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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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English

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Hindi

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Italian

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Macedonian

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Nepali

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Punjabi

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Somali

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Vietnamese

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD VIRTUALLY ON MONDAY 27
SEPTEMBER 2021**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.02 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. Emily Dimitriadis

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 Property & Business Improvement

Chad Griffiths – Manager City Futures

Enna Giampiccolo - Manager Communications and Engagement

Steve Tierney - Manager, Parks & Open Space

Greg Phippen – Coordinator Property Services

Matt Doherty – Coordinator Health Protection

Sarah - Jade Chung – Coordinator Communications and Engagement

Stevie Meyer – Coordinator City Futures

Philip Mallis -Coordinator Transport Strategy & Programs

Melanie McCarten - Senior Coordinator Darebin Libraries

Sophie Jordan – Principal Strategic Planner

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Council Business

Rachna Gupta Singh - Senior Council Business Officer

Michelle Martin - Council Business Officer

Georgina Steele – 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 Statement:

I would like to acknowledge that our Jewish community observed Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the year, from sunset on 15 September to 16 September. Shana Tova (means Happy New Year).

I truly hope that our Jewish community had an easy fast on this holy day of solemn reflection. I would also like to take this opportunity to affirm that Darebin City Council has zero tolerance for racism and stands in solidarity with our Jewish community, in Darebin and beyond, in the face of recent anti-Semitic abuse and threats they have faced during this most recent lockdown period.

3. APOLOGIES

NIL

4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

It was noted that in the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 23 August 2021 as part of the Public Question Time were three questions from Angela Denton of Northcote. These three questions were submitted for this meeting on the 3rd August 2021 and subsequently withdrawn by Ms Denton. They were presented to the meeting and responded to in error.

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| Officer Recommendation |
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That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 August 2021 subject to the correction notation above be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-107

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

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 August 2021 subject to the correction notation above be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**6. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME**

The Chairperson, Mayor Messina, responded to the following questions submitted for Public Question Time.

- **Amanda Wilczynski, Northcote**

Since having moved to this area in February 2020, I have personally witnessed 4 car accidents. I have contacted the council about this on two separate occasions and did not receive a response. Today (1/9/21) I escalated my concern to the Mayor, CEO and Councillor of South Central. I am bringing this concern to the broader attention of the Council, although

I would not be surprised if they did not already know about this issue. This road is dangerous categorised by 60km per hour and a T-bone intersection that sees several paths of traffic, cars going too fast and blind spots. What is Darebin City Council doing / what can it do about the intersection of St David Street and Darebin Road in Northcote?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Changes to the speed limit or intersection of St David Street would need to be undertaken by the Department of Transport, who are the managers of Darebin Road. Council officers have passed on your concerns to the Department of Transport and we encourage you to also get in touch with them.

I understand officers have now contacted you about this in early September. They have asked me to pass on their apologies for the delay.

- **David Taylor, Reservoir.**

Currently mobile Food trucks are trading in a residential area of Darebin, in Griffiths Street every day for up to nine hours each day. There are usually two trucks but on occasions there have been up to three trucks trading at the same time.

My Latrobe ward councillor raised a request no 543782 for the introduction of policy for food trucks and it was rejected by Darebin council compliance officers. Officers cited 2015 Darebin General Local Law and stated that the food trucks would be moved on under this local law.

Question 1 - Why does the council refuse to introduce policies for the trading of mobile food vendors (it should be noted that neighbouring Councils i.e. Moreland have such policies which cover operating hours, noise and where they can operate from)

The food trucks park parallel park across two angle parking bays in Griffiths street and frequently trade from the disabled parking bays in Griffiths street, this makes it difficult for families and people with disabilities.

Question 2 - Why does the council allow food trucks to illegally park in Griffiths Street ?

The food trucks cooling plant generate large amounts of noise and as I live opposite and bear the brunt. To mitigate the noise I have recently installed double glazing in the front two windows of my home at a cost of over 10 K and in the warmer months I will be forced to cool my home with air conditioning and fans because I'm unable to open the front windows of my home.

Question 3 - Why is Darebin taxing a resident twice with rates and with additional electricity bills?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Question 1 - Council does have policies that relate to mobile food vans. These are Council's local law and its Footpath trading Policy. If noise is unreasonable, such as at night time, Council officers can stop food vans trading at those times.

We are looking at improvements to the local law, so it is a good time to tell us what you think. Broad community consultation will run in about 6 months time.

Question 2 - The food trucks are permitted to operate and they finish trading by 6pm. Our inspections found they were parked legally. If you see illegal parking, please report it to our customer service line and we will address it.

Question 3 - Council isn't taxing residents twice. Council rates are used for council services such as waste collection, libraries and local road maintenance. Electricity is not supplied by council and council doesn't issue electricity bills.

- **Chris Wilkinson, Reservoir**

Hello, another couple of months have gone by and nothing has been done about Radford road. Every day, on an hourly basis, I have to listen to burnouts, cars travelling at breakneck speeds, organised drags and dirt bikes doing wheelies. I have called 000 countless times and also Reservoir police. The police can't do anything unless they catch them in the act, despite photos and videos given to them.

I have so many photos and videos of this ongoing issue. This is a known problem area and is a magnet for hoon behaviour in the northern suburbs. I find it astounding that despite someone dying on this road nothing has been done yet. I do not feel safe walking along this road with my young children.

Every time I raise this issue at council meeting I am contacted by a traffic engineer, but I am always told the same story, that "they have a plan to make a plan". A traffic management system desperately needs to be put in place here.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

I know you have asked similar questions at recent meetings.

I realise it is frustrating, but you are doing the right thing by continuing to report to the police. We encourage you to continue contacting them. Law enforcement is the single most meaningful method of controlling anti-social driver behaviour.

I can confirm Council officer's recent advice to you that we looking at road improvements in your area. However, I can also confirm that this will take time and longer than you are hoping for.

Community consultation will start in a few weeks and technical investigations are needed. Council will make a decision on a plan for the local area around mid-2022 including considering community feedback. Detailed design and construction would occur after that.

- **Edi Menegas, Fairfield**

The property identified as part of the proposed amendment C302dare is 441 Heidelberg Road Fairfield. This property has always had a road widening acquisition overlay applied, as well as newer overlays applied over time. What consideration was given to the significance of this overlay given that the entire front setback as well as a significant portion of this building (if not all of the building would need to be demolished to achieve the road widening objective? I do not support this proposed overlay and that in consideration by all council members not to support this amendment as it is not sustainable.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Council will be considering this item tonight. If Council decides to proceed, I would encourage you to make a formal submission the planning scheme amendment exhibition process. A Public Acquisition Overlay and Heritage Overlay can both apply to a single site, and there are a number of other properties along Heidelberg Road where this is the case.

- **Lia Ludicone**

Do you believe you have given fair time to owners of properties listed for Heritage Overlay to object or argue their points against applying a Heritage Overlay? Your report/investigations commenced in May 2020 where owners were only notified in June 2021.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Council will be considering this matter later this tonight. Landowners were given six weeks to provide comments in relation to the proposed heritage controls, from late June to early August.

If Council decides to progress the planning scheme amendment further, there will be a formal consultation process.

- **Ana Rachman, Thornbury**

Regarding Thornbury Park Estate Proposed Heritage Overlay I would like to ask for an extension of time on the community submission date for feedback on the proposed overlay. Due to the unanswered questions sent to council as well as the extended lockdowns, I request that this date be changed at least until the community can meet in person to discuss how the issues will affect all of us.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Council has extended the amendment's consultation by four weeks to 10 weeks, closing on the 15th of October. We do think this is sufficient time for residents to make a submission even at this challenging time.

