum negotiation parameters, Council is to advertise a Tender, in accordance with Section 46A and Division 1 of Part 3 of the Local Government Act, calling for Expressions of Interest for a lease for the following properties: 25 Broughton Road, Strathfield; Upper Level, 2A Fraser Street, Homebush; and 1A Bates Street, Strathfield.

Negotiation Parameters

If Council intends to proceed with the alternative option, it is recommended that the General Manager be directed to negotiate with the childcare within the following parameters (at a minimum):

- The lease term must be a maximum of five years.
- Rent is to be determined based on the current market value, with a subsidy calculated based on the community benefit derived from the site and balanced with the organisation's capacity to pay.
- The Lessee will be responsible for maintenance of the property.
- The Lessee will be responsible for the payment of all utilities (or portion if the site is shared)
- The Lessee will be responsible for all operational costs including garbage removal or trade waste, rates and any other fees and charges related to the occupation of the premises.
- Capital upgrades required by the Lessee and authorised by the Council, will be at the Lessee's expense.
- The Lessee must provide a copy of their audited financial statements annually to Council.
- As Council is providing a community benefit subsidy, Council and the Lessee must reach agreement on the setting of fees annually in order for Council to satisfy itself that the subsidy is being passed on to community users.
- As Council is providing a community benefit subsidy, the Lessee must provide evidence on request that preference is being provided to locals who are experiencing financial difficulties or families with a low socio-economic background, culturally and linguistically diverse communities and people with disabilities.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications are outlined in the confidential attachments.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Leases and Licences Confidential Attachment v02 - ***CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT - for the information of Councillors - Circulated in Attachments document***
2. HOOSH - 2022 Draft Balance Sheet - ***CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT - for the information of Councillors - Circulated in Attachments document***
3. HOOSH - 2022 Draft P&L - ***CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT - for the information of Councillors - Circulated in Attachments document***
4. SOCCS FY2021 Audit Report - ***CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT - for the information of Councillors - Circulated in Attachments document***

11.1 REPORT FROM TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING ON 21 MARCH 2023

AUTHOR: John Inglese, Traffic Engineer

APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting held on 21 March 2023 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes - 21 March 2023

ATTACHMENT 1

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday 21 March 2023

12.30pm

Main Building Meeting Room

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield





Minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting of Strathfield Municipal Council held on 21 March 2023, in the Main Building Meeting Room, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

COMMENCING: 12:30pm

PRESENT:	Clr. Karen Pensabene	Chairperson
	Maryanne Duggan	Representative of the Member for Strathfield
	Raymond Yeung	Auburn Traffic Police
	Kristian Calcagno	Transport for NSW
	Andy Huynh	Transport for NSW

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr John Inglese	Manager, Traffic, Strathfield Council
Mr Jack Griffiths	Traffic Engineer, Strathfield Council

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Clr Pensabene welcomed all members to the meeting

2. APOLOGIES

Mr Chris Johnson	Road Safety Officer
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3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Maryanne Duggan advised that Jason Yat-Sen Li declared an interest in Item 6.1 as he has recently moved into Marion Street Strathfield. Maryanne Duggan on behalf of Jason Yat-Sen Li abstained from the vote on item 6.1.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOVED Kristian Calcagno Transport for NSW

SECONDED Clr. Karen Pensabene Chairperson

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee Meeting meeting held on 21 February 2023, 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. DEFERRED/OUTSTANDING ITEMS

Nil

6. REPORTS**6.1 Barker Road and Marion Street, Strathfield - Proposed Roundabout at the Intersection****INTRODUCTION**

At the traffic committee meeting in May 2021 consideration was given to the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street.

BACKGROUND**Accident Rate**

A check back through the accident history at this intersection has revealed at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street that an off-road left (RUM code 71) and a right far (RUM code 11) crash was recorded for the 5-year period of 2015 to 2019. Since 2019 no accidents have been reported at this intersection. See Figure 1.

At the committee meeting in May 2021 single-lane roundabout was recommended as an effective treatment for both crash types in the TfNSW blackspot treatment matrix.

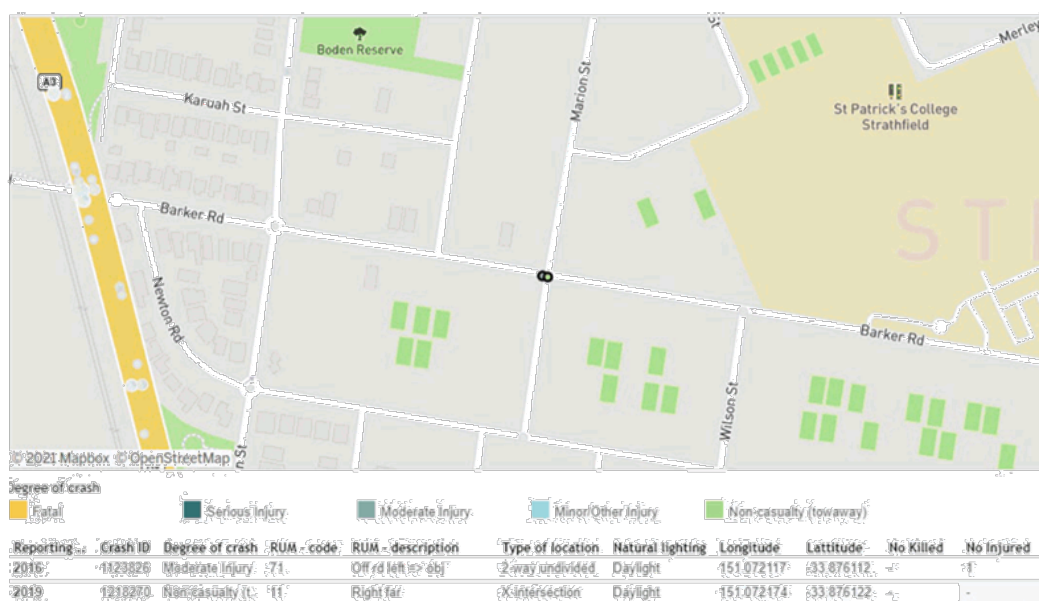


Figure 1 – crash history at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street

Traffic volumes taken on the week of the 18 October 2022 along Barker Road between Marion Street and Wilson Street (please note only 3 days of data was available) as traffic counters were vandalised revealed the following results.

- AATD 6450 v/d.
- 85thile speed 50.8 km/h

Intersection turning counts in the AM and PM Peak are as follows. See Figure2.

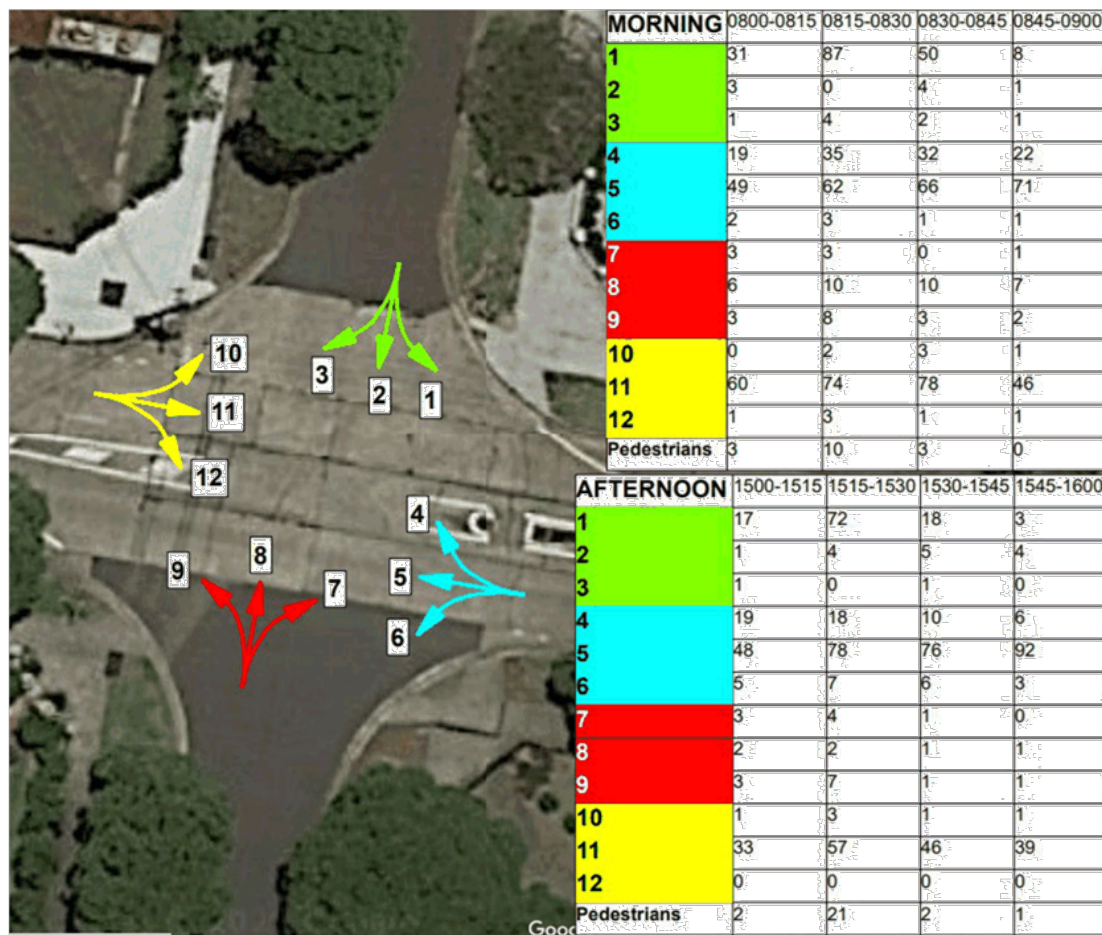


Figure 2 – morning and afternoon intersection counts at Barker Road and Marion Street

Based on site observations especially in the morning peak this intersection would benefit from the introduction of a roundabout as it will provide better access from Marion Street into Barker Road as well as controlling the traffic along Barker Road.

The NSW Government Towards Zero Campaign also highlights the safety benefits associated with roundabouts which include the following.



- Roundabouts can reduce intersection crashes by up to 85 per cent.
- Roundabouts are the primary safe system intersection treatment as they reduce motorist's speed, conflict points and impact angles – lowering the risk of serious injury and providing a safer outcome than traditional intersections.
- Generally, roundabouts have a better crash record than signalised intersections with similar volumes.
- Other benefits of roundabouts include simple and consistent priority on all approaches, improved visibility of the intersection, and slower speeds which provide drivers with more time to react to unexpected hazards."

In December 2021 Council nominated this intersection for construction of a roundabout in the TfNSW Tranche 4&5 grant finding allocation as a proactive project, since it does not meet the criteria for Blackspot Funding; however, Council was unsuccessful.

PROPOSAL

That Council confirm the design for a roundabout at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street based on the concept plan in Figure 3.

Council to note that this project has been resubmitted in the next round of Tranche Grant Funding. However, if unsuccessful in obtaining grant funding for a second time, Council should consider funding the construction of a roundabout estimated cost of \$80,000 from its future Traffic Facilities Capital Works Program 2023/24.

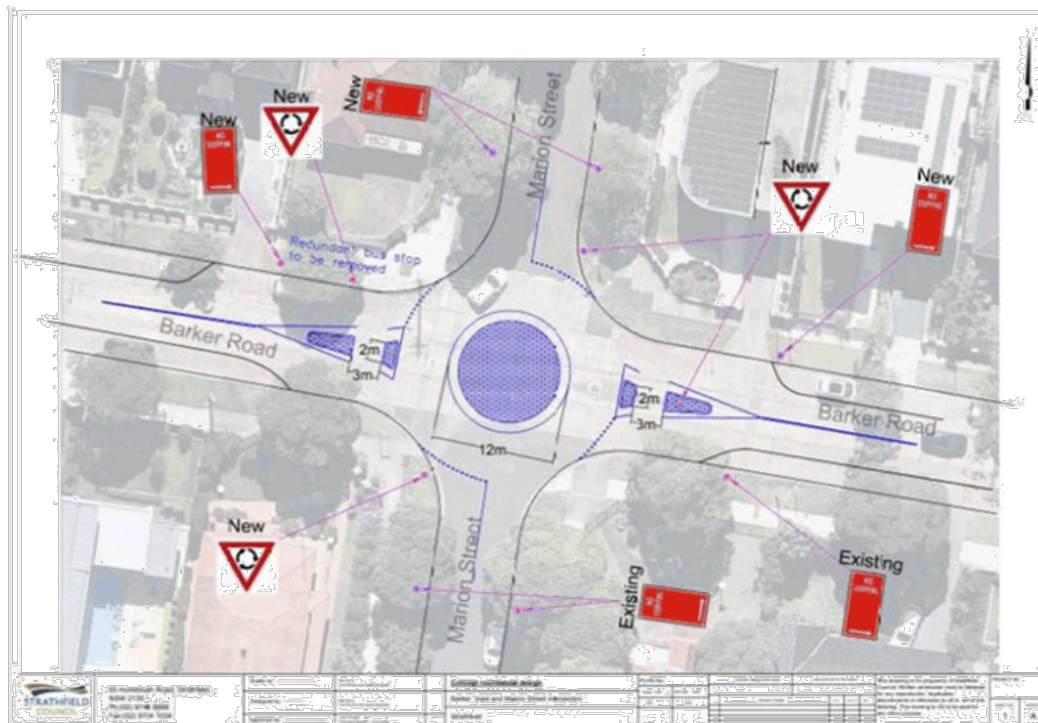


Figure 3 - Revised Design of a Roundabout at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street, used in the consultation process in 2021

CONSULTATION

Community consultation was undertaken back in May 2021 and a check of the responses revealed that the resident at No. 53 Barker Road did raise a concern with the size of the traffic island on the western leg of the roundabout (below plan that was part of the consultation) See Figure 3.

Staff believe that this will not be an issue at the time of construction as the traffic island and line marking will allow the same vehicular access into and out of the adjacent properties including No. 53 Barker Road. Staff will ensure that they door knock the immediately affected residents at the time when the roundabout is being marked out on site.

At the meeting discussion took place on the proposed design, where TfNSW agreed to the proposed design in principle and requested a detailed design for the roundabout.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council support the construction of a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of Barker Road and Marion Street, Strathfield as per Figure 3. in the report.
2. That Council note that public consultation regarding the proposal of introducing a roundabout at this intersection has been carried out back in 2021, however staff will door knock immediately affected residents at the time the Setout of the roundabout is taking place.
3. That Council note that this project has been resubmitted in the next round of Tranche Grant Funding. However if unsuccessful on obtaining grant funding.
4. That Council consider funding the construction of a roundabout estimated Cost of \$80,000 from its future traffic facilities capital works program 2023/24.
5. That Council note that the current intersection has been upgraded to dual 'Give Way' signs in the interim.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



6.2 Excelsior Avenue, South Strathfield – Request for 'No Parking' Along One Side of the Street

INTRODUCTION

Council has received a request to implement 'No Parking' restrictions along one side of Excelsior Avenue to alleviate issues posed by parked vehicles.

BACKGROUND

Excelsior Avenue primarily caters for traffic associated with the residences in the street and also some through traffic between Water Street and Chisholm Street, but this is minor as Chisholm Street has a dead-end north of Excelsior Avenue. However, on weekends through traffic and vehicles looking for parking spaces increases significantly as vehicles access Cooke Park for sport and leisure.

Excelsior Avenue is approximately 6.2m wide kerb-to-kerb and currently has an informal parking system where residents park on the south side of the street with no signs formalising parking; vehicles occasionally park on the north side of the street. On weekends when traffic increases, vehicles park on the north side of the street as well such that the street is typically parked out along both sides.

According to Australian Standard *2890 Part 5: On-Street Parking*, on-road parallel parking in an area with a speed limit of 50 km/hr or less requires a minimum space width of 2m. By applying this standard to the aforementioned parking situation, vehicles parked along both sides of the street leaves a 2.2m travel lane in one direction, therefore violating NSW road rule 208: 'If the road does not have a continuous dividing line or a dividing strip, the driver must position the vehicle so there is at least 3.0m of the road alongside the vehicle that is clear for other vehicles to pass, unless otherwise indicated by information on or with a parking control sign' (2014).

This parking situation makes it extremely difficult for vehicles to navigate the street and makes it impossible for larger vehicles like emergency vehicles to access the street. Furthermore, it has been reported that when vehicles are parked along both sides of the street and a vehicle attempts to enter the street while another vehicle is exiting the street, the vehicle entering the street needs to reverse onto the main road (either Water Street or Chisholm Street), thereby raising safety concerns.

