

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held at COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HORNSBY
on Wednesday 13 December 2023
at 6:30PM



WELCOME TO COUNTRY

A Welcome to Country was given by the Darug and GuriNgai Traditional Owner representative, Uncle Neil Evers.

PRESENT

Councillors Ruddock (Chairman), Ball, Greenwood, Heyde, McClelland, McIntosh, Pillamarri, Salitra, Tilbury and Waddell.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

OPENING PRAYER

Reverend Andrew Kyrios of Cherrybrook Anglican Church, Cherrybrook opened the Meeting in Prayer.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY

Statement by the Chairman:

"We recognise our Shire's rich cultural and religious diversity and we acknowledge and pay respect to the beliefs of all members of our community, regardless of creed or faith."

VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETING

Statement by the Chairman:

"I advise all present that tonight's meeting is being video streamed live via Council's website and also audio recorded for the purposes of providing a record of public comment at the meeting, supporting the democratic process, broadening knowledge and participation in community affairs, and demonstrating Council's commitment to openness and accountability. The audio and video recordings of the non-confidential parts of the meeting will be made available on Council's website once the Minutes have been finalised. All speakers are requested to ensure their comments are relevant to the issue at hand and to refrain from making personal comments or criticisms. No other persons are permitted to record the Meeting, unless specifically authorised by Council to do so."

APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

POLITICAL DONATIONS DISCLOSURE

Statement by the Chairman:

"In accordance with Section 10.4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, any person or organisation who has made a relevant planning application or a submission in respect of a relevant planning application which is on tonight's agenda, and who has made a reportable political

donation or gift to a Councillor or employee of the Council, must make a Political Donations Disclosure Statement.

If a Councillor or employee has received a reportable political donation or gift from a person or organisation who has made a relevant planning application or a submission in respect of a relevant planning application which is on tonight's agenda, they must declare a non-pecuniary conflict of interests to the meeting, disclose the nature of the interest and manage the conflict of interests in accordance with Council's Code of Conduct."

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

COUNCILLOR GREENWOOD declared a Pecuniary Interest in relation to Item 6 – PC30/23 Report on Submissions – 7 City View Road Planning Proposal and Voluntary Planning Agreement. Refer to that item for details.

COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH declared a Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in relation to Item 6 – Report on Submissions – 7 City View Road Planning Proposal and Voluntary Planning Agreement. Refer to that item for details.

COUNCILLOR GREENWOOD declared a Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest in relation to Item 13 – NOM13/23 Veteran Employment Service. Refer to that item for details.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR WADDELL, seconded by COUNCILLOR PILLAMARRI,

THAT the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 8 November 2023 be confirmed, a copy having been distributed to all Councillors.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, GREENWOOD, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

PETITIONS

Nil

PRESENTATIONS

Nil

RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

ITEMS PASSED BY EXCEPTION / CALL FOR SPEAKERS ON AGENDA ITEMS

THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED his intention to deal with the balance of the Business Paper by the exception method and announced the items.

Items 6, 11, 12 and 13 were withdrawn for discussion.

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR WADDELL,

THAT the recommendations in respect of items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 be adopted.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, GREENWOOD, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH,
PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

For the sake of clarity, the above items are recorded in Agenda sequence.

Note: Item 10 was called over and noted.

Note: Persons wishing to address Council on matters which were on the Agenda were permitted to address Council or provide a submission prior to the item being discussed. The names of speakers are recorded in the Minutes in respect of the particular item.

Note: Persons wishing to address Council on Non Agenda items were permitted to speak after all items on the Agenda in respect of which there was a speaker from the public were finalised by Council. Their names are recorded in the Minutes under the heading "Public Forum – Non Agenda Items".

GENERAL BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

1 GM42/23 Code of Conduct Complaints - Annual Report

(F2005/00156)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR WADDELL,

THAT the contents of General Manager's Report No. GM42/23 be received and noted.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, GREENWOOD, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH,
PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR TILBURY seconded by COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH,

THAT:

1. Council endorse the 7 City View Road, Pennant Hills Planning Proposal as exhibited (attached to Director's Report No. PC30/23) and progress with finalisation of amendments to the Hornsby Local Environmental Plan 2013.
2. Council endorse the Voluntary Planning Agreement attached to Director's Report No. PC30/23 to facilitate dedication of four affordable housing units, an easement for public access and a monetary contribution of \$450,000 towards improvements in the Pennant Hills Town Centre.
3. Submitters be advised of Council's decision.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

7 PC31/23 Report on Submissions – Seniors Housing in Heritage Conservation Areas – Draft Development Control Plan Amendments

(F2004/09011)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR WADDELL,

THAT:

1. Council approve the Hornsby Development Control Plan amendments for Seniors Housing in Heritage Conservation Areas attached to Director's Report No. PC31/23.
2. Notification of the approval of the amendments be published on Council's website.
3. Submitters be advised of Council's decision.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, GREENWOOD, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

8 PC32/23 Report on Submissions – Electric Vehicle Charging – Development Control Plan Amendments

(F2021/00318)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR WADDELL,

THAT:

1. Council approve the draft Electric Vehicle Charging amendments to the Hornsby Development Control Plan 2013 attached to Director's Report No. PC32/23.
2. Notification of the approval of the amendments be published on Council's website.
3. Submitters be advised of Council's decision.

FOR: COUNCILLORS BALL, GREENWOOD, HEYDE, MCCLELLAND, MCINTOSH, PILLAMARRI, RUDDOCK, SALITRA, TILBURY AND WADDELL

AGAINST: NIL

9 PC33/23 Letter from Planning Minister - Housing Delivery

(F2020/00096)

RESOLVED ON THE MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MCINTOSH, seconded by COUNCILLOR WADDELL,

THAT:

1. Council note the letter from the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces requesting councils review their planning policies to increase housing supply and diversity.
2. Council write to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces outlining Council's:
 - Current medium density housing project.
 - Proven track record of housing delivery via strategic planning initiatives and the timely assessment of planning applications.
 - Commitment to facilitate housing provision in accordance with the initiatives outline in the Hornsby Local Housing Strategy 2020.
 - Willingness to continue to investigate opportunities for appropriate housing delivery in the future in accordance with any revised housing targets.
 - Observation that the housing crisis is not limited to council zoning and application determination timeframes but that macro-economic factors also need to be addressed.
3. Council's letter to the Minister also note the recent announcement of planning reforms by the State Government appears to conflict with his request that councils plan for medium density housing locally and raise concerns that such an approach may not appropriately respond to