Officers will contact you to answer your questions this week.

- **Paul Vascotto, Thornbury**

Question 1 - With regards to Thornbury Park Estate, it is now highly likely the community will be in lockdown throughout the whole of the consultation process. This means community members are unable to meet and discuss the implications of the overlay. Given the interim overlay is now approved, can councilors move an urgent motion to extend the consultation process so that the community can have a reasonable amount of time without the lockdown restrictions to meet and discuss the implications.

Question 2 - There is a clear tension between declaring a climate emergency and applying a heritage overlay over a thousand homes which will preclude many of them from achieving high standards of efficiency. Given the issues identified thus far regarding dated research, is the Council willing to undertake a pilot study involving the CSIRO and other experts to help formulate an evidence based heritage statement.

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Question 1 – I refer to my answer to the previous question whereby Council has extended the consultation period on this matter.

Question 2 – Balancing heritage preservation and ESD objectives, Darebin City Council has a strong commitment to address the climate emergency, and also to protect heritage.

We know that there are multiple design approaches that can achieve good climate outcomes at the same time as protecting heritage.

- **Eleni Grigoris, Reservoir**

Question 1 - In the March 2010 Council Meeting, Council heard and carried the MASSEY AVENUE AND ADJACENT AREA - LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT STUDY. This study presented several considerations and commitments that council agreed to carry. The report noted that vehicle and truck traffic was well above the recommended 10,000 vehicles per day on Massey Avenue (in 2013 it was an average of 13773 per day and in 2020 closer to 15,000) with noted and projected increases in truck traffic which would impact residents and other road users. In reviewing all minutes available since that time, it appears this has not been reviewed or discussed since. What has been done by Council since this time to review, address this issue?

Question 2 - Rat-running by trucks on Massey Avenue and Broadhurst Avenue is very common. As residents in West Reservoir we acknowledge it is vital that trucks and freight access the industrial estate on Banbury and Edwardes Streets, but the unnecessary freight volumes just passing through to other destinations are only increasing. Does Council plan to address this issue, and how?

Question 3 - Numerous concerns have been raised in terms of resident and pedestrian safety around the Massey Avenue/Broadhurst Avenue roundabout in the last three years with no clear plans or actions to address these. During this time,

- a) a pedestrian has been hit by a vehicle requiring an ambulance,
- b) a vehicle has crashed through the fence on one corner property and through to their next-door neighbour's yard (there is no safety barrier between the road and the fence on this corner)

- c) a truck has hit and damaged the safety barrier in front of another property corner property (the only safety barrier left since they were removed in 2017)
- d) trucks regularly mount the nature strip and footpath (with tyre marks clearly visible on the grass and pavement), keep left signs and street signs are often knocked over.
- e) a mother and her baby in a pram were almost hit by a truck which failed to stop at the roundabout despite not having right of way as they were attempting to cross the road

The transport engineering team have come to see the site and have stated that council is happy to accept trucks and vehicles mounting the nature strip and footpath on occasion. Is this also council's stance on the issue and at what point does resident and pedestrian safety come into play?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Question 1 - In 2017 Council upgraded the Massey / Broadhurst / Banbury Road roundabout because this was the highest priority safety improvement needed. There have been a number of other changes to main roads – in locations where the safety need has been greatest.

We are reviewing the needs and priorities in this area this financial year and will develop a new Local Area Plan. Community consultation will start in a few weeks. An officer will be in touch with you who can discuss the details.

Question 2 - Officers have raised this concern with the Department of Transport. We will also investigate this issue as part of the review of the Local Area Plan this financial year.

Question 3 - Council has looked specifically at the safety of this roundabout in the last month. Our team has had an independent safety audit completed which found that the intersection manages safety appropriately and does not create significant pedestrian risk. The audit did not recommend change and that's why no further specific changes are planned. Council has added signs on the approaches to the roundabout.

We will look at whether there are options to change long vehicle routes as part of the review of the Local Area Plan that is taking place this financial year.

- **Ruth Jelley, Northcote**

Question 1 - The September governance report indicates that no questions were taken on notice in August. However, a question about unsafe driving behaviour around the pop-up park in James St West Preston was not answered in full at the meeting and was flagged for follow-up by a Council Officer. Why has the summary of that follow-up not been provided in the governance report?

Question 2 - What action is Council taking to mitigate against drivers ignoring the road closure at James St and instead drive along the footpath alongside the pop-up park?

Question 3 - Is Council committed to maintaining the highest possible safety standards for our community?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Question 1. - It may assist you if I clarify the process we follow in relation to responding to Public Questions asked at Ordinary Council Meetings.

1. In the vast majority of cases a question received prior to the 12.00 noon deadline on the day of the meeting is responded to in writing and the Mayor will read this out at the meeting. In such cases the response is included in the minutes
2. Occasionally, for a variety of reasons a question received prior to the deadline cannot be responded to and the Mayor will advise that the question will be taken on notice . In such circumstances the question is referred to the relevant Officer and they are responsible for responding to the person. Generally this is in writing, and this response to the ‘ Question taken on notice ‘ is provided in the Governance Report at the next month’s Council Meeting. In circumstances where a question is taken on notice and the Officer has either telephoned or met with the person asking the question – a summary / precise of the outcome or resolution should also be provided in the Governance Report at the next month’s Council Meeting. As per our response to your question at the August Council Meeting we have noted that this has not occurred a couple of times in the past 6 months – and we have committed to ensuring that it always occurs in future.
3. Finally, in some circumstances a question will be responded to at the meeting and the offer will be made for an Officer to contact the questioner to further discuss the matter. In such circumstances it is not our practice nor is it appropriate that these further discussions be included in the ‘ Questions taken on notice ‘ process to the next Council Meeting (via the Governance Report)

The question last month about the unsafe driving behaviour around the pop-up park in James St West Preston is in this category 3 . The question was answered at the meeting and whilst a commitment was made for a Senior Traffic Engineer to contact the questioner the next day, the nature and content of these further discussions has not been included in the Governance Report . I trust this explanation is clear however please don’t hesitate to contact Stephen Mahon from our Council Business Unit to discuss .

Question 2. Council’s recent observations have found that fewer motorists have been trying to drive on the nature-strip. Changes to line-marking are scheduled in the next few days at the corner of James Street and Cramer Street so drivers know to turn right.

Question 3. Council’s current approach prioritises safety and ensures high risk safety issues can be addressed promptly.

- **Serena O’Melley, Reservoir**

Question 1 - There is immense pressure to open up the community once baseline vaccination rates are met in Victoria. Can Darebin Council tell me the current vaccination status (1st and 2nd dose) of its approximately 1200 Aboriginal residents, and how this compares with the rest of Darebin? If rates are lower than the general population and/or other priority vaccination groups will Council urgently lobby the State Government about this situation?

Question 2 - I'm extremely concerned to hear that Darebin Nature Trust was apparently spilled without cause and that outgoing committee members are deeply offended by how this was managed. Such people, with valuable knowledge of indigenous plants and wildlife, are not easy to find. 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?

Question 3 - Can you please provide a progress report on the purchase of three parcels of Department of Transport land within Clements Reserve?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Question 1 - Data from the Federal Government 22 September 2021, shows that the vaccination rate of people, who self-identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person in Darebin is 63.20% for first dose and 42.16% for second dose. This compares to the Darebin rate of 64.4% first dose and 38.7% second dose.

Council will continue to work with the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service and local Aboriginal led organisations to support this vaccination uptake.

Question 2 - There's been a lot of interest from community members to join the Darebin Nature Trust and officers are assessing these expressions of interest in order to make recommendations to Council. At this stage, Council will consider the Darebin Nature Trust along with membership of most other advisory committees at its meeting in October 2021.

Question 3 - Officers are continuing to work through stages of the acquisition relating to due diligence and there is a confidential report listed on tonight's agenda that relates to this process titled 'Clements Reserve'. The timeline for the acquisition is by nature a lengthy process, given the steps required. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide any further information relating to the details of the acquisition given the confidential nature of the matter.

Once there is news to share, it will be shared with community as soon as possible. Officers appreciate your ongoing interest in the purchase of Clements Reserve.

- Jill Polson, Reservoir

Have Councillors sort to obtain daily or weekly updates on the rate of vaccine levels for the Darebin area and what measures has the council undertaken to improve the uptake of vaccinations in the Darebin area? What further measures will Darebin council be undertaking to improve the vaccine levels? Does Darebin council have a covid safe plan for the area and if so what?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

Supporting vaccine uptake and removing the barriers for local community members to access COVID vaccinations is a key priority for Council. Senior officers participate in daily state and regional meetings regarding Covid outbreaks and vaccine uptake.

Based upon this data and insights, Council is undertaking both broad and targeted initiatives including:

- promotion and information sharing of vaccine information via Council's social media channels, corporate newsletters and sharing of culturally specific resources and information sessions through our networks.
- Working with community organisations and trusted community leaders to promote uptake amongst different cultural groups and targeted outreach to areas where vaccine uptake is low.
- Working with local organisations to deliver vaccine 'in reach' to vulnerable community groups, including people who are homeless, those in public

housing and rooming houses, refugees and people seeking asylum, and key cultural groups.

- Redeploying Council staff to support the operations at local vaccine centres.
- Offering Council venues as vaccine sites, and Council has provided the State Government with a list of sites which could be used as vaccine sites, specifically to increase access where rates are low.

Council has a COVID Safe Plan and sub plans for Council programs, buildings, facilities and workers and requires any contractors undertaking works on Council land to have their own plan. These plans are continually updated to reflect the State government guidelines.

Council Business Support Officers also provide support to local businesses in the development and application of their COVID-safe plans as per the State Government directions.

- **Bill Jennings, Preston**

As a representative of the Northcote Community and Golf Hub and as our group is listed as a key stakeholder in the Consultation process about the future usage of the Northcote Public Golf Course, we would like to ask the following questions. 1. We have not heard from anyone at Council as yet and understood that the Consultation process was due to start in July 2021. Has the Consultation process commenced? 2. If the Consultation process has commenced, when can we expect to be contacted? 3. If the process has not started can Council advise if there is a revised timeline for the process and again, when our group can expect to be contacted? 4. If there has been a delay, what are the contingencies for the current lease at the golf course? Will this be extended so that the process can be run thoroughly and fairly?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina

The consultation process has been delayed for reasons outside of Council's control, including because of the current prolonged COVID restrictions. Officers are currently developing a revised timeline for consultation for Council's consideration and a Council officer will contact you when this has been determined.

Officers are also working through various contingencies/options for when the lease expires for Council's consideration. We appreciate the community's patience while we work through these matters.

7. PETITIONS

7.1 ADVOCATING FOR MELBOURNE WATER TO UPGRADE THE LITTER TRAP ON BRACKEN CREEK WHICH FLOWS INTO MERRI CREEK

Cr. Greco sought leave of Council to present a petition advocating for Melbourne Water to upgrade the litter trap on Bracken Creek which flows into Merri Creek'

Leave was granted.

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| Council Resolution |
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MINUTE NO. 21-108

MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That the petition signed by approx. 420 persons stating

Eight times so far this year, the litter trap on Bracken Creek has overflowed spewing literally hundreds of thousands of pieces of litter into the creek and downstream to Merri Creek. This extreme littering is entirely preventable . This litter trap in managed by Melbourne Water, who have been unwilling so far to invest in our environment by upgrading the litter trap to cope with common levels of storm water. The trap was built in the 1990's and has a series of netting bags which filter the stormwater. The problem arises when we have mild to heavy rain and the trap become inundated and stops functioning .

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 - TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CONCERNS IN MCFADZEAN AVE, RESERVOIR

Cr. Greco sought leave of Council to present what appeared to be a petition regarding traffic management concerns in McFadzean Ave, Reservoir'

Leave was granted.

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| Council Resolution |
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MINUTE NO. 21-109

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

That the petition signed by approx. 15 persons stating

We the undersigned, residents of McFadzean Ave and ratepayers of the Darebin City Council, request the Council to resolve the following

Problem

The 7 speed cushions installed in March 2028, in the urban McFadzean Ave between Hughes Pde and Broadhurst Ave has created a new and unwelcome noise problem to the residents. Living quality has declined by noise annoyance caused by vehicle traffic. This is unacceptable and cannot continue to impact our lives .

Multiple incidents have occurred where bollards have been knocked over by vehicles. Majority of bollards were knocked over with the first 6 months. Subsequently, it has become unsafe for all other vehicles, pedestrians and residents, whereby vehicles are driving over the timber boxes area of the road The timber boxes fitted with tree and small bush plantings have been overtaken by weed growth, producing an ugly look. More so, the periodic Council street cleaning has been adversely impacted by the timber boxes, leaving sections of the street untidy.

The recent safer roads through reduction of vehicle speeds and volumes, were solved many years earlier, when 5 roundabouts were installed at each intersection. This followed by the 50 km speed limit, becoming the default limit. There has not been any major vehicle accident / fatality in the past 30 years

Solution

Our unified solution is to remove the whole structure and return this part of McFadzean Ave to its original beautiful and pristine condition. This will allow the residents uninterrupted, quality, noise free sleep . Also, Council Street maintenance will be minimal.

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

(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY)

8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8.1 PERMANENT HERITAGE CONTROLS FOR HEIDELBERG ROAD CORRIDOR - AMENDMENT C203DARE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's endorsement to commence an amendment to the Darebin Planning Scheme (Amendment C203dare) to introduce a permanent heritage overlay to seven properties along Heidelberg Road.

This follows community consultation on the proposed heritage protections (along with other proposed planning changes) and a Heritage Assessment (**Appendix A**) undertaken by experts. The findings of this assessment were presented to Council in April 2021, and Council resolved to undertake preliminary community consultation on the proposed heritage controls, along with land use and built form proposals for the corridor.

Consultation was undertaken from 22 June to 3 August 2021. Shortly after 22 June 2021, a demolition application was lodged for the Queen Anne style dwelling at no. 331 Heidelberg Road. Council resolved on 9 August 2021 to seek an interim heritage overlay to protect the property from demolition while permanent controls were being considered. Any request for interim heritage protection must be promptly followed by a planning scheme amendment for a permanent heritage overlay, or the Planning Minister will refuse Council's request to save no. 331 Heidelberg Road from demolition.

Council has a duty under the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to identify and protect local heritage places. The Heritage Assessment identifies and recommends a permanent heritage overlay for seven properties along the Heidelberg Road Corridor. Each of the properties is identified as 'individually significant' with a detailed statement of significance - this the highest local heritage grading.

The findings of the recent community engagement show a high general level of support for heritage protection (67 per cent either support or strongly support). 12 per cent of respondents strongly opposed the heritage protection. This opposition appears to come mainly from landowners and is not unexpected: heritage protection is often contested, and landowner/community views can vary.

Common themes raised from consultation include social and historical value, maintenance and deterioration, redevelopment and new development potential. In consideration of the issues raised as part of the consultation process.

This report recommends commencing a Planning Scheme Amendment to apply a permanent heritage overlay to the identified properties. It is recommended that this matter be progressed ahead of the land use and built form controls, to prevent one or more of the properties from being demolished. If Council decides to proceed, formal engagement would occur as part of the planning scheme amendment process.

Officer Recommendation**That Council:**

- (1) Endorses the Heidelberg Road Heritage Assessment by Context and the statements of significances as recommended in the report (**Appendix A**)
- (2) Requests the Minister for Planning authorise the preparation and exhibition of Amendment C203dare to the Darebin Planning Scheme, pursuant to section 8A of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (**Appendix B**)
- (3) When authorised by the Minister for Planning, exhibits Amendment C203dare to the Darebin Planning Scheme in accordance with notice requirements under section 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*
- (4) Authorise the Manager City Futures to make minor alterations and corrections, where necessary, to the Amendment C203dare documentation
- (5) In response to any more demolition applications under Section 29a of the *Building Act 1993* for properties included in Amendment C203dare, authorise the Chief Executive Officer to request the Minister for Planning prepare and approve an amendment under Section 20(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to apply an interim Heritage Overlay, while permanent heritage controls via Amendment C203dare is considered.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-110**

MOVED: Cr. T Hannan
SECONDED: Cr. E Dimitriadis

That Council:

- (1) Endorses the Heidelberg Road Heritage Assessment by Context and the statements of significances as recommended in the report (**Appendix A**)
- (2) Requests the Minister for Planning authorise the preparation and exhibition of Amendment C203dare to the Darebin Planning Scheme, pursuant to section 8A of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (**Appendix B**)
- (3) When authorised by the Minister for Planning, exhibits Amendment C203dare to the Darebin Planning Scheme in accordance with notice requirements under section 19 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*
- (4) Authorise the Manager City Futures to make minor alterations and corrections, where necessary, to the Amendment C203dare documentation
- (5) In response to any more demolition applications under Section 29a of the *Building Act 1993* for properties included in Amendment C203dare, authorise the Chief Executive Officer to request the Minister for Planning prepare and approve an amendment under Section 20(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to apply an interim Heritage Overlay, while permanent heritage controls via Amendment C203dare is considered.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 LEVEL CROSSING REMOVAL PROJECT – RESERVOIR ASSET OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AND RESERVOIR REVITALISATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following many years of advocacy for removal of the level crossing by Council, the State Government completed construction of a new station at High Street Reservoir and elevated the rail line above the road in October 2020. This has been a transformative project for Reservoir and has lifted the whole precinct including with new areas of quality open and public spaces, and better connection of the whole Reservoir Activity Centre.

The State Government has asked Council to maintain and manage the open spaces and community use parts areas under the rail line. This report recommends that there is significant community benefit in Council doing this, and therefore recommends that Council do so. Council maintaining and managing the open space and non-rail assets will provide a significant community benefit.

Local councils historically manage and maintain open space assets to a better standard, in line with community expectations, than State Government. In taking on management and maintenance of these open space areas and assets, Council would also have flexibility to adjust them over time (e.g. vary landscaping treatments with more biodiversity) and be able to program these spaces for community uses or events. Council staff have the skills and capability to undertake this work to the standard our community expects. In taking on management of these areas, Council would also cover the maintenance and management costs.

This report recommends that Council take on maintenance responsibility for the open space areas and non-rail assets under the new rail line for 50 years. It recommends that ownership of some non-land assets, such as park benches or trees, would be transferred to Council. Acknowledging the costs of maintenance to Council for these new open spaces, the State Government's Level Crossing Removal Project has offered a funding contribution to Council for nearby improvements in public spaces that will benefit the community. The capital contribution offered is equivalent to Council's expected maintenance and renewal costs for a period of 10 years (approximately 1 million dollars).

Officer's assessment is that this agreement with the LXR represents good value for Council and the local community, because significant new areas of open space will be available to the public and managed to a high standard at no acquisition cost to Council.

Should council decide to maintain and manage these new open spaces, this report also seeks authorisation to implement Council's decision, by authorising the CEO to execute and sign all remaining documents and agreements required. The CEO would execute a range of necessary agreements to implement Council's decision including a 50-year license to manage the land, accepting ownership of non-rail assets (such as park benches), and accepting the funding contribution from the LXR.

This report also recommends four priority projects for funding with the LXR capital contribution offered. These projects have been identified as part of Council's long-term planning and are known to deliver benefit to the Reservoir community. Council could consider rejecting the LXR's offer and not enter into the required agreements, however this is not recommended. This would likely result in poorer maintenance of the new open spaces and less ability to adjust use of these spaces in future to meet changing community needs.

Note that this decision has no bearing on Council's advocacy relating to the State Government's level crossing removals in the Bell to Preston area.

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That Council:

- (1) Agree to maintain and manage the new open spaces at Reservoir for 50 years, on the basis that LXP provides a capped funding contribution for capital project improvements to the equivalent value of 10 years of maintenance costs.
- (2) Authorise the CEO to finalise and execute any MoU's, agreements or licenses required to execute Council's decision such as:
 - a) Agreements to maintain and manage the new open space areas near Reservoir Station.
 - b) Agreements to take ownership and/or management responsibility of non-rail infrastructure and open space assets within the open spaces such as park benches, shared user paths, and soft landscaping, but not including land assets.
 - c) Accepting the funding contribution from the Level Crossing Removal Project for the purposes of capital improvements proximate to Reservoir Station.
- (3) Endorse the projects near Reservoir Station for funding with the LXP capital project contribution, in priority order to be constructed subject to final cost confirmation at construction tender stage:
 - a) High on Broadway – Urban Nodes
 - b) Ramp up Reservoir
 - c) Broadway Park: including landscaping, accessible toilet, seating.
 - d) DDA compliant car parks.

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MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

- (1) Agree to maintain and manage the new open spaces at Reservoir for 50 years, on the basis that LXP provides a capped funding contribution for capital project improvements to the equivalent value of 10 years of maintenance costs.
- (2) Authorise the CEO to finalise and execute any MoU's, agreements or licenses required to execute Council's decision such as:
 - a) Agreements to maintain and manage the new open space areas near Reservoir Station.
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 - c) Accepting the funding contribution from the Level Crossing Removal Project for the purposes of capital improvements proximate to Reservoir Station.
- (3) Endorse the projects near Reservoir Station for funding with the LXP capital project contribution, in priority order to be constructed subject to final cost confirmation at construction tender stage:
 - a) High on Broadway – Urban Nodes
 - b) Ramp up Reservoir
 - c) Broadway Park: including landscaping, accessible toilet, seating.
 - d) DDA compliant car parks.
- (4) Writes to all shop keepers in Broadway, Edwardes and Spring Street and the Reservoir Traders Association advising them of Council's proposed agreement to maintain and manage the new open spaces near Reservoir Station for 50 years and Council's intention to use the funding contribution as per the point 3 above.

The motion was put and carried unanimously .

Due to technical issues the meeting was adjourned at 6.48 pm and recommenced at 6.54 pm

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-111**

MOVED: Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

That Council:

- (1) Agree to maintain and manage the new open spaces at Reservoir for 50 years, on the basis that LXP provides a capped funding contribution for capital project improvements to the equivalent value of 10 years of maintenance costs.
- (2) Authorise the CEO to finalise and execute any MoU's, agreements or licenses required to execute Council's decision such as:
 - a) Agreements to maintain and manage the new open space areas near Reservoir Station.
 - b) Agreements to take ownership and/or management responsibility of non-rail infrastructure and open space assets within the open spaces such as park benches, shared user paths, and soft landscaping, but not including land assets.
 - c) Accepting the funding contribution from the Level Crossing Removal Project for the purposes of capital improvements proximate to Reservoir Station.
- (3) Endorse the projects near Reservoir Station for funding with the LXP capital project contribution, in priority order to be constructed subject to final cost confirmation at construction tender stage:
 - a) High on Broadway – Urban Nodes
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 - c) Broadway Park: including landscaping, accessible toilet, seating.
 - d) DDA compliant car parks.
- (4) Writes to all shop keepers in Broadway, Edwardes and Spring Street and the Reservoir Traders Association advising them of Council's proposed agreement to maintain and manage the new open spaces near Reservoir Station for 50 years and Council's intention to use the funding contribution as per the point 3 above.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 2020–21 ANNUAL COUNCIL PLAN ACTION PLAN REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is required by the *Local Government Act* (the Act) to prepare a Council Plan containing the strategic objectives of Council, strategies for achieving those objectives, and indicators to monitor the achievement of those objectives.

This end of year and end of Council Plan report gives an overview of Council's performance in delivering the Council Plan 2017-21. Appendix A also includes an overview on Capital Works Delivery and Financial Report, which is a standard quarterly report that is tailored to inform our community of progress toward our goals and support transparency with our community. A comprehensive financial report, including the Annual Financial Statement and a Performance Statement, will also be tabled at the Council meeting on 27th September. Finally, in a report to Council on 25th October 2021, the Report of Operations (annual report) will close out the reporting for the 2020-21 financial year, as well as the annual reporting on the Council Plan 2017-21.

2020/21 was the fourth year and final year of the four-year Council Plan. Delivery of the Council Plan, through the Council Plan Action Plan 2020/21, saw the end of year status of the deliverables as 87% per cent achieved.

COVID has disrupted Council operations, with direct impacts on some services. Council's response to relief and recovery priorities for the local community has impacted the full delivery of the 2020-21 Council Action Plan. Despite the impact of COVID, key achievements for the fourth quarter of the Council Plan Action Plan in 2020/21 included:

- The establishment of the Victorian Energy Collaboration, with Darebin leading a collective of 46 Victorian Councils to secure new electricity contracts to switch to 100% renewable energy from 1 July 2021.
- Investment of \$4.1m to renew approximately 33,000 square metres of concrete paths across the municipality.
- Council responded to 166 requests through the COVID Recovery Community Navigation Support and Social Connection programs in the fourth quarter. Twenty-seven household referrals were received for the Community Activation and Social Isolation Initiative, and 300 masks were distributed. Council supported 150 households with food relief through the COVID emergency relief boost.
- Refurbishment of the six senior citizen centres.
- The establishment of a 20-year Community Vision for Darebin – Darebin 2041, developed by the community through a deliberative panel, for the community.
- The establishment of the new Council Plan, incorporating the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan for 2021-25, aligned to the underpinning pillars of the Darebin 2041 Community Vision.
- Advocacy for key changes in relation to the major works for the removal of four level crossings in the Bell to Preston Level Crossing Removal Project (LXRP).
- Advocacy efforts with the State Government and the developer to ensure that the planning controls and proposals for redevelopment of the Preston Market protect what the community have told Council is important.
- Delivery of Council's COVID Recovery Package Grants program with \$1,025,801 distributed to 339 local businesses, community organisations and groups, sporting clubs and creative and arts organisations.

The report also includes the Financial Report for the 12 months ended 30 June 2021.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2020–21 Quarter 4 Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report at **Appendix A**.
- (2) Notes the Financial Report (in **Appendix A**) for the 12 months ended 30 June 2021.
- (3) Notes the Chief Executive Officer, as required under Section 97(3) of the *Local Government Act 2020* is of the opinion a revised budget is not required.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-112**

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

That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2020–21 Quarter 4 Council Plan Action Plan Progress Report at **Appendix A**.
- (2) Notes the Financial Report (in **Appendix A**) for the 12 months ended 30 June 2021.
- (3) Notes the Chief Executive Officer, as required under Section 97(3) of the *Local Government Act 2020* is of the opinion a revised budget is not required.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 DRAFT 2020-21 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE STATEMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act), Council is required to prepare an annual report in respect of each financial year consisting of three parts:

- Report of operations: information about the operations of the council
- Performance Statement: audited results achieved against the prescribed performance indicators and measures, including a copy of the auditor's report on the performance statement.
- Financial Statements: audited Financial Statements prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards including a copy of the auditor's report on the financial statements.

The Act requires that the annual report be submitted to the Minister within four months of the end of the financial year. Council is required to pass a resolution giving approval in principle to each of the Statements and authorise two Councillors to certify each of the Statements after any changes recommended, or agreed to, by the auditor have been made.

Regulations 21 of the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 (the Regulations), specify that the Financial Statements must be certified by the Principal Accounting Officer, two Councillors and the Chief Executive Officer, prior to the Auditor-General signing the audit report.

To assist Council in approving in principle the Financial Statements and Performance Statement for year ended 30 June 2021, the Audit Committee should review the draft Statements with the benefit of comments by Council management and the Victorian Auditor-General's Office representative. The Audit Committee, after it is satisfied with comments of Council management and the Victorian Auditor-General's Office representative, should then make a recommendation to Council to adopt in principle each of the statements for the year ended 30 June 2021. The statements were presented to Council's Audit Committee at its meeting on 13 August 2021.

The Financial Statements and the Performance Statement provide, as part of the annual report, a transparent account of Council's operations in line with good governance. The annual report forms part of a comprehensive public accountability process and reporting that includes:

- The Council Plan
- The Annual Budget
- Internal and External Audit; and
- The Annual Report.

Officer Recommendation

That Council in accordance with the recommendations of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, and having considered Council's draft Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021, at **Appendix A & B** to this report:

- (1) Approve in principle the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix A** to this report;
- (2) Authorise the Manager Finance to make any non-material changes to the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement that may arise from the completion of audit and internal review procedures;
- (3) Authorise _____ and _____ to certify the Financial Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (4) Approve in principle the Performance Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix B** to this report;
- (5) Authorise Councillors _____ and _____ to certify the Performance Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (6) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to forward the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement to the Victorian Auditor-General's Office (VAGO).

Motion

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

That Council in accordance with the recommendations of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, and having considered Council's draft Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021, at **Appendix A & B** to this report:

- (1) Approve in principle the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix A** to this report;
- (2) Authorise the Manager Finance to make any non-material changes to the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement that may arise from the completion of audit and internal review procedures;
- (3) Authorise Mayor Lina Messina and Councillor Tom Hannan to certify the Financial Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (4) Approve in principle the Performance Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix B** to this report;
- (5) Authorise Mayor Lina Messina and Councillor Tom Hannan to certify the Performance Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (6) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to forward the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement to the Victorian Auditor-General's Office (VAGO).

