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# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS AND ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITIES IN DAREBIN

Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung people as the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land we now call Darebin and pays respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Council pays respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Darebin.

Council recognises, and pays tribute to, the diverse culture, resilience and heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

We acknowledge the leadership of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and the right to selfdetermination in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect.

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## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT DAREBIN CIVIC CENTRE, 350 HIGH STREET PRESTON ON MONDAY 2 DECEMBER 2019

#### THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.00PM

#### **WELCOME**

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

Ngarrgma Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung guljin gurringanyinu bik wenerop Darebin dharri. Ngarri yana ngarnga bik, baan ba ngarrgu. Gahgook-al Nanggit Bambuth, Yalingbu ba gama-dji.

"I acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people who are the Traditional Owners of the land. I recognise their continuing connection to the land, water and culture. I pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging."

#### 1. PRESENT

#### **Councillors**

- Cr. Susan Rennie (Mayor) (Chairperson)
- Cr. Susanne Newton (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr. Steph Amir
- Cr. Tim Laurence
- Cr. Kim Le Cerf
- Cr. Trent McCarthy
- Cr. Lina Messina
- Cr. Julie Williams

#### **Council Officers**

Ingrid Bishop - Acting Chief Executive Officer

Vicky Guglielmo - Acting General Manager Community

Sam Hewett - General Manager Operations and Capital

Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

Mike Kelly - Acting Manager Finance

Melinda Viksne - Manager Governance and Performance

Stephen Mahon - Coordinator Governance, Council Business and Civic Services

Karlee Ferrante - Council Business Officer

David Lee - IT Service Desk Officer

#### 2. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cr. Greco.

#### 3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

#### 4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-266** 

MOVED: Cr. L Messina SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

**That** the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 6 November and the Special Meeting of Council 25 November 2019 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

The Chairperson, Cr Rennie, responded to the following questions submitted for Public Question Time.

#### Serena O'Meley, Reservoir 3074

At the Darebin Council meeting on 22 July 2019, I asked about lobbying that Darebin Council had undertaken "...to ensure that bicycle parking fits with the aesthetic of the new station, and is sufficient, accessible, sheltered and secure, including for electric and alternative bicycles." Can you please provide the community with an update about the status of the bicycle parking at Reservoir Station, especially design elements such as potential integration of bicycle parking into the side of the station along the lines of Rosanna Station?

There will be large scale planting required around Darebin Station once it has been completed. Can you please update the community on how this planting will be managed to ensure that indigenous plants are used throughout the new open space area?

#### Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Thank you Ms O'Meley for this question. The State Government hasn't yet confirmed if it will adjust its plans regarding bicycle parking at Reservoir station. I also haven't had a response to my letter to the Minister for Transport Infrastructure of 21 October 2019, and we will ask officers to follow up on this. We've been calling for 120 bicycle parking spots and have raised this over many months. I would encourage you to also contact the State Government to let them know how important it is to you. Previously the State Government has said that they will reinstate the 26 secure bike parks in the parkiteer and provide 16 other bicycle hoops.

In relation to trees; with regard to species at the Reservoir Station precinct, the State Government has advised that they will plant at least 330 trees and a large number of grasses and shrubs and they have said that these will be largely native and indigenous to the local area. They haven't shared full details of species as yet and we again encourage you to contact the State Government for this information – our officers will put you in touch.

Council has been advocating for a four to one replacement rate for any trees removed and the State Government project team have significantly increased the number of trees they will plant as a result. We've been aiming to strengthen biodiversity values in this planting.

#### Serena O'Meley, Reservoir 3074

Darebin Council is continuing to plant expensive, mature, exotic trees on many street scapes throughout the municipality despite the important benefits of using indigenous seedlings. Can you please refer me to the relevant policies that determine the street tree planting regime and the soonest opportunity for the community to be consulted about amending the relevant policies?

#### Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Thank you also for this question. Darebin Council plants the right tree in the right spot, as per Council's Urban Forest Strategy 2013–2025. If there is no suitable tree theme in a street, a new theme is chosen by offering suitable trees for the site (with both native and exotic options being voted on by the residents), considering all site constraints including soil volume and infrastructure both above and below ground. Advanced tree stock is planted as the most viable option in streetscapes, considering maintenance required, vandalism and establishment requirements.

#### • John Nugent, Epping 3076

Mayor Rennie, my question is about the Donath/Dole Masterplan. I have been receiving correspondences that the South East Corner of Donath West is in the Masterplan. The Masterplan for the South East Corner, there are no proposed plans for finance available for this project. The whole masterplan is on a financial drip system not like our friends in the south they are fully funded within 2 years. Mayor Rennie, how about informing the people of the North what is going on in the South East Corner of Donath West? What part will they play in this Masterplan?

#### Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Thank you for that question Mr Nugent. I'll take most of it on notice. I would note that Masterplans are typically delivered over a ten-year period and it's quite normal that a Masterplan does not fully get funded. I can't think of any instances in which a Masterplan has been completely funded in a two-year period so I'll take the question relation to the South East Corner on notice.

#### John Nugent, Epping 3076

Mayor Rennie, I refer to a letter received from the CEO dated 5 September 2019. In the letter it stated, Council may close Council Meeting to the public under Section 89 (2) of the Local Government Act 1989.

Mayor Rennie, we know 26% of staff were made redundant over a two-year period. How much is total redundancies paid out. I am not asking for private information. As this is rate payers money, we have a right to know, and when Council keeps the truth from you, what are they covering up? Thank you.

#### Response from Chairperson, Mayor Rennie

Mr Nugent, I reject the assertion that anything is being covered up. I'm also not certain about the veracity of the information you have provided. I'll take that on notice and get an answer.

Pursuant to Council's 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.

At the Council meeting held on 6 November 2019, the following questions were taken on notice by the Chairperson, Mayor Rennie.

#### John Nugent, Epping 3076

Mayor Rennie, My question concerns Mr Brian Sanaghan, Could you please advise why the police were called by the Council on the 2/9/19, when Mr Shanaghan did not enter the building?

Also has Mr Sanaghan got the rights to stand outside the Council Building when there is a Council Meeting? And isn't this a waste of Police resources everytime he turns up?

A written response dated 4 December 2019 was provided to John Nugent by Ingrid Bishop, General Manager Governance and Engagement

Security arrangements for Council meetings are based on managing OH&S and risk management obligations. These obligations also inform decisions made to engage Victoria Police. Council is not able to comment on any specific circumstances of police attendance other than being based on the obligations mentioned above.

Any person has the right to stand outside a Council building during a Council meeting, as long as they are behaving lawfully and in accordance with any relevant provisions under the Governance Local Law. Council is not able to comment on the use or allocation of Police resources other than to ensure that OHS and risk management obligations are met.

#### 6. PETITIONS

## 6.1 RESTORE AND PROTECT CAIN AVENUE EAST BUSHLAND RESERVE, NORTHCOTE

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-267** 

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

**That** the petition containing 24 signatures stating:

"We are writing to ask you to restore, protect and maintain the Cain Avenue East Bushland Reserve – a precious linear habitat corridor in Darebin.

As Darebin's own open space strategy says, we need to be bold and ambitious to maintain the beauty of our green and natural spaces and safeguard their liveability. We need to make sure local people have access to natural spaces for passive and active outdoor enjoyment, to improve wellbeing. We need to connect corridors of habitat for wildlife, protect the area's biodiversity and contribute to cooling our busy city.

This habitat corridor is much needed, and we need your help. We appreciate the recent moving/whippersnippering organised by the parks department, and we are grateful for the recent contribution of plants, trees guards and mulch, and ask that this continue.

We plan to engage the local community with a number of 'Friends' days of planting weeding and mulching. We will reach out to the residents in the two new high-density residential developments nearby on Railway Place Fairfield, who are in dire need of green space – and community engagement.

Protecting our green streetscape also means removing the option of parking on bushland reserve. We should not give up our significant -and precious – green open space for cars. This is also a safety issue. Allowing parking on the bushland reserve on our narrow avenue increases the risk of 'dooring' for cyclists. By allowing parking on the reserve – with cars pulling out unexpectedly from the bushland reserve into the narrow street – you have increased the risk of accidents, which is of particular concern to the many local families with young children on scooters/bikers. We ask you to alter the existing provisions to make sure parking is excluded from the reserve.

We, the undersigned, together with the Friends of Cain Avenue East Bushland Reserve, ask you to commit to nurturing, valuing and protecting this natural open space on our doorstop.

We have had great interest from the Wurundjeri Land Council and from the Member for Northcote Ms Kat Theophanous MP."

be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

#### 8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

8.1 PERFORMANCE OF THE 2018–19 CAPITAL WORKS

**PROGRAM** 

**Author:** Senior Coordinator EPMO

**Reviewed By:** Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information regarding the performance of the 2018–19 capital works program and to seek the endorsement of the transfer of \$7,806,770 to the Major Capital Works Reserve.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-268** 

MOVED: Cr. S Amir SECONDED: Cr. S Newton

#### That Council:

- (1) Notes the Council report outlining the outcomes from the 2018–19 capital works program including a summary of project variances.
- (2) Endorses the transfer of \$7,806,770 in identified capital works variance from 2018–19 to the Major Capital Works Reserve, noting that these reserve funds are to only be used for the construction of intergenerational infrastructure assets where the cost of the asset is in excess of \$10 million.

**CARRIED** 

Cr. Laurence requested that his opposition be noted in the minutes.

8.2 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO

**EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AND ENTITIES** 

Author: Coordinator Governance, Council Business & Civic Services

**Reviewed By:** General Manager Governance and Engagement

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

It is proposed that Council representatives be appointed to the following organisations and entities:

- Municipal Association of Victoria
- Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum
- Inner Northern Group Training Ltd (IntoWork) Board
- Inner Northern Local Learning and Employment Network Inc.
- Friends of Baucau Inc.
- Metropolitan Transport Forum
- Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action
- Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
- Northern Councils Alliance
- Melbourne Innovation Centre
- Darebin Ethnic Communities Council
- Darebin Creek Management Committee Inc.
- Merri Creek Management Committee Inc.

Councillors discussed potential appointments for the upcoming year at the briefing session on 18 November 2019. Their 'in principle' nominations are reflected in the recommendation.

#### **Motion**

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

**That** Council appoints representatives to the organisations and entities listed in the tables below for a period of 12 months, or until such time as Council makes a further resolution on the matter:

Organisations and entities	Nominees required	Appointments 2019–20
Municipal Association of Victoria	One Councillor and one proxy	Cr. McCarthy Cr. Rennie (Proxy)
Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum	One Councillor	Cr. Messina
Inner Northern Group	One Council Officer	Manager

Training Ltd (IntoWork) Board		Governance and Performance
Inner Northern Local Learning and Employment Network Inc.	One Councillor	Coordinator Economic Development
Friends of Baucau Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Le Cerf Cr. Greco (proxy)
Metropolitan Transport Forum	One Councillor	Cr. Messina
Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action	One Councillor	Cr. McCarthy
Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy	Mayor of the Day	Mayor, Cr. Rennie
Northern Councils Alliance New organisation established in Sept 2019	One Councillor and the Chief Executive Officer	Cr. Rennie

Darebin-based organisations and entities	Nominees required	Appointments 2019–20
Melbourne Innovation Centre	Two Councillors	Cr. McCarthy Cr. Messina
Darebin Ethnic Communities Council	Two Councillors	Cr. Rennie
Darebin Creek Management Committee Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Le Cerf
Merri Creek Management Committee Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Amir

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder that Cr. McCarthy's appointment to the Municipal Association of Victoria be removed and replaced with his name.

The mover and seconder did not consent to the amendment.

#### **Amendment**

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence

SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

**That** Cr. McCarthy's appointment to the Municipal Association of Victoria be removed and replaced with Cr. Laurence.

The amendment was put and lost

LOST

Cr. Newton sought the consent of the mover and seconder that she be appointed as proxy to the Melbourne Transport Forum.

The mover and seconder consented to this amendment.

Cr. Le Cerf sought the consent of the mover and seconder that she be appointed to the Darebin Ethnics Communities Council.

The mover and seconder consented to this amendment.

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder that he replace Cr. Rennie as the proxy for the Municipal Association of Victoria.

The mover and seconder did not consent to the amendment.

#### **Amendment**

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

That Cr. Laurence replace Cr. Rennie as the proxy for the Municipal Association of Victoria.

The amendment was put and lost

LOST

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder that Cr. Rennie's appointment to the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council be removed and replaced with his name.

The mover and seconder did not consent to the amendment.

#### **Amendment**

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

**That** Cr. Rennie's appointment to the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council be removed and replaced with Cr. Laurence.

The amendment was put and lost

LOST

Cr. Laurence sought leave of the Chairperson to move a further amendment.

Leave was not granted.

#### Motion

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

That the Chairperson's ruling be dissented from

6.40 pm – In accordance with Clause 52 of the Governance Local Law, Mayor Rennie left the Chair and Deputy Mayor Newton assumed the Chair.

Cr. Laurence was provided the opportunity to state the reasons for his dissent and the Mayor provided a reply.

The motion was put and lost.

**LOST** 

6.48 pm – Mayor Rennie resumed the Chair.

THE MOTION BEFORE THE COUNCIL WAS PUT AND CARRIED

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-269** 

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

**That** Council appoints representatives to the organisations and entities listed in the tables below for a period of 12 months, or until such time as Council makes a further resolution on the matter:

Organisations and entities	Nominees required	Appointments 2019–20
Municipal Association of Victoria	One Councillor and one proxy	Cr. McCarthy Cr. Rennie (Proxy)

Metropolitan Local Government Waste Forum	One Councillor	Cr. Messina
Inner Northern Group Training Ltd (IntoWork) Board	One Council Officer	Manager Governance and Performance
Inner Northern Local Learning and Employment Network Inc.	One Councillor	Coordinator Economic Development
Friends of Baucau Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Le Cerf Cr. Greco (proxy)
Metropolitan Transport Forum	One Councillor	Cr. Messina Cr. Newton
Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action	One Councillor	Cr. McCarthy
Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy	Mayor of the Day	Mayor, Cr. Rennie
Northern Councils Alliance New organisation established in Sept 2019	One Councillor and the Chief Executive Officer	Cr. Rennie

Darebin-based organisations and entities	Nominees required	Appointments 2019–20
Melbourne Innovation Centre	Two Councillors	Cr. McCarthy Cr. Messina
Darebin Ethnic Communities Council	Two Councillors	Cr. Rennie Cr. Le Cerf
Darebin Creek Management Committee Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Le Cerf
Merri Creek Management Committee Inc.	One Councillor	Cr. Amir

**CARRIED** 

Cr. Laurence and Cr. Williams requested that their opposition be noted in the minutes.

8.3 ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMUNITY

**ADVISORY COMMITTEES** 

Author: Coordinator Governance, Council Business & Civic Services

**Reviewed By:** General Manager Governance and Engagement

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to re-establish current Council Community Advisory Committees and to appoint Councillors as members to those Committees.

A major review of Council Advisory Committees has been undertaken over the last eight months, with Council endorsing a transition plan for a range of Community Advisory Committees and Community Reference Groups at its 6 November Council meeting. This report seeks to appoint Councillor representatives to those Community Advisory Committees and Community Reference Groups that will continue to operate in 2020.

It is proposed that the following Community Advisory Committees continue to provide advice on specific areas of Council business:

- Active and Healthy Ageing Community Board
- Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee
- Darebin Community Awards Advisory Committee
- Darebin Disability Advisory Committee
- Darebin Domestic Animal Management Reference Group
- Darebin Education Committee
- Darebin Interfaith Council
- Darebin Nature Trust (see note below)
- Darebin Women's Advisory Committee
- Mayer Park Project Control Group
- Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Advisory Committee.
- Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee
- Welcoming Cities Community Reference Group

The terms of reference for the Darebin Nature Trust will be presented to the 16 December 2019 Council Meeting for consideration. This report will also deal with the appointment of Councillor representatives to that committee.

Councillors discussed potential appointments for the upcoming year at the briefing session on 18 November 2019. These 'in principle' nominations are reflected in the recommendation.

The Coordinator Governance, Council Business and Civic Services advised that since the distribution of the agenda, the report to Council regarding the Darebin Nature Trust's Terms of Reference scheduled for 16 December 2019 had been delayed and would be presented early in 2020. The Officer Recommendation was changed to reflect this and recommended that Cr. McCarthy, Cr. Newton and Cr. Greco be appointed to the Darebin Nature Trust until the February Council meeting.

#### **Motion**

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

#### That Council:

(1) Establishes the following Community Advisory Committees for a period of 12 months or until such time as Council makes a further resolution on the matter.

(2) Appoints the appropriate number of Councillors as members of each Committee until the 24 October 2020.

Community Advisory Committee	Nominees Required	Councillor Appointments 2019–20
Active and Healthy Ageing Community Board	Three Councillors	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Newton (Deputy) Cr. Greco (Proxy)
Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee	Two Councillors One further Councillor as a proxy member if required	Cr. Le Cerf (Chair) Cr. McCarthy (Deputy) Cr. Amir (Proxy)
Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee	At least one Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Newton (Deputy) Cr. Le Cerf (Proxy) Cr. Greco (Proxy)
Darebin Community Awards Advisory Committee	Mayor of the Day (Chair)	Mayor, Cr. Rennie (Chair)
Darebin Disability Advisory Committee	One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy	Cr. Williams (Chair) Cr. Newton (Proxy)
Darebin Domestic Animal Management Reference Group	One Councillor (Recommended: One Councillor and one proxy)	
Darebin Education Committee (To be renamed Darebin Education Network from January 2020)	One Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Amir (Proxy)
Darebin Interfaith Council	At least one Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Le Cerf (Chair)

Darebin Nature Trust	One Councillor from each Ward (one Councillor as Chair)	The Terms of Reference for this Committee will be the subject of a report to the February 2020 Council Meeting. It is recommend that Crs McCarthy, Newton and Greco be appointed until the Terms of Reference report is considered by Council
Darebin Women's Advisory Committee	At least one female Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One female Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Messina (Chair)
Mayer Park Project Control Group	One Councillor	Cr Rennie (Chair)
Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	Mayor of the Day (Chair)	Mayor, Cr. Rennie (Chair)
Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Advisory Committee	One Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Amir (Chair) Cr. Newton (Proxy)
Welcoming Cities Community Reference Group	One Councillor	Cr. Greco

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder that Cr. McCarthy's appointment to the Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee be removed and replaced with his name.

The mover and seconder did not consent to this amendment.

#### **Amendment**

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

**That** Cr. McCarthy's appointment to the Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee be removed and replaced with Cr. Laurence.

The amendment was put and lost.

LOST

Cr. Williams sought the consent of the mover and seconder that she be appointed to the Darebin Domestic Animals Management Reference Group.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

Cr. Newton sought the consent of the mover and seconder to have Cr. Laurence appointed to the Darebin Domestic Animal Management Reference Group as the proxy.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

THE MOTION BEFORE COUNCIL WAS PUT AND CARRIED

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-270** 

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Establishes the following Community Advisory Committees for a period of 12 months or until such time as Council makes a further resolution on the matter.
- (2) Appoints the appropriate number of Councillors as members of each Committee until the 24 October 2020.

Community Advisory Committee	Nominees Required	Councillor Appointments 2019–20
Active and Healthy Ageing Community Board	Three Councillors	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Newton (Deputy) Cr. Greco (Proxy)
Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee	Two Councillors One further Councillor as a proxy member if required	Cr. Le Cerf (Chair) Cr. McCarthy (Deputy) Cr. Amir (Proxy)

Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee	At least one Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Newton (Deputy) Cr. Le Cerf (Proxy) Cr. Greco (Proxy)
Darebin Community Awards Advisory Committee	Mayor of the Day (Chair)	Mayor, Cr. Rennie (Chair)
Darebin Disability Advisory Committee	One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy	Cr. Williams (Chair) Cr. Newton (Proxy)
Darebin Domestic Animal Management Reference Group	One Councillor (Recommended: One Councillor and one proxy)	Cr. Williams Cr. Laurence (Proxy)
Darebin Education Committee (To be renamed Darebin Education Network from January 2020)	One Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Rennie (Chair) Cr. Amir (Proxy)
Darebin Interfaith Council	At least one Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Le Cerf (Chair)
Darebin Nature Trust	One Councillor from each Ward (one Councillor as Chair)	The Terms of Reference for this Committee will be the subject of a report to the February 2020 Council Meeting. It is recommend that Cr McCarthy, Newton and Greco be appointed until the Terms of Reference report is considered by Council
Darebin Women's Advisory Committee	At least one female Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One female Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Messina (Chair)
Mayer Park Project Control Group	One Councillor	Cr Rennie (Chair)

Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee	Mayor of the Day (Chair)	Mayor, Cr. Rennie (Chair)
Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Advisory Committee	One Councillor (Chair) (Recommended: One Councillor (Chair) and one proxy)	Cr. Amir (Chair) Cr. Newton (Proxy)
Welcoming Cities Community Reference Group	One Councillor	Cr. Greco

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.4 PROPOSED SALE OF DISCONTINUED ROADS

- REAR HICKFORD/BANFF STREET, RESERVOIR
- REAR BROADHURST AVENUE & BARRY STREET,

RESERVOIR

- REAR O'CONNOR & BARTONS STREET, RESERVOIR

**Author:** Property Officer

**Reviewed By:** General Manager Governance and Engagement

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On 11 June 2019, Council resolved to commence the statutory procedures and give public notice of the proposed sale of the following discontinued roads to adjoining property owners:

- 1. a 3.05-metre-wide former road adjoining the rear of 74 Hickford Street and 5 and 9 Banff Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on site plan in **Appendix A**
- 2. a 3.05-metre-wide former road adjoining the rear of 5 Broadhurst Avenue and 8 and 10 Barry Street, Reservoir shown hatched on site plan in **Appendix B**
- 3. a 3.05-metre-wide former road adjoining the rear of 35 O'Connor Street and 46 and 48 Barton Street, Reservoir, shown hatched on site plan in **Appendix C**.

The process provided the community and all abutting property owners with the opportunity to make comment on the proposal.

Public notice of the proposal was given in the *Preston Leader* and *Northcote Leader* newspapers on 9 and 10 July 2019 respectively. Notification was also given on Council's website. The notice period ended on 9 August 2019. No submissions were received.

Council's endorsement is now being sought to finalise the sale of these parcels of land.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-271** 

MOVED: Cr. S Newton SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

#### That Council:

- (1) Having given public notice of the proposal under section 189 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ('the Act') and having received no submissions in respect of the proposals under section 223 of the Act:
  - a) Directs that the land shown as Lot Pt 1 (part being 50m²) on Title Plan 909115D in Appendix D be sold by private treaty to the owners of 74 Hickford Street, Reservoir
  - b) Directs that the land shown as Lot 24 on Title Plan 017782J in **Appendix E** be sold by private treaty to the owners of 5 Broadhurst Avenue, Reservoir
  - Directs that the land shown as Lot 28 and 29 on Title Plan 017781L in Appendix
     F be sold by private treaty to the owners of 35 O'Connor Street and 3/46 Barton Street, Reservoir

in accordance with Council Policy.

(2) Transfers to itself any land that remains unsold.

(3) Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign all documents relating to the sale of the land from the discontinued roads.

**CARRIED** 

8.5 ASSISTANCE FOR RESERVOIR TRADERS

**Author:** Coordinator Major Transport and Place Project

**Reviewed By:** Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report responds to the Council resolution of 6 November 2019, to provide options on rate relief and an intensive marketing program for the Reservoir Traders to add activity and vibrancy to the centre during and after the period of disruption.

Darebin City Council has existing provisions to assist Rate payers who are experiencing difficulties in paying Rate instalments on time. These provisions offer extensions of time rather than extending to providing rate relief via a Rates waiver or Rate rebate.

In response to the disruption caused by the removal of the level crossing at Reservoir (LXRP), Council has developed and delivered an intensive marketing and events program which has resulted in higher levels of customer awareness and visitation of the centre.

This report outlines marketing activities planned to support businesses during and after the LXRP works to continue to encourage customers to shop local, visit the area and to enable businesses to leverage the opportunity created by the re-opening of the intersection.

This report also outlines how officers are seeking to leverage this intensive marketing push to support traders on the Broadway side of the centre to formalise their activities into a traders association that can continue to deliver marketing activities and events on an ongoing basis.

This report recommends endorsement of various support packages and initiatives planned to improve both the resilience of the centre during works and the revitalisation of the centre post construction activity. The report also provides rates assistance options in accordance with current policy, where the ratepayer can demonstrate short term financial difficulties.

#### Motion

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Exercises the existing financial hardship policy provisions and encourages Reservoir Traders affected by the Reservoir level crossing removal project to seek payment arrangement assistance, where the ratepayer can demonstrate short term financial difficulties resulting from business disruption. Penalty interest will apply.
- (2) Encourages affected ratepayers to participate in the ongoing intensive marketing program.

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder to add an additional point (3) to the motion as follows:

(3) Requests that Officers report back to Council in the New Year regarding options for a supplementary valuation of affected properties and a capacity to give interest waivers.

The mover and seconder did not consent to the amendment.

#### **Amendment**

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Exercises the existing financial hardship policy provisions and encourages Reservoir Traders affected by the Reservoir level crossing removal project to seek payment arrangement assistance, where the ratepayer can demonstrate short term financial difficulties resulting from business disruption. Penalty interest will apply.
- (2) Encourages affected ratepayers to participate in the ongoing intensive marketing program.
- (3) Requests that Officers report back to Council in the New Year regarding options for a supplementary valuation of affected properties and a capacity to give interest waivers.

The amendment was put and lost

LOST

THE MOTION BEFORE THE COUNCIL WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-272** 

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Exercises the existing financial hardship policy provisions and encourages Reservoir Traders affected by the Reservoir level crossing removal project to seek payment arrangement assistance, where the ratepayer can demonstrate short term financial difficulties resulting from business disruption. Penalty interest will apply.
- (2) Encourages affected ratepayers to participate in the ongoing intensive marketing program.

**CARRIED** 

Cr. Laurence and Cr. Williams requested that their opposition be noted in the minutes.

7.16 pm - Cr. Amir left the meeting

7.17 pm – Cr. Amir returned to the meeting

8.6 BUNDOORA HOMESTEAD ART CENTRE BOARD OF

**MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019** 

**Author:** Manager Creative Culture and Arts

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Bundoora Homestead Board of Management is a Special Committee established under section 86 of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

The Board's purpose is:

A Special Committee appointed, pursuant to section 86 of the Local Government Act 1989, to manage the operation of Bundoora Homestead Art Centre.

The charter outlines the scope and delegated authority of the Board and specifies the following reporting requirements:

The Committee will provide an annual report to Council on its activities for the year. Specific proposals for consideration will be separately reported to Council.

The Board's Annual Report for 2018/2019 is attached. (Appendix B).

The Annual Report 2018/2019 outlines highlights, exhibitions, Darebin Art Collection acquisitions, outcomes, key statistics, financial overview and programming.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Visitation is steadily increasing following Council's 2017 decision to increase investment in cultural services delivered through the Bundoora Homestead Art Centre.
- Bundoora Homestead Art Centre has delivered several major public program initiatives in 2018/2019 which have been met with overwhelming enthusiasm and support from the Darebin community.
- Exhibition standards have increased and successful partnership have continued to be developed with like-minded organisations, artists and businesses.

7.38 pm - Cr. Laurence left the meeting

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-273** 

MOVED: Cr. S Newton SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

**That** Council notes the Bundoora Homestead Board of Management Annual Report for 2018/2019 attached as **Appendix B**.

**CARRIED** 

8.7 EAST PRESTON COMMUNITY CENTRE GOVERNANCE

2020/21

**Author:** Acting Coordinator Community Wellbeing

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks Council's endorsement of the future governance and operation model of the East Preston Community Centre (EPCC) from 2020/21 onwards.

The paper presents two options for consideration, which have been developed in response to community and local partner agency consultation findings and sector benchmarking.

The recommended option is for a three-year transition plan from a Council-operated facility to a lead tenant model. Council would continue to operate the centre for another two years, with the third year being a transition to a lead tenant model following an expression of interest process to appoint a lead tenant. The lead tenant model would be expected to be fully operating by June 2023.

7.40 pm - Cr. Laurence returned to the meeting

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-274** 

MOVED: Cr. S Amir SECONDED: Cr. K Le Cerf

#### That Council:

- (1) Continue to operate the East Preston Community Centre as a Council-run centre for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022.
- (2) Undertake an expression of interest process in 2021/2022 to select and appoint a lead tenant to manage the East Preston Community Centre from June 2023.
- (3) Work with the appointed lead tenant to transition the Centre management in 2022/2023, with the Lead tenant to be fully operational by June 2023.
- (4) Refers to the 2020/21 budget process the required allocation of \$159,033 for the operation of the East Preston Community Centre.

**CARRIED** 

8.8 STREETS FOR PEOPLE PRESTON ACTIVITY LINK

**Author:** Safe Travel Officer

**Reviewed By:** General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A draft concept design for the long - term improvements along the Preston Activity Link (Preston West corridor and Chifley Drive area) has been developed following community engagement in March 2019 and is now proposed for public release and consultation.

The community engagement was an opportunity to share the Streets for People Project's vision "to provide a safe, inviting walking and cycling environment for residents to access their local parks, schools and shops" and also to gather information on issues and opportunities along the corridor. Feedback also was received on the proposed corridor interventions from the Streets for People Feasibility Study (2018), which intended to:

- Reduce vehicle speeds and better manage traffic volume;
- Make it easier to walk, wheel and ride; and
- Make streets greener.

The concept designs cover the Preston West section and the Gower Street/Chifley Drive intersection only. Designs are not proposed to be progressed for the Preston East section of the corridor at this stage.

The reason for this is that it has become clear that there are significant challenges with the Preston East section because of the amount of car parking that would need to be removed. The highest community benefit from improvements along the Preston Activity Link corridor is expected to be in the Preston West section followed by Preston Central and Chifley Drive.

The draft concept designs propose treatments to increase comfort and safety for those choosing to walk, wheel or ride. A focus has also been given to making streets greener while reducing vehicle speeds and better managing traffic volumes.

If Council endorses the draft concept designs for public consultation, consultation will run in February 2020 and feedback will be considered and a proposed design presented to Council to for consideration in around April 2020.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-275** 

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

**That** Council endorse for public consultation of the Preston Activity Link (West and Chifley Drive) draft concept designs, as attached in **Appendix C**.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

7.46 pm - Cr. Newton left the meeting

8.9 CLIMATE EMERGENCY PROGRAMS AND THE

FORMATION OF CLIMATE EMERGENCY AUSTRALIA

**Author:** Manager Climate Emergency and Sustainable Transport

Reviewed By: Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report outlines the approach planned for Council's 2019-2020 climate emergency education, mobilisation and advocacy programs, and what is proposed as part of this program that responds to two recent Council resolutions.

Council is planning a continuous program of action to enable, facilitate and support the sustained, effective and large-scale action required to address the climate emergency. The program will be focused on ensuring that the entire community can contribute to Climate Emergency actions, and that those who are already mobilised are able to support Darebin's advocacy agenda. Feedback from stakeholders on Council's proposed climate emergency mobilisation program is detailed in the report and, in general, is supportive of the mobilisation and education components.

The report also outlines how Council will continue to develop and expand the network of climate emergency councils that it has already started to develop, with the plan to build this into a formal network called Climate Emergency Australia, and to invite local governments to join.

The report details an advocacy plan that will include formalising Council's policy position on the climate emergency, advocacy and messaging on 5th December 2019. It recommends that as part of this launch, Council call on state and federal government to respond to the climate emergency to achieve zero emissions by 2030 through policy reform that:

- Achieves 100% renewable energy by 2030 and then quickly doubles renewable energy supply - to meet all Australia's energy needs and foster new industry.
- Sