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# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT PRESTON TOWN HALL, 284  
GOWER STREET, PRESTON ON MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2022**

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**THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.05 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. Emily Dimitriadis  
Cr. Gaetano Greco  
Cr. Tom Hannan  
Cr. Tim Laurence  
Cr. Susanne Newton  
Cr. Susan Rennie  
Cr. Julie Williams

### **Council Officers**

Rachel Ollivier – Interim Chief Executive Officer  
Jodie Watson - General Manager Governance and Engagement  
Sam Hewett - General Manager Operations and Capital  
Shadi Hanna - Acting General Manager Community  
Vanessa Petrie – Acting General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy  
Jacinta Stevens – Manager Corporate Governance  
Jody Brodribb - Coordinator Governance Services  
Rachna Gupta Singh - Senior Governance Services Officer  
Michelle Martin - Governance Services Officer

## **2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS**

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

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**Declaration by Councillor Greco**

*Councillor Greco made a statement under his duty to make a declaration at a formal Ordinary Council meeting that he will be standing for the State seat of Preston in the upcoming State Elections.*

**3. APOLOGIES**

Councillor McCarthy on approved leave of absence.

**4. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Following disclosures of conflicts of interest were made:

- Councillor Newton declared a general conflict of interest in Item 8.5 due to the close proximity of the Property she owns near the Miller and Devan Street treatment site and the Newman Street and Comas Grove intersection treatment site.
- Acting General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy declared a general conflict of interest in the item 8.5 as she owns property near one of the treatment sites outlined in the report.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS****Officer Recommendation**

**That** the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22 August 2022 and the Special Meeting of Council held on 29 August 2022 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-076**

**MOVED: Cr. S Rennie**  
**SECONDED: Cr. J Williams**

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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 6. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

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

- **Michael Haralambous of Reservoir**

What are Councils plans to support new parents to adopt reusable nappies?

My family has recently welcomed our first child and found it particularly difficult finding information on reusable nappy schemes in Darebin. Councils Reducing Waste Minimisation Guide notes that nappies account for 7% of our Councils waste. Many Councils offer rebates, nappy libraries or other support. In 2021, 10 other Melbourne Councils lodged a joint funding submission to Sustainability Victoria to investigate a reusable nappy program that could be rolled out across the state. What actions is Council taking in this area?

What steps is Council taking to advocate to the State Government, Yarra Trams and PTV to reinstate outbound tram stop 52 (Tyler Street and Plenty Road) as an accessible stop?

The abolition of stop 52 has left a 700m gap between stops 51 and 53. The network average in Melbourne is less than half the distance at 260m and the distance between stops on the same route in High Street Thornbury is 200m. The alternative outbound stop 53 is inaccessible and located directly in front of a licensed gambling premises. What recent and future action is Council taking to ensure the economic revitalisation of the Tyler Street village by reinstating a proximate accessible stop for the community and local traders?

### **Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Thank you for your questions Michael,**

**Council recognises that nappies going into landfill is a serious issue. While Council doesn't currently offer a reusable nappy service; we are keeping an eye on a local pilot program to consider possible future options.**

**Reinstating the Tyler Street tram stop, along with converting 14 stops to become accessible are both part of Council's endorsed Advocacy Strategy. Council has actively and consistently advocated for reinstatement and safety improvements at the Tyler Street tram stop since it was closed in Oct 2016. Community advocacy will help amplify and strengthen our efforts.**

- **Matt Cowgill of Reservoir**

Question 1

What plans, if any, does Council have to improve the safety of the bike lanes on Edwardes St and Broadway, Reservoir?

Question 2

Council officers have declined to respond to the above question when posed to them over email over the course of several months. Are council's plans to improve bike safety a secret? If so, why?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank you for your questions Matt.

Let me start with your second question and offer an apology. I am sorry to hear about your experience – this is not the customer experience that we expect for our community and this has been addressed internally to ensure that a similar situation does not occur again. I understand an Officer has called you to discuss your enquiry directly.

‘Bike it to Rezza’ is a Reservoir Revitalisation project and has delivered green surface treatment, kerb installations, and rubber kerb and bollards along Edwardes and Broadway Streets.

Further improvements to road safety have been identified through the ‘Your Street Your Say’ program, which is being considered by Council this evening.

The Council is looking at how to best improve the intersection at Edwardes Street and Gilbert Road.

- **Angela Denton of Northcote**

As a Darebin resident for 30+ years i am against the proliferation of apartments which is affecting the amenity and liveability in the city and its open spaces.

In 2020 Council waived the requirement for off street parking in a 4x 3 bedroom town house development adjacent to the High Street Northcote shopping precinct at 21 Oldis Avenue. The affect of this decision was to provide exclusive access to a garden oasis for the owner of the development and to push more cars onto Oldis Avenue, which is already clogged with Council planted street trees located in the road pavement and cars coming and going from both the Annie Dennis childcare centre and the High Street shopping precinct.

Council then issued a permit to the owners of the Northcote theatre for large gatherings thereby creating even more traffic and parking demand in the adjacent residential streets.

Now residents and ratepayers can’t get a carpark anywhere near their houses of an evening and on the weekends and must contend with theatre patrons who park illegally on footpaths and in no standing zones with blatant disregard to parking restrictions. regulations and issue enforcement action?

Parking inspectors are noticeable by their absence and ward councillor Tom Hannan has indicated that he has no interested in this issue citing in a telephone conversation about the car parking situation that “developers have rights too”.

My questions are as follows:

Question 1. Why was the decision to waive carparking at 21 Oldis Avenue Northcote done by delegation rather than by council decision?

Question 2. When is Council going to take seriously breaches of parking?

Question 3. What plans does Council have to ensure parking inspectors are patrolling Oldis Avenue and the Northcote Hill shopping precinct area adjacent to the Northcote theatre of a Friday and Saturday evening?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina****Question 1.**

As less than five objections were received to the relevant planning permit application, the application was determined under delegation in accordance with Darebin's Planning Committee Charter of Delegations.

**Response to Question 2. & 3.**

Council takes parking breaches seriously.

I understand that on 19 September you spoke to Council's Coordinator Civic Compliance Coordinator and discussed parking enforcement matters.

I can confirm that since 19 September 2022, Council has provided additional parking enforcement patrols to Mitchell Street and Oldis Avenue in Northcote, including after-hours patrols.

Pursuant to the Councils *Governance Local Law 2017* the response to a question from the public taken on notice must be recorded in the minutes of the next Ordinary Council meeting.

- **Elizabeth Lamb of Preston**

At the July 25th Council Meeting, I raised the issue regarding the unfair and inconsistent parking rules being applied to the Preston Market's car park. Your response was that the management of the Preston Market make the rules which are then enforced by Council through an agreement with Preston Market.

My first question is who keeps the money collected from these fines?

My second question is who paid for and who owns the parking signage and ticket machines located on the Preston Market car park site?

My third question is, other than having a commercial contractual agreement with the Preston Market, under what specific legislation does Council derive the authority to issue fines on privately owned property?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

Thank you for your question Elizabeth.

All revenue collected for parking infringement notices is returned to the City of Darebin as consolidated revenue.

Parking infrastructure at the Preston Markets, including parking signage and ticket machines, is owned and paid for by the Preston Market operators.

The Road Safety Act 1986 Section 90D Agreement provides the authority to issue fines on privately owned property.

- **Duncan Owen of Northcote**

The City references reducing the urban heat effect in residential streets two dozen times, across the Climate Emergency Plan, Urban Forests & Rapid Canopy strategies.

However Darebin Parks has been replacing existing large canopy trees in City streets, with significantly smaller tree species in recent years with little to no canopy coverage beyond nature strips.

Darebin Parks claims to be increasing canopy coverage by planting more trees in the city, however smaller trees are not providing sufficient coverage of road surfaces to mitigate urban heat effect.

Can Councillors state with any certainty that Darebin Parks has been able to increase tree canopy coverage of tarred road surfaces in the last 5 years? And if not, can a dialogue be opened to ensure that the goal of providing canopy coverage of 25% of road surfaces is achievable by 2030?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

**Thank you for your question, Duncan**

**In regard to your first question about do we know if tree canopy coverage has increased. No, we do not currently have clear information about this. We have collected data once to establish a baseline, but do not yet have the second data point which will allow us to tell if we have achieved our goal of increasing coverage.**

**The Council Plan seeks to increase canopy cover to 40% by 2050 and this is where efforts are invested. Council is planting approximately 1,200 semi mature trees in streets each year. Last year we boosted this to 6,000 street trees to accelerate increase in canopy.**

**There is not currently a specific consultation planned regarding canopy coverage, but I would encourage you to participate in Darebin's consultation to update its climate emergency plan which is underway at the moment. This will look at heat**

**Council staff will contact you to discuss the particular challenges in your street.**

- **Vasilios Tsalkos of Reservoir**

My question to Council is; Numerous community members are unable to use a computer or work full time and unable to access Council during Councils limited weekday only customer service locations which operate from 8.30am-5pm.

What is Council doing to ensure that they remain democratic, transparent and inclusive of all members of the community (including those who work or are unable to use a computer) with the submission of questions to Council now only being accepted if questions have been submitted prior to Council meeting?

My Second question is; Councils Reservoir Leisure Centre Feasibility Study which was conducted had only 300 people consulted, Reservoir/Kingsbury alone has a total of 53,740 estimated resident population which was reported in the same study, can council explain how the Reservoir Leisure Centre Feasibility Study is a true representation of the community requirements and the community needs with a negligible 0.01% of the community consulted?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

Thank you Vasilios for your question,

**Question 1** – People who work and have access to a computer can submit their question or submission any time outside of business hours up until 12 noon on the day of the Council meeting.

Questions or submissions can also be handed in at our Customer Service counters in person and members of the community also have the option of mailing it to PO Box 91, Preston. Further information is also available on the Public Questions and Submissions page on our website or by contacting our Customer Service line.

**Question 2** - Completing a feasibility study is the standard industry practice in relation to aquatic and leisure services planning. The RLC feasibility study was undertaken by an external consultant in line with industry practice as well.

The telephone survey was just one of the methods used in undertaking the feasibility study.

Council is now undertaking investigation and early design work on options for the redevelopment of Reservoir Leisure Centre, and options will be reported to Council in early April 2023.

- **Leah Horsfall of Brunswick**

Q1. Can Darebin Council guarantee the proposed change in management won't increase the number of companion animals being killed at the Epping Animal Welfare Facility, including animals currently in the facility?

Q2. The City of Whittlesea (acting on behalf of Darebin and Moreland Councils) states on its website:

'If the owner is not found, rehoming of the animal will be sought through partnerships with various rescue groups and vet clinics. We have already entered into formal agreements with 26 rescue groups and welfare organisations and we look forward to working with the sector...Council has engaged with and received a strong response from these stakeholders who are keen to support the council's objectives.'

Can you confirm what organisations (or individuals) have been consulted and signed formal agreements? And do they have the capacity to rehome the more than 2,000 animals that the Facility deals with in a given year?

Q3. Can Darebin Council confirm the staffing number and profile (in terms of experience, skills and qualifications) of the Epping Animal Welfare Facility workforce will not decrease when management changes in October?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank you for your questions Leah.

**Question 1**

The new operating model is designed to reduce the current euthanasia rates and reunite the maximum number of animals with their owners or, if that is not possible, find them loving new homes.

As part of the transition arrangements, RSPCA Victoria has advised Council that they will remove animals who are past the eight-day quarantine period to other RSPCA shelters.

Any animals still within the eight days will continue to remain at the Epping Animal Welfare Facility and will not be euthanised.

**Question 2**

We respect the confidential commercial arrangements of our partners, and so specific information about organisations or individuals cannot be shared.

However, I can confirm Whittlesea has already entered into formal agreements with 26 rescue groups and welfare organisations who share our vision for improving outcomes for the animals in our care, and ensure more pets find forever homes.

**Question 3**

Whittlesea has recruited both permanent and casual staff to operate the facility, all of whom are experienced in the animal welfare sector. I can also confirm that the facility will be staffed adequately and will meet the State Government Code of Practice.

- **Melissa Spooner of Reservoir**

Council is proposing to make rescue groups responsible for rehoming 100% of surrendered and unclaimed animals for 6 months after Whittlesea takes over the Epping shelter. Council is offering no funding, suggesting that rescue groups can apply for the state government's Pet Rehoming Grants to fund this essential task. This year, applications for that grant funding closed after just 3 weeks, as the \$1.2 million in allocated funds was exhausted in that time.

How can Councils expect rescue groups to rehome thousands of animals from the 3 Councils while it refuses to provide any funding for essential veterinary care?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank you for your question, Melissa.

Primary veterinary care is provided to all animals whilst they are housed at the facility, prior to rehoming via rescue groups.

There has been good interest from rescue groups, with 26 signing up to participate and we are confident that good primary care can be provided.

- **Kathleen Chapman of Reservoir**

How is it innovative to force responsibility for animal rehoming on unpaid volunteers?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Thanks for your question Kathleen. The model doesn't force any rescue group or their volunteers to work with council, it is entirely voluntary.**

- **Chris Wilkinson of Reservoir**

I refer to the ongoing issue of the daily smell coming from the VISY paper factory. Given the fact that councils have a duty under section 60 of the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (PHW Act) to remedy, so far as practicable, all nuisances existing in their municipal districts.

1. Will council facilitate a meeting between concerned residents (there are hundreds of us impacted) and the state minister for the environment? I mention this as dozens of our calls and emails to her have gone unanswered.

2. Notwithstanding the EPA's responsibility over air pollution (to date they have made little impact on the daily odour) what specific action can council take against VISY to ensure the health and wellbeing of its residents is protected?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Thank you for your questions, Chris.**

**Question 1**

**A senior officer will contact you tomorrow, to discuss further support Council might be able to provide residents.**

**I do need to clarify that Council is unable to make comment on actions required within the notice or potential enforcement actions as EPA are the lead authority in this matter.**

**Question 2**

**Council cannot take action in this matter.**

**Further action arising for failure to comply with the notice is at the discretion of the EPA.**

- **Dinesh Vignaswaran of Northcote**

Question 1

We understand that under the Electric Line Clearance Regulations 2020, trees within Darebin council must be at least one meter from power lines. If this legislation was uniformly applied, dozens of trees in the municipality would be deemed in breach and slated for removal.

How can the Councillors explain the haphazard approach of Darebin Council to enforcing this regulation?

**Question 2**

The Inspections Arborist at the Operations and Environment of City of Darebin has told residents that the Council is unwilling to shoulder the costs of preserving two of the largest gum trees on Gladstone Avenue in Northcote due to their proximity to the power lines.

Given the council's significant commitments to combatting climate change, preserving significant trees and protecting urban canopies, how can the council justify its unwillingness to the pruning and maintenance required, which an independent arborist assessment has found a viable and safe alternative to their removal?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank for your questions, Dinesh.

**Question 1**

**Yes, it's true that the electric line clearance obligations on Councils across the State are onerous and can result in street trees being heavily pruned or removed altogether to comply. Darebin has many trees that do not meet the required clearance distances.**

**Question 2**

**In relation to Gladstone Ave, the powerlines can be seen resting on limbs of trees which make them non-compliant with these electric line obligations.**

**Experienced arborists, including an independent consulting arborist, have explored all possible alternatives to removal. This decision is not about cost. Officers will be in contact with you to discuss the challenges for the street trees you refer to.**

- **David Isdale of Preston**

I have previously responded to a Council survey re. parking on my street and was one of only 15% of respondents. In the survey, I had highlighted issues with the new development of seven townhouses next door not using their on-site parking as being the major contributor to pressure on car parking in the immediate vicinity. I indicated I was in favour of permits and paying for one thus encouraging other residents to make use of their on-site parking. Now what's being proposed is two-hour parking restrictions Mon-Sat 8am -8pm but only to my side of the street.

This is a wholly unsatisfactory outcome and doesn't help residents at all.

Why should I, as a 23-year resident who had the misfortune of enduring high-density development occur next door to me, be penalised by these outrageous restrictions without even the option of buying a permit?

My elected representative for my ward happens to be the Mayor, Lina Messina and I'd appreciate her intervention and support for a better outcome. Either leave it alone or come up with something sensible.

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

Thank you for your question, David.

**I understand a senior officer called you today to confirm that you would be eligible for a residential parking permit to park in the proposed time restricted area at the front of your property.**

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**EXTENSION OF TIME****Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-077****MOVED: Cr. S Rennie**  
**SECONDED: Cr. J Williams**

**That** the Public Question Time be extended for a further 30 minutes.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- **Jennifer Falconer of Fairfield**

I would like to ask 3 questions about the proposed changes to parking in Darebin, outlined in the agenda for tonight's meeting.

I understand that there are 4 proposed options to be put to residents for feedback. If people are asked to vote for a specific option and 30% votes for option 1, 25% votes for option 2, 25% votes for option 3 and 20% vote for option 4. Which option would be declared the "winner"?

My follow up question is if option 1 is deemed the winner, isn't it also clear that the majority of votes (option 2 and 3 totalling 50%) which both open up to single lot houses post 2004 on a single lot and / or multiple residences on a single lot to access to both residential and visitor parking permits, then how is this format going to allow for the fair and equitable assessment of resident feedback?

My third question is I live in a post 2004 new build on a single lot, under the planning permit I was not required to provide off street visitor parking. If option one is adopted - there are no visitor permits available to post 2004 builds. I lose my right to the one excessively priced visitor permit. How do I live, have visitors, have tradespeople to repair my home when they will not be able to park nearby without risking a fine?

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Thank you for your questions, Jennifer.**

**My answer to your first two questions is that all feedback received through the first round of community engagement will be considered and used to develop a draft policy for further consultation. I would encourage all interested parties to participate in the community engagement process via the Your Say website which will commence on 10 October 2022.**

**Question 3**

**Our information shows that there have been approximately 5 temporary permits issued in the last 5 years which indicates that there is low demand for this permit. The consultation process will identify and explore community needs and preferences and I again encourage you to participate in the up-coming community engagement process.**

- **Natalie of Preston**

A parking survey was issued in my area that will introduce 2hr parking from 8am -8pm Monday to Saturday.

Our single dwelling home was rebuilt in to a single dwelling home after 2004 so I am unable to obtain a parking permit for my Mother who babysits my children while I go to work 5 days a week.

Where and how can my mother park longer than 2hrs while caring for my young children?

Is she to put them in the car every two hours and drive around the block looking for another park?

It's time to rethink the current '2004' parking permit rule to include single dwelling homes rebuilt after 2004 to be included to receive a parking permit.

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Council will be considering a report at this evenings meeting that proposes reviewing our existing resident parking permit policy. I would encourage all interested parties to participate in the community engagement process via the Your Say website which will commence on 10 October 2022.**

- **Tim Holdsworth of Northcote**

Question 1.

Can council confirm what consultation and at what cost has been outlaid to date regarding item 8.3 parking permit policy.

Question 2.

Can council please explain the three parking trials in Northcote, North Preston and Reservoir West in light of the damning community backlash when this issue was forced on the community two years ago?

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank you for your questions, Tim.

Question 1

The report tonight proposes a broad community consultation program to be undertaken. Around \$50,000 was budgeted for last financial year and approximately \$30,000 has been spent to date.

Question 2

The decision you are referring to was from 2019 and Council withdrew a proposed change to a whole of city approach to Parking Restrictions. This change did not go through and Council's standing practice of considering local changes and consulting community about these locally continues to be in place.

Council is currently consulting with residents on parking changes in several very local areas in response to requests from community for improvements. Decisions have not been made yet and community feedback is a key consideration. In some cases we've had several community requests nearby and we've decided to consult on several in an integrated way – it help avoid unintended consequences and can better meet community needs

- **Raymond (Frank) Wiley of Preston**

The residents in the area of the parking restriction change do not want the times and no one I have spoken to is in favour of the intended restrictions. Of particular concern is that resident permits will not be offered. Murray Rd does not need restrictions. This is the second attempt to bring in restrictions that the majority of residents do not want and do not support what is proposed.

Why are we having them and why no residents permit if you force it on us? Please note that this is effecting the way I vote and my participation in the next election.

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

**Thank you for your question, Frank.**

**One of the areas that Council is consulting on is between Murray Road and Cramer Street.**

**Eligible residents have the opportunity to purchase resident parking permits.**

**Council will be considering a report at this evenings meeting that proposes reviewing our existing resident parking permit policy and starting community engagement on various options.**

- **Pepi Hartman of Fairfield**

Why are council wasting time and money revisiting parking restrictions which the community are overwhelmingly against? This issue was dealt with not long ago.

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

**Thank you for your question, Pepi.**

**Just to be clear, the item on tonight's agenda is in relation to parking permits, not parking restrictions.**

**Council does have some localised parking restriction changes that we are consulting on at the moment, which have been initiated via community requests.**

- **Paul Byham of Reservoir**

Community parking and access survey - Reservoir west industrial area Ref: A6487204.

Why is Darebin trying to implement on street residential paid parking when there are no issues with parking during the day in Zinnia St and that there is a 1hr parking zone on the south side of Zinnia St implemented by council over 10yrs ago that gets almost no usage during the day?

As there are very few residences & residential streets in this mainly light industrial area this will have no effect on business access or parking and is just an attempt to implement paid residential on street parking (revenue raising) by stealth.

**Response from Chairperson, Mayor Messina**

Thank you for your question, Paul.

Council received a number of parking change requests for this Reservoir West area. Council has undertaken the first phase of consultation and will commence phase two in the coming weeks.

Because this is an industrial area, any parking changes made in one street might affect parking in adjacent streets. To ensure Council is well informed of any impact, we are also seeking feedback from people in surrounding streets.

- **Lee Eldridge of Northcote**

Why are councillors listening to biased advice to reduce and remove parking rights for residents?

The continued apparent harassment of long term residents creates great distress. We have built this community over many decades and you appear to want to destroy it

**Response from Acting Chief Executive Officer Rachel Ollivier**

Thank you for your question, Lee. I will take it a comment.

Council will be considering a report at this evenings meeting that proposes reviewing our existing resident parking permit policy.

## 7. PETITIONS

### TABLING OF PETITION - EPPING ANIMAL WELFARE FACILITY

Cr Greco sought leave of Council to present a petition concerning Epping Animal Welfare Facility

Leave was granted

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-078**

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

**That** the petition signed by approx. 23,653 persons requesting that Darebin Council notes and seriously considers the content of the petition and deliberation and calls on the Council to ensure:

- (1) Ensure animal adoptions continue at the Epping Animal Welfare Facility
- (2) Provide funding to rescue groups for basic veterinary care
- (3) Guarantee the safety of animals already in the shelter

be tabled and considered in conjunction with deliberation on Item 8.2.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Submission**

***In accordance with Council's Governance Rules, the following person made a verbal submission in relation to the petition - Epping Animal Welfare Facility***

- ***Kathleen Chapman***

## 8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

### 8.1 2021–22 COUNCIL PLAN ACTION PLAN END OF YEAR REPORT, INCLUDING COUNCIL PLAN STRATEGIC INDICATORS PERFORMANCE.

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is required by the *Local Government Act 2020* 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.

The 2021-22 Council Plan Action Plan End of Year Report (**Appendix A**) provides an overview of Council's performance in delivering the year one actions that will contribute to the completion of the four-year strategic actions in the Council Plan 2021-25. Included in the end of year report is the Strategic Indicator performance which illustrates the progress towards achieving the strategic objectives.

Also included in this report is a high-level progress update of the 2021/22 Capital Works Program and a status update of Council Resolutions. The Financial Report ending 30 June 2022 will be provided at a later date.

Quarter four and the end of the financial year results indicate that the organisation has progressed well to achieve the majority actions (204 completed) for the first year of the 2021-25 Council Plan. The organisation is particularly proud of the work achieved in leading the way in climate emergency, opening the Narrandjeri Stadium and supporting the community throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic.

During 2021/22 the strategic indicators were developed and measured to understand the progress and success of achieving the strategic objectives. For the 2021-25 Council Plan, there are 71 strategic indicators, classified into Darebin City Council and City of Darebin.

Council spent approximately \$66.3 million against its 2021-22 Annual Capital Works Program. As of 30 June 2022, out of total of 61 programs, 50 had been completed and 11 remained in progress. For the overview of the Capital Works Projects refer to **Appendix A**.

Since 1 April 2022, 59 Council resolutions have been made by Council and its Delegated Committees. Of these, 25 resolutions have been completed (42%) and 34 are in progress (58%). See (**Appendix A**) for further information.

**Officer Recommendation**

**That** Council:

- (1) Notes the 2021-22 Council Plan Action Plan End of Year Report including Strategic Indicator Performance (**Appendix A**).
- (2) Notes the Not Completed actions in the 2021-22 Council Plan Action Plan End of Year Report (**Appendix A**) are expected to be completed soon or have been included in the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan.
- (3) Notes the current state and progress of the strategic indicators, with another update due in March 2023.

**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-079**

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

**That** Council:

- (1) Notes the 2021-22 Council Plan Action Plan End of Year Report including Strategic Indicator Performance (**Appendix A**).
- (2) Notes the Not Completed actions in the 2021-22 Council Plan Action Plan End of Year Report (**Appendix A**) are expected to be completed soon or have been included in the 2022-23 Council Plan Action Plan.
- (3) Notes the current state and progress of the strategic indicators, with another update due in March 2023.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Submission**

***The following person made a verbal submission in relation to item 8.2 –Contract Award for Operations of Epping Animal Welfare Facility***

- ***Leah Horsfall***

**8.2 CONTRACT AWARD FOR OPERATIONS OF EPPING ANIMAL WELFARE FACILITY**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Darebin City Council, the City of Whittlesea, and Moreland City Council (the Partner Councils) began a partnership in 2015 to build and use the Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF). The Partner Councils, after a competitive tendering process, each engaged RSPCA Victoria to operate animal welfare services in a ten-year contract with the ability to terminate without cause after five years.

At its meeting on 27 September 2021, Council resolved to exercise its option under subclause 6.7 of Contract 2016/70 Provision of Animal Welfare Services to terminate the contract with RSPCA Victoria, and, provided in-principle endorsement of a service model delivered in-house by City of Whittlesea for animal welfare services at the Epping Animal Welfare Facility for animals collected in Darebin (subject to a number of stated outcomes).

Officers have negotiated with Whittlesea and Moreland to design a revised and improved in-house service model so that the outcomes resolved by Council on 27 September 2021 can be achieved.

The service model is based on partnering principles with a common vision of providing the best care for our animals. An important aspect to note is that this model is not based on profit: it's about animal welfare and service delivery for our community.

The facility as a priority will: provide stray, abandoned and surrendered animals with refuge and a new life; promote pet wellbeing; reunite pets with their owners; find new homes for unowned cats and dogs; and provide education regarding responsible pet ownership. Critically, the facility will avoid euthanasia except as very last resort when this is the most humane option, and an ethics committee will be established to consider and make these decisions.

The service model created between the three partner Councils allows flexibility to improve services at any time throughout the contract period. The model is also based on continuous improvement and innovation by data gathering, analysing to improve over time for best outcomes and service delivery. This collaboration between the three council satisfies section 109(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020* (Vic).

**Officer Recommendation****That Council:**

- (1) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to enter into an Animal Welfare Services Agreement with City of Whittlesea for the delivery of animal welfare services at Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF) effective 16 October 2022 for 5 years with a possible 5-year extension.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to execute a Deed of Variation to the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement entered in December 2015, which recognises the interests of City of Darebin as an original partner in establishing the Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF).
- (3) Provide endorsement for expenditure of up to \$2.2 million over the initial 5 years of the contract.
- (4) Notes that any budget variances over the contract term will be considered through Council's annual budget development and reporting processes.
- (5) Requires half-yearly reporting to Council of animal welfare indicators included at Attachment D.
- (6) Writes to Whittlesea, seeking direct animal adoption services to commence within 6 months of the in-house service model commencing.
- (7) Notes that the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement has been designed to achieve Council's legislative obligations and Council's policy set out in its Domestic Animal Management Plan, including rehoming all treatable domestic animals that Council manages.
- (8) Notes that Council's further approval will be sought before exercising the 5-year extension in 2027.

**Motion**

**MOVED: Cr. J Williams**  
**SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie**

**That Council:**

- 1) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to enter into an Animal Welfare Services Agreement with City of Whittlesea for the delivery of animal welfare services at Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF) effective 16 October 2022 for 5 years with a possible 5-year extension.
- 2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to execute a Deed of Variation to the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement entered in December 2015, which recognises the interests of City of Darebin as an original partner in establishing the Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF).
- 3) Provide endorsement for expenditure of up to \$2.2 million over the initial 5 years of the contract as outlined in Confidential Attachment B.
- 4) Notes that any budget variances over the contract term will be considered through Council's annual budget development and reporting processes.

- 5) Consideration be given for rescue groups to be funded the same as the State Government funding model i.e. \$200 per cat and \$500 per dog through the annual budget development process.
- 6) Requires half-yearly reporting to Council of animal welfare indicators included at Attachment D.
- 7) Writes to Whittlesea, seeking direct animal adoption services as soon as possible but no longer than within 3 months of the in-house service model commencing.
- 8) That Council provides a referral support service linking Darebin residents to community animal adoption services for the first 6-12 months of the Animal Welfare Services Agreement with City of Whittlesea.
- 9) Notes that the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement has been designed to achieve Council's legislative obligations and Council's policy set out in its Domestic Animal Management Plan, including rehoming all treatable domestic animals that Council manages.
- 10) Notes that Council's further approval will be sought before exercising the 5-year extension in 2027.

The motion was put and carried Unanimously.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-080**

**MOVED: Cr. J Williams**  
**SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie**

**That Council:**

- 1) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to enter into an Animal Welfare Services Agreement with City of Whittlesea for the delivery of animal welfare services at Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF) effective 16 October 2022 for 5 years with a possible 5-year extension.
- 2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to do all things necessary to execute a Deed of Variation to the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement entered in December 2015, which recognises the interests of City of Darebin as an original partner in establishing the Epping Animal Welfare Facility (EAWF).
- 3) Provide endorsement for expenditure of up to \$2.2 million over the initial 5 years of the contract as outlined in Confidential Attachment B.
- 4) Notes that any budget variances over the contract term will be considered through Council's annual budget development and reporting processes.
- 5) Consideration be given for rescue groups to be funded the same as the State Government funding model i.e. \$200 per cat and \$500 per dog through the annual budget development process.
- 6) Requires half-yearly reporting to Council of animal welfare indicators included at Attachment D.
- 7) Writes to Whittlesea, seeking direct animal adoption services as soon as possible but no longer than within 3 months of the in-house service model commencing.

- 8) That Council provides a referral support service linking Darebin residents to community animal adoption services for the first 6-12 months of the Animal Welfare Services Agreement with City of Whittlesea.
- 9) Notes that the Epping Animal Welfare Facility Agreement has been designed to achieve Council's legislative obligations and Council's policy set out in its Domestic Animal Management Plan, including rehoming all treatable domestic animals that Council manages.
- 10) Notes that Council's further approval will be sought before exercising the 5-year extension in 2027.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 8.3

**PARKING PERMIT POLICY**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report recommends that Council endorse a consultation process with the community on how Council's existing Resident Parking Permit Policy could be updated.

An internal review of the existing Resident Parking Permit Policy has been undertaken. Four options to update the Policy have been developed which seek to address some of the issues and needs identified through conversations with Councillors, and feedback received from the community. In addition to the four options, we also propose seeking community feedback on whether other types of parking needs and permits should be considered, and how the community would like to access permits.

In summary the four options include:

- Option 1 – Keep existing policy with minor updates
- Option 2 – Keep existing policy with moderate updates
- Option 3 – Expand access, using development size to control parking permits
- Option 4 – Adopt a Priority Allocation System based on street parking availability (capacity).

All 4 options include introducing a Carer's Permit available for all eligible residents.

We are recommending a two-stage consultation process to:

- Firstly, test the four options with our community and to provide them with an opportunity to raise other parking permit issues and ideas
- After considering community feedback, develop a draft policy and share this with the community for further feedback

The engagement approach will ensure there are accessible and welcoming opportunities for community to provide input, in key community languages.

**Officer Recommendation**

**That Council:**

- (1) Endorses community consultation on the Resident Parking Permit Policy that:
  - a. puts forward the following four policy options for updating the existing policy:
    - i. Option 1 – Keep existing Policy with minor adjustments
    - ii. Option 2 – Keep existing Policy with moderate adjustments
    - iii. Option 3 – Expand access, using development size to control parking permits
    - iv. Option 4 – Parking Permits allocated based on parking capacity and priority
  - b. seeks community feedback more broadly on various parking permit needs and categories and how parking permits should be accessed by the community.

**Motion**

**MOVED: Cr. E Dimitriadis**  
**SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence**

**That Council:**

- (1) Endorses community consultation on the Resident Parking Permit Policy that:
  - a. puts forward the following four policy options for updating the existing policy:
    - i. Option 1 – Keep existing Policy with minor adjustments
    - ii. Option 2 – Keep existing Policy with moderate adjustments
    - iii. Option 3 – Expand access, using development size to control parking permits
    - iv. Option 4 – Parking Permits allocated based on parking capacity and priority
  - b. seeks community feedback more broadly on various parking permit needs and categories and how parking permits should be accessed by the community including but not limited to the following:
    - i. Should families, multigenerational households or households comprising numerous adults, have access to an additional parking permit if required (maximum being 2 permits per household)? Please describe why.
    - ii. In what other 'exceptional circumstances' would you need to access a parking permit that has not been addressed in this consultation?
    - iii. Is an annual cap of 100 daily visitor permits per year, per household appropriate? Please describe why.

**Amendment****MOVED: Cr. J Williams**That a **point c** be added to the motion as below:

- c. Ensures that the statement in the report (on page 143), that “there is no proposal to change the approach to parking restrictions across the municipality” is adhered to, by Council temporarily suspending the installation of any parking restrictions in Darebin pending the outcome of the Parking Permit Policy review with the exception of accessible parking restrictions and temporary work zones.

The mover and seconder of the motion consented to the amendment.

The amendment was incorporated in the motion.

**Further Amendment****MOVED: Cr. G Greco****That** point c of the motion be deleted.

The mover and seconder of the motion consented to the amendment.

The point c was deleted from the motion.

The motion was put and carried Unanimously.

**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-081****MOVED: Cr. E Dimitriadis****SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence****That** Council:

- (1) Endorses community consultation on the Resident Parking Permit Policy that:
  - a. puts forward the following four policy options for updating the existing policy:
    - i. Option 1 – Keep existing Policy with minor adjustments
    - ii. Option 2 – Keep existing Policy with moderate adjustments
    - iii. Option 3 – Expand access, using development size to control parking permits
    - iv. Option 4 – Parking Permits allocated based on parking capacity and priority
  - b. seeks community feedback more broadly on various parking permit needs and categories and how parking permits should be accessed by the community including but not limited to the following:
    - i. Should families, multigenerational households or households comprising numerous adults, have access to an additional parking permit if required (maximum being 2 permits per household)? Please describe why.

- ii. In what other 'exceptional circumstances' would you need to access a parking permit that has not been addressed in this consultation?
- iii. Is an annual cap of 100 daily visitor permits per year, per household appropriate? Please describe why.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**PROCEDURAL MOTION – CHANGE OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 22-082**

**MOVED: Cr. T Hannan**  
**SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence**

**That** Item 9.1 of the Agenda – Notice of Motion – Extension of Temporary Parklets and Establishment of Long Term Policy be considered before Item 8.4.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*The Mayor advised Councillors that she wishes to move her Notice of Motion listed at Item 9.1- Extension of Temporary Parklets and Establishment of Long Term Policy.*

*As Deputy Mayor Councillor McCarthy was absent, the Mayor requested nominations for the position of temporary chairperson.*

*Councillor Newton nominated Councillor Rennie for the position of the temporary chair. Councillor Rennie accepted the nomination.*

*Motion to appoint Councillor Rennie as temporary chairperson was put to vote and carried unanimously.*

**8.02 pm** *Mayor left the chair and Councillor Rennie assumed the chair.*

## **9.1 EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY PARKLETS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF LONG TERM POLICY**

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*That Council*

1. *Offers the opportunity to temporarily extend parklets that are currently in place outside 21 businesses in Darebin until 30 September 2023, on the following basis:*
  - a. *Businesses must (at their own cost) maintain the parklets and ensure they are safe and comply with traffic and transport advice and any Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements.*
  - b. *That a fee will be charged of \$2.50 per parking bay, per day, paid annually, upfront on councils normal payment terms.*
  - c. *That Council's offer is subject to any other necessary approvals at each site such as from Victorian Government's Department of Transport.*
2. *Notes the CEO has advised that officers will develop a Policy in regards to access to parklets for the longer term. Development of this policy would include community engagement to ensure Council can fully consider the policy matters, with an understanding of business needs and community views.*

**Motion****MOVED: Cr. L Messina****SECONDED: Cr. S Newton**

That Council

1. Offers the opportunity to temporarily extend parklets that are currently in place outside 21 businesses in Darebin until 30 September 2023, on the following basis:
  - a. Businesses must (at their own cost) maintain the parklets and ensure they are safe and comply with traffic and transport advice and any Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements.
  - b. That a fee will be charged of \$2.50 per parking bay, per day, paid annually, upfront on councils normal payment terms.
  - c. That Council's offer is subject to any other necessary approvals at each site such as from Victorian Government's Department of Transport.
2. Notes the CEO has advised that officers will develop a Policy in regards to access to parklets for the longer term. Development of this policy would include community engagement to ensure Council can fully consider the policy matters, with an understanding of business needs and community views.

**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-083****MOVED: Cr. L Messina****SECONDED: Cr. S Newton**

That Council:

1. Offers the opportunity to temporarily extend parklets that are currently in place outside 21 businesses in Darebin until 30 September 2023, on the following basis:
  - a. Businesses must (at their own cost) maintain the parklets and ensure they are safe and comply with traffic and transport advice and any Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) requirements.
  - b. That a fee will be charged of \$2.50 per parking bay, per day, paid annually, upfront on councils normal payment terms.
  - c. That Council's offer is subject to any other necessary approvals at each site such as from Victorian Government's Department of Transport.
2. Notes the CEO has advised that officers will develop a Policy in regards to access to parklets for the longer term. Development of this policy would include community engagement to ensure Council can fully consider the policy matters, with an understanding of business needs and community views.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***8.08pm The Mayor resumed the Chair.*

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## 8.4 RENAMING OF THE FORMER RUTHVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE - RESULTS OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides information on the outcome of the statutory process for the proposed naming of the former Ruthven Primary School Site, at 74-76 Glasgow Avenue, Reservoir (the Park) and recommends that Council endorse the naming recommendation for the Park to be named, and to lodge the naming proposal with Geographic Names Victoria (GNV). This report was originally scheduled for the Council meeting on 22 August 2022. It was deferred for decision as sufficient time had not been allowed to give reasonable notice to the objectors that the recommendation to endorse the preferred name from the voting poll was intended to be made at that meeting.

#### Officer Recommendation

**That Council:**

Having completed the statutory process in accordance with the requirements of the *Geographic Place Name Act 1998* and the Naming Rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities 2022 and given notice of the voting poll on Council's webpage:

- (1) Endorses the preferred name from the voting poll results, for the Park to be named Wat Ganbo Park;
- (2) Delegates the Manager, Property and Asset Strategy to lodge the application to the Geographic Names Victoria for the naming of the site of the former Ruthven Primary School at 74-76 Glasgow Avenue, Reservoir to Wat Ganbo Park; and
- (3) Writes to the Wurundjeri Council to advise of this decision and thank them for their support to date

#### Council Resolution

**MINUTE NO. 22-084**

**MOVED: Cr. G Greco**  
**SECONDED: Cr. S Newton**

**That Council:**

Having completed the statutory process in accordance with the requirements of the *Geographic Place Name Act 1998* and the Naming Rules for places in Victoria – Statutory requirements for naming roads, features and localities 2022 and given notice of the voting poll on Council's webpage:

- (1) Endorses the preferred name from the voting poll results, for the Park to be named Wat Ganbo Park;
- (2) Delegates the Manager, Property and Asset Strategy to lodge the application to the Geographic Names Victoria for the naming of the site of the former Ruthven Primary School at 74-76 Glasgow Avenue, Reservoir to Wat Ganbo Park; and
- (3) Writes to the Wurundjeri Council to advise of this decision and thank them for their support to date

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**Motion**

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

**That** Council:

- (1) Endorses the Your Street, Your Say Group A 2022 concept designs at **Attachment A** for design and delivery.
- (2) Consults the community on the Botha Avenue and McFadzean Avenue Quick Wins safety treatments before design and delivery.
- (3) Notes that the timelines for design and delivery of projects are subject to annual budget processes and budget availability.
- (4) Makes the Your Street, Your Say Group A 2nd phase engagement report at **Attachment B** publicly available via the Darebin website.
- (5) Approves the commencement of the consultation for Your Street Your Say Group B (Northcote East/Fairfield/Alphington, Thornbury East and Bundoora/Macleod)
- (6) Thanks community members for their feedback and participation throughout the two phases of consultation for Your Street Your Say Group A.

The motion was put and carried Unanimously.

**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-085**

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

**That** Council:

- (1) Endorses the Your Street, Your Say Group A 2022 concept designs at **Attachment A** for design and delivery.
- (2) Consults the community on the Botha Avenue and McFadzean Avenue Quick Wins safety treatments before design and delivery.
- (3) Notes that the timelines for design and delivery of projects are subject to annual budget processes and budget availability.
- (4) Makes the Your Street, Your Say Group A 2nd phase engagement report at **Attachment B** publicly available via the Darebin website.
- (5) Approves the commencement of the consultation for Your Street Your Say Group B (Northcote East/Fairfield/Alphington, Thornbury East and Bundoora/Macleod)
- (6) Thanks community members for their feedback and participation throughout the two phases of consultation for Your Street Your Say Group A.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8.26pm** Councillor Newton returned to the meeting.

**8.26pm** Acting General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy returned to the meeting.

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## 8.6 PROPERTY MATTERS

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to three current property matters that require Council's consideration including:

- (1) An update on the completion of the statutory procedures for the proposed sale of the discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir. This report further recommends the land from the discontinued road be sold to the owners of the adjoining property at 16 Furzer Street, Reservoir.
- (2) An update on the completion of the statutory procedures for the discontinuance of the road at the rear of 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir. This report further recommends that the discontinuance of the road be gazetted and the sale of the road land from the discontinued road to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir.
- (3) To rescind a portion Council's recommendation date 22 February 2021 for the 'end of lease' conditions agreed on the former Edwardes Street Police Station.
- (4) An update on options regarding the remediation of contamination at Clements Reserve and Council direction which will inform the process for acquisition of the three parcels of land at Clements Reserve currently owned by VicRoads.

<b>Officer Recommendation</b>
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#### **Recommendation 1:**

##### **Discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir**

**That Council:**

Having given notice of intention under section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on the site plan in **Appendix A** and shown as being part of Lot 2 (in two parts) on Title Plan TP877742W in **Appendix A** and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal:

- (1) Directs that the land be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining property at 16 Furzer Street, Reservoir, in accordance with Council policy.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land.

#### **Recommendation 2:**

##### **Discontinuance and sale of road adjoining 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir**

**That Council:**

Having given public notice of a proposal to discontinue the road at the rear of 116

Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix B**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

- (1) Has formed the opinion that the road shown hatched in the site plan in Appendix A is no longer required for road purposes;
- (2) Discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989;
- (3) Directs that a notice be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
- (4) Directs that the land from the road be sold by private treaty to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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;
- (5) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of any land from the discontinued road to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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
- (6) 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;

**Recommendation 3:**

**25 Edwardes Street Reservoir – Former Police Station update**

**That Council:**

- (1) Note that the demolition and reinstatement works have not been finalised and that Victoria Police are currently obtaining updated cost estimates for the demolition of the rear portion of the Police Station that was constructed by Victoria Police.
- (2) Rescind the decision on 22 February 2021 to instruct Victoria Police to demolish their section of the building at the rear of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir including the removal of the internal ramp and reinstatement of the rear wall as per the provisions in the ground lease between Darebin City Council and Victoria Police, unless a different outcome was negotiated before 15 March 2021.
- (3) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to consider the cost estimates provided by Victoria Police and determine whether the demolition and reinstatement works will be undertaken to support future use of the facility.
- (4) Authorise Council Officers to undertake an Expression of Interest campaign to determine the highest and best community use of the facility and whether the demolition works will be required.
- (5) Note that Victoria Police have indicated to financially remediate Council for the projected demolition costs should Council not wish to have the works undertaken.
- (6) Notes that a strategic approach to determine the long term future of 25 Edwardes Street and the Former Reservoir Library site is to be considered for inclusion as actions in the new 2021-2024 Council Plan;
- (7) Receives a further report on the future use of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir at a future Council meeting once Council officers have undertaken an Expression of Interest campaign.

**Recommendation 4:****Clements Reserve – contamination and acquisition update****That Council:**

- (1) Endorse the preferred option 2, encapsulation of the contaminated soil at Clements Reserve, and continue to negotiate the sale of the land with VicRoads on the basis that these remediation costs (to ensure the safety of all who use the open space) will be factored in negotiations on the sale of the land.

<b>Motion</b>
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**MOVED: Cr. S Rennie**  
**SECONDED: Cr. S Newton**

**Recommendation 1:****Discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir****That Council:**

Having given notice of intention under section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on the site plan in **Appendix A** and shown as being part of Lot 2 (in two parts) on Title Plan TP877742W in **Appendix A** and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal:

- (1) Directs that the land be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining property at 16 Furzer Street, Reservoir, in accordance with Council policy.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land.

**Recommendation 2:****Discontinuance and sale of road adjoining 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir****That Council:**

Having given public notice of a proposal to discontinue the road at the rear of 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix B**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

- (1) Has formed the opinion that the road shown hatched in the site plan in Appendix A is no longer required for road purposes;
- (2) Discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989;
- (3) Directs that a notice be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
- (4) Directs that the land from the road be sold by private treaty to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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;

- (5) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of any land from the discontinued road to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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
- (6) 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;

**Recommendation 3:****25 Edwardes Street Reservoir – Former Police Station update**

**That** Council:

- (1) Note that the demolition and reinstatement works have not been finalised and that Victoria Police are currently obtaining updated cost estimates for the demolition of the rear portion of the Police Station that was constructed by Victoria Police.
- (2) Rescind the decision on 22 February 2021 to instruct Victoria Police to demolish their section of the building at the rear of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir including the removal of the internal ramp and reinstatement of the rear wall as per the provisions in the ground lease between Darebin City Council and Victoria Police, unless a different outcome was negotiated before 15 March 2021.
- (3) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to consider the cost estimates provided by Victoria Police and determine whether the demolition and reinstatement works will be undertaken to support future use of the facility.
- (4) Authorise Council Officers to undertake an Expression of Interest campaign to determine the highest and best community use of the facility and whether the demolition works will be required.
- (5) Note that Victoria Police have indicated willingness to financially remediate Council for the projected demolition costs should Council not wish to have the works undertaken.
- (6) Notes that a strategic approach to determine the long term future of 25 Edwardes Street and the Former Reservoir Library site is to be considered for inclusion as actions in the new 2021-2024 Council Plan;
- (7) Receives a further report on the future use of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir at a future Council meeting once Council officers have undertaken an Expression of Interest campaign.

**Recommendation 4:****Clements Reserve – contamination and acquisition update**

**That** Council:

- (1) Endorse the preferred option 2, encapsulation of the contaminated soil at Clements Reserve, and continue to negotiate the sale of the land with VicRoads on the basis that these remediation costs (to ensure the safety of all who use the open space) will be factored in negotiations on the sale of the land.

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

That the Recommendation 4 of the Motion be amended as below:

**Recommendation 4:****Clements Reserve – contamination and acquisition update****That Council:**

- (1) Endorse the preferred **option 1 full remediation**, encapsulation of the contaminated soil at Clements Reserve, and continue to negotiate the sale of the land with VicRoads on the basis that these remediation costs (to ensure the safety of all who use the open space) will be factored in negotiations on the sale of the land.

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

The amendment was put and lost on the casting vote of the Mayor.

**LOST****For:** Cr's. Dimitriadis, Greco, Laurence and Williams (4)**Against:** Cr's. Hannan, Messina, Newton and Rennie (4)**Amendment****MOVED:** Cr. G Greco

That the Recommendation 3 of the Motion be amended as below:

**Recommendation 3:****25 Edwardes Street Reservoir – Former Police Station update****That Council:**

- (1) Note that the demolition and reinstatement works have not been finalised and that Victoria Police are currently obtaining updated cost estimates for the demolition of the rear portion of the Police Station that was constructed by Victoria Police.
- (2) Rescind the decision on 22 February 2021 to instruct Victoria Police to demolish their section of the building at the rear of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir including the removal of the internal ramp and reinstatement of the rear wall as per the provisions in the ground lease between Darebin City Council and Victoria Police, unless a different outcome was negotiated before 15 March 2021.
- (3) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to consider the cost estimates provided by Victoria Police and determine whether the demolition and reinstatement works will be undertaken to support future use of the facility.
- (4) Authorise Council Officers to undertake an Expression of Interest campaign to determine the highest and best community use of the facility and whether the demolition works will be required.

- (5) Note that Victoria Police have indicated willingness to financially remediate Council for the projected demolition costs should Council not wish to have the works undertaken.
- (6) Authorise the CEO to preserve any funds received from Victoria Police as compensation for the projected demolition costs (should the CEO determine the demolition works not be undertaken) for the future use of the site.
- (7) Notes that a strategic approach to determine the long term future of 25 Edwardes Street and the Former Reservoir Library site is to be considered for inclusion as actions in the new 2021-2024 Council Plan;
- (8) Receives a further report on the future use of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir at a future Council meeting once Council officers have undertaken an Expression of Interest campaign.

The mover and seconder of the motion consented to the amendment.

Amendment was incorporated in the motion.

Each Recommendations of the motion were voted separately.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-086**

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

**Recommendation 1:**

**Discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir**

**That Council:**

Having given notice of intention under section 114 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to sell the land from the discontinued road adjoining 16 Furzer Street and 17 Hosken Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on the site plan in **Appendix A** and shown as being part of Lot 2 (in two parts) on Title Plan TP877742W in **Appendix A** and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal:

- (1) Directs that the land be sold by private treaty to the owners of the adjoining property at 16 Furzer Street, Reservoir, in accordance with Council policy.
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Council Resolution**

MINUTE NO. 22-087

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

**Recommendation 2:****Discontinuance and sale of road adjoining 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir**

**That Council:**

Having given public notice of a proposal to discontinue the road at the rear of 116 Leamington Street and Units 3 and 4/105 Barton Street, Reservoir, shown hatched in the site plan in **Appendix B**, and having received no submissions in respect of this proposal under section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

- (1) Has formed the opinion that the road shown hatched in the site plan in Appendix A is no longer required for road purposes;
- (2) Discontinues the road in accordance with section 206 and clause 3(a) of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989;
- (3) Directs that a notice be published in the Victoria Government Gazette;
- (4) Directs that the land from the road be sold by private treaty to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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;
- (5) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of any land from the discontinued road to the owner of 116 Leamington Street, Reservoir, 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
- (6) 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**

**Council Resolution**

MINUTE NO. 22-088

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

**Recommendation 3:****25 Edwardes Street Reservoir – Former Police Station update**

**That Council:**

- (1) Note that the demolition and reinstatement works have not been finalised and that Victoria Police are currently obtaining updated cost estimates for the demolition of the rear portion of the Police Station that was constructed by Victoria Police.

- (2) Rescind the decision on 22 February 2021 to instruct Victoria Police to demolish their section of the building at the rear of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir including the removal of the internal ramp and reinstatement of the rear wall as per the provisions in the ground lease between Darebin City Council and Victoria Police, unless a different outcome was negotiated before 15 March 2021.
- (3) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to consider the cost estimates provided by Victoria Police and determine whether the demolition and reinstatement works will be undertaken to support future use of the facility.
- (4) Authorise Council Officers to undertake an Expression of Interest campaign to determine the highest and best community use of the facility and whether the demolition works will be required.
- (5) Note that Victoria Police have indicated willingness to financially remediate Council for the projected demolition costs should Council not wish to have the works undertaken.
- (6) Authorise the CEO to preserve any funds received from Victoria Police as compensation for the projected demolition costs (should the CEO determine the demolition works not be undertaken) for the future use of the site.
- (7) Notes that a strategic approach to determine the long term future of 25 Edwardes Street and the Former Reservoir Library site is to be considered for inclusion as actions in the new 2021-2024 Council Plan;
- (8) Receives a further report on the future use of 25 Edwardes Street Reservoir at a future Council meeting once Council officers have undertaken an Expression of Interest campaign.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 22-089**

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

**Recommendation 4:**

**Clements Reserve – contamination and acquisition update**

**That Council:**

- (2) Endorse the preferred option 2, encapsulation of the contaminated soil at Clements Reserve, and continue to negotiate the sale of the land with VicRoads on the basis that these remediation costs (to ensure the safety of all who use the open space) will be factored in negotiations on the sale of the land.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Cr's. Hannan, Messina, Newton and Rennie (4)

**Against:** Cr's. Greco, Laurence and Williams (3)

**Abstained:** Cr. Dimitriadis (1)

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## 8.7 PROPOSED LEASE OF PART OF BUNDOORA PARK FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS MONOPOLE - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT RESULTS

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this paper is to provide the results of the community engagement process for the proposal received from Amplitel Pty Ltd for a new 20-year lease to construct, operate and maintain a telecommunications monopole and battery extension cabinet at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park, as well as to request Council approval for the lease.

<b>Officer Recommendation</b>
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**That** Council:

Having given notice of intention under section 115 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to lease the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park:

- (1) Note that public submissions were invited on the proposed lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd in accordance with Section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020.
- (2) Enter into a lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd for part of the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park, under the following commercial terms:
  - (a) **Term:** 20 years
  - (b) **Indicative Commencement Date:** 1 July 2022
  - (c) **Lease Area:** 5000mm x 2500mm (including monopole and associated battery extension cabinet)
  - (d) **Permitted Use:** Provision of a telecommunication facility including installation, inspection, maintenance, construction, excavation, replacement, repair, renewal, alteration, upgrade, cleaning, operation, access to and from, and removal of facility on the land at the end of the term (excluding the sports field lighting pole which would revert to Council). This includes providing a new sports field lighting pole.
  - (e) **Commencing rent:** \$27,810 plus GST per annum.
  - (f) **Rent review:** Market rent review every three years on the anniversary of the Commencement Date. A fixed increase of 3% in intervening years.
  - (g) **Special Conditions:**
    - i. Amplitel to work with the affected sporting clubs to determine an agreed timeframe for the installation that works with the sporting season and fixtures.
    - ii. Amplitel are responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the pole and light.
    - iii. Amplitel to ensure that the telecommunications equipment will not interfere with the working capacity or the ongoing maintenance of the light.
    - iv. At the conclusion of the Term, Amplitel are responsible for removing the telecommunications equipment and the monopole will revert to Council.

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**EXTENSION OF TIME****Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 22-090****MOVED: Cr. S Rennie****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco****8.59 pm That** the Council meeting continue for 30 minutes.**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****Motion****MOVED: Cr. T Laurence****SECONDED: Cr. G Greco****That Council:**

Having given notice of intention under section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020 to lease the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park:

- (1) Note that public submissions were invited on the proposed lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd in accordance with Section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020.
- (2) Enter into a lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd for part of the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park, under the following commercial terms:
  - a) Term: 20 years
  - b) Indicative Commencement Date: 1 October 2022
  - c) Lease Area: 5000mm x 2500mm (including monopole and associated battery extension cabinet)
  - d) Permitted Use: Provision of a telecommunication facility including installation, inspection, maintenance, construction, excavation, replacement, repair, renewal, alteration, upgrade, cleaning, operation, access to and from, and removal of facility on the land at the end of the term (excluding the sports field lighting pole which would revert to Council). This includes providing a new sports field lighting pole.
  - e) Commencing rent: \$27,810 plus GST per annum and that a financial reserve of an equivalent value be allocated to improve sporting and environmental assets in the Bundoora Park area.
  - f) Rent review: Market rent review every three years on the anniversary of the Commencement Date. A fixed increase of 3% in intervening years.
  - g) Special Conditions:
    - i. Amplitel to work with the affected sporting clubs to determine an agreed timeframe for the installation that works with the sporting season and fixtures.
    - ii. Amplitel are responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the pole and light.
    - iii. Amplitel to ensure that the telecommunications equipment will not interfere with the working capacity or the ongoing maintenance of the light.
    - iv. At the conclusion of the Term, Amplitel are responsible for removing the telecommunications equipment and the monopole will revert to Council.

9.16 pm The Mayor adjourned the meeting for a brief break

9.27 pm The meeting resumed

## EXTENSION OF TIME

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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MINUTE NO. 22-091

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

9.28 pm That the Council meeting continue for 30 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<b>Amendment</b>
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**MOVED:** Cr. T Hannan  
**SECONDED:** Cr. S Newton

That Council:

Having given notice of intention under section 115 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to lease the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park:

- (1) Note that public submissions were invited on the proposed lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd in accordance with Section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020.
- (2) Enter into a lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd for part of the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park, under the following commercial terms:
  - (a) **Term:** 20 years
  - (b) **Indicative Commencement Date:** 1 October 2022
  - (c) **Lease Area:** 5000mm x 2500mm (including monopole and associated battery extension cabinet)
  - (d) **Permitted Use:** Provision of a telecommunication facility including installation, inspection, maintenance, construction, excavation, replacement, repair, renewal, alteration, upgrade, cleaning, operation, access to and from, and removal of facility on the land at the end of the term (excluding the sports field lighting pole which would revert to Council). This includes providing a new sports field lighting pole.
  - (e) **Commencing rent:** \$27,810 plus GST per annum.
  - (f) **Rent review:** Market rent review every three years on the anniversary of the Commencement Date. A fixed increase of 3% in intervening years.

(g) **Special Conditions:**

- i. Amplitel to work with the affected sporting clubs to determine an agreed timeframe for the installation that works with the sporting season and fixtures.
- ii. Amplitel are responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the pole and light.
- iii. Amplitel to ensure that the telecommunications equipment will not interfere with the working capacity or the ongoing maintenance of the light.
- iv. At the conclusion of the Term, Amplitel are responsible for removing the telecommunications equipment and the monopole will revert to Council.

Mover and seconder of the motion did not consent to the amendment.

Amendment was put and carried on the casting vote of the Mayor.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Cr's. Hannan, Messina, Newton and Rennie (4)

**Against:** Cr's. Dimitriadis, Greco, Laurence and Williams (4)

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-092**

**MOVED:** Cr. T Laurence

**SECONDED:** Cr. G Greco

**That Council:**

Having given notice of intention under section 115 of the *Local Government Act 2020* to lease the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park:

- (1) Note that public submissions were invited on the proposed lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd in accordance with Section 115 of the Local Government Act 2020.
- (2) Enter into a lease with Amplitel Pty Ltd for part of the land at Snake Gully Drive, Bundoora Park, under the following commercial terms:
  - (a) **Term:** 20 years
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  - (c) **Lease Area:** 5000mm x 2500mm (including monopole and associated battery extension cabinet)
  - (d) **Permitted Use:** Provision of a telecommunication facility including installation, inspection, maintenance, construction, excavation, replacement, repair, renewal, alteration, upgrade, cleaning, operation, access to and from, and removal of facility on the land at the end of the term (excluding the sports field lighting pole which would revert to Council). This includes providing a new sports field lighting pole.
  - (e) **Commencing rent:** \$27,810 plus GST per annum.
  - (f) **Rent review:** Market rent review every three years on the anniversary of the Commencement Date. A fixed increase of 3% in intervening years.

(g) **Special Conditions:**

- i. Amplitel to work with the affected sporting clubs to determine an agreed timeframe for the installation that works with the sporting season and fixtures.
- ii. Amplitel are responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the pole and light.
- iii. Amplitel to ensure that the telecommunications equipment will not interfere with the working capacity or the ongoing maintenance of the light.
- iv. At the conclusion of the Term, Amplitel are responsible for removing the telecommunications equipment and the monopole will revert to Council.

**CARRIED**

**For:** Cr's. Hannan, Messina, Newton and Rennie (4)

**Against:** Cr. Laurence (1)

**Abstained:** Cr's. Dimitriadis, Greco and Williams (3)

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**8.8 CT2021167 - CONTRACT AWARD FOR PARKS AND OPEN SPACE RELATED SERVICES**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Darebin City Council called for tenders for inclusion on panels related to CT2021167 Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services Panel on 30 April 2022.

Through a public tender process, Council has sought to engage suitably experienced and capable suppliers, contractors and consultants to support business units to care for and maintain Darebin's vast open space network and sportsgrounds.

The proposed panels called for suppliers across the following two categories:

**Category 1** - Park landscape (sub-categorized from A to U)

**Category 2** - Playgrounds, sports ground and fitness equipment (sub-categorized from V to EE).

If endorsed, the panel contract will be in place for 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 and ending on the 31 October 2027 with no options to extend. The 5-year contract period was included as a means to encourage a range of local and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses to apply as well as to provide employment confidence over the contract term.

The tender evaluation panel has recommended a number of qualified and experienced providers to partner with Council to deliver these core services.

<b>Officer Recommendation</b>
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**That Council:**

- (1) Award the schedule of rates agreement CT 2021167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 1: Parks Landscape), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022, to the following; \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) Award the schedule of rates agreement CT 2021167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 2: Playgrounds, Sports ground and Fitness Equipment), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 to the following; \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to finalise and execute the contract documents on behalf of Council.
- (4) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to review and approve contract variation requirements within the scope of service provisions and subject to satisfactory performance reviews.

<b>Motion</b>
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**MOVED:** Cr. S Rennie  
**SECONDED:** Cr. T Laurence

**That Council:**

- 1) Award the schedule of rates agreement for CT2021167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 1 Parks Landscape), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 to the following:

<b>A. General tree pruning and removal</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Tree Serve Pty Ltd The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Tree Amigos Victoria Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd Star Tree Services Pty Ltd
<b>B. Tree stump removal</b>	Tree Serve Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Tree Amigos Victoria Pty Ltd The Tree Company Arboricultural Services
<b>C. Tree root control</b>	Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd
<b>D. Arboricultural consultancy (tree reports and data collection)</b>	The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Dianabelle Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd
<b>E. Tree planting and establishment (supply, planting and maintenance)</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Sevron Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd
<b>F. Tree inspections (consultancy)</b>	The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd Lucas and Co Pty Ltd Axiom Tree Management Pty Ltd
<b>G. Bushland maintenance (weed spraying etc.)</b>	Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc. General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd
<b>H. Mulch suppliers</b>	Repurpose It Pty Ltd Ecodynamics Services Pty Ltd Melbourne Landscape Group Pty Ltd Sevron Pty Ltd Aztec Industries Pty Ltd
<b>L. Open space and bushland slashing</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc. General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd

<b>N. Garden bed maintenance</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc.
<b>P. Supply and application of horticultural products</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd
<b>Q. Application only of horticultural products</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd
<b>R. Irrigation</b>	Danville Tower Pty Ltd Green Water Australia
<b>U. General fencing</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd Prowire Fencing Group Pty Ltd

- 2) Award the schedule of rates agreement for CT201167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 2 Playgrounds, sports ground and fitness equipment), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 to the following:

<b>Category 2 - Playgrounds, Sports ground and Fitness Equipment</b>	
<b>V. Playground and fitness equipment</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Adventure Playgrounds Pty Ltd
<b>W. Playground maintenance</b>	UDL M Pty Ltd General Maintenance and Hire Services
<b>Y. Landscape architects design consultants</b>	Michael Smith and Associates Outerspace Landscape Architects Pty Ltd Urban Initiatives The Trustee for the Pollen Studio Unit Trust Thompson Berrill Landscape Design
<b>Z. Park and sportsground lighting</b>	Westwoods Electrical & Property Services Pty Ltd
<b>AA. Goal replacement and repair</b>	The Trustee for the Fencing Man Trust
<b>BB. Sportsgrounds maintenance (mowing, irrigation etc.)</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Jerra Nominees Pty Ltd Green Turf Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings Green Water Australia
<b>CC. Synthetic grass pitches</b>	Green Turf Pty Ltd Green Water Australia Maddocks Sports Pty Ltd

- 3) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to finalise and

execute the contract documents on behalf of Council.

- 4) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to review and approve contract variation requirements within the scope of service provisions and subject to satisfactory performance reviews.

The motion was put and carried Unanimously.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-093**

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

**That Council:**

- 1) Award the schedule of rates agreement for CT2021167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 1 Parks Landscape), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 to the following:

<b>A. General tree pruning and removal</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Tree Serve Pty Ltd The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Tree Amigos Victoria Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd Star Tree Services Pty Ltd
<b>B. Tree stump removal</b>	Tree Serve Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Tree Amigos Victoria Pty Ltd The Tree Company Arboricultural Services
<b>C. Tree root control</b>	Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd
<b>D. Arboricultural consultancy (tree reports and data collection)</b>	The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Dianabelle Pty Ltd Lucas and Co. Pty Ltd
<b>E. Tree planting and establishment (supply, planting and maintenance)</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Sevron Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd
<b>F. Tree inspections (consultancy)</b>	The Tree Company Arboricultural Services Pty Ltd Dianabelle Pty Ltd Lucas and Co Pty Ltd Axiom Tree Management Pty Ltd
<b>G. Bushland maintenance (weed spraying etc.)</b>	Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc. General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd

<b>H. Mulch suppliers</b>	Repurpose It Pty Ltd Ecodynamics Services Pty Ltd Melbourne Landscape Group Pty Ltd Sevron Pty Ltd Aztec Industries Pty Ltd
<b>L. Open space and bushland slashing</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc. General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd
<b>N. Garden bed maintenance</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd UDL M Pty Ltd General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Merri Creek Management Committee Inc.
<b>P. Supply and application of horticultural products</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings Pty Ltd Landlinks Environmental Services Pty Ltd
<b>Q. Application only of horticultural products</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd
<b>R. Irrigation</b>	Danville Tower Pty Ltd Green Water Australia
<b>U. General fencing</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Pty Ltd Webster Contracting Pty Ltd Prowire Fencing Group Pty Ltd

- 2) Award the schedule of rates agreement for CT201167: Provision of Parks and Open Space Related Services (Category 2 Playgrounds, sports ground and fitness equipment), for a period of 5 years commencing on 1 November 2022 to the following:

<b>Category 2 - Playgrounds, Sports ground and Fitness Equipment</b>	
<b>V. Playground and fitness equipment</b>	General Maintenance and Hire Services Adventure Playgrounds Pty Ltd
<b>W. Playground maintenance</b>	UDL M Pty Ltd General Maintenance and Hire Services
<b>Y. Landscape architects design consultants</b>	Michael Smith and Associates Outerspace Landscape Architects Pty Ltd Urban Initiatives The Trustee for the Pollen Studio Unit Trust Thompson Berrill Landscape Design
<b>Z. Park and sportsground lighting</b>	Westwoods Electrical & Property Services Pty Ltd
<b>AA. Goal replacement and repair</b>	The Trustee for the Fencing Man Trust