PROPOSAL

As requested in the representation received by Council, it is proposed to implement a 'No Parking' zone along one side of the street to alleviate parking issues here. It is also proposed to seek resident feedback on which side of the street to implement the zone.

While the north side of Excelsior Avenue has 16 spaces compared to 13 spaces on the south side as shown in Figure 1, all vehicles park along the south side of the street in the existing informal parking situation. Furthermore, to park along the north side of the street vehicles would need to enter Excelsior Avenue via Chisholm Street, where most vehicles currently enter Excelsior Avenue via Water Street as this is where the majority of traffic originates from. Note that parking spaces have again been calculated using Australian Standard *2890 Part 5: On-Street Parking*, albeit for line marked on-street parallel parking. Where a vehicle can enter or exit a parking space directly (an end parking space) the space length must be at least 5.4m; where a vehicle is accessing an intermediate parking space (between 2 other parking spaces) the space length must be at least 6m.



Figure 1 – number of parking spaces on the north and south sides of Excelsior Avenue

Furthermore, to promote vehicle safety near Cooke Park, Council will install 'No Stopping' signs on all 4 corners of the intersection of Excelsior Avenue and Chisholm Street to enforce the statutory 10m 'No Stopping' at unsignalized intersections.

In addition to Excelsior Avenue, Council has identified 3 other streets in the surrounding area that also have narrow widths, shown in Figure 2: Chatfield Avenue, Birriwa Avenue, and Robinson Street (note that the dead-end streets Sunlea Crescent and Cutbush Avenue are not being considered due to the low volume and purely residential nature of the traffic accessing these streets).

While these streets have widths of 6.3m, 6.3m, and 7.2m kerb-to-kerb, respectively, and hence may face similar problems to Excelsior Avenue, Council has received no complaints of traffic conditions from residents.

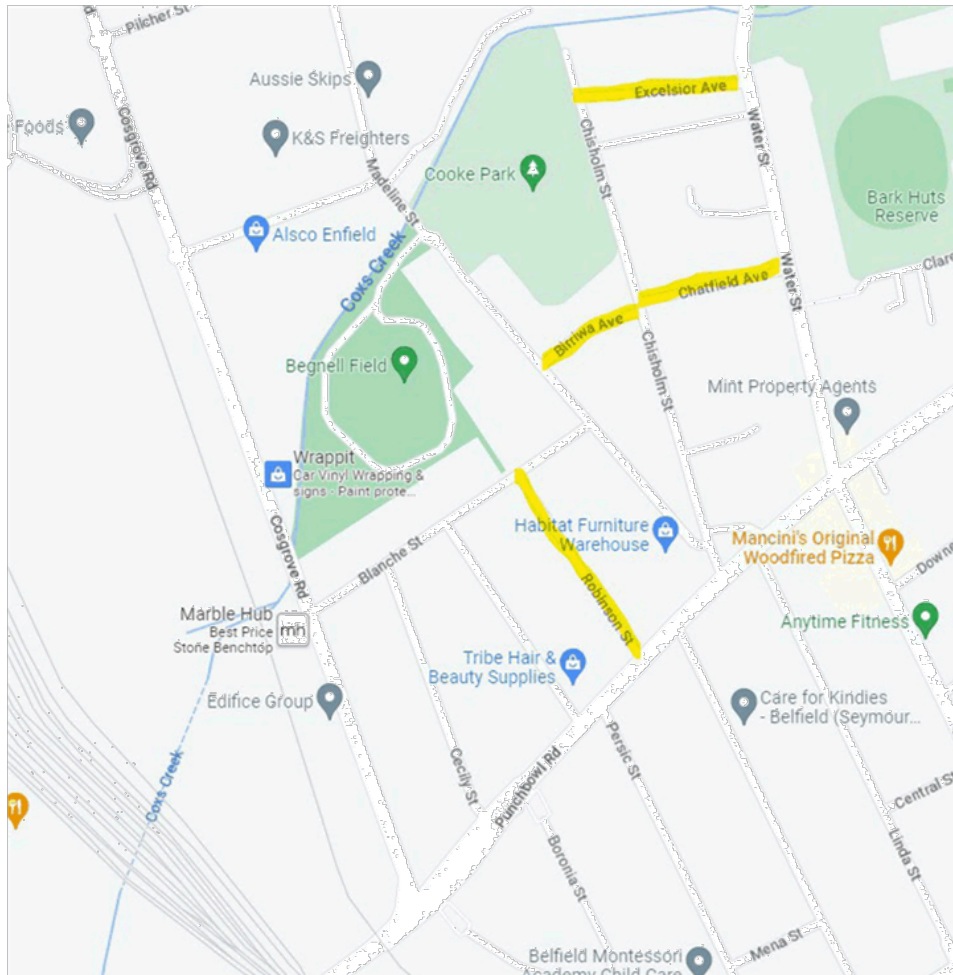


Figure 2 – narrow streets in the Strathfield South area, highlighted in yellow

Applying Australian Standard 2890 Part 5: *On-Street Parking*, Chatfield Avenue, Birriwa Avenue, and Robinson Street have the following available parking spaces, respectively, as shown in Figures 3, 4, and 5:

- 13 on the north side and 11 on the south side (informal 'No Parking' currently on the south side);
- 7 on the north side and 10 on the south side (informal 'No Parking' currently on the south side) – it should be noted that the 3 parking spaces on the south side of the street on the inside of the curve should be discounted as it is customary to introduce parking restrictions on the inside of curves particularly, and this results in 7 available parking spaces on the south side of the road as well; and
- 20 on the west side and 19 on the east side (no clear informal 'No Parking' currently in place)

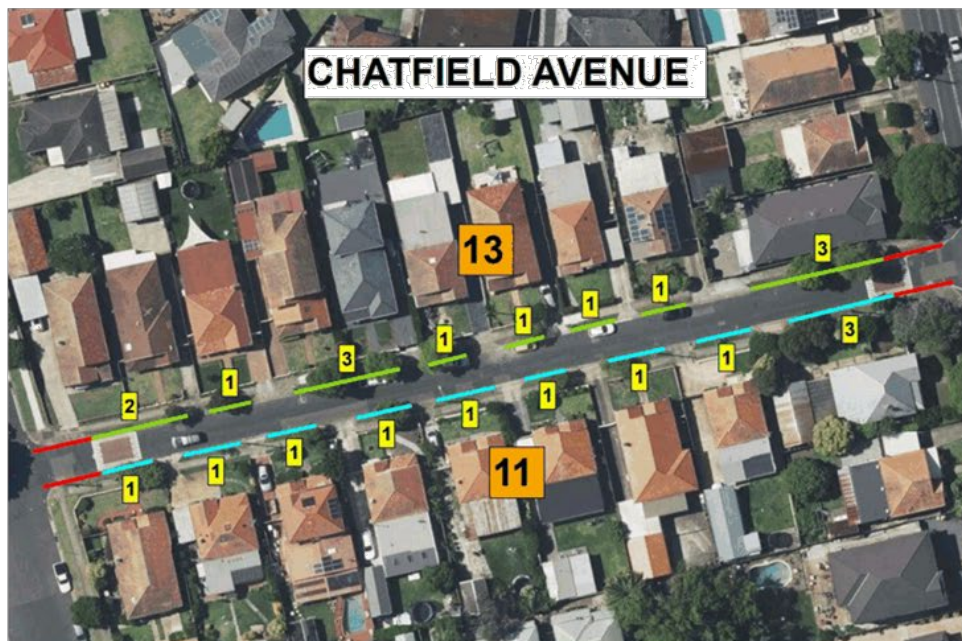


Figure 3 - number of parking spaces on the north and south sides of Chatfield Avenue



Figure 4 - number of parking spaces on the north and south sides of Birriwa Avenue



Figure 5 - number of parking spaces on the east and west sides of Robinson Street



To ensure road rule 208 is maintained in these streets and there is sufficient room for vehicles to pass parked vehicles, Council proposes to conduct resident consultation in these streets to determine if 'No Parking' restrictions along 1 side of the street should be introduced.

At the meeting discussion took place regarding when the restrictions should apply, where it was noted that the increased traffic causing the parking issues is only on weekends. It was recommended that the proposed restrictions be in effect on weekends only, with traffic conditions to be monitored and the restrictions implemented 24/7 if similar traffic issues occur on weekdays.

Furthermore, TfNSW requested that the consultation be conducted on which side of the road to implement the restrictions and the results be brought back to the next Traffic Committee meeting such that the recommendation for this item specifically state which side of the road the restrictions will be on. In addition, the results on the consultation in the other narrow streets will be brought back simultaneously and a suitable recommendation on the restrictions in these streets will be made.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council conduct consultation in Excelsior Avenue on which side of the road to install a 'No Parking Sat-Sun' zone and the results be brought back to the next available Traffic Committee meeting.
2. That Council install 'No Stopping' signs at the intersection of Chisholm Street and Excelsior Avenue to promote vehicle safety.
3. Further that Council conduct resident consultation in Chatfield Avenue, Birriwa Avenue, and Robinson Street to determine support for a formal 'No Parking' zone and report on the outcome of this consultation at the next available Traffic Committee meeting.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



6.3 Integricare Preschool, Homebush – 15-minute parking along Bates Street

INTRODUCTION

Council has received a request to implement 15-minute parking on Bates Street in front of the Integricare Preschool to assist in the pick-up and drop-off operation of the preschool.

BACKGROUND

There is currently unrestricted parking on Bates Street in front of the preschool during pick-up and drop-off times. This causes congestion on Bates Street as parents wait for a parking space near the preschool.

Furthermore, Bates Street is adjacent to Airey Park and Alan Davidson Oval and hence often has vehicles parked along the street, especially along the park side of the street. The existing parking restrictions are shown in Figure 1, where aside from 'No Stopping' at intersections and the pedestrian refuge and 'Bus Zones' along the street, the street does not have any parking restrictions.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed to implement 15-minute parking as shown in Figure 1 from 8AM-9:30AM and 2PM-3:30PM on School Days for 66.0m in front of the preschool. This would provide 11 pick-up/drop-off spaces for the preschool, and the times and days of effect have been suggested in consultation with the preschool.

15-minute parking is the more appropriate restriction for a preschool as 'No Parking' (where vehicles can stop for up to 2 minutes and drivers must remain within 3m of the vehicle) is typically used for schools where students can enter and exit the school themselves. As the preschool has young children, it is necessary for parents to enter the preschool to drop-off and pick-up their children and as such 15-minute parking is more appropriate here. Furthermore, this proposal would assist in the drop-off and pick-up of children accessing the Abacus School during the typical drop-off and pick-up times.

Separate from the proposed 15-minute parking area, there is a continuous 'No Stopping' zone on both sides of the northern end of Bates Street that connects the statutory 'No Stopping' near an unsignalised intersection and at a pedestrian refuge, as shown in Figure 1. However, this continuous zone is not required on either side, where the separation between the intersection 'No Stopping' and the refuge island 'No Stopping' creates an additional 3 parking spaces on both sides of the street.

There are no safety risks in implementing this change, where the road is sufficiently wide, there is excellent sight distance in all directions, and there would not be speeding here due to the combined presence of the intersection and raised threshold. As such, it is proposed to separate the aforementioned 'No Stopping' zones to create these additional parking spaces.



Figure 1 – existing and proposed parking restrictions on Bates Street



The above proposed changes results in a net loss of 5 unrestricted parking spaces, but these parking spaces would still be available for use but subject to the aforementioned restriction. There would still be sufficient parking spaces to provide access to the park and oval, where it is noted that the eastern side of Bates Street is rarely parked out.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council install 15-minute parking 8AM-9:30AM, 2PM-3:30PM School Days for 66m on the west side of Bates Street as shown in Figure 1.
2. Further that Council separate the continuous 'No Stopping' zone on both sides of the northern end of Bates Street into 2 defined zones as shown in Figure 1.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



6.4 Cross Street, Strathfield – 'No Parking' Through S-Bend and along West Side of Road

BACKGROUND

As per item 6.2 of the 2022 December Local Traffic Committee, 'Cross Street, Strathfield – Request for 'No Parking' Zone to Increase the Width of the Road' and the subsequent recommendation to conduct consultation with the affected resident on the proposed 'No Parking' zone, the consultation outcomes are to be reported.

While not finalised at the time of writing, the consultation period concludes on Friday 17 March 2023 and the subsequent outcomes will be reported at the meeting on Tuesday 21 March 2023.

Additionally, Council has further considered the original resident complaint that prompted the aforementioned report be submitted to the December Local Traffic Committee and are further proposing that 'No Parking' be implemented along the western side of Cross Street.

PROPOSAL

Depending on the outcomes of the consultation for item 6.2 of the December 2022 Local Traffic Committee meeting, one of the below proposals is recommended:

- Should sufficient support for the proposal be received, the original proposal for 'No Parking' on both sides of the street be implemented as per Figure 1; or
- Should more objection to, than support for, the proposal be received, 'No Parking' be implemented only for the west side of the street.
 - This would be consistent with the below proposal and would allow a continuous 'No Parking' zone along the western side of the road;
 - The west side of the street is the inside of the S-bend in the narrower section of the street; and
 - Sightlines along Cross Street are more obscured by vehicles parked on the west side of the street as opposed to the east side, as shown in Figures 1 and 2.
 - It should be noted that both sides have 4 on-street parking spaces available and as such neither side presents a more optimal solution regarding the loss of on-street parking.

Regarding the second proposal of this report, Council revisited and further investigated Cross Street to address the resident complaint of the narrow road width and are proposing to implement 'No Parking' along the western side of the street.

While an informal 'No Parking' zone exists along the western side of the street, it is proposed to formalise this zone to address the resident complaint and also to meet the requirements of NSW road rule 208: 'If the road does not have a continuous dividing line or a dividing strip, the driver must position the vehicle so there is at least 3 metres of the road alongside the vehicle that is clear for other vehicles to pass, unless otherwise indicated by information on or with a parking control sign' (2014). When vehicles are parked along both sides of the street, allowing for a minimum 2m travel lane as per Australian Standard 2890 Part 5: *On-Street Parking*, there is a 2.7m travel lane available and this violates NSW road rule 208.



Figure 1 – proposed 'No Parking' along the S-bend of Cross Street as per item 2 of the December 2022 Local Traffic Committee meeting



Figure 2 – Cross Street northbound showing a Ute parked on the west side of the street obscuring sightlines



Figure 3 – Cross Street southbound showing a Ute parked on the west side of the street obscuring sightlines

Council is proposing to implement 'No Parking' along the western side of the street except at the intersection with Gees Avenue as per Figure 4. As the intersection of Cross Street and Gees Avenue provides a passing bay for vehicles, parking along the western side of Cross Street can be maintained here to provide an additional 2 on-street parking spaces for a total of 24 on-street parking spaces as per the requirement of *AS2890.5*. The eastern side of Cross Street has 22 parking spaces compared to the west side's 20 as shown in Figure 5, so the above proposal maximises parking on Cross Street.



Figure 4 – existing and proposed parking restrictions along Cross Street



Figure 5 – available parking spaces on the east and west side of Cross Street

In co-ordination with the parking restrictions for Cross Street, Council is also proposing to conduct resident consultation on Eve Street to implement 'No Parking' on one side of the street in response to a request for this at a street meeting held by the previous Mayor.

Eve Street is 7.2m wide kerb-to-kerb and therefore has a 3m travel lane when considering up to a 2.1m-wide parking lane on either side of the street, and so NSW road rule 208 is met. However, the road is still quite narrow and may not satisfy rule 208 if vehicles do not park as close to the kerb as possible.

Eve Street has 17 parking spaces that satisfy *AS2890.5* on both sides of the street as shown in Figure 6 (next page), so there is no parking benefit to either side of the street. However, the west side of the street would be the best to restrict as the parking spaces on the east side are more distributed along the street.

It should be noted that a significant number of kerb sections along the street do not meet the minimum length for a parking space as required by *AS2890.5* but smaller vehicles typically park there.

At the meeting discussion took place on the outcomes on the consultation regarding the number of objections received and what sides of the street they were received from. In considering the support for and objections to the proposal, it was decided that 'No Parking' should be implemented on the west side of the street as per the above proposal.

Further, it was requested that the outcomes on the consultation in Eve Street be brought back to the next available Traffic Committee meeting.



Figure 6 – available parking spaces on the east and west side of Eve Street



RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council implement 'No Parking' on the west side of the S-bend.
2. That Council implement 'No Parking' along the west side of Cross Street as per Figure 4.
3. Further that Council install 'No Stopping' on the west side of Cross Street at Liverpool Road to formalise the required 'No Stopping' at an unsignalised intersection.
4. That the results of the consultation in Eve Street be brought back to the next available Traffic Committee meeting.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



6.5 Strathfield LGA – Signage Consolidation Update

BACKGROUND

As per item 6.3 of the 2022 August Local Traffic Committee, 'Strathfield Local Government Area – Signage Review' and the subsequent recommendation that an update be provided every 3 months, this report provides an update on further reviews of signage conducted around the LGA.

PROGRESS REPORT

Since the last report in October 2022, the following areas have been reviewed and signs consolidated:

- Intersection of Kessel Avenue and Fraser Street (and nearby): this area had the line marking re-done as part of the closure of the slip lane on Kessel Avenue and reinstatement of greenspace, and the signs were reviewed here to achieve the following:
 - Closing the 'No Stopping' zone on the west side of Fraser Street;
 - Making 'No Stopping' zones at the intersection of Kessel Avenue and Fraser Street compliant with intersection requirements;
 - Removing unnecessary signs and replacing faded signs; and
 - Moving signs where possible to power poles to reduce stem clutter.
- The Crescent between Hornsey Road and Hampstead Road
 - Amending signage to be compliant with the recently installed pedestrian crossing;
 - Removing unnecessary signs; and
 - Moving signs where possible to power poles to reduce stem clutter.
- Loftus Crescent east of Crane Street, Subway Lane, Knight Street, and Station Street: simultaneously to implementing LTC items 6.4 (November 2022 – move 'Stop' priority on Loftus Crescent to Subway Lane) and 6.1 (December 2022 – install 'No Stopping' bays along Loftus Crescent), a sign review was conducted here (works pending completion) that includes:
 - Relocation of signs to power poles where possible;
 - Removal of unnecessary signs and replacement of faded signs;
 - Installation of '50 Area' signs on Subway Lane, Knight Street, and Station Street at the intersections with Parramatta Road to enforce the speed limit on urban local roads; and
 - Installation of 'Curve' symbolic warning signs on approach to the corner of Loftus Crescent and Station Street due to the sharp curve
- Intersection of Oxford Road, Homebush Road, and Churchill Avenue: when reviewing the sign changes associated with the installation of the raised pedestrian crossing on Oxford Road, the area of the sign review was slightly expanded to include:
 - Removal of unnecessary signs; and
 - Consolidation of appropriate signs to the same stem
- Fitzgerald Crescent: when installing 'Give Way' line marking at either end of Fitzgerald Crescent, signs were also reviewed to:
 - Consolidate the appropriate signs on the same stem;
 - Remove unnecessary signs or move signs to make parking restriction zones more uniform; and
 - Replace faded signs



- Augusta Street, Myrna Road, Glenarvon Street, Yarrowee Road, Hedges Avenue, Morgan Place, Cave Road: in reviewing some 'No Stopping' signs in this area and completing a review of the signs around Strathfield South High School, staff completed a full review of this area to complete this small precinct area, which included:
 - Installation of 'No Stopping' signs along Cave Road to reinforce the existing zone that was not signposted;
 - Installing new chevron markers on the sharp corners in this area to increase vehicle perception of the road bends;
 - Closing several existing open 'No Stopping' zones;
 - Removing unnecessary signs; and
 - Relocating signs to power poles where possible
- Davidson Street and Marlene Crescent: when re-marking lines here, Council reviewed the signs here to again complete this small precinct area (with works pending completion), which included:
 - Installation of '50 Area' signs to reinforce local urban speed limit coming off the Hume Highway;
 - Closing the 'No Stopping' zone on the eastern side of Davidson Street; and
 - Replacing old signs and removing unnecessary signs
- Webber Street, Matthews Street, Sylvanus Street, Pomona Street, Hebe Street, Wentworth Street, Drew Street, and Drone Street: when looking at implementing 'Give Way' line marking at the request of the Mayor, Council conducted a sign review (with works pending completion) to complete this small precinct area, which involved:
 - Installing or reviewing existing 'No Stopping' zones for the first 5 streets at the intersections with Juno Parade;
 - Installing '50 Area' signs for the first 6 streets to reinforce the local urban speed limit coming off a State Road;
 - Installing 'Give Way' signs at each street intersecting Juno Parade;
 - Removing unnecessary signs; and
 - Moving signs to power poles where possible, especially all '4P' signs on Wentworth Street as these are currently on stems when they could be on adjacent power poles.

Furthermore, for all above areas reviewed, signs have been upgraded to be compliant with the TfNSW sign register, e.g. skinny 'Keep Left' signs being upgraded to the standard 'Keep Left' sign with directional arrow where possible, or upgrading existing 'xT Trucks and Over Prohibited' signs to sign combination 'Trucks Prohibited' symbolic/'Vehicles Over xT GVM'.

Additionally, Council's depot crews continue to conduct proactive maintenance works for signs and line marking while also completing minor works order.

RECOMMENDATION

That the updated report be received and noted.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)

6.6 Allenby Crescent, Strathfield – Change of Turning Restriction

BACKGROUND

As per item 6.2 of the September 2022 Local Traffic Committee, 'Allenby Crescent, Strathfield – No Left Turn during School Hours', and the subsequent recommendation that the proposal be deferred until a suitably prepared Traffic Management Plan is approved by Transport for NSW, the proposal is being revisited following a TMP being approved by TfNSW on 7/3/23.

PROPOSAL

As per the previous proposal, it is proposed to move the existing sign 'No Right Turn 8:30AM-9:30AM 2:30PM-3:30PM School Days' shown in Figure 1 from its current position facing eastbound traffic on Albert Road to a new position facing northbound traffic on Allenby Crescent as per Figure 2.



Figure 1 – existing sign, 'No Right Turn 8:30AM-9:30AM 2:30PM-3:30PM School Days' facing eastbound traffic on Albert Road

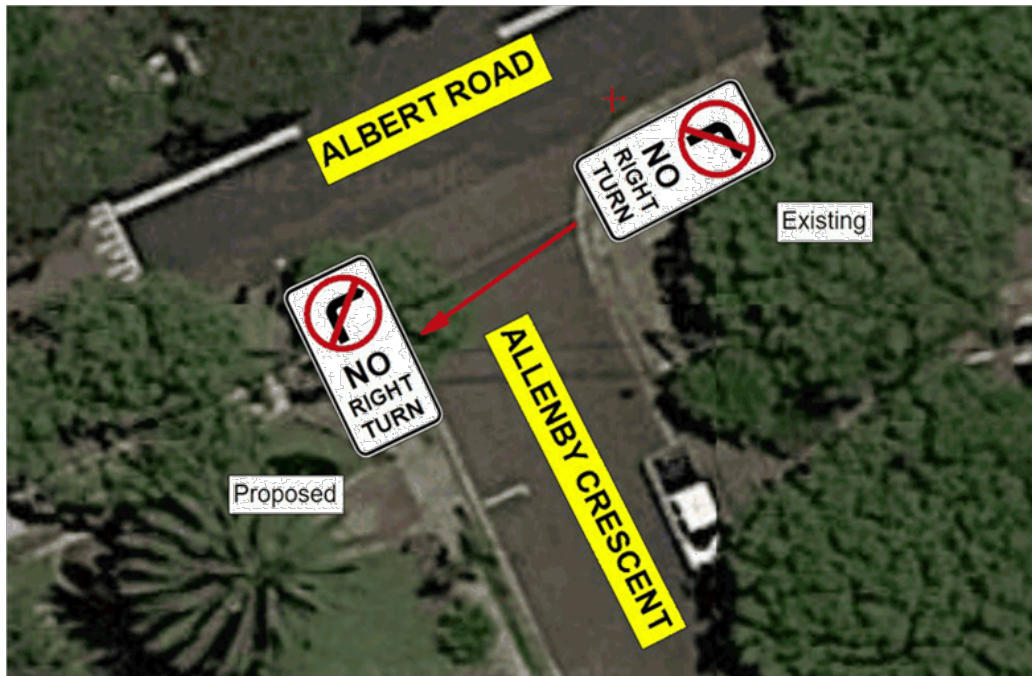


Figure 2 – proposed movement of existing sign to face northbound traffic on Allenby Crescent

This proposal is to prevent westbound vehicles on Albert Road turning into Allenby Crescent to then exit back onto Albert Road in an eastbound direction to access the frontage of Marie Bashir Public School such that the safety and amenity of Allenby Crescent is promoted.

This proposal will result in all vehicles on Albert Road needing to use the cul-de-sac at the western end of Albert Road to execute a U-turn to access the frontage of the school, but this will still allow residents of Allenby Crescent to turn into Allenby Crescent during the hours of effect of the restriction. To exit Allenby Crescent during the hours of restriction, vehicles will need to turn left onto Albert Road, execute a U-turn at the western end of Albert Road, and travel eastbound on Albert Road.

CONSULTATION

As per the TMP requirements set out by TfNSW, the following consultation was conducted for the proposal:

- A letterbox drop was completed for all 7 residences in Allenby Crescent advising of the proposed change. No objection was received during the consultation period, and a resident expressed their support for the proposal after the consultation period when contacting Council about a separate matter;



- An advertisement was made in the online edition of the Canterbury-Bankstown *Torch* for a period of 28 days advising of the proposed change (there is no local newspaper for the Strathfield LGA). No objection was received to the proposal.

In addition to the consultation required by TfNSW, the proposal was advertised on Council's website for the same 28-day period as the advertisement in the *Torch* to ensure Strathfield residents were aware of the proposal. No objection to the proposal was received.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council approve the change of the turning restriction at the intersection of Allenby Crescent and Albert Road as per Figure 2.
2. That Council notify NSW Police when the restriction is implemented so the Police may conduct enforcement of the change.
3. Further that Council notify Marie Bashir Public School of the change so they may advertise this to all parents and carers accessing the school by vehicle.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



7. SPECIAL EVENTS

7.1 Strathfield Square, Strathfield – Strathfield Food Festival 2023

BACKGROUND

Strathfield Council will be holding the Strathfield Food Festival in Strathfield Square on Thursday 27/04/2023 from 6:00-9:00PM, Friday 28/04/2023 6:00-10:00PM, and Saturday 29/04/2023 11:00AM-10:00PM. The appropriate road closures will be 5:00-10:00PM on 27/04/2023, and 5:00PM on 28/04/2023 – 2:00AM on 30/04/2023.

PROPOSAL

Council's Traffic Team has prepared a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) for the upcoming Strathfield Food Festival event on Saturday 29/04/2023 to facilitate the event operation.

The main event is proposed for Saturday 29/04/2023, with small events leading up to the main event being held on Thursday 27/04/2023 and Friday 28/04/2023, with the above-mentioned times applicable to each day. The Traffic Management Plan for the event will be implemented as follows:

- On 27/04/2023, the minor road closure in Figure 1 will be implemented at 5:00PM and removed at 10:00PM for the event set-up and pack-down, respectively; and
- On 28/04/2023, the minor road closure in Figure 1 will be implemented at 5:00PM. Instead of the closure being removed at 11:00PM, the major road closures shown in Figure 2 will be implemented to allow set-up for the main event on 29/04/2023 to begin at 12:00AM. These major road closures will be
- removed by 2:00AM on 30/04/2023.

The event is to be held in Strathfield Square, including Strathfield Square (the road) to the south of the Square (for all 3 days), Albert Road to the north of the Square (for the main event), and The Boulevard between Albert Road and Parnell Street (for the main event) such that these roads are to be closed prior to (for set up), during (for the event), and after (for pack up) the event.



Figure 1 – event area for the Strathfield Food Festival on 27 and 28/04/2023



Figure 2 – event area for the Strathfield Food Festival on 29/04/2023

Full road closures will be used to facilitate the event, with advertisements, letterbox drops, and portable VMS boards used to advise the public prior to the event to seek alternate access to the station and to guide vehicles around the road closures on the days.



AFFECTED ROAD USERS AND AUTHORITIES

- **Transit Systems (buses):** will not be affected
- **Taxis:** will need to utilise temporarily relocated Taxi Zone (final Taxi Zone location to be subject to Local Traffic Committee approval), notification of temporary Taxi Zone to be provided to taxi companies
- **Emergency Vehicles:** will be able to access the festival area from either side The Boulevarde or Albert Road as per usual vehicle movements. Barricades can be removed by traffic controllers to allow emergency vehicles through for quick access to other side of festival area through closed roads. Notification has been provided to emergency services and Police approval has been obtained
- **Work (event) Vehicles:** vehicles associated with the event can access the event area from either The Boulevarde or Albert Road as per usual, and traffic controllers can remove the barricades to let the vehicles into the event area for set-up or pack-up
- **Private Vehicles**
 - Vehicles approaching from the west (Albert Road): most vehicles movements will be unaffected here, only through vehicle movements on Albert Road to The Boulevarde will be restricted – these vehicles can access The Boulevarde via Redmyre Road.
 - Vehicles approaching from the east (The Boulevarde): vehicles will not be able to turn left into Churchill Avenue to access Raw Square on 27 and 28/04/2023, so they will instead need to access Raw Square via Carrington Avenue, Vernon Street, and Redmyre Road. Furthermore, northbound vehicles can turn around on The Boulevarde either by using the roundabout U-turn as normal or doing a loop around Parnell Street and Lyons Street to turn back onto The Boulevarde. On 29/04/2023, vehicles will need to detour via Parnell Street and can exit back onto The Boulevarde via Lyons Street. Due to the large footprint of a detour for these vehicles, a custom sign stating 'ACCESS RAW SQUARE VIA CARRINGTON AVENUE' will be erected on The Boulevarde. A temporary 'No Parking' zone will be implemented south of the traffic lights at Parnell Street on 29/04/2023
 - The affected on-street parking will be the 3 parking spaces on the south of Strathfield Square on 27 & 28/04/2023, plus the 'No Parking' zone at the roundabout and the parking spaces on the east side of The Boulevarde – approval from Burwood Council has been obtained for this.
 - Advertisement of the detours and affected parking will be conducted prior to the event
- **Pedestrians, vulnerable persons and cyclists:** will not be affected (may need to navigate Strathfield Square more carefully than usual), however they are to remain within the confines of the event and road closures to not affect traffic flow any further
- **Sydney Trains:** operations not affected, access to employee parking on the north end of The Boulevarde will need to be restricted on 29/04/2023 – notification of event to be provided to Sydney Trains.



- **Adjacent Councils**

- **City of Canada Bay Council:** will not be directly affected by the event by way of traffic spillage, at most there may be a higher number of vehicles accessing Everton Road for pick-up or drop-off of pedestrians accessing Strathfield Station
 - **Burwood Council:** will experience the above effect as well as minimal direct traffic spillage where vehicles on The Boulevarde may turn right into Parnell Street, right onto Lyons Street, and back onto The Boulevarde, i.e. a loop, when they see the detour ahead on 27 & 28/04/2023. On 29/04/2023, traffic impact here will be higher and parking will be affected, but Burwood Council have concurred with the event.
- **Transport Management Centre (TMC):** as the traffic lights will need to have the sensor turned off on 29/04/2023, Council are consulting with TMC on this and approval will be obtained from TMC prior to the event

CONSULTATION

The following road user groups will be notified of the event in the following ways:

- **Private Vehicles, pedestrians, vulnerable road users groups, and cyclists:** advertisement of the event via Council's various media sources and portable VMS boards placed a week in advance of the event
- **Local Resident Vehicles and Business Owners:** those within the area shown in Figure 3 will be notified of the road closures, alternate routes, and affected parking by way of a letter drop and advertisement of the event
- **Taxi Companies:** to be notified directly of the temporary changes.
- **Transit Systems (buses):** unaffected, no notification required.
- **Sydney Trains (specifically Strathfield Station):** to be notified of the event as a courtesy and to indicate restricted access to employee car parking.
- **Emergency Services:** all services notified, Police approval obtained.
- **TfNSW:** to be provided this Traffic Management Plan for their information and assessment of traffic impacts.
- **Burwood and Canada Bay Councils:** the traffic units of each Council will be notified by email of the expected traffic impacts on their LGAs, Burwood concurrence for the event has been obtained.
- **TMC:** are being liaised with on the change to the traffic lights for 29/04/2023.

In addition to each specific notification type, the event will be advertised through all available Council media.



Figure 3 – letterbox notification area for the Strathfield Food Festival

PARKING CHANGES

On 29/04/2023, due to the road closures affecting the taxi stand in front of Strathfield Station and the 'No Parking' zones on the east side of Strathfield Square, the following temporary parking restrictions are proposed:

- A 'Taxi Zone' will be erected in the existing 'Loading Zone'/'No Stopping' zone on the north side of Albert Road directly west of the existing 'Bus Zone' as per Figure 4. The location of this zone will ensure that passengers are entering the vehicle from the kerb-side of the vehicle and the taxi stand remains accessible for people entering/leaving Strathfield Station.
- A 'No Parking' zone will be erected in the existing 'Loading Zone'/'Mail Zone' on the west side of The Boulevard directly south of the traffic lights at Parnell Street as per Figure 5. As this restriction is only in place on 29/04/2023, the 'Mail Zone' will not be active and the 'Loading Zone' will be used minimally, where vehicles delivering goods can use any of the other parking spaces. This 'No parking' zone will ensure drop-off and pick-up options are still available to the public accessing the train station from the east side of Strathfield Square.

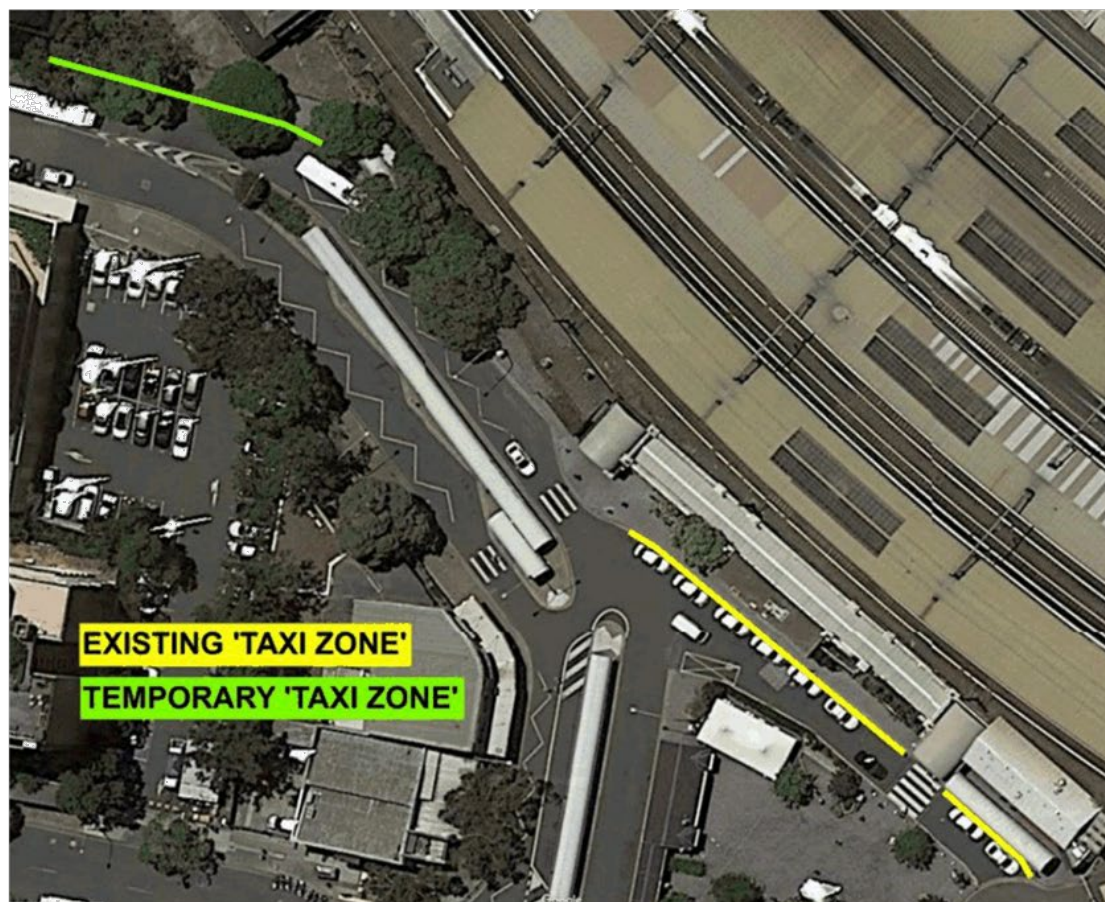


Figure 4 – temporary 'Taxi Zone' on 29/04/2023



Figure 5 – temporary 'No Parking' zone on 29/04/2023



RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council approve the full road closures as per Figures 1 and 2 of the report to facilitate the 2023 Strathfield Food Festival.
2. That Council approve the temporary 'No Parking' zone and 'Taxi Zone' as per Figures 4 and 5 of the report.
3. That organisers and traffic controllers ensure that all participants remain within the confines of the event.
4. That TfNSW note that this is a Class 2 Event.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)



8. ROAD SAFETY

8.1 ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS REPORT – FEBRUARY 2023

Report prepared by Road Safety Officer

Issues

- a) Transport for NSW is updating the Local Government Road Safety Program to incorporate a more targeted approach to Road Safety in the oncoming grant applications for the 23 – 24 year.
- b) The Engineering team is looking at methods of best practice to improve Road Safety SOP's when implementing new works.

Highlights

Younger Drivers – March Workshop registrations on track to beat the record.

Strathfield Pedestrian Safety Campaign – Evaluation of safety messages in our Town Centres Safety around Schools – Online web area gaining traction with requests for corflutes.

Projects

1. Young Driver Workshop

After the success of the November workshop, Strathfield is combining with Burwood, Inner West and Canada Bay to conduct an addition workshop in March 2023

BOOKINGS

- The next workshop will be held on 29th of March 2023.
- This is a joint project with Burwood, Canada Bay and Inner West Councils
- The workshops are free for the community.
- Promotions to schools and community groups.

Impact

- Better preparation for learner drivers.
- Learning can be a positive experience.
- Our 2021 road statics show a decrease in crashes for drivers aged 17 - 25.

2. Child Restraint Checking Days (Strathfield Occupant Restraint).

The RSO is evaluating the process of customer bookings to increase the numbers Council can service



during the checking days. Currently Council runs 11 child restraint checking day per year servicing on average 14 seat installations. We will be aiming for a productivity increase to 20 seats per session.

- Vehicles Checked 22/23 as of February 2023 = 151
- Next Checking Day **14 March 2023**
- March is fully booked.

Impact

- Positive Community Feedback
- Positive promotions across mothers' groups and social media
- Driver education for each vehicle checked.
- Seatbelt related injuries 2021 have decreased to less than 0.3% of accidents.

3. Road Safety News of interest to the Community

Free Online Teaching Learner Drivers Workshop:

Strathfield Council, in partnership with Transport for NSW, conducts online workshops to help parents teach their learner drivers to be safer drivers.

Next Workshop

Time: 6.00pm – 7.30pm
Workshop Date: Wednesday, 29 March 2023
Location: Online Event

Book Online at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/free-online-workshop-supervising-a-learner-driver-tickets-557244963687>



MINUTES



**Teaching someone
to drive can be a
happy experience.**

4. Trucks are involved in 38% of all vehicle accidents in Strathfield

2021 crash statistics for the Strathfield LGA showed a great reduction in crashes compared to the previous 5 years. Interestingly we did have an increase in accidents involving light and heavy trucks.

Total crashes for 2021

All Vehicles	122
Light Trucks	33 (27% of all accidents in Strathfield involve a Light Truck)
Heavy Trucks	13 (11% of all accidents in Strathfield involve a Heavy Truck)

BE TRUCK AWARE
Trucks have blind spots



RECOMMENDATION

That the Road Safety Officer Report be received and noted.

(Voting on this item was unanimous)

Meeting Closed: 1.10pm

Next Meeting: 18 April 2023

11.2 **REPORT FROM MULTICULTURAL AND DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
ON 8 FEBRUARY 2023**

AUTHOR: Kathryn Fayle, Manager, Library & Community Services

APPROVER: Michael Mamo, General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Minutes of the Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2023 be noted and the recommendations be adopted.
2. That Council amend Part 7 Quorum of the Terms of Reference for the Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee so that quorum is two (2) Councillors and three (3) Community Members.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee Meeting 8 February 2023 - Minutes

ATTACHMENT 1

STRATHFIELD COUNCIL

MULTICULTURAL AND DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

8 February 2023

4:30pm

Ironbark Room, Strathfield Council

65-67 Rochester Street, Homebush





Minutes of the Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee of Strathfield Municipal Council held on Date at Ironbark Room, Strathfield Library, 65-67 Rochester Street, Homebush.

COMMENCING: 4:33pm

COUNCILLORS: Councillor Sandy Reddy (Chairperson)
Councillor Benjamin Cai (Deputy Chairperson)
Councillor Karen Pensabene
Councillor Raj Datta (Audio Visual Link)

MEMBERS: Elizabeth Wang, Community Representative
Joseph Premnath, Community Representative
Vasanth Puvanan Diranathan, Community Representative
Gurnam Singh, Community Representative (Audio Visual Link)
Robin Hu, Community Representative
Eun Joo Shin, Community Representative
Dinesh Garg, Community Representative

VISITORS: Kristy Watts, Director Corporate and Community (Audio Visual Link)
Kathryn Fayle, Manager Library and Community Services
Emily Armstrong, Community Development Officer (Minutes)
David McQuade, Senior Governance Officer (Audio Visual Link)

1. APOLOGIES

Mr Jason Yat-Sen Li, Member for Strathfield.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIRARY

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF RECORD OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Premnath / Cai)

That the Record of Previous Meeting held on 09 November 2022, be taken as a true and correct record of that meeting.



Voting was unanimous.

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Change of quorum for future Multicultural and Diversity Committee Meetings which will now consist of 2 Councillors and 3 Community Members.

5. HARMONY DAY EVENT 2023

Ms Emily Armstrong, Community Development Officer, delivered a presentation on the upcoming Harmony Day event.

All committee members addressed the meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Harmony Day stalls include:
 - Indian (Councillor Reddy and Councillor Datta)
 - Chinese (Councillor Cai)
 - Lebanese (Councillor Pensabene)
 - Australian (Councillor Blackmore)
 - Italian (Councillor Hall)
 - Korean (Ms Elizabeth Wang and Ms Eun Joo Shin)
 - Sri Lankan (Ms Vasantha Puvanen Diranathan)
2. That Council update current flyer with more information regarding the event. Including that food and drink will be available as well as lucky door prizes.
3. A WhatsApp group be started to discuss the Harmony Day event with all present committee members.
4. Council to provide on the day: lucky door prizes, disposable plates and cups, garbage bags, tables, tablecloths and urns.
5. Audio visual display be made available on the day to show photos and videos of cultural dance and other cultural activities. Council to organise this.
6. Each stall holder to provide flag of their represented country.
7. Event meeting to take place at 4:30pm on Tuesday 14 March at Dutton Centre.



Multicultural and Diversity Advisory Committee – 8 February 2023

MINUTES*Voting was unanimous.***6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 4:30pm.

7. MEETING CLOSED: 5:18pm

12.1 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR HALL

SUBJECT: STRATHFIELD LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2024 - CONSTITUTIONAL
REFERENDUM FOR POPULARLY ELECTED MAYOR

I MOVE:

1. That on the day of the next Local Government Election a constitutional referendum be held to seek the approval of electors to change the basis on which the Mayor attains office so that the Mayor of Strathfield is elected to office by electors so that the Strathfield Council area becomes an area that section 227 and section 227(b) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* applies with 6 Councillors to represent the Strathfield Local Government Area, and that Council notify the NSW Electoral Commission within the required timeframe.
2. That an appropriate budget be included in the 2023/24 and 2024/25 budgets for the one question referendum on this matter.
3. That Council delegate authority to the General Manager:
 - a) To execute any variation of contract with the NSW Electoral Commission for the conduct of a constitutional referendum; and
 - b) Approve any minor modifications to the referendum question on advice from the NSW Electoral Commission and/or Office of Local Government; and
 - c) Undertake the public awareness campaign including the preparation of a balanced case for the referendum question in accordance with any directives and guidelines provided by the NSW Electoral Commission and/or the Office of Local Government.

COUNCIL OFFICER COMMENT

The NSW Electoral Commission have advised that the cost to hold a constitutional referendum will be approximately 10% of the overall cost to manage the 2024 local government election. The estimate provided by the NSW Electoral Commission as at January 2023 was \$295,761 (excluding GST). This would mean the cost to hold a constitutional referendum would be approximately \$30,000. More questions will increase the cost due to the need for preparation and recruiting staff to count each separately.

A resolution of Council is required to be submitted to the NSW Electoral Commission by June 2024 if a constitutional referendum is to be held. The resolution of Council does not have to have the exact wording as the NSW Electoral Commission and Council will work collaboratively to ensure the question is clear and correct.

RECOMMENDATION

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ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

12.2 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DATTA

SUBJECT: PARRAMATTA ROAD SIGNS

I MOVE:

That the Traffic Committee investigate and report back to Council raising the road sign on Parramatta Road to turn left into Courallie Avenue. It is highly unsafe for everyone. The sign needs to be located much higher so that it does not block the view of drivers.

Rationale

Parramatta Road is a very busy road. This low road sign is creating the left turn very unsafe for drivers. It should be lifted up as soon as possible with a sense of urgency for safety of local residents and citizens.



RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee investigate and report back to Council raising the road sign on Parramatta Road to turn left into Courallie Avenue. It is highly unsafe for everyone. The sign needs to be located much higher so that it does not block the view of drivers.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

12.3 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DATTA
SUBJECT: PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AT HOMEBUSH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

I MOVE:

That the Traffic Committee investigate and report back to Council installing two pedestrian crossings around the Homebush West Public school as below on an urgent basis:

- i. Across the Exeter Road around the intersection of the Eastbourne Road and Exeter Road
- ii. Across the Eastbourne Road, near the small park built, at the other end of the Eastbourne Road

Rationale

Homebush West Primary school is a large school with almost 700 students. Many of them crossing these busy streets with great risks to themselves, particularly students walking from the Courallie Avenue precinct and from surrounding units.

It is only matter of time before some major accidents occur. Many parents are urging for installation of pedestrian crossings on the above allocations to avoid any major accident.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee investigate and report back to Council installing two pedestrian crossings around the Homebush West Public school as below on an urgent basis:

- i. Across the Exeter Road around the intersection of the Eastbourne Road and Exeter Road
- ii. Across the Eastbourne Road, near the small park built, at the other end of the Eastbourne Road

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

12.4 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR BLACKMORE

SUBJECT: SPORTS FIELDS POLICY

I MOVE:

1. That Council develop a Sports Fields Policy that gives consideration to local clubs as a priority.
2. That the Draft Sports Fields Policy be prepared and reported to Council, prior to public exhibition.

Rationale

Park and sportsground facilities managed by Council in the Strathfield Local Government Area (LGA) are currently hired by causal and seasonal hirers. Applications are assessed based on whether teams are local, whether applications meet available times, previous history of applicant and the application is consistent with Council's Strategic and Operational Plans. Preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate to Council's satisfaction higher proportions of members residing in the Strathfield LGA as well as demonstrate their benefit to the community.

The development of a Sports Field Policy to prioritise local clubs will ensure clubs in the local area have access to our park and sportsground facilities and offer Strathfield LGA residents the benefits of these facilities.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council develop a Sports Fields Policy that gives consideration to local clubs as a priority.
2. That the Draft Sports Fields Policy be prepared and reported to Council, prior to public exhibition.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

12.5 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR BLACKMORE

SUBJECT: RATES AGGREGATION POLICY

I MOVE:

That Council amend its Revenue Policy in the Strathfield 2035 Delivery Program 2022-2026 and draft Operational Plan 2023-2024 so that the aggregation of rates in accordance with Section 548A of the *Local Government Act 1993* will only apply in the following circumstances:

For all lots categorised as Residential or Business for rating purposes, one separately titled car space and/or one separately titled utility lot that are in the same ownership as the residential or business lot and are within the same building or strata plan. All aggregations will only apply from the commencement of the quarter following the lodgement of the application with Council. An application fee is applicable to all applications for aggregation.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council amend its Revenue Policy in the Strathfield 2035 Delivery Program 2022-2026 and draft Operational Plan 2023-2024 so that the aggregation of rates in accordance with Section 548A of the *Local Government Act 1993* will only apply in the following circumstances:

For all lots categorised as Residential or Business for rating purposes, one separately titled car space and/or one separately titled utility lot that are in the same ownership as the residential or business lot and are within the same building or strata plan. All aggregations will only apply from the commencement of the quarter following the lodgement of the application with Council. An application fee is applicable to all applications for aggregation.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

12.6 NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR MAHESWARAN

SUBJECT: CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

I MOVE:

That the Code of Meeting Practice 2023 be reviewed, and a report be presented to the next Ordinary Council Meeting to consider amending Clause 5.18 so that the word "emergency" be replaced with the word "extenuating or other".

Rationale

To expand the discretion through which Council can approve attendance by audio-visual link.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Code of Meeting Practice 2023 be reviewed and a report be presented to the next Ordinary Council Meeting to consider amending Clause 5.18 so that the word "emergency" be replaced with the word "extenuating or other".

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.