MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRATHFIELD HELD ON 6 JULY 2010

COMMENCING: 7.00pm

PRESENT:
Councillor T Maroun (Chairman)
Councillor H Brett-Bowen
Councillor B Carney
Councillor S Eswaran
Councillor K Kwon

STAFF:
General Manager
Director Corporate Services
Director Operations
Director Technical Services
Communications Officer
Governance Coordinator

1. OPENING: The prayer was read.

2. PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Maroun declared a conflict of interest in General Business Item 4. Code of Conduct Complaints as he is referred to in the report and he advised that he intends to participate in discussions on this matter.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

165/10
RESOLVED:(Kwon/Brett-Bowen)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 1 June 2010, 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.

166/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Brett-Bowen)

That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 29 June 2010, 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.

4. APOLOGIES

An apology was tendered on behalf of Councillor Barron for non attendance.

167/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Carney)

That the apology tendered on behalf of Councillor Barron for non attendance be accepted and leave of absence granted.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

5. DEFERRED/OUTSTANDING MATTERS AWAITING REPORT

Nil.

6. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

Nil.

7. MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil.

8. COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR

Nil.

9. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Report of Strathfield Traffic Committee Meeting held on 15 June 2010

168/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Carney)

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 15 June 2010 be noted and the recommendations (if any) be adopted.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

10. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO NOTICE

Nil.

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. NSW Container Deposit Legislation

169/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Eswaran)

That Council support the Local Government & Shires Associations' (LGSA) campaign calling for the introduction of Container Deposit Legislation.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

2. Investment Report as at 31 May 2010

170/10
RESOLVED: (Carney/Brett-Bowen)

That the Record of Cash Investment as at 31 May 2010 be noted.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

3. Local Government Association Legal Assistance Policy and Guidelines

171/10
RESOLVED: (Brett-Bowen/Eswaran)

That Council note the amendments to the Local Government Association's Legal Assistance Policy & Guidelines.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

4. Code of Conduct Complaints

172/10
RESOLVED:(Carney/Kwon)

1. That the non compliance with Council resolutions in relation to Code of Conduct breaches by Councillor Lim be referred to the Code of Conduct Panel.

2. That Council note no apologies have been received.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

5. Requests for Financial Assistance

173/10
RESOLVED: (Brett-Bowen/Carney)

1. That financial assistance of $250.00 for Burwood Council for the Sandakan Remembrance Service and Wreath Laying Ceremony be approved.

2. That financial assistance of $250.00 in support of the Host Plus Pedal for Prostate Firefighters' Around Australia Ride be approved.

3. a. That Council waive 50% of the fees amounting to $1451.75 for Bicycle NSW use of Ford Park for the 2010 Spring Cycle.
   b. That Council provide a Water Stand at Ford Park.

4. That Council waive the hire fee of $128.00 for Canteen's use of Strathfield Square and approve the request for use of the Square from 7am to 7pm to promote National Bandanna Day.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

6. Coxs Creek Plan of Management

174/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Eswaran)

1. That council note the results of the public exhibition of the draft Coxs Creek Plan of Management and that one submission has been incorporated into the plan.

2. That council adopt the Coxs Creek Plan of Management.

3. That council give public notice of the adoption of the amended Plans of Management under section 40(2A) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

7. Noxious Weeds Declaration

175/10
RESOLVED: (Brett-Bowen/Kwon)

That Council endorse the addition of the weed species outlined in this report to Strathfield Municipal Council's Noxious Weeds list.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

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

176/10
RESOLVED: (Carney/Kwon)

That pursuant to Clause 241 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 the following matter be dealt with as it is considered to be of great urgency.

1. Closure of Strathfield Bowling and Community Club
2. Security Issues

Voting on this item was unanimous.

The Chairman ruled that the matters were of great urgency.

Urgent Business - Closure of Strathfield Bowling and Community Club

177/10
RESOLVED: (Carney/Brett-Bowen)

1. That Council note the intent of South Strathfield Bowling and Community Club Limited to finalise operations.

2. That a further report be provided regarding the future use of the Community Facility.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

13. CLOSED SESSION

178/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Carney)

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

Urgent Business - Security Issues

This report is being considered in Closed Session as it relates to matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

The meeting proceeded into Closed Session with the press and public excluded.

Urgent Business - Security Issues

179/10
RESOLVED: (Kwon/Brett-Bowen)

That Council approve the actions outlined in the report in connection with security issues.

Voting on this item was unanimous.

Open Council resumed and details of the resolutions made in Closed Session were provided.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.22PM.

The foregoing minutes were confirmed at the ORDINARY MEETING of the Council of the Municipality of Strathfield held on 3 August 2010.

Chairman_____General Manager_____