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English

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Hindi

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Macedonian

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Nepali

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Punjabi

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Somali

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD VIRTUALLY ON MONDAY 25 OCTOBER 2021

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.01 PM

The Mayor advised that the meeting was being streamed live and that audio and video would be made available on Council's website.

1. OPENING OF MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Cr. Lina Messina (Mayor) (Chairperson)

Cr. Gaetano Greco (Deputy Mayor)

Cr. Tom Hannan

Cr. Tim Laurence

Cr. Trent McCarthy

Cr. Susanne Newton

Cr. Susan Rennie

Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer

Sam Hewett - General Manager Operations and Capital

Kerry McGrath - General Manager Communities

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Jodie Watson - General Manager Governance and Engagement

Anthea Kypreos – Acting Manager Assets & Capital Delivery

Brett Grambau – Manager City Works

Chad Griffiths – Manager City Futures

Felicity Leahy – Manager Recreation and Libraries

Steve Tierney - Manager, Parks & Open Space

Abdullahi Ahmed – Coordinator Operations and Compliance

Greg Phippen – Coordinator Property Services

Matt Doherty – Coordinator Health Protection

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Council Business

Rachna Gupta Singh - Senior Council Business Officer

Georgina Steele – Council Business Officer

Michelle Martin - Council Business Officer

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Chairperson, Mayor Messina, opened the meeting with the following statement:

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The Mayor read the following Statements:

Congratulations - Councillor Dimitriadis

You may have noticed that we are missing Councillor Emily Dimitriadis this evening and it's for very good reason! Last night Cr Dimitriadis and her husband Sean welcomed their first child, a healthy baby girl named Cleo Savannah. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the Nettleton family.

Honour Vincenzo (Vince) Pirrottina

The Darebin Council and Darebin Disability Advisory Committee were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of long-standing Darebin Disability Advisory Committee member Vincenzo (Vince) Pirrottina on 23 September 2021.

Vince was diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy in 1950s. He never let this diagnosis or anything else stop him pursuing his diverse interests. He was a scorer for his school's sports teams, an artist and a chess master. But first and foremost, Vince was passionate about making the world a better place for people with disability.

Vince was an accomplished and highly respected advocate and he used his lived experience to inform this work. He addressed graduates who were just beginning their professional journeys and policy makers at different Victorian Government departments and contributed to a range of publications and teaching videos. Through this engagement he supported the development of different caring roles across organisations.

Vince took every opportunity to raise awareness of the work he was contributing to. He delivered interviews with local press, participated in a range of projects evaluating interventions for community members and was active on many advisory committees.

Vince was at the inception of many initiatives and organisations the support the inclusion and wellbeing of people with a disability. Many of these, like LINK Community Transport, Yooralla's Companion Card, Australian Ventilator User Network and the local Ventilator Accommodation project, continue to this day and benefit many other members of the disability community. For a long time, he was also the Living Legends Accessibility Ambassador, spending time with retired race horses and paving the way for accessibility.

Long-time Preston resident, Vince first joined the Darebin Disability Advisory Committee (DDAC) in 1994, as one of the original members of the Preston Disability Advisory Committee and continued on the Committee after the Council amalgamation. During this time, he participated in many projects focusing on the improvement of access and inclusion in Darebin for community members with lived experience of disability.

His work was recognised and in 2005 when Vince was awarded joint Darebin Citizen of the Year. He was still participating in the committee meeting at the start of September 2021. He was one of the longest serving members of this committee and we are so very grateful that he chose to commit so much of his life and knowledge to advising and helping us here at Darebin City Council.

On behalf of Council I have also written to Rosanne, Vince's wife, to express our deep condolences and sadness on his passing.

Vince will be missed by all who had the privilege to meet him – his fellow members of the Darebin Disability Advisory Committee, Council staff and Councillors who knew and worked with him.

Vale Vince and thank you for immeasurable contribution you have made to our community.

3. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Emily Dimitriadis

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-126

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Due to technical issues the meeting was adjourned at 6.15 pm and recommenced at 6.41 pm

The Mayor adjourned the meeting for a brief break at 6.42 pm. The Meeting recommenced at 6.58 pm.

6. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

The Chairperson, Mayor Messina and the Chief Executive Officer Sue Wilkinson responded to the following questions submitted for Public Question Time.

- **P. Ryan of Thornbury**

Why did Council apply to the Minister for an IPO on or before 6th Sept 2021 for the so-called 'Thornbury Park Estate' when the publicly advertised submission date was 17th Sept 2021 and extending this until 15 Oct 2021- knowing full well that this IPO will not be rescinded and thereby denying affected residents fair and open participation in this process and enacting a scheme by stealth which impacts 781 properties

Response

The Interim Heritage Overlay has been put in place as a temporary measure to protect heritage while a decision about a permanent heritage overlay is being consulted on and considered.

Council has been receiving community submissions and will make a decision about whether to proceed with permanent heritage controls at an upcoming council meeting.

- **Catherine Maguire of Thornbury.**

I write with regard to the public consultation process for the Heritage Overlay pertaining to the Thornbury Park Estate. My question has three parts:

1. Can you please report on the total number of submissions received?
2. Please provide an approximate breakdown regarding how many support or object to the Overlay?
3. What are the key themes associated with the submissions?

Response

Community consultation has just finished and our team is reviewing community feedback at the moment. This feedback and the answers to your questions will be reported to an upcoming Council meeting.

The information we have at this early stage is that Council has received one hundred and sixty-four submissions including both supporting and opposing the proposed overlay.

Some emerging themes include support for protecting heritage, the importance of sustainable house design and concerns about potential financial impact for owners.

- **Vasilios Tsalkos of Reservoir**

1. I was advised on 25th of August 2021 that the CEOs pay and Bonus payments are publicly listed, after several attempts at getting this information and where it is accessible it has still not been provided, can Council please advise me and the community of the 2019-2020 & 2020-2021 and estimated 2021-2022 CEO salary and all bonus payment values for each of those years?
2. On the 28th of July 2021 Darebin City Council posted that their new website "is now live". Three months on the council website is still missing council meeting agendas and meeting minutes, which only go back to the 3rd of February 2020. What date

does council expect its constituents to be given access to these prior to 2020 via the website and why were these not made publicly available at the launch of the new site.

Response

- 1. We apologise for any confusion caused regarding the information that is available to the public regarding the remuneration of the CEO.**

Council reports on the total remuneration of senior staff, including the CEO, as part of each Annual Report. This is reported within a range of \$10,000 rather than stating exact remuneration or providing a breakdown of the components of remuneration. This approach is in line with how other Councils in Victoria report on senior staff remuneration.

The 2019-2020 report includes this in the Notes to the Financial Report section.

Following submission to the Minister for Local Government, the 2020-2021 Annual Report for 2020-21 will be available publicly by 8 November 2021 in advance of this being presented to Council at its meeting on 22 November.

These measures are in accordance with both Council's Public Transparency Policy and confidentiality provisions relating to employment matters. Unfortunately, officers are not at liberty to share any further detail on the remuneration for individual officers.

- 2. The website upgrade project has been a massive task to date and the community response has been positive with the new features, including translation of content to 109 languages. With many competing priorities for website improvements, this was not possible to complete prior to the launch of the new website.**

The website project is continuing to bring improvements on content, and a continuing priority is to upload the previous Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes.

This work is planned to be completed by the 30 November 2021 and will be reported through the Governance report once complete.

- Samuel Bolton of Preston

Why has the Council decided not to proceed with construction of two pinch points on Cramer Street? This work was deemed a priority treatment by the Streets For People initiative, effective in creating a safer environment for people of all ages and abilities to walk, wheel and cycle. Additionally, according to the council's document titled "Phase 2 Consultation Summary: Preston Activity Link (West)", the proposed landscaped pinch points enjoyed an 83% approval from respondents in the community.

Given this, Can Council reaffirm its commitment to traffic calming measures along Cramer Street and further endorse their acceptance of the Streets for People Preston Activity Link Concept Plan?

Can the Council provide an update on the plans for a pedestrian/cycle crossing for Elizabeth Street (previously proposed to be located near Raymond Street)?

Response

Council voted in April to not proceed with the two pinch-points on Cramer Street and committed to investigate alternative options to improve road safety.

Council is currently consulting with the local community as part of its Your Street Your Say project. Alternate traffic calming measures along Cramer Street will be developed as part of this project.

Officers have been working their colleagues at Moreland Council to develop plans for a crossing on Elizabeth Street near Raymond Street.

The plans have been sent to the Department of Transport who are aware of the community advocacy in this area.