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<b>BB. Sportsgrounds maintenance (mowing, irrigation etc.)</b>	Programmed Property Services Pty Ltd Jerra Nominees Pty Ltd Green Turf Pty Ltd Australian Agribusiness Holdings Green Water Australia
<b>CC. Synthetic grass pitches</b>	Green Turf Pty Ltd Green Water Australia Maddocks Sports Pty Ltd

- 3) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to finalise and execute the contract documents on behalf of Council.
- 4) Authorises the General Manager of Operations and Capital to review and approve contract variation requirements within the scope of service provisions and subject to satisfactory performance reviews.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 8.9

## GOVERNANCE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2022

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The matters covered under the Governance Report for the month of September 2022 are:

- Summary of Advisory Committees, Councillor Briefing and other informal meetings of Councillors
- Reports by Mayor and Councillors
- Responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the Council Meeting held on 22 August 2022
- Councillor/s Request for Leave of Absence
- Councillor Expenses Report for the quarter from 1 April to 30 June 2022
- Audit and Risk Committee Annual Performance Report
- Approval of Public Transparency Policy
- Three Year Partnership Grant Program Update
- Update on appointment of the Councillor Conduct Officer

**Officer Recommendation**

**That** Council:

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – September 2022.
- (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 responses to questions taken on notice during Public Question Time at the Council meeting held on 22 August 2022, at **Appendix B** to this report
- (5) In accordance with section 35 of the *Local Government Act 2020* (Vic) Council approves:
  - a) Cr Dimitriadis request for leave of absence for the period of 11 August to 28 August 2022 inclusive;
  - b) Cr Dimitriadis request for leave of absence for the period of 29 August 2022 to 11 September 2022 inclusive;
  - c) Cr Williams request for leave of absence for the period 4 to 18 October 2022 inclusive and 9 to 16 November 2022 inclusive;
  - d) Cr Laurence request for leave of absence for the period 28 September to 26 November 2022 inclusive; and
  - e) Cr McCarthy request for leave of absence for the period 19 September to 29 September 2022 inclusive.
- (6) Notes Cr Dimitriadis, Cr Williams, Cr Laurence and Cr McCarthy leave will be noted in Council meeting minutes, Planning Committee meeting minutes and Assemblies of Councillor meeting minutes as 'on approved leave of absence' during these periods.
- (7) Notes should Councillors wish to attend any Council meetings or Planning Committee

- meetings virtually rather than attending meetings scheduled wholly-in-person during any approved leave of absence period, Councillors must make a request to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with Governance Rule 11.1.4.
- (8) Notes the Councillor Expenses Report for the quarter from 1 April 2022 to 30 June 2022, at **Appendix C** to this Report.
  - (9) Notes and receives the Audit and Risk Committee Annual Performance Report 2021 - 2022 at **Appendix D** to this Report.
  - (10) Endorses the Public Transparency Policy 2020 at **Appendix E** to this Report.
  - (11) Notes that the appointment of Megan Lawton, Councillor Conduct Officer made on 19 July 2022 will remain in place until 18 January 2023, or earlier by agreement, to ensure continuity in the handling of Councillor conduct matters.

<b>Motion</b>
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**MOVED:** Cr. S Newton  
**SECONDED:** Cr. G Greco

**That Council:**

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- 2022, at **Appendix C** to this Report.
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- (10) Notes that the appointment of Megan Lawton, Councillor Conduct Officer made on 19 July 2022 will remain in place until 18 January 2023, or earlier by agreement, to ensure continuity in the handling of Councillor conduct matters.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-094**

**MOVED:** Cr. S Newton  
**SECONDED:** Cr. G Greco

**That** Council:

- (1) Notes the Governance Report – September 2022.
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- (10) Notes that the appointment of Megan Lawton, Councillor Conduct Officer made on 19

July 2022 will remain in place until 18 January 2023, or earlier by agreement, to ensure continuity in the handling of Councillor conduct matters.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS**

### **REPORT OF CR. LINA MESSINA, MAYOR**

Cr. Messina did not submit the report.

### **REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO**

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

- Interfaith advisory committee meeting
- Welcoming Cities advisory committee
- Good governance session
- Weekly Councillor on line catch ups x3
- Council briefings x 3
- Briefing Edwardes Lake task force
- Friends of Regent Community Garden
- Active and Healthy Ageing Advisor Committee
- Planning Committee
- Fuse Block party
- First people's assembly treaty presentation
- Rezza recipe book launch

### **REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS**

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

- Council meeting
- Special Council meeting
- Planning committee
- Good governance session
- Gift announcement and 2022 Pathways to Employment celebration
- Weekly Councillor on line catch ups
- Council briefings
- Discussion re: Removal of Parklets
- DDAMRG Meeting Darebin Animal Management Committee
- Darebin Disability Advisory Committee meeting

- First people's assembly treaty presentation
- Traditional Owner Cultural Safety Session for Councillors and Exe
- Attended to matters and discussions with residents regarding:
  - Preston Market, Graffiti, Preston & Bell level crossing, Yarra council, Epping Animal Welfare Facility.

#### **REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE**

Cr. Laurence did not submit the report.

#### **REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON**

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

- First People's Assembly, Treaty Presentation
- Traditional Owner Cultural Safety Session for Councillors and Executive Management Team
- Weekly Councillor Meetings
- Weekly Councillor Briefings
- Fuse Festival screening of 'Things will be different' and Q and A with filmmakers
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Connect: State Election Series with Minister Melissa Horne
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Connect: State Election Series with Richard Riordan MP and Ryan Smith MP
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Connect: State Election Series Interview with the CEO of Infrastructure Victoria – Dr Jonathan Spears
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Fuse Festival/Darebin Arts Speakeasy's Of Frogs Opening Night
- Metropolitan Transport Forum (MTF) AGM and general meeting
- Edgars Creek and Edwardes Lake Task Force Meeting
- Good governance training sessions/OHS training
- Fuse Festival Ganbu Gulin opening event and Welcome to Country
- Special Council Meeting
- Northern Business Achievement Awards quarterly breakfast in Ivanhoe
- Councillor meeting about parklets
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting
- Darebin Art & Heritage Advisory Panel August Meeting – chairperson
- Meeting with residents at Zwar Park about water fountain
- Meeting with resident about Epping Animal Welfare Facility
- Meeting with resident about James Street and Cramer Street traffic calming
- Visit to Reservoir West Primary to meet with school leaders

- Preston Symphony Orchestra – presenting awards to winners of Youth Concerto Competition
- Bell Residents Group – photoshoot
- Interview with Cohousing Australia
- Advancing Women’s Leadership Summit: Strategies to Achieve Gender Equality in Local Government, online attendance
- Australian Local Government Women’s Association (ALGWA) Vic seminar
- Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) webinar – the Psychology of Good Governance
- Mentoring session with Courtney May, Pathways to Politics for Women mentee

### **REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE**

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

- First People’s Assembly, Treaty Presentation
- Traditional Owner Cultural Safety Session for Councillors and Executive Management Team
- Weekly Councillor Meetings
- Weekly Councillor Briefings
- Fuse Festival screening of ‘Things will be different’ and Q and A with filmmakers
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Fuse Festival/Darebin Arts Speakeasy’s Of Frogs
- Good governance training sessions/OHS training
- Fuse Festival Ganbu Gulin event
- Special Council Meeting
- Councillor meeting about parklets
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting
- Communications with residents about Epping Animal Welfare Facility
- Bell Residents Group – photoshoot
- Inner North Community Foundation celebration
- Darebin Education Network
- Meeting with David Bryson
- Speak on Climate Emergency Panel at Doctors for the Environment conference
- MAV State Council
- Meeting with NJFC

### **REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY**

Cr. McCarthy did not submit the report as he was on approved leave of absence.

**REPORT OF CR. EMILY DIMITRIADIS**

Cr. Dimitriadis did not submit the report.

**REPORT OF CR. TOM HANNAN**

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

- Contact (phone / online) with residents about their concerns, e.g. Merri Common, parklets, animal shelter, parking permits, street trees, electric vehicles,
- Ganbu Gulin event – FUSE festival event
- Things will be different – FUSE festival event
- Meeting with Northcote High School Committee
- First Peoples Assembly – Treaty presentation
- Merri Creek Management Committee
- Darebin Nature Trust
- Good Governance session
- Traditional Owner Cultural Safety Session
- Councillor briefings
- Councillor only meetings
- Planning Committee meeting
- Monthly Council meeting
- Special Council meeting

## 9. NOTICES OF MOTION

### 9.2 NAIDOC WEEK PUBLIC HOLIDAY

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*That Council:*

1. *Take action to advocate for a public holiday to acknowledge NAIDOC Week, as recommended by the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee and in alignment with the First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria campaign and Council's Statement of Commitment to Traditional Owners and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.*
2. *Acknowledge the importance of Council standing in solidarity with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, colleagues and the members of the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee.*
3. *Write to the Victorian Premier the Hon Daniel Andrews MP and the Minister for Treaty and First Peoples, the Hon Gabrielle Williams MP, requesting the State Government to:*
  - a. *Acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Victorians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.*
  - b. *Advocate for a National public holiday for all Australians to celebrate the history and culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people during NAIDOC Week.*
4. *Write to the Prime Minister Hon Anthony Albanese MP and the Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians, the Hon Linda Burney MP, requesting the Federal Government to acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a National public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.*
5. *Write to the Municipal Association of Victoria, Australian Local Government Association and Victorian Local Governance Association requesting their members also consider advocating for a national and/or a state public holiday in NAIDOC week signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.*
6. *Submit motions to this effect to the Municipal Association of Victoria and Australian Local Government Association for consideration by membership at the first available opportunity.*

<b>Motion</b>
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**MOVED:** Cr. S Rennie  
**SECONDED:** Cr. T Laurence

**That Council:**

1. Take action to advocate for a public holiday to acknowledge NAIDOC Week, as recommended by the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee and in alignment with the First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria campaign and Council's Statement of Commitment to Traditional Owners and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
2. Acknowledge the importance of Council standing in solidarity with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, colleagues and the members of the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee.
3. Write to the Victorian Premier the Hon Daniel Andrews MP and the Minister for Treaty and First Peoples, the Hon Gabrielle Williams MP, requesting the State Government to:
  - a. Acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Victorians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
  - b. Advocate for a National public holiday for all Australians to celebrate the history and culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people during NAIDOC Week.
4. Write to the Prime Minister Hon Anthony Albanese MP and the Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians, the Hon Linda Burney MP, requesting the Federal Government to acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a National public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
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6. Endorse the following motion for submission to the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) State Assembly to be held on 14 October 2022:

That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV):

  - a) Take action to advocate for a public holiday to acknowledge NAIDOC Week in alignment with the First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria campaign.
  - b) Acknowledge the importance of local governments standing in solidarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
  - c) Write to the Victorian Premier the Hon Daniel Andrews MP and the Minister for Treaty and First Peoples, the Hon Gabrielle Williams MP, requesting the State Government to:
    - i. Acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Victorians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
    - ii. Advocate for a National public holiday for all Australians to celebrate the history and culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people during NAIDOC Week.
  - d) Write to the Prime Minister Hon Anthony Albanese MP and the Federal Minister for

Indigenous Australians, the Hon Linda Burney MP, requesting the Federal Government to acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a National public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.

7. Submit a motions to this effect to the Australian Local Government Association for consideration by membership at the first available opportunity.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-095**

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

**That Council:**

1. Take action to advocate for a public holiday to acknowledge NAIDOC Week, as recommended by the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee and in alignment with the First Peoples' Assembly of Victoria campaign and Council's Statement of Commitment to Traditional Owners and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
2. Acknowledge the importance of Council standing in solidarity with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, colleagues and the members of the Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee.
3. Write to the Victorian Premier the Hon Daniel Andrews MP and the Minister for Treaty and First Peoples, the Hon Gabrielle Williams MP, requesting the State Government to:
  - a. Acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Victorians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
  - b. Advocate for a National public holiday for all Australians to celebrate the history and culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people during NAIDOC Week.
4. Write to the Prime Minister Hon Anthony Albanese MP and the Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians, the Hon Linda Burney MP, requesting the Federal Government to acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a National public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
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That the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV):

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- i. Acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Victorians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
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  - d) Write to the Prime Minister Hon Anthony Albanese MP and the Federal Minister for Indigenous Australians, the Hon Linda Burney MP, requesting the Federal Government to acknowledge the celebration of NAIDOC Week by creating a National public holiday, signifying an inclusive approach and opportunity for all Australians to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history.
7. Submit a motions to this effect to the Australian Local Government Association for consideration by membership at the first available opportunity.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**9.3 JULIAN ASSANGE**

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*That Council:*

1. *Notes that WikiLeaks publisher Julian Assange was a resident of Darebin and lived for a short period in the suburb of Thornbury.*
2. *Expresses grave concern that on 17 June 2022 the Government of the United Kingdom approved the extradition of Wikileaks co-founder Julian Assange to the United States.*
3. *Notes that Mr Assange has one last chance to be allowed to appeal the judicial order to the High Court in London, with a ruling expected this month. If his request is rejected Mr Assange will be extradited to the United States within four weeks.*
4. *Affirms its support for freedom of expression, freedom of the press and whistle-blowers and for their protection in all jurisdictions everywhere*
5. *Asserts Mr Assange's rights to humane conditions of imprisonment, to freedom from cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment, and to a fair trial, as enshrined in international human rights treaties ratified by Australia, the UK and US.*
6. *Authorises the Mayor to write urgently to the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister, Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Hon Mark Dreyfus KC MP, Attorney-General in support of strenuous diplomatic intervention to free Mr Assange and have the charges against him dropped.*
7. *Promote this resolution through Council media/social media channels.*

<b>Motion</b>
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**MOVED:** Cr. S Newton  
**SECONDED:** Cr. G Greco

**That Council:**

1. Notes that WikiLeaks publisher Julian Assange was a resident of Darebin and lived for a short period in the suburb of Thornbury.
2. Expresses grave concern that on 17 June 2022 the Government of the United Kingdom approved the extradition of Wikileaks co-founder Julian Assange to the United States.
3. Notes that Mr Assange has one last chance to be allowed to appeal the judicial order to the High Court in London, with a ruling expected this month. If his request is rejected Mr Assange will be extradited to the United States within four weeks.
4. Affirms its support for freedom of expression, freedom of the press and whistle-blowers and for their protection in all jurisdictions everywhere
5. Asserts Mr Assange's rights to humane conditions of imprisonment, to freedom from cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment, and to a fair trial, as enshrined in international human rights treaties ratified by Australia, the UK and US.
6. Authorises the Mayor to write urgently to the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister, Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Hon Mark Dreyfus KC MP, Attorney-General in support of strenuous diplomatic intervention to free Mr Assange and have the charges against him dropped.

7. Promote this resolution through Council media/social media channels.
8. That Council write to Melbourne City Council and other Council that have previously endorsed motions in support of Julian Assange to again write to the above members of the Federal govt.

<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-096**

**MOVED: Cr. S Newton**  
**SECONDED: Cr. G Greco**

**That Council:**

1. Notes that WikiLeaks publisher Julian Assange was a resident of Darebin and lived for a short period in the suburb of Thornbury.
2. Expresses grave concern that on 17 June 2022 the Government of the United Kingdom approved the extradition of Wikileaks co-founder Julian Assange to the United States.
3. Notes that Mr Assange has one last chance to be allowed to appeal the judicial order to the High Court in London, with a ruling expected this month. If his request is rejected Mr Assange will be extradited to the United States within four weeks.
4. Affirms its support for freedom of expression, freedom of the press and whistle-blowers and for their protection in all jurisdictions everywhere
5. Asserts Mr Assange's rights to humane conditions of imprisonment, to freedom from cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment, and to a fair trial, as enshrined in international human rights treaties ratified by Australia, the UK and US.
6. Authorises the Mayor to write urgently to the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister, Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Hon Mark Dreyfus KC MP, Attorney-General in support of strenuous diplomatic intervention to free Mr Assange and have the charges against him dropped.
7. Promote this resolution through Council media/social media channels.
8. That Council write to Melbourne City Council and other Council that have previously endorsed motions in support of Julian Assange to again write to the above members of the Federal govt.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**9.4 BANNING FOSSIL FUEL ADVERTISING ON COUNCIL PROPERTY**

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*That Council:*

1. *Notes that fossil fuels are the primary cause of global warming, which is impacting the City of Darebin. In Australia and worldwide, we are already seeing more intense and frequent heatwaves, heavy rainfall and flooding, the bleaching of the Great Barrier Reef, extreme fire weather and more bushfires.*
  2. *Notes that Council recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency and was the first government in the world to do so. Unless we restore a safe climate at emergency speed, there will be dramatic and negative impacts on our community and around the world. Advertising fossil fuels on Council property or facilities is inconsistent with this adopted Council position.*
  3. *Notes that the Federal Government has a responsibility to implement restrictions on fossil fuel advertising through national laws, like what was done for tobacco advertising in 1992, which saw a proven reduction in tobacco consumption per capita, therefore reducing the health burden of tobacco use.*
  4. *Does not support the advertising of companies involved in the production of support of fossil fuels on council property, consistent with Darebin's Climate Emergency Plan.*
  5. *Calls for a report on the implications of not permitting advertising for companies involved in the production or supply of fossil fuels on council property and a process for phasing this in, and that this report be presented to a future Council meeting, including:*
    - a) *if Council can use its social and sustainable procurement policy to encourage media outlets it advertises through to reject fossil fuel advertising and review Council policies or strategies that may allow for the promotion of fossil fuels,*
    - b) *placing a ban on accepting sponsorships from companies whose main business is the extraction or sale of coal, oil or gas, and*
    - c) *implementing restrictions on advertising for fossil fuels for any Council controlled signage or property, and for sporting clubs etc that use council facilities and/or receive grants from council.*
  6. *Resolves for the Mayor to write to the Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications, to ask the Federal Government to pass national laws that restrict fossil fuel advertising.*
  7. *Resolves for the Mayor to write to the Hon Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation requesting the Victorian Government impose restrictions on fossil fuel advertising.*
  8. *Notes that the City of Sydney, Yarra City Council and Moreland (Merri-bek) Council have passed resolutions on how to restrict fossil fuel advertising on Council managed land.*
  9. *Works with other councils, the Victorian Local Governance Association, the Municipal Association of Victoria and the Australian Local Government Association to encourage a consistent approach across local government to fossil fuel advertising.*
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**Motion****MOVED: Cr. S Newton****SECONDED: Cr. T Hannan****That Council:**

1. Notes that fossil fuels are the primary cause of global warming, which is impacting the City of Darebin. In Australia and worldwide, we are already seeing more intense and frequent heatwaves, heavy rainfall and flooding, the bleaching of the Great Barrier Reef, extreme fire weather and more bushfires.
2. Notes that Council recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency and was the first government in the world to do so. Unless we restore a safe climate at emergency speed, there will be dramatic and negative impacts on our community and around the world. Advertising fossil fuels on Council property or facilities is inconsistent with this adopted Council position.
3. Notes that the Federal Government has a responsibility to implement restrictions on fossil fuel advertising through national laws, like what was done for tobacco advertising in 1992, which saw a proven reduction in tobacco consumption per capita, therefore reducing the health burden of tobacco use.
4. Notes that the Does not support the advertising of companies involved in the production of support of fossil fuels on council property, is generally not consistent with Darebin's Climate Emergency Plan.
5. Refers for future consideration as part of the 2023-24 Council Plan Action plan, development of a Calls for a report to Council on the implications of not permitting advertising for companies involved in the production or supply of fossil fuels on council property and a process for phasing this in, and that this report be presented to a future Council meeting, including:
  - a) if Council can use its social and sustainable procurement policy to encourage media outlets it advertises through to reject fossil fuel advertising and review Council policies or strategies that may allow for the promotion of fossil fuels,
  - b) placing a ban on accepting sponsorships from companies whose main business is the extraction or sale of coal, oil or gas, and
  - c) implementing restrictions on advertising for fossil fuels for any Council controlled signage or property, and for sporting clubs etc that use council facilities and/or receive grants from council.
6. Resolves for the Mayor to write to the Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications, to ask the Federal Government to pass national laws that restrict fossil fuel advertising.
7. Resolves for the Mayor to write to the Hon Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation requesting the Victorian Government impose restrictions on fossil fuel advertising.
8. Notes that the City of Sydney, Yarra City Council and Moreland Merri-bek Council, Inner West Council and Maribyrnong Council have passed resolutions on how to restrict fossil fuel advertising on Council managed land.

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<b>Council Resolution</b>
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**MINUTE NO. 22-097**

**MOVED:** Cr. S Newton  
**SECONDED:** Cr. T Hannan

**That Council:**

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2. Notes that Council recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency and was the first government in the world to do so. Unless we restore a safe climate at emergency speed, there will be dramatic and negative impacts on our community and around the world. Advertising fossil fuels on Council property or facilities is inconsistent with this adopted Council position.
3. Notes that the Federal Government has a responsibility to implement restrictions on fossil fuel advertising through national laws, like what was done for tobacco advertising in 1992, which saw a proven reduction in tobacco consumption per capita, therefore reducing the health burden of tobacco use.
4. Notes that the Does not support the advertising of companies involved in the production of support of fossil fuels on council property, is generally not consistent with Darebin's Climate Emergency Plan.
5. Refers for future consideration as part of the 2023-24 Council Plan Action plan, development of a Calls for a report to Council on the implications of not permitting advertising for companies involved in the production or supply of fossil fuels on council property and a process for phasing this in, and that this report be presented to a future Council meeting, including:
  - a) if Council can use its social and sustainable procurement policy to encourage media outlets it advertises through to reject fossil fuel advertising and review Council policies or strategies that may allow for the promotion of fossil fuels,
  - b) placing a ban on accepting sponsorships from companies whose main business is the extraction or sale of coal, oil or gas, and

- c) implementing restrictions on advertising for fossil fuels for any Council controlled signage or property, and for sporting clubs etc that use council facilities and/or receive grants from council.
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**CARRIED**

**For:** Cr's. Dimitriadis, Greco, Hannan, Messina, Newton and Rennie (6)

**Abstained:** Cr's. Dimitriadis and Laurence (2)

**10. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil

**11. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL**

Nil

**12. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 10.03 pm.

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