The motion was put and carried.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-113****MOVED: Cr. T Hannan****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco**

That Council in accordance with the recommendations of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, and having considered Council's draft Financial and Performance Statements for 2020/2021, at **Appendix A & B** to this report:

- (1) Approve in principle the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix A** to this report;
- (2) Authorise the Manager Finance to make any non-material changes to the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement that may arise from the completion of audit and internal review procedures;
- (3) Authorise Mayor Lina Messina and Councillor Tom Hannan to certify the Financial Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (4) Approve in principle the Performance Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021 as per **Appendix B** to this report;
- (5) Authorise Mayor Lina Messina and Councillor Tom Hannan to certify the Performance Statements in their final form after any changes recommended or agreed to by the Auditor-General have been made;
- (6) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to forward the Annual Financial Report and the Annual Performance Statement to the Victorian Auditor-General's Office (VAGO).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5

NORTHERN REGION TRANSPORT STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the Northern Council Alliance Northern Region Transport Strategy - Final Report.

The overall purpose of the Strategy is to bring together existing transport policies and strategies across the Northern Region and develop a strategic document for advocacy and project implementation.

The Strategy complements Darebin's own process to refresh the Darebin Transport Strategy and Darebin Cycling Strategy in the 2021-22 Financial Year by strengthening existing strategic objectives and providing regional context.

This report also recommends Darebin support's Banyule City Council's advocacy position that the State Government produce a Victorian Transport Plan.

Darebin's key transport advocacy items are all supported by the Strategy.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Northern Council Alliance Northern Region Transport Strategy (2021) final report.
- (2) Note the report will be used by the Northern Councils Alliance for regional advocacy purposes
- (3) Call on the State Government to produce a Victorian Transport Plan to align and integrate current strategies and plans including the Northern Region Transport Strategy.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-114**

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy

SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Northern Council Alliance Northern Region Transport Strategy (2021) final report.
- (2) Note the report will be used by the Northern Councils Alliance for regional advocacy purposes
- (3) Call on the State Government to produce a Victorian Transport Plan to align and integrate current strategies and plans including the Northern Region Transport Strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.6 REVIEW OF THE ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The existing Asset Management Policy and Asset Management Strategy have come to the end of their duration. The Asset Management Policy and the Asset Management Strategy provide a strategic approach to Council in the delivery of best-practice asset management activities over the period of the Council term. These documents will underpin the 10-year Asset Plan that is required to be in place by June 2022 in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020*.

Work has been undertaken to review and prepare a draft Asset Management Policy and a draft Asset Management Strategy for Council to review. There has been significant internal consultation throughout the development of the draft Policy and draft Strategy and it is proposed that these documents proceed to community consultation before they are adopted by Council. The Asset Management Policy and Asset Management Strategy were presented for Council's consideration in early 2021, however they were deferred to ensure alignment with the new Council Plan.

Following adoption of the Council Plan in June 2021, the Asset Management Policy (**Appendix A**) and Asset Management Strategy (**Appendix B**) have been updated and are presented to Council for their consideration to proceed to community consultation before presentation to Council for adoption at its meeting on 22 November 2021

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| Officer Recommendation |
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That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Asset Management Policy (**Appendix A**) to proceed to community consultation
- (2) Endorse the Asset Management Strategy (**Appendix B**) to proceed to community consultation
- (3) Receives a report that includes the outcomes of community consultation on the draft Asset Management Policy and draft Asset Management Strategy at the 22 November Council meeting.

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MINUTE NO. 21-115

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

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Asset Management Policy (**Appendix A**) to proceed to community consultation
- (2) Endorse the Asset Management Strategy (**Appendix B**) to proceed to community consultation
- (3) Receives a report that includes the outcomes of community consultation on the draft Asset Management Policy and draft Asset Management Strategy at the 22 November Council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.7 REVIEW OF SALE OF MINOR COUNCIL PROPERTY ASSETS POLICY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy was adopted in 2015. The Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy (2015) was reviewed in August and September 2021, following a Notice of Motion at the Council meeting on 26 July 2021 and to update the Policy which is due for review.

The review of the policy has considered the current context, including the new Local Government Act. Additional considerations arose from a Council resolution on 26 July 2021 to consider social justice, equity for long term occupation and environmental factors.

The Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy (2015) has been reviewed and the draft Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy is provided in **Appendix A** for consideration.

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| Officer Recommendation |
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That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy (**Appendix A**) to proceed to community consultation
- (2) Receives a report that includes the outcomes of community consultation on the draft Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy at its November meeting.

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MINUTE NO. 21-116

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence

SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy (**Appendix A**) to proceed to community consultation
- (2) Receives a report that includes the outcomes of community consultation on the draft Sale of Minor Council Property Assets Policy at its November meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**8.8 DAREBIN LIBRARIES AND LEARNING STRATEGY 2020-24
- ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2020-21**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Darebin Libraries and Learning Strategy 2020-24 (Strategy) directs the operational focus of Darebin Libraries services, programs, technology and spaces over the life of the Strategy. Annual action plans bring the Strategy to life operationally, delivering on community priorities and responding to emerging issues and community feedback.

This report is the first annual report on the progress and outcomes of the 2020-21 action plan.

Darebin Libraries has contributed to positive community outcomes in 2020-21 despite the impacts of COVID-19 restrictions.

Officer Recommendation

That Council notes the Darebin Libraries and Learning Strategy 2020-21 Annual Progress Report.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-117**

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

That Council notes the Darebin Libraries and Learning Strategy 2020-21 Annual Progress Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.9 PRESTON MARKET PLANNING - PROCESS UPDATE AND ADVOCACY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Victorian Planning Authority (VPA) released its draft structure plan and planning controls for the Preston Market Precinct for public consultation between 18 May and 13 July 2021 (Amendment (C182)). Council's assessment of the Amendment found the proposed controls provide inadequate protection of the Preston Market, scoring poorly against Council's Heart of Preston (April 2021) objectives. In particular failing to protect the social, economic, or cultural functions of the market, weak protection of the market use and heritage and inappropriate development density and heights.

Council's detailed submission was lodged on 13th July upon closing of exhibition, in accordance with Council's resolution from the 28 June 2021 Council meeting with further technical critique in relation to planning matters such as heritage, market identity, housing supply, urban design, transport, affordable housing, and open space.

For the next stage of the planning process, the VPA have requested the Minister for Planning (Minister) refer submissions to a Standing Advisory Committee (SAC) for consideration. A SAC panel hearing is scheduled in the week commencing 1 November 2021 and is expected to run for approximately 2 weeks. Officers are preparing for the panel hearing to put Council's position to Panel and have arranged for Council to be represented by esteemed legal counsel and highly regarded experts.

The VPA have advised they are considering changes to the Amendment in response to submissions before the SAC Hearing, however there is no indication of additional engagement with the community and it is anticipated that those changes will be minor compared to the scale of change that Council regards as required. This is not unexpected and reflects a potential desire of the VPA to use the SAC panel process to resolve a number of issues in submissions.

Council has been continuing with its strong advocacy campaign to protect the Preston Market through meetings with local, state, and federal MPs and other community groups. Community advocacy for changes to the VPA's proposed Amendment remains strong and is reflected by the record number of submissions received by the VPA for one of their planning projects (380 submissions) and Council's petition which currently stands at just over 9000 signatures.

To effectively advocate on this matter, officers recommend that Council focus in the next few months on advocacy via the formal planning process and on encouraging community submitters to also participate in this. There are strong planning merits for Council's position. Council is seeking that the developer enter a voluntary agreement confirming an ongoing commitment to running and protecting the market, in an enduring form that would also commit any future landowners to this. Council will advocate for this throughout the planning process, and if the developer agrees, this, combined with stronger planning controls, would be one of the strongest methods to protect the market.

In the lead up to the Standing Advisory Committee process, it is recommended that Council submits the Preston Market petition to the Minister to demonstrate the strength of the community's response. Council would also write to the VPA and the Minister, sharing the petition and reiterating Council's call for substantial changes to the Amendment in line with Council's submission, and to make any changes to the amendment public prior to the panel hearing.

Council will continue to advocate for protection of the market, and to involve community in this advocacy. The approach to this will be considered depending on the response from the Minister and VPA, and any future findings or report from the Standing Advisory Committee.

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| Officer Recommendation |
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That Council:

- (1) Submits Council's Preston Market petition to the Minister for Planning via a letter and social media post to reiterate Council's call to protect the market, and to demonstrate the strength of the community's response.
- (2) Encourages community members and other stakeholders who made a submission to participate in the State Government's upcoming Standing Advisory Committee process.
- (3) Writes to the Victorian Planning Authority and the Minister for Planning requesting:
 - a. substantial changes to the Amendment in line with Council's submission
 - b. the VPA makes public any changes to the amendment before the Standing Advisory Committee panel hearing
 - c. that the Standing Advisory Committee panel must include expertise on heritage, markets, and members with an understanding of the cultural significance of this market now and in the past for Melbourne's multicultural and migrant communities.
- (4) Call for a report to Council by February 2021 to provide an update on the progress of the VPA's Preston Market project, the findings of the Standing Advisory Committee and to consider any new advice or issues that may arise in the months that follow.

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

That Council:

- (1) Submits Council's Preston Market petition to the Minister for Planning via a letter and social media post to reiterate Council's call to protect the market, and to demonstrate the strength of the community's response.
- (2) Encourages community members and other stakeholders who made a submission to participate in the State Government's upcoming Standing Advisory Committee process.
- (3) Writes to the Victorian Planning Authority and the Minister for Planning requesting:
 - a. substantial changes to the Amendment in line with Council's submission
 - b. the VPA makes public any changes to the amendment before the Standing Advisory Committee panel hearing
 - c. that the Standing Advisory Committee panel must include expertise on heritage, markets, and members with an understanding of the cultural significance of this market now and in the past for Melbourne's multicultural and migrant communities.
- (4) Call for a report to Council by February 2022 to provide an update on the progress of the VPA's Preston Market project, the findings of the Standing Advisory Committee and to consider any new advice or issues that may arise in the months that follow.
- (5) Write to relevant elected local representatives, community groups, market traders and other Councils to update them of Darebin's advocacy campaign and encourage them to consider supporting Council's position on Preston Market, in a form that could also be shared with the Minister and other stakeholders.
- (6) Conducts a review of the 380 plus submissions to the VPA and releases a summary of the community's concerns and feedback
- (7) Incorporates information about the strength of community support and the petition specifically to any future Council submission to the state government's planning amendment process.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-118**

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

That Council:

- (1) Submits Council's Preston Market petition to the Minister for Planning via a letter and social media post to reiterate Council's call to protect the market, and to demonstrate the strength of the community's response.
- (2) Encourages community members and other stakeholders who made a submission to participate in the State Government's upcoming Standing Advisory Committee process.
- (3) Writes to the Victorian Planning Authority and the Minister for Planning requesting:
 - a. substantial changes to the Amendment in line with Council's submission
 - b. the VPA makes public any changes to the amendment before the Standing Advisory Committee panel hearing
 - c. that the Standing Advisory Committee panel must include expertise on heritage, markets, and members with an understanding of the cultural significance of this market now and in the past for Melbourne's multicultural and migrant communities.
- (4) Call for a report to Council by February 2022 to provide an update on the progress of the VPA's Preston Market project, the findings of the Standing Advisory Committee and to consider any new advice or issues that may arise in the months that follow.
- (5) Council writes to relevant elected local representatives, community groups, market traders and other Councils to update them of Darebin's advocacy campaign and encourage them to consider supporting Council's position on Preston Market, in a form that could also be shared with the Minister and other stakeholders.
- (6) Conducts a review of the 380 plus submissions to the VPA and releases a summary of the community's concerns and feedback
- (7) Incorporates information about the strength of community support and the petition specifically to any future Council submission to the state government's planning amendment process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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2021 DAREBIN ANNUAL COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a summary of the 2021 Darebin Annual Community Survey results. Due to the fluctuations in COVID-19 restrictions and the community sentiment at the time the survey was conducted, the methodology of the Community Survey remained as telephone for this year. Darebin's preferred method for data collection is door-to-door engagement.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Council notes and endorses the 2021 Darebin Annual Community Survey Results
- (2) Council notes the summary of actions which will address the survey results

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 21-119**

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

That Council:

- (1) Council notes and endorses the 2021 Darebin Annual Community Survey Results
- (2) Council notes the summary of actions which will address the survey results

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

- Summary of Advisory Committees, Councillor Briefing and other informal meetings of Councillors;
- Reports by Mayor and Councillors;
- Responses to any questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the Council Meeting held on 23 August 2021;
- Proposal to hold a Hearing of Submissions Committee on Monday 11 October 2021 at 5.30 pm virtually or at the Preston Town Hall, 284 Gower Street, Preston.
- Review of Council existing S5 and S6 Instruments of Delegations.

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| Officer Recommendation |
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That Council:

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – September 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) Resolves to hold a Hearing of Submissions Committee on Monday 11 October 2021 at 5.30 pm virtually or at the Preston Town Hall, 284 Gower Street, Preston.
- (5) In the exercise of the powers conferred by Section 11 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) and the other legislation referred to in the attached Instruments of Delegation, resolves:
 - a) To delegate to the person holding the position, acting in or performing the duties of Chief Executive Officer the powers, duties and functions set out in the '*Instrument of Delegation to the Chief Executive Officer (S5)*' (**Appendix B**) subject to the conditions and limitations specified in the Instrument of Delegation.
 - b) To delegate to the members of Council staff holding, acting in or performing the duties of the officers or positions referred to in the '*Instrument of Delegation to members of Council staff, (S6)*' (**Appendix C**) the powers, duties and functions set out in that instrument, subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
 - c) To delegate to the Planning Committee the powers, duties and functions set out in the '*Instrument of Delegation to the Planning Committee (Appendix D)*', subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
 - d) To delegate to the Hearing of Submissions Committee the powers, duties and functions set out in the '*Instrument of Delegation to the Planning Committee (Appendix E)*', subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
 - e) That these instruments come into force immediately the Common Seal of Council is affixed to each instrument
 - f) That on the coming into force of each instrument all previous delegations to the Chief Executive Officer and staff are revoked.
- (7) Notes that the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 47 of the Act may by instrument of delegation delegate any power, duty or function of Council that has been delegated to the Chief Executive Officer by the Council to (a) a member of Council staff, or (b) the members of a Community Asset Committee
- (8) Adopts and affix Council's Common Seal to the Instruments of Delegation provided as attachments to this report, specifically:
 - Instrument of Delegation from Council to the CEO (S5) (**Appendix B**);
 - Instrument of Delegation from Council to members of Council Staff (S6) (**Appendix C**);
 - Instrument of Delegation to Planning Committee (**Appendix D**);
 - Instrument of Delegation to Hearing of Submissions Committee (**Appendix E**)
- (9) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to update the Instrument of Delegation to staff as and when relevant legislation is amended or introduced.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-120

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

That Council:

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – September 2021.
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 - c) To delegate to the Planning Committee the powers, duties and functions set out in the '*Instrument of Delegation to the Planning Committee (Appendix D)*', subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
 - d) To delegate to the Hearing of Submissions Committee the powers, duties and functions set out in the '*Instrument of Delegation to the Planning Committee (Appendix E)*', subject to the conditions and limitations specified in that Instrument.
 - e) That these instruments come into force immediately the Common Seal of Council is affixed to each instrument
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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS**REPORT OF CR. LINA MESSINA, MAYOR**

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

- Melbourne Transport Forum (MTF) Meeting with The Hon David Davis
- Preston Market Meeting with The Hon David Davis
- Department of Justice And Community Safety (DJCS) Mayors Meeting to discuss the decriminalisation of sex work in Victoria
- MTF Road Safety Advocacy Motion Meeting
- Preston Meeting with Mr Craig Ondarchie
- Councillor Briefing Session
- Meeting with Save The Preston Market Action Group
- Reservoir Revitalisation Update
- Weekly Councillors Meeting
- MTF General Meeting
- Northern Business Achievement Awards
- Meeting with Councillor Greco
- FUSE Festival Welcoming Speech Recording
- Metropolitan Waste and Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) And Strategies And Policy Advocacy Group (SPAG) Meeting
- Meeting with Colin Brooks MP
- Councillor Briefing Session
- Weekly Councillors Meeting x 4
- Mayoral Briefing – Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum
- Local Government Mayoral Taskforce Supporting People Seeking Asylum Meeting
- Reservoir Revitalisation Board Meeting
- Meeting with Councillor Rennie
- Meeting with Shaun Leane MP
- Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) And Department of Health (DH) Fortnightly Update
- Municipal Association of Victoria Workshop: Social Media for Councillors
- M9 Mayors and CEOs Meeting
- Audit and Risk Committee Meeting
- Councillor Briefing Session
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee (DAAC) Briefing
- Meeting with Dvir Abramovic Regarding Palestine Notice Of Motion
- DAAC Meeting
- MTF Meeting

- Northcote Golf Course Meeting
- Councillor Briefing
- Local Government Planning Mayors Meeting
- Suburban Rail Loop Briefing
- Weekly Councillors Meeting
- Strategic Communications Meeting
- VMC-DH COVID Update
- Phone Calls with Several Ratepayers/Residents
- Phone Calls with Business Community
- Emails to Address Ratepayers/Residents

REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO

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

- Weekly Councillor Meetings X 3
- Darebin Interfaith Council Meeting
- Councillor Briefings X 4
- Meeting with Save the Preston Market Action Group
- Catch-up with Mayor
- Action and Healthy Ageing Advisory Committee meeting
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee meeting
- Special Briefing
- Addressed residents' concerns re:
 - parking
 - planning
 - Preston Market
 - Street maintenance

REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS

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

- CEO Employment Matters Committee
- Councillor briefing x 3
- Preston Market Action Group
- Northern Business Achievement Awards
- DDAC Darebin Disability Advisory Community
- Active and Healthy Aging Advisory Committee
- One-on-one with CEO
- Planning Committee meeting

REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE

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

- Council planning meeting
- Council meeting
- Councillor briefings
- Consultation with residents regarding planning issues
- Consultation with Springthorpe residents regarding traffic issues,
- Consultation with residents on laneways in Reservoir
- Consultation with Member of Northcote on local issues
- Consultation with Member of Preston on local issues
- Consultation with Member of Cooper on local issues
- Consultation with Member of Thomastown on local issues

REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON

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

- Special Councillor Briefing
- One-on-one with CEO
- Weekly Councillor meetings
- Councillor briefings
- Meeting with Save the Preston Market Action Group
- Wrote article for community newspaper The Rezzadent

REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE

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

- Special Councillor Briefing
- Meeting with CEO
- Meeting with the Mayor
- Weekly Councillor meetings
- Councillor briefings
- Meeting with Save the Preston Market Action Group
- Northern Business Achievement Awards
- Women's Health in the North Special General Meeting
- Active Healthy and Ageing Advisory Group
- DAAC
- Local Government Working Group on Gambling

- Libraries After Dark Advisory Committee

REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY

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

- Climate Emergency Australia Advocacy Working Group
- Melbourne Innovation Centre Annual General Meeting
- Melbourne Innovation Centre Board Meeting
- Councillor Weekly Catch Ups
- Councillor Briefings
- Victorian Volunteer Strategy Consultation
- Meeting re Northcote Golf Course
- Royal Prestbury Mini-Golf Competition
- Special Councillor Briefing

REPORT OF CR. EMILY DIMITRIADIS

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

- Attended Council briefings (online)
- Attended weekly Councillor meeting (online)
- Attended DECC official meeting (online)
- Attended DECC special meeting (online)
- Contact from residents regarding parking, redevelopment of Northcote Theatre; small businesses and people breaching COVID restrictions during lockdown; NARC redevelopment; McDonald's Park toilet access; breach of COVID restrictions by businesses and people in the area; Heidelberg Rd corridor project; rubbish around Darebin Creek
- Attended official Council meeting (online)

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, building works, planning – Heidelberg Rd, Northcote Theatre proposal, solar panels, Covid-19 response and safety measures, public toilets, footpaths, state-owned land, electric vehicles, customer service, recycling
- Councillor briefings
- Regular meeting with Councillors
- Audit and Risk Committee meeting
- Planning committee meeting
- Monthly Council meeting

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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 Discontinued road adjoining 7 Dumbarton Street and 55 Dundee Street, Reservoir

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| Officer Recommendation |
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Discontinued road adjoining 7 Dumbarton Street and 55 Dundee Street, Reservoir

That Council commences the statutory procedures under section 114 of the Local Government Act 2020 to:

- (a) Sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining the rear of 7 Dumbarton Street and 55 Dundee Street, Reservoir, shown as Lot 15 on Title Plan TP884494Y in **Appendix A** to the owner of 7 Dumbarton Street, Reservoir, by private treaty in accordance with Council Policy.
 - (b) Gives notice of its intention to sell the land on Council's website and in such notice states that Council proposes to sell the land from the former road to the owners of 7 Dumbarton Street, Reservoir by private treaty and transfer to itself any land not sold, in accordance with Council policy.
 - (c) As part of its community engagement process, Council invites both written and verbal submissions on the proposed sale and deal with any submissions received in line with the principles set out in section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989.
 - (d) That any submissions received be considered by Council's Hearing of Submissions Committee on 8 November 2021 (5:30pm)
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| Council Resolution |
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MINUTE NO. 21-121

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence

SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

Discontinued road adjoining 7 Dumbarton Street and 55 Dundee Street, Reservoir

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

11. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL**CLOSE OF MEETING**

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| Council Resolution |
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MINUTE NO. 21-122

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

That in accordance with section 66(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Council resolves to close the meeting to members of the public to consider the following items designated confidential by the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with Section 3(1) of the Act.

11.1 Epping Animal Welfare Facility - Mid Term Contract Review (Confidential)

This item is confidential because it is private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage, pursuant to Section 3(1) (g(ii)) of the Act.

11.2 Clements Reserve

This item is confidential because it is legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies, pursuant to Section 3(1) (e) of the Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting was closed to the members of the public at 8.14 pm.

The Council considered and resolved on Items 11.1 and 11.2 in the closed meeting.

RE-OPENING OF MEETING

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 21-123

MOVED: Cr. S Rennie

SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That the meeting be re-opened to the members of the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting was re-opened to the members of the public at 8.25 pm.

12. CLOSE OF MEETING


The meeting closed at 8.26 pm.

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