- **Ruth Jelley of Northcote**

1. Can Council please provide an update on the refresh of the Darebin Transport Strategy and the Cycling Strategy, and confirm when the strategies will be released?
2. I have recently been approached by parents in Darebin seeking information about the Octopus Schools program. Can Council please provide an update about this program, including which school has been selected for funding in 2021?
3. Can Council please confirm if it is in regular communication with the State Government regarding the pop-up bike lane trial along Heidelberg Rd, whether the pop-up lanes will be extended to Chandler Hwy, and whether Council will advocate to make these lanes permanent?

Response

1. **The refresh of the Transport Strategy and Cycling Strategy is at an early stage and we expect a draft to be released for community consultation from March 2022.**
2. **Council is using a new approach to working with schools on safe travel this year. Council is currently consulting with schools as part of its Your Street Your Say program in the north-east third of Darebin until 22 November. Council will consult with schools in all parts of Darebin over the next three years. The Octopus Schools program is not planned in the current financial year.**

Schools can also get in touch with Council about any specific matters at any time

3. **The pop-up bike lane is a State Government project, not a Council Project. Any extension of the pop-up bike lanes will be determined by the State. We encourage you to share your views directly with the State Government.**

Council Officers are in contact with Officers at the Department of Transport. Council officers have passed on any community feedback they've received about the trial.

- **David Schulze of Reservoir**

When will the Council look at properly repairing Cheddar Rd, there would be 25 patches in the first 500m from Reservoir Railway station, and the current patching method wears out in a few months and leaves bigger holes . Its needs to be completely resurfaced properly.

Response

A portion of Cheddar Road (between High Street and Pratt St) is scheduled to be re-surfaced this year as part of Council's capital works program.

Officers will undertake another inspection of the condition of Cheddar Rd around the Reservoir railway station and will call you to advise any further action or treatments to be taken.

- **Eleni of Reservoir**

I was advised by the Transport Safety team last month that the Your Street, Your Say for Reservoir West would open in October and prior to this, information would be sent out to residents in multiple languages. The survey opened on 12 October (I had to actually search Council website to find that it had commenced) with no information having been provided to residents.

Does Council actually want and value feedback? It seems that this has been done under the radar and the commitment to notify residents to participate hasn't happened.

When will this information be provided?

When will residents be notified of this?

When raising ongoing concerns regarding truck traffic on Massey Avenue and Broadhurst Avenue, the Transport Safety team advised me last month that the Your Streets, Your Say survey would open in October and residents would be notified in advance of this taking place.

The officer noted that as residents often didn't speak English information would be sent in multiple languages so all could participate. The Survey opened on 12 October and we have not received any notification. I had to look this up on the council website to see if it had commenced. Is Council actually committed to receiving feedback. It seems that committing to notify residents, then doing nothing goes against wanting out concerns and ideas heard.

Response

Yes we want to hear from as many people in our community as possible.

Flyers with translation information about the Your Street Your Say project have been distributed from 12 October.

We're really keen to ensure everyone has received a flyer. One of the team will contact you to see if we can find out what has happened

We're contacting people in lots of different ways. Promotion is going out electronically, on social media and in newspapers. We're reaching out through community groups and you may even see some stickers on the footpath.

- Serena O'Meley of Reservoir

1. Given that members of the public cannot currently ask their own questions from the gallery due to COVID-19 restrictions, would it be possible for an officer or Councillor to read our questions so that the Mayor can focus purely on the response? This will make it easier for people to follow public question time online.
2. Indigenous vaccination rates for COVID-19 are lagging, on average, 10% behind the rest of Victoria, and in some areas as much as 20%. Can you please provide information about the number of Indigenous people 15+ years living in Darebin who:
 - are eligible for vaccination;
 - have received a first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine;
 - have received a second dose of a COVID-19 vaccine?
3. At the 27 September 2021 Darebin Council meeting I asked a question relating to allegations that the Darebin Nature Trust was inappropriately spilled by officers. My question was not answered, even after I followed up with a complaint in writing to a governance officer. I again ask this question, "Can you tell me how many community nominations for the reconstituted committee have been received by the 10 September deadline, and how many of these are from members of the outgoing committee?" If you won't answer the question again can you please provide a justification with reference to governance rules?

Response

1. **Yes it is would be possible for this to occur and there is no doubt that the volume of questions from the public does at times see me speaking continuously. However the convention at this stage is that the mayor read and respond to public questions. I have at different times in the past asked the CEO to read and answer questions to assist with the flow of the meeting and I will continue to do this when I feel it is needed. Thanks for your support and feedback**
2. **This data is not publicly available and we will take your question on notice.**

Today, through our partnership with the North East Primary Health Network, Council has requested that this information be provided on a regular basis. Council continues to work with the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service including partnering with the new mobile van initiative, local Aboriginal led organisations and our partners to promote and support COVID vaccination uptake in local First Nations communities. Last week there were pop-up vaccination clinics in Kingsbury, Reservoir and three secondary schools in the north of Darebin.

On Saturday evening, a vaccination clinic was held at Dardi Munwurro, an Aboriginal men's gathering space in Preston. This week there are pop-up clinics at The Hub at Northland, William Ruthven Secondary College and Dole Avenue Community Sport Stadium.

3. **Apologies that our response to your question in September did not provided the clarity you required.**

Our response in September noted that we had received keen interest from community members to join the Darebin Nature Trust. This was indeed accurate however we should have made it clear to you that in the interests of all those persons who had made application (including those existing Committee

members who may have decided not to apply) it would be inappropriate during the recruitment process to make comment on the composition of the applications.

Such an approach in our view could undermine the process, in particular in the context of the incorrect statement in your question regarding the ‘ inappropriate spill by Officers ‘and allegations regarding the Committee members being offended ‘ etc . I hope this response explains why we did not directly respond to this question on the 27 September and why we have not entertained it again this evening. Council will be considering tonight a report that recommends appointees to 11 of Council 15 Advisory Committees including the Darebin Nature Trust.

Whilst we have adopted this approach to protect the integrity of the recruitment process in the interest of transparency we would be pleased to report to Council via the November Governance Report the total number of applications for each Advisory Committee, the number of past / current members who applied and the composition of new and past members appointed. Council’s Governance Rules do not provide specific detail on this matter.

- **Penelope Bennett of Kew**

DoT pop up cycle routes are on Victoria Road, Westgarth Street and Station Street Fairfield. The nature of these routes means that, for the moment, they are painted cycle lanes rather than protected cycle lanes (with people cycling having separation from motorised traffic). So that these cycle lanes are safe and comfortable for all ages and abilities, can Darebin Council please call on the Government to implement safe system aligned speed limits? By the Government's own guidance, if there is no separation, the speed limit should be 30km/h.

With COVID, we are more aware than ever that health – both physical and mental wellbeing – is so important. Many more people have been enjoying walking and cycling more through the community, with streets with fewer cars but more people out and about. Now is a change opportunity and we can create streets that give people more options to move around safely and enjoyably and create healthier and more connected communities.

More people, including children and the elderly, will be able to walk or cycle on streets with safer speed limits. There are many schools, shops and facilities near these routes, and calmer traffic means friendlier streets, including ones that people can cross safely. Children deserve the freedom to walk and cycle to school. Safer speed limits will be better for all road users.

I will also highlight from a personal perspective, with my daughter cycling to school in Thornbury along Victoria Rd, she is too scared to cycle on road but the footpath is often busy and I am constantly concerned about motorists going across driveways. All ages and abilities are supposed to be able to cycle on routes such as Victoria Rd (by Government Movement and Place policy). With trucks from NARC construction added to the mix, the need for a reduced speed limit to realise the potential benefits from the popups is even more critical.

Response

I am sorry to hear of your current concerns over safety of your daughter using Victoria Road. I encourage you to get in touch with the State Government directly about this.

Council strongly supports high safety standards and generally lower speed limits. However, Council hasn’t specifically considered a 30km limit in Victoria Road.

I can confirm that we'll raise your safety concerns with the State Government and ask them to consider speed when looking at this

- **Tim Holdsworth of Northcote**

1. In regard to Item 8.3, what non digital methods of participation are available to those, especially older or disadvantaged residents, who do not have access to the 'Your Say' website. Will a paper copy be made available?
2. Can Council please lay out the steps required, from this community consultation to the point of ' turning of the first sod ' (starting actual physical changes) to the Northcote Public Golf Course? (should that be what the community wants).
3. Once consultation is concluded and Officers have collated the data, will councillors be determining and voting on (in March) an actual, specific, tangible, costed plan for future use?

Response

COVID restrictions have made it slightly more difficult to consult the community but there are still a number of consultation methods available to ensure that the consultation is broad reaching and captures as many views as possible. Alongside the Your Say page, a letterbox drop will be undertaken, residents can always call customer service or write to Council and if a resident would like us to post them a hardcopy template we would be happy to accommodate that as well.

The consultation period will be open for 5 weeks. Council will then invite those who provide feedback to a meeting in early 2022 to be heard in support of their submission. Council will then make a decision about the future of the golf course in March 2022.

In relation to your third question, it is not possible to provide comment on any future proposal until the consultation has been completed and Council has had an opportunity to consider the community's various views. This will happen in early 2022.

- **Ruth Liston of Northcote**

In March 2022, the group Community to Unlock Northcote Golf Course presented the largest ever petition to Council, in which nearly 10,000 people called for the space to be opened to the public. Since then, thousands of Darebin residents have waited for Council to commence broad community consultation and many of us are watching the livestream tonight in anticipation of approval for this process to begin.

One group who will benefit greatly from public access to the space is children and young people. Darebin has more people under 15 than other parts of Greater Melbourne, and children and young people are the groups most likely to make use of recreational space and parklands for play and socialising¹

What efforts will Council make to ensure that the voices of children, teenagers and young people are heard in the community consultation?

Response

Council is seeking a broad-based community consultation process for the future of the Northcote Public Golf Course and it is important that all voices are heard equally – including the voices of young people.

The consultation stage will be promoted via Council’s social media channels, through the Your Say page, through a letterbox drop and promoted heavily throughout the community by other stakeholders with an interest in the future of the golf course.

We’re confident that those with an interest in the topic will be aware of this opportunity to have their say.

- **Glenn Dunstone of Preston**

In regard to Item 8.3 (Re Northcote Golf Course consultation):

1. Will Council in its consultation, outline how opening the golf course would align with the Darebin Open Space Strategy when residents in the area already have the best access to public open space?
2. Will Council within its consultation outline the financial impact on ratepayers due to increased capital and maintenance costs associated with any potential changes in use and subsequent loss of green fees and memberships?
3. How does the consultation timeline impact any commercial negotiations with course operators?

Response

The consultation process will largely seek comment from the community on the future shared use of the golf course (as per Council’s resolution of March 2021). Once the community has had its say, Council will consider this feedback prior to making a decision on the future of the golf course - which is proposed in March 2022.

Any information Council considers to inform its decision on the future of the golf course will include advice about open space provision and financial consequences of the possible options.

The consultation timeframe has considered the operational management of the golf course. Depending on Council’s decision, enough time exists to enter into a new agreement with a golf course operator to manage the course (should that be Council’s wish)

- **Bill Jennings of Preston**

1. Earlier this year, the CEO answered a question I asked about the Consultation Process for the future of the Northcote Public Golf Course. Ms. Wilkinson outlined a comprehensive array of methods like pop up community consultation points around the municipality and many different inquiry styles to cater for the diverse groups of people in our community. Re the Northcote Golf Course Consultation - The process now proposed appears to be much more scaled back even though Covid restrictions are easing. Could the CEO or Council please advise why this new methodology has been decided upon?

2. At a recent meeting I asked about the timing of the Northcote Public Golf Course consultation process. The Mayor answered at that time and had no clear date for commencement. On what date specifically, since that last meeting where my question was answered (with no planned date reported), did Council decide on the commencement date for the consultation?
3. Earlier this year, I asked for the Council to report regularly on the number of games that are played at Northcote Public Golf Course every month. The response was that that would be done. Has that process of reporting regularly to the community on the number of games played, commenced?.

Response

The period to consult the community on its views about a future shared use of the Northcote Golf Course is proposed to be 5 weeks which is indeed shorter than the previously planned consultation period. This period has been decided upon to give Council the best chance to hear the community's views and still meet the deadline for any new management agreement that Council might enter into to run the course. And while some COVID restrictions have eased, it was thought that those that remain (e.g. vaccination requirements, health uncertainties by some people etc) might be a barrier to full participation by the community. Council is confident that this new methodology won't be a barrier to those interested in the future of the golf course to express their views.

Officers have been regularly briefing Councillors on the process for consulting the community about the future of the golf course. It was only last week (Monday 18 October 2021) that officers recommended to Councillors at a briefing session that the Council consider a report tonight with recommendations on starting the consultation period.

The number of rounds played at the Northcote Public Golf Course for the months of January, February and March 2021 were reported at the 8 April 2021 Council meeting with an ongoing commitment to report on this information quarterly. There has been no further reporting on this, which Council apologises for. Going forward, this will be updated on the YourSay section of Council's website.

- Since use data was last reported it is as follows:
 - o 5,976 rounds played in the last quarter of last financial year (April, May June) over 77 non-Covid impacted days
 - o 2,229 rounds played in the first quarter of this financial year (July, August, Sept) over 25 non-Covid impacted days

EXTENSION OF TIME

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-127

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

That the Public Question Time be extended from 7.26 pm for a further 30 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Maria Poletti, DADA President

Given the VPA recommendations for the development of Preston Market are so inadequate in protecting the market and do not respect the community or council position of keeping the market where it is:

1. What is council doing to progress compulsorily acquisition of the Preston Market site to ensure its protection and continued use in line with community expectations?
2. Will council release a budget forecast for the use of parking on the site so that the community will have a clearer understanding of how the market might operate if compulsorily acquired?
3. Has council considered setting up an advisory committee for the management of the compulsory acquisition and administration of the Preston Market site?

Response

1. **Council is focused on advocating to the State Government to protect the market in its new planning controls and on securing a 173 agreement with the owner to protect the use as a market. This is the strongest mechanism for protecting the market at Council's disposal.**

As you know we met recently and discussed how compulsory acquisition works in Victoria and that this approach doesn't have a strong chance of success, nor would it prevent the market being closed by the owner. It would also be the Minister for Planning's decision and require significant State Government funding. I encourage you to continue to advocate to the State Government on protecting the market. The community's voice has been really important.

2. **I am not quite clear about your second question and I will arrange for an officer to contact you to clarify and respond.**
3. **Council does not currently have an advisory committee for this purpose. Preston market is a high priority project and Council uses specialists to provide advice whenever needed.**

- Chris Erlandsen, DADA Vice President

Given the Victorian Planning Authority has been asked to amend the recommendations for the development of Preston Market;

1. Does Council know if the Planning Panels Victoria hearing will go ahead and when that might happen?
2. Has Council yet established what the 'fast track' process will mean in terms of council and the community participation in future development applications/proposals for the site?
3. Has Council developed any other plans to support the community preferred position for compulsory acquisition of the Preston market site?

Response

Council welcomes the recent decision of the Minister for Planning to request a design review of the VPA's proposed plans, to alternatives that better meet the community's aspirations for the Preston Market.

1. **No new date has been set by the State government for the hearing of the Advisory Committee, although we understand it will be early next year.**
2. **The State government hasn't provided new information about the specifics of their 'fast track' process. I encourage you to contact the VPA with this question.**
3. **Council is focused on advocating to the state government to protect the market in its new planning controls and on securing a 173 agreement with the owner to protect the use as a market. This is the strongest mechanism for protecting the market at Council's disposal.**

As you know we met recently and discussed how compulsory acquisition works in Victoria and that this approach doesn't have a strong chance of success, nor would it prevent the market being closed by the owner. It would also be the Minister for Planning's decision and require significant state government funding. I encourage you to continue to advocate to the state government on protecting the market. The community's voice has been really important.

- **Geoffrey Richards of Reservoir**

Re Fencing at Storey Reserve Reservoir

Mr Richards questions relate to fencing maintenance issues at the Storey Reserve in Reservoir

1. I refer to the excellent, albeit small but popular Storey Reserve and children's playground in Storey rd., Reservoir. It also has a well used access path to the street behind same. During these pandemic even more use appears to have been made of the facility with some even arriving by vehicle. Pets on leash can also enjoy. Whilst sections of fencing to adjacent properties has been replaced over recent times there is a small rear laneway access on the rear right hand side where fence palings have fallen and not repaired. The openings created are to private properties. I am unsure if this is a Council or just a two body corporate responsibly? The damage is not easily seen from the playground yet is readily accessible.
2. In addition to the above, along one side of the access laneway to the next street a number of the parallel bottom fence boards are detaching and repairing now would be less costly than later. Could these items be looked into and advise? As a nearby resident and park user I do acknowledge with thanks to Council for the excellent routine mowing, tree care and other maintenance within the reserve and its nature strip.

Response

A service request has been entered for this matter. An officer will inspect the area and respond to your request as soon as possible.

And thanks for your feedback about the excellent maintenance program within the reserve.

- **Leon Zembekis**

1. Can Council please advise me on its progress to achieve C02 zero emissions across all its operations and activities and specifically the auditing it undertakes to verify its progress and the public statements it makes through its Annual Report and webpage ?

2. Can Council comment on the viability of it pursuing energy generation and storage initiatives (similar to those of Surf Coast Shire and Orange Councils)

Response

1. In August 2021, Council became a certified carbon neutral organisation through the ClimateActive program. Council met all the auditing requirements necessary for the 2019-20 year. Council is currently doing the work to audit its emissions for the 2020-21 period and will do this annually.
2. Council has long advocated for more renewable energy and has been leading by doing for many years. Darebin's Solar Saver program helps community to access solar power and batteries.

Council has installed over 700KW of solar power and over 100KW of battery storage at its buildings. 100KW more solar is planned this financial year.

Council secured 100% renewable electricity from two wind farms in western Victoria for Darebin and 46 other local governments. Called the Victorian Energy Collaboration (VECO), this was the largest emissions reduction project ever undertaken by local governments in Australia.

7. PETITIONS

7.1 TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE VICINITY OF THE BELL STREET BRIDGE

Cr. McCarthy sought leave of Council to present a petition regarding traffic safety in the vicinity of the Bell Street Bridge.

Leave was granted.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-128

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That the petition signed by approx. 794 persons addressed to the State Government requesting;

An urgent review of the cluster of identified areas around the intersection of the Bell, Elizabeth and Nicolson Streets and making particular reference to the safety risks facing vulnerable pedestrians particularly children and young people travelling to the Coburg High School area and the many pedestrians and cyclists who use the Bell Street bridge on a daily basis.

be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for action.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8.1 2021–22 QUARTER ONE COUNCIL PLAN ACTION PLAN PROGRESS REPORT INCLUDING PROJECT REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report (**Appendix A**) provides an overview of Council's performance in delivering the year one actions, that will contribute to achieving the four-year strategic actions of the Council Plan 2021-25. Also included in the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report is a high-level progress update for the capital works program and summary of Council resolutions. The Financial Report is typically part of this report, however, will be provided when available.

Key progress outcomes for the first quarter are;

- 202.4% (7) of year one actions have been completed.
- 76.6% of year one actions have commenced as planned
- Approximately 7% of year one actions have not started (20 actions)
- Of the actions that have not yet started, 18 were not started due to either preliminary work needing to be completed or the work was not planned to commence until later in the financial year
- Approximately 13.6% of year one actions have been deferred to year two (39 actions) as a result of the need to divert resources to the pandemic response*
- One action (0.04%) has been discontinued.

*The ongoing impacts of the COVID 19 pandemic have significantly and directly affected the operations of the organisation. At the time of writing, metropolitan Melbourne has been in more than 80 days of Stage 4 lockdown restrictions and record case numbers are being reported (up to approx. 2000 per day). Almost 50% of Victoria's COVID-19 cases are located in Melbourne's northern suburbs (particularly Hume, Whittlesea, Moreland and Darebin).

*Case numbers in the Darebin community have been relatively high for an extended period of time. At the same time, until very recently, community vaccination rates have been lower than the metropolitan average.

Significant organisational resources have been redirected to efforts aimed at responding to this community health crisis. Whilst this effort strongly aligns with the Council Plan objectives, the specific activities are not included in the deliverables and so are additional. Further details regarding these efforts are outlined in this report. This effort is expected to be required for the foreseeable future and will continue to impact delivery of other projects. As a result, a number of Council Plan actions will be deferred to the planning process for the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan.

Council has committed \$62 million to the 2021-22 Annual Capital Works Program. As of the 30 September 2021 all 61 projects were on track. See (**Appendix A**) for the overview of the capital works projects.

Since the 1 July 2021, 45 Council resolutions have been made by Council and its Delegated Committees. Of these 45, 21 resolutions have been completed (47%) and 24 are in progress (53%). See (**Appendix A**) for further information.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (**Appendix A**)
- (2) Notes the deferred actions in the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (**Appendix A**) and refers the actions to the development of the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan planning process.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (Appendix A)
- (2) Notes the deferred actions in the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (Appendix A) and refers the actions to the development of the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan planning process.
- (3) Requests regular Councillor briefings throughout the remainder of the 2021-22 financial year to monitor progress of the Council Plan Action Plan and consider any adjustments that may be required of Council Plan priorities in 2021-22.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-129**

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (Appendix A)
- (2) Notes the deferred actions in the 2021-22 Quarter One Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report including Project Report (Appendix A) and refers the actions to the development of the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan planning process.
- (3) Requests regular Councillor briefings throughout the remainder of the 2021-22 financial year to monitor progress of the Council Plan Action Plan and consider any adjustments that may be required of Council Plan priorities in 2021-22.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 DOMESTIC ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (DAMP)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Domestic Animals Act 1994 (the Act) requires all councils in Victoria to develop a Domestic Animal Management Plan (DAMP). The DAMP must outline council services, council programs and policies established to address the administration of the Act and council's management of cat and dog issues in the community.

This plan is the overarching strategic document relating to domestic animals and is to be prepared at 4-year intervals. The current DAMP 2017-2021 is due to expire at the end of 2021, therefore a new DAMP must be developed, adopted by Council, and submitted to Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions Secretary in order to commence in 2022.

A draft DAM Plan 2022-2025 has been prepared and is presented to Council to consider releasing it to community for consultation. At the conclusion of the public consultation period feedback will be considered and amendments made to the draft if required. The final draft will then be presented to the December Council meeting for endorsement.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) That Council endorses the draft Domestic Animal Management Plan 2022-2025 for community consultation for the period 26 October – 23 November 2021
- (2) Thanks community members who provided feedback to Council to help it develop the draft DAM Plan.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-130

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

- (1) That Council endorses the draft Domestic Animal Management Plan 2022-2025 for community consultation for the period 26 October – 23 November 2021
- (2) Thanks community members who provided feedback to Council to help it develop the draft DAM Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 NORTHCOTE GOLF COURSE CONSULTATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2021-2025 Council Plan (incorporating our Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan) is Council's key strategic document for the next four years. "Prosperous, Liveable and Flourishing" is Strategic Direction 2 of the Council Plan. This Strategic Direction includes an action to "*Undertake community consultation about the future shared use of the Northcote Golf Course land*".

This report builds on previous Council decisions in December 2020 and March 2021 and recommends that Council commence community consultation to inform the development of a plan for the future shared use of the Northcote Golf Course.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Commences community consultation and invite community feedback regarding the future shared use of the Northcote Golf Course
- (2) Notes that community consultation will occur for 5 weeks starting in late October 2021.
- (3) Invites those who have provided feedback as part of the consultation to be heard in support of their response at a meeting of councillors at a date to be determined in early 2022.
- (4) Notes that in parallel, Council officers will progress discussions with Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation regarding any options relating to future co-management options of the site.
- (5) Receives a report making recommendations on the future shared use of the Northcote Public Golf Course in March 2022.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-131**

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That Council:

- (1) Commences community consultation and invite community feedback regarding the future shared use of the Northcote Golf Course
- (2) Notes that community consultation will occur for 5 weeks starting in late October 2021.
- (3) Invites those who have provided feedback as part of the consultation to be heard in support of their response at a meeting of councillors at a date to be determined in early 2022.
- (4) Notes that in parallel, Council officers will progress discussions with Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation regarding any options relating to future co-management options of the site.
- (5) Receives a report making recommendations on the future shared use of the Northcote Public Golf Course in March 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 SUBMISSION ON THE DRAFT NORTHERN METRO LAND USE FRAMEWORK PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The State Government is currently consulting on the draft Northern Metro Land Use Planning Framework (Northern LUPF), along with five other regional LUPFs covering metropolitan Melbourne. The Northern LUPF is intended to help implement the metropolitan strategy 'Plan Melbourne 2017-2050' for the northern metropolitan region of Melbourne. This report seeks Council's endorsement of the draft Submission (**Appendix A**).

The LUPF sits under and implements the strategic directions of the State's metropolitan planning strategy, Plan Melbourne 2017-50 at a regional level. The Northern LUPF is a 30-year strategic land use and infrastructure plan. It provides regional context, directions, and strategies for the State, identifies regionally significant projects and objectives to meet Plan Melbourne's goals. The LUPFs are proposed to be implemented through the state/regional planning policies within local planning schemes, along with further works identified in the action plan.

Officers from across Council have assessed the Northern LUPF against Council Plan (**Appendix B**), the Community Vision as well as Council's other adopted strategies and prepared a draft submission. Many directions in the Northern LUPF align with Council's goals, including climate change resilience, urban heat island mitigation, supporting economic activity, creative precincts, and employment, improving transport connections and social infrastructure, expanding tree canopy coverage, improving networks of open space, and protecting waterway corridors and biodiversity.

Council's draft submission identifies many ways the Plan can be further improved to meet these goals, ranging from changes and additions to the Northern LUPF to broader state government reform. The key recommendations in Council's submission include:

- **Productivity:** Consider industries that promote sustainability, such as urban agriculture, and strategies to achieve a circular economy. Greater emphasis should also be given to fostering creative sectors of the economy.
- **Housing:** Removing some identified housing change areas within Darebin due to local constraints and existing policy. Consider conflicting policies for significant housing intensification of inner areas with urban greening targets.
- **Integrated Transport:** Adding greater emphasis on sustainable modes of transports and improving east-west links, and better connection between activity centres and La Trobe NEIC and adding potential future tram extensions.
- **Liveability:** Recognising additional key areas of biodiversity, open space, and areas of cultural/creative significance not already identified in the Plan. Ensuring biodiversity values are preserved in urban renewal areas.
- **Strong Communities:** Addressing known regional gaps and future-proofing health, education and community infrastructure needs of communities experiencing growth in the inner region with an increased focus on areas already experiencing disadvantage.
- **Sustainability & Resilience:** Strengthening climate mitigation and adaptation strategies to include transforming existing (old) energy networks and future-proofing existing buildings/infrastructure. Considering additional waste recovery sites/facilities for the region.

Officer Recommendation

That Council Endorse the draft Submission (**Appendix A**) and submit it to the Victorian Government in response to their consultation on the Draft Northern Metropolitan Land Use Framework Plan.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. T Hannan
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That the Officer recommendation be adopted.

Amendment

MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Submission (Appendix A) and submit it to the Victorian Government in response to their consultation on the Draft Northern Metropolitan Land Use Framework Plan, but modified to call for:
 - a. An increase in public housing especially around areas with appropriate social support infrastructure.
 - b. The preservation and celebration of the Melbourne's multiculturalism, both now and in the future.
 - c. An increase in the safety of women and minority groups through planning and design of region.
 - d. Planning for the city to be accessible for everyone and meet the needs of disabled people.
 - e. More explicit reference to Traditional Owner groups and their land rights consistent with the Darebin Council Plan, and which refers to giving back land and/or the co-management of land.
2. Authorise the Manager City Futures to finalise the Submission including making any minor amendments or corrections.

The mover of the motion did not consent to the amendment.

The amendment was put and carried and became the substantive motion.

CARRIED

For: Cr's. Greco, Laurence, McCarthy, Rennie and Williams (5)

Against: Cr's. Hannan, Newton and Messina (3)

The substantive motion was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-132**

MOVED: Cr. T Hannan
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Submission (Appendix A) and submit it to the Victorian Government in response to their consultation on the Draft Northern Metropolitan Land Use Framework Plan, but modified to call for:
 - a. An increase in public housing especially around areas with appropriate social support infrastructure.
 - b. The preservation and celebration of the Melbourne's multiculturalism, both now and in the future.
 - c. An increase in the safety of women and minority groups through planning and design of region.
 - d. Planning for the city to be accessible for everyone and meet the needs of disabled people.
 - e. More explicit reference to Traditional Owner groups and their land rights consistent with the Darebin Council Plan, and which refers to giving back land and/or the co-management of land.
2. Authorise the Manager City Futures to finalise the Submission including making any minor amendments or corrections.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is required to update its Road Management Plan (RMP) in accordance with the Road Management Act 2004. The current review of the RMP commenced in April 2021 and concluded with the public exhibition and community consultation of the RMP. Council resolved to give public notice of its intention to release the draft 2021 Road Management Plan for community consultation at its Council Meeting on 26 July 2021.

Public notice was given in the Government Gazette and The Age with the community consultation phase extending from 20 August 2021 to 22 September 2021. Three submissions have been received and 2 of these submitters indicated that they wished to be heard at a hearing of submissions session on 11 October 2021.

This report presents the outcomes of the community feedback received and a final proposed 2021 Road Management Plan for adoption.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Adopts the Road Management Plan 2021 as shown in **Appendix A**.
- (2) Advertise Council's adoption of the Road Management Plan 2021 in the Victorian Government Gazette and newspaper, in accordance with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.
- (3) Publishes the adopted Road Management Plan 2021 on the Council website, in accordance with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-133**

MOVED: Cr. S Rennie
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

- (1) Adopts the Road Management Plan 2021 as shown in **Appendix A**.
- (2) Advertise Council's adoption of the Road Management Plan 2021 in the Victorian Government Gazette and newspaper, in accordance with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.
- (3) Publishes the adopted Road Management Plan 2021 on the Council website, in accordance with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.6 PROPERTY MATTERS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council approval to commence statutory procedures into the proposed sale of the parcel of land from previously discontinued rights of way/road, specifically:

- (1) Discontinued road adjoining 32 to 42 Gloucester Street and 29 to 39 Pine Street, Reservoir
- (2) Discontinued road adjoining 212-214 High Street, Northcote,
- (3) Discontinued road adjoining 4 and 6 Tynan Street and 415 and 427 Gilbert Street, Preston.

Officer Recommendation

Recommendation 1: Road adjoining 32 to 42 Gloucester Street and 29 to 39 Pine Street, Reservoir**THAT Council:**

Having given public notice of the proposal under section 189 of the Local Government Act 1989 ("the Act") to sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining 32 to 38 Gloucester Street and 29 to 37 Pine Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on **Appendix A** to this report and known as Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A** to this report and having given public notice of the proposal to take title to the land from the discontinued road adjoining 40 and 42 Gloucester Street and 39 Pine Street, Reservoir, shown cross-hatched on **Appendix A** and known as Lots 1 and 3 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the Act:

- (1) Directs that the land known as Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A** be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining property at 38 Gloucester Street, 35 Pine Street, 34 Gloucester Street and 32 Gloucester Street, Reservoir, respectively in accordance with Council policy and transfers to itself any land from the road not sold.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land.
- (3) Transfers to itself the land known as Lots 1 and 3 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A**.
- (4) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to undertake all actions required to transfer to Council any land not sold.

Recommendation 2: Road adjoining 212-214 High Street, Northcote**That Council:**

- (1) Commences the statutory procedures under section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989 to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 212-214 High Street, Northcote, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A**, and section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 to sell the land from the road;
- (2) Gives public notice under section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 and section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 in the appropriate newspapers and on

Council's website of the intention to discontinue the road and sell the land to the adjoining property owners by private treaty and transfer to itself any land from the road not sold in accordance with Council policy.

Recommendation 3: Road adjoining 4 and 6 Tynan Street and 415 and 427 Gilbert Street, Preston

That Council:

- (1) Having given public notice of a proposal to discontinue the road adjoining 4 and 6 Tynan Street and 415 and 427 Gilbert Street, Preston, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989:
- (2) Has formed the opinion that the road shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A** is no longer required for road purposes;
- (3) Discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989;
- (4) Directs that a notice be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
- (5) Directs that the land from the road be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining properties in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(b) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989 *and* section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 and transfer to itself any land from the road not sold in accordance with Council policy;
- (6) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of any land from the discontinued road to the owners of the adjoining properties and to do all other acts to enable any land from the road not sold to the adjoining property owners to be transferred to Council; and
- (7) Directs that the discontinuance and sale will not affect any right, power or interest held by Yarra Valley Water, in the road in connection with any sewers, drains or pipes under the control of Yarra Valley Water in or near the road;

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-134

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence

1: Road adjoining 32 to 42 Gloucester Street and 29 to 39 Pine Street, Reservoir**THAT Council:**

Having given public notice of the proposal under section 189 of the Local Government Act 1989 ("the Act") to sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining 32 to 38 Gloucester Street and 29 to 37 Pine Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on **Appendix A** to this report and known as Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A** to this report and having given public notice of the proposal to take title to the land from the discontinued road adjoining 40 and 42 Gloucester Street and 39 Pine Street, Reservoir, shown cross-hatched on **Appendix A** and known as Lots 1 and 3 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the Act:

- (1) Directs that the land known as Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A** be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining property at 38 Gloucester Street, 35 Pine Street, 34 Gloucester Street and 32 Gloucester Street, Reservoir, respectively in accordance with Council policy and transfers to itself any land from the road not sold.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land.
- (3) Transfers to itself the land known as Lots 1 and 3 on Title Plan TP936596E in **Appendix A**.
- (4) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to undertake all actions required to transfer to Council any land not sold.

2: Road adjoining 212-214 High Street, Northcote**That Council:**

- (1) Commences the statutory procedures under section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989 to discontinue and sell the road adjoining 212-214 High Street, Northcote, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A**, and section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 to sell the land from the road;
- (2) Gives public notice under section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 and section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 in the appropriate newspapers and on Council's website of the intention to discontinue the road and sell the land to the adjoining property owners by private treaty and transfer to itself any land from the road not sold in accordance with Council policy.

3: Road adjoining 4 and 6 Tynan Street and 415 and 427 Gilbert Street, Preston**That Council:**

- (1) Having given public notice of a proposal to discontinue the road adjoining 4 and 6 Tynan Street and 415 and 427 Gilbert Street, Preston, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989:

- (2) Has formed the opinion that the road shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix A** is no longer required for road purposes;
- (3) Discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989;
- (4) Directs that a notice be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
- (5) Directs that the land from the road be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining properties in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(b) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989 *and* section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 and transfer to itself any land from the road not sold in accordance with Council policy;
- (6) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of any land from the discontinued road to the owners of the adjoining properties and to do all other acts to enable any land from the road not sold to the adjoining property owners to be transferred to Council; and
- (7) Directs that the discontinuance and sale will not affect any right, power or interest held by Yarra Valley Water, in the road in connection with any sewers, drains or pipes under the control of Yarra Valley Water in or near the road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.7

GOVERNANCE REPORT - OCTOBER 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The matters covered under the Governance Report for the month of October 2021 are:

- Summary of Advisory Committees, Councillor Briefing and other informal meetings of Councillors;
- Reports by Mayor and Councillors;
- Summary Report of Hearing of Submissions Committee meetings held on 11 October 2021
- Scheduling of a Special Council Meeting on Wednesday 24 November 2021 at 6.00 pm to elect the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2021 / 2022 Council year
- Rescheduling the December Council meeting from Monday 20 December 2021 to Wednesday 15 December 2021;
- Council Community Advisory Committees – Endorsement of Member Appointments
- The establishment of the 2022 Council and Planning Meeting Cycle

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – October 2021.
- (2) Notes the Summary of Advisory Committees, Councillor Briefings and other Informal Meetings of Councillors at **Appendix A** to this report, for incorporation in the minutes of this meeting.
- (3) Notes that reports by Mayors and Councillors submitted prior to the meeting and circulated to Councillors, will be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.
- (4) Notes the Reports of Standing Committees – Summary Report of Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting held on 11 October 2021 at **Appendix B** to this report;
- (5) Resolves to hold a Special Council Meeting on Wednesday 24 November 2021 at 6.00 pm to elect the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2021 / 2022 Council year
- (6) Resolves to reschedule the December Ordinary Council meeting from Monday 20 December 2021 to Wednesday 15 December 2021
- (7) Resolves to hold the Ordinary Council, Planning Committee and Special Council Meetings in 2022 as outlined in **Table 1** in this report.
- (8) Endorses the appointment of the community members (and representative organisations where provided) as listed in the **Confidential Appendix C** to the following Community Advisory Committees for an initial period of tenure of 2 years with a further appointment process being undertaken in October 2023.
 - Active & Healthy Aging Advisory Committee
 - Darebin Disability Advisory Committee
 - Darebin Education Network

- Darebin Interfaith Council
 - Darebin Nature Trust
 - Darebin Women's Advisory Committee
 - Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Advisory Committee
 - Welcoming Cities Community Reference Group
 - Climate Emergency Darebin (CED) Advisory Committee
 - Young Citizens Jury
- (9) Note that in the event of a nominated person not accepting an offer to be on a Committee at this appointment stage, they will be replaced by the next nominated person as identified through the recruitment and selection process.
- (10) Notes the appointment of the community members as listed in the **Confidential Appendix C** to the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee for an initial period of tenure of 2 years with a further appointment process being undertaken in October 2023.
- (11) Endorses the Terms of Reference as provided in **Appendix E** for all Community Advisory Committee listed in points (8) and (10) and the Arts & Heritage Advisory Committee and Darebin Community Awards Advisory Committee and notes that any changes to the Appendix A component of the Terms of Reference identified through a review by each Advisory Committee will be reported to Council through the biannual Advisory Committee reporting.
- (12) Writes to all immediate past and current Community Advisory Committee Members in recognition of their important voluntary contribution to the Darebin community through their service to one or more of Councils Community Advisory Committees.
- (13) Records the names of all those community members appointed to Councils Community Advisory Committees in the open minutes of this meeting.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-135

MOVED: Cr. S Newton**SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie****That Council:**

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – October 2021.
- (2) Notes the Summary of Advisory Committees, Councillor Briefings and other Informal Meetings of Councillors at **Appendix A** to this report, for incorporation in the minutes of this meeting.
- (3) Notes that reports by Mayors and Councillors submitted prior to the meeting and circulated to Councillors, will be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.
- (4) Notes the Reports of Standing Committees – Summary Report of Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting held on 11 October 2021 at **Appendix B** to this report;
- (5) Resolves to hold a Special Council Meeting on Wednesday 24 November 2021 at 6.00 pm to elect the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the 2021 / 2022 Council year
- (6) Resolves to reschedule the December Ordinary Council meeting from Monday 20 December 2021 to Wednesday 15 December 2021
- (7) Resolves to hold the Ordinary Council, Planning Committee and Special Council Meetings in 2022 as outlined in **Table 1** in this report.
- (8) Endorses the appointment of the community members (and representative organisations where provided) as listed in the **Confidential Appendix C** to the following Community Advisory Committees for an initial period of tenure of 2 years with a further appointment process being undertaken in October 2023.
 - Active & Healthy Aging Advisory Committee
 - Darebin Disability Advisory Committee
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 - Young Citizens Jury
- (9) Note that in the event of a nominated person not accepting an offer to be on a Committee at this appointment stage, they will be replaced by the next nominated person as identified through the recruitment and selection process.
- (10) Notes the appointment of the community members as listed in the **Confidential Appendix C** to the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee for an initial period of tenure of 2 years with a further appointment process being undertaken in October 2023.
- (11) Endorses the Terms of Reference as provided in **Appendix E** for all Community Advisory Committee listed in points (8) and (10) and the Arts & Heritage Advisory

Committee and Darebin Community Awards Advisory Committee and notes that any changes to the Appendix A component of the Terms of Reference identified through a review by each Advisory Committee will be reported to Council through the biannual Advisory Committee reporting.

- (12) Writes to all immediate past and current Community Advisory Committee Members in recognition of their important voluntary contribution to the Darebin community through their service to one or more of Councils Community Advisory Committees.
- (13) Records the names of all those community members appointed to Councils Community Advisory Committees in the open minutes of this meeting, viz

- **Active & Healthy Aging Advisory Committee**

Amanda Tan, Lis Devries, Eric Black, Nalliah Surikyakumaran, Marion Harper, Raymond Cocking, Dulcie Hook, Karen Bruce, Diana Pais, Peter Byrne, Cindy Bux, Marika Bosinova, Win Stenton, Nicholas Nicholaou, Geoffrey Richards

- **Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee**

Owen Butler, Jacob Peluso, Coen Brown, Worrelle Blow, Claire Sadler, John Brown, Ellie-Jean Singh, Alan Brown, Erica Higgins

- **Darebin Disability Advisory Committee**

Karen Bloomberg, Elizabeth Ellis, Caseii Green, Emma Grey, Virginia Mahoney, Zione Alepha Phiri, Pauline Risoli, Brooke Underwood, Jo Banks, Helen Caligiuri, George Jiang, Ray Jordan, Kathy Kondekas, Edward Manuel, Judith McLean

- **Darebin Education Network**

Primary Schools

Holy Name PS: Carolina Galea, Principal;

No Proxy Preston South PS: Leon

Leonidas, Principal; No Proxy

Kingsbury PS: TBC Term IV 2021; Proxy – Wayne Bolton, Assistant

Principal Maharishi School: Steve Charisis, Principal; Proxy – Samantha Russell

Reservoir East PS: James Cumming, Principal; Proxy - Linda Lavelle,

Wellbeing Coordinator St Joseph, Northcote: Principal, Mary Kearney; No Proxy

Westgarth PS: Jo Wheeler, Principal; No

Proxy Thornbury PS: Assistant Principal,

Megan Noy; No Proxy

Preston North East PS: John-mark Good, Assistant Principal; No Proxy

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Charles La Trobe College: Andrew Robertson, Principal; Proxy: Nathan Moore,

Principal PS East Preston Islamic College: Coryn Bretag, Principal PS; Proxy -

Majida Ali, Head of Curriculum

Secondary Schools

Thornbury High: Michael Keenan, Principal; Proxy: Ryan Millar,

Assistant Principal Northcote High: TBC for Term IV, 2021; Proxy:

Katie Archibald, Assistant Principal

The Pavilion School: Michael Scicluna, Principal; Proxy: Melanie Henry,

Instructional leader William Ruthven Secondary College: Andrew Elborough, Principal; No Proxy

Reservoir High: Andrew McNeil, Principal; No Proxy

Department of Education and Training, North Eastern Melbourne Area of North Western Victoria Region

Graham Stevenson, Senior Education Improvement Leader

Sonya Hunt, Koorie Education Support Officer

- **Darebin Interfaith Council**
Albert Fatileh, Yaser Ali, David Toscano, Devinder Singh, George Frangos, Jamal Mohamed, Judith Pimentel, Linda Yang, Matthew Atkins, Mohamed Mumin, Paul Huglin, Ray Cleary, Sue Maric, Sivaganga Sahathevan, Sue Fisher
 - **Darebin Nature Trust**
Jeanine Howton, Jacqui Laird, Michelle Lang, Aviva Reed, Nadine Richings, Dean Schrieke, Shau Teo
 - **Darebin Women’s Advisory Committee**
Megan Burke, Melissa Collins, Zelda Harper – Balsamo, Vesna Josevski, Carmen Lahiff- Jenkins, Sandra Morris, Felicity Rorke, Anna Scovelle, Jo Van Dort, Rosa Vasseghi, Amanda Wilczynski, Samantha Young, Emily Fraresso, Leanora Spry, Diana Pais
 - **Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Advisory Committee**
Erika Kerley, Kirsty Betts, Adele Moleta, Billy Ling, Kim Northmore, Teigan Raine, Elizabeth Shield, Karthik Vijayanandam, Darcy Russell-Watson, travers eira, Liam Dooley
 - **Welcoming Cities Community Reference Group (WCCRG)**
Ginta Melbalds, Hugh Morris-Dalton, John Zika, Margaret Anne Learmonth, PonniahAnandajayasekeram (Ananda), Rosa Vasseghi
- Note – In addition to 6 Community Members the WCCRC also comprises a representative from the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council, Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee and Darebin Interfaith Council, 3 representatives from community and migrant support agencies in the City of Darebin including AMES, Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre and the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Committee (VEOHRC) and a Traditional Owner representative from the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation
- **Climate Emergency Darebin (CED) Advisory Committee (all new members)**
Uncle Charles Pakana , Uncle Owen Butler, Stacie Piper, Jay Peluso , Karen Large, Katia Rotar, Julie O Brien, Steph Rich, Quimby Mills, Blair Trewin, Shervin Tosif, Arzu Yilmaz, Laura Nix
 - **Young Citizens Jury (all new members)**
Maddie Doudney, Marie Justin, Jadon Atkinson, Zoe Dwojacki, Finn Phelan- Naylor, IsabelClements, Luke Bryan, Rosie Thyer, Claudia Cunningham, Mirriyindi - May Watkinson, Khushi Jadhav, Ronald Prasad, Karla Shanley, Rafael Garcia, William Ruchel, Catherine Xi, Thomas Taylor, Robin Owen, James Dolby, Alisha Verga, Licia Ma

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

REPORT OF CR. LINA MESSINA, MAYOR

Cr. Messina reported on her attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Speech Recording – Vaccination Hub (Thornbury)

- Meeting with Robin Scott and DCC re COVID-19 and Vaccinations rates in Darebin
- Councillor Workshop with Chris Kotour
- Councillor Briefing
- Global Learning Hub – Council Plan Action
- Electric Vehicle Briefing
- Meeting with Uncle Phil Cooper - Construction and development of the Women's Centre of Excellence at AAL
- Preston Market Advocacy Photoshoot
- Weekly Councillors Meeting
- Reservoir Revitalisation Board – Safety Sub-Committee Meeting
- MWRRG Forum Chair Briefing
- Darebin Road Safety Discussion & MFT General Meeting
- VMC-DH Fortnightly COVID-19 Briefing
- Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum (MLGWF) Team Briefing
- Councillor Briefing
- Hearing of Submissions Committee Meeting
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Innovate4Cities Oceania Mayoral Reception
- Strategic Comms Weekly Meeting
- Outdoor Dining and Food Preparation Discussion
- Forum Chat with Chair – Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG)
- Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum (MLGWF) Meeting
- M9 Mayors Meeting
- Councillor Briefing
- Darebin Jobs Forum Planning Discussion
- Council Meeting – 25 October 2021
- Weekly Councillor Meetings
- Periodical meetings with CEO
- One on One Councillor Sessions
- Phone calls and emails from community, leaders and constituents

REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO

Cr. Greco reported on his attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Weekly councillor meetings
- Councillor Briefings
- Hearing of submission
- Planning meeting

- Attended to Resident's issues
- Discontinuance of ROW
- Follow-up on petition re: McFadzean Avenue
- Planning issues
- Edwardes Park Lake recreational fishing
- Thornbury Park Estate

REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS

Cr. Williams reported on her attendance at the following functions/activities

- Councillor briefing x3
- Special Briefing
- Weekly Councillors catch up
- Funeral to DDAC member
- Councillor Only Session with Christ Kotour
- Hearing of Submissions Committee Meeting
- One-on-one with the Mayor
- Planning Committee meeting
- Spoken to residents regarding issues on Graffiti, Thornbury Heritage overlay, Northcote Plaza, rooming housing operating in Reservoir, blocked drain in Summerhill, pot holes on Cheddar Road, residents needing assistance going into quarantine, Covid vaccination, supporting local café business on permit application, vandalism on Edwards lake athletics track, council rates, assistance presenting at VCAT on a planning application.

REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE

Cr. Laurence reported on his attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Council meeting
- Councillor Briefings
- Community consultation on homelessness issue
- Community consultation on alleged planning breaches
- Resident consultation on alleged building breaches
- Community consultation on open space
- Trader consultation on lockdown issues
- Community consultation with sporting groups

REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON

Cr. Newton reported on her attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Introductory meeting with Your Community Health CEO Kent Burgess

- Mentoring sessions with Pathways to Politics for Women mentees Samantha Citroen and Jessica Marsh
- Chairing Darebin Art & Heritage Advisory Panel meeting
- Councillor briefing x3
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Board Meeting
- One on one with Mayor Messina
- Planning Committee meeting
- Hearing of Submissions committee meeting
- Facilitated session with Councillors and Chris Kotur
- Weekly Councillor catch ups

REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE

Cr. Rennie reported on her attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Councillor briefings
- Weekly meeting with Councillors
- Facilitated councillor session with Chris Kotur
- Hearing of submissions meeting
- Planning committee meeting
- Monthly Council meeting
- Contact (phone / online) with residents about local issues

REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY

Cr. McCarthy reported on his attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Weekly Councillors Meetings
- Councillor Briefings
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Innovate4Cities Oceania Panel
- MIC Meeting
- Meetings with residents regarding Thornbury Park Estate, Northcote Golf Course, local business needs, etc.

REPORT OF CR. EMILY DIMITRIADIS

Cr. Dimitriadis was an apology for this Council Meeting.

REPORT OF CR. TOM HANNAN

Cr. Hannan reported on his attendance at the following functions/activities:

- Contact (phone / online) with residents about their concerns, eg, planning applications, Northcote Theatre proposal, Northcote Plaza proposal, Covid-19 response and safety measures, street works, open space, tree removals

- Councillor briefings
- Regular meeting with Councillors
- Friends of Bacau meeting
- Hearing of submissions meeting
- Planning committee meeting
- Monthly Council meeting

8.8 OUTDOOR SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the outcomes achieved in year one of the Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework (OSIF). It also outlines current and planned community sports club participation data collection, as well as strategies that contribute to leveraging improved participation outcomes (such as the Darebin Get Active program, the Sports Club Subsidy program and the new Leisure Strategy). An update is also provided on the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup training venue consideration for John Cain Memorial Park (JCMP).

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Notes the Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework Annual Implementation Report.
- (2) Notes that a new Leisure Strategy will be delivered in the 2022 Financial Year, that will be framed by the Darebin 2041 Community Vision and the 2021- 2025 Council Plan which prioritises access equity, participation and inclusion for Darebin's diverse community.
- (3) Notes that future annual reports on implementation outcomes of the Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework be incorporated into the outcome reports of the new Leisure Strategy, when adopted.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-136

MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council:

- (1) Notes the Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework Annual Implementation Report.
- (2) Notes that a new Leisure Strategy will be delivered in the 2022 Financial Year, that will be framed by the Darebin 2041 Community Vision and the 2021- 2025 Council Plan which prioritises access equity, participation and inclusion for Darebin's diverse community.

- (3) Notes that future annual reports on implementation outcomes of the Outdoor Sports Infrastructure Framework be incorporated into the outcome reports of the new Leisure Strategy, when adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.9 CLEMENTS RESERVE - SAFETY MEASURES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A report was received from a resident on 17 June 2020 that a fragment of material resembling asbestos had been detected on the site. Officers followed standard operating procedures for the management of asbestos which included:

- Establishment of an exclusion zone within an hour of the report being received;
- Engagement of a hygienist to conduct a search of the site and remove any suspicious material at first light the following morning; and,
- A desktop review of the site to understand the origin of the material;

Further work has been undertaken between June and October 2021 to investigate and assess the risk and approach to remediation, along with consideration of obligations under the new *Environmental Protection Act 2021*.

Officers have considered the advice provided by Aurecon and Russell Kennedy and have taken immediate action to mitigate the public health risk and environmental presented by the contaminated soil. This action entails installation of a thick mulch layer to provide physical separation between people and the contaminated soil.

It should be noted that while this measure is considered adequate to mitigate the immediate risk, this is not the intended final solution. The final solution is likely to also include installation of a geotextile layer, top soil, the potential for a low fence and rewilding to further separate people and the contaminants. The final outcome needs to be informed by Council's discussions with Vic Roads, Melbourne Water and the EPA.

Council considered this matter on 27 September 2021 as a confidential item. A copy of the report to Council and minutes (confidential) are provided at **Attachment A**.

Officer Recommendation

That Council

- (1) Note the safety measures established at Clements Reserve.
- (2) Direct Officers bring an update report to Council once discussions have been held with the EPA.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence
SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council

- (1) Note the safety measures established at Clements Reserve.
- (2) Direct Officers to bring an update report to Council once discussions have been held with the EPA.
- (3) Advises the local community within a 300 metre radius of the contamination hotspot at the site and the action Council is taking to manage the contamination.
- (4) Erects temporary safety fencing with appropriate signage around the hotspot pending implementation of a permanent solution that which would likely to require approval of the EPA

The motion was put and carried.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-137**

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence
SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council

- (1) Note the safety measures established at Clements Reserve.
- (2) Direct Officers to bring an update report to Council once discussions have been held with the EPA.
- (3) Advises the local community within a 300 metre radius of the contamination hotspot at the site and the action Council is taking to manage the contamination.
- (4) Erects temporary safety fencing with appropriate signage around the hotspot pending implementation of a permanent solution that which would likely to require approval of the EPA

CARRIED

For: Cr's. Greco, Laurence, McCarthy, Messina, and Williams (5)

Against: Cr's. Hannan, Newton and Rennie (3)

8.10 CONTRACT AWARD - CT2020148 CLEANING AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In owning and operating its community and civic facilities, Council is obligated to maintain clean facilities that support the health and wellbeing of building users. The COVID19 pandemic has further exacerbated the importance of cleaning services, with an exemplar level of hygiene expected from the community. Council sought interest from cleaning companies to offer cleaning services for its municipal buildings at Preston, other community and civic facilities, Reservoir Leisure Centre. open space facilities and for ad hoc cleaning services.

This report seeks approval to award contract CT2020148 for the provision of cleaning and associated services.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package A for the Preston Municipal Complex to _____ for an annual fee of \$_____ (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
 2. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package B for community and civic facilities to _____ for an annual fee of \$_____ (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
 3. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package C for the Reservoir Leisure Centre to _____ for an annual fee of \$_____ (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
 4. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package D for open space amenities, public toilets and BBQs to _____ for an annual fee of \$_____ (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
 5. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package E for ad hoc and specialty cleaning services to _____ and _____ to form a panel for services to be charged at the tendered schedule of rates.
 6. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services to the service providers for a principal contract term of two years with three one-year options to extend commencing on 1 December 2021.
 7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve variations to the scope of cleaning and associated services to be provided (referred to in other parts of these recommendations as adjustments).
 8. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and execute the contract documents on behalf of Council and to exercise options for extensions if and when required.
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Motion

MOVED: Cr. S Newton

SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

1. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package A for the Preston Municipal Complex to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd for an annual fee of \$204,861 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
2. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package B for community and civic facilities to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd for an annual fee of \$984,828 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
3. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package C for the Reservoir Leisure Centre to Alpha Corporate Property Services Pty Ltd or an annual fee of \$159,524 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
4. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package D for open space amenities, public toilets and BBQs to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd for an annual fee of \$485,938 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
5. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package E for ad hoc and specialty cleaning services to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd and Alpha Corporate Property Services Pty Ltd to form a panel for services to be charged at the tendered schedule of rates.
6. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services to the service providers for a principal contract term of two years with three one-year options to extend commencing on 1 December 2021.
7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve variations to the scope of cleaning and associated services to be provided (referred to in other parts of these recommendations as adjustments).
8. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and execute the contract documents on behalf of Council and to exercise options for extensions if and when required.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-138****MOVED: Cr. S Newton****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco****That Council:**

1. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package A for the Preston Municipal Complex to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd for an annual fee of \$204,861 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
2. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services – Package B for community and civic facilities to Ikon Services Australia Pty Ltd for an annual fee of \$984,828 (inclusive of GST) subject to adjustments to reflect cleaning requirements.
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6. Awards Contract CT2020148 for Cleaning and Associated Services to the service providers for a principal contract term of two years with three one-year options to extend commencing on 1 December 2021.
7. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve variations to the scope of cleaning and associated services to be provided (referred to in other parts of these recommendations as adjustments).
8. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and execute the contract documents on behalf of Council and to exercise options for extensions if and when required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**8.11 AWARDING OF CONTRACT 202163 MANAGEMENT OF
NARRANDJERI STADIUM AND DAREBIN COMMUNITY
SPORTS STADIUM**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is currently constructing the new multi-sport stadium, Narrandjeri Stadium, at John Cain Memorial Park, 281 Darebin Road Thornbury. This facility will see the development of a premier community venue to support current and future participation in indoor sporting activities to compliment the outdoor courts recently completed. The aim of the centre is to increase participation across a range of sports and physical activities across the municipality with a focus on supporting female participation and enhancing the access to health and wellbeing opportunities for Darebin residents.

The Darebin Community Sports Stadium (DCSS) is currently under a management contract, which is due to expire on 30 June 2022. All extension options for this contract have been exercised and the management of this facility will form part of the overall management contract, albeit with a later commencement date.

The scope of Narrandjeri Stadium and Darebin Community Sports Stadium Contract Management covers:

- The management and operation of the centres in accordance with the contract documents, best practice and Council's current and future policies and initiatives.
- The management, marketing and delivery of programs, services, activities and events for the centres.
- The provision of services consistent with the City of Darebin vision and policies and subsequent revisions / updates.
- Achievement of the service aims and objectives.

The proposed contract arrangement is to run for a period of approximately five years, with an option for a further extension for an additional two-year period.

The following principles were used to guide and form the basis for decisions on the management, operation and use of the stadia:

- Participation
- Sustainable Facilities
- Equity, Access and Inclusion
- Health and Wellbeing.

Council's procurement process was adhered to, with guidance from the Procurement Team and an independent (external) Probity Advisor which was also appointed to the Evaluation Panel.

The contract documentation has been legally reviewed, and the reporting mechanisms are aligned with Council's participation, access and inclusion policies. Together with the thorough process undertaken in the EOI for court usage, future participation of Council's stadium facilities will be reflective Darebin's diverse community, with participation focusing on supporting female participation and actively increase participation levels in other groups and community members who face barriers to participation.

The management contract process has been a competitive one, with five submissions received. The cost of the management of CT202163 is an expense to Council, however the cost of increased participation and activation in our community and recreation spaces is anticipated to provide significant wellbeing benefits to the Darebin community.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Awards Contract CT202163 for the Management of Narrandjeri and Darebin Community Sports Stadiums to _____ for the contract sum of _____ (GST exclusive). This sum is the total contract sum over the life of the contract, to 30 June 2026.
- (2) Approves the contract term from 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2026 for Darebin Community Sports Stadium, and commencement date for Narrandjeri Stadium to be negotiated based on construction timeline, with the contract to have an option for provision for a further two years.
- (3) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to finalise and execute the contract documentation on behalf of the Council.
- (4) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to execute any contract extension options.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

That Council defers this item to the next meeting.

The Motion was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-139**

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy
SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

That Council defers this item to the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

11. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL


Nil

12. CLOSE OF MEETING


The meeting closed at 8.51 pm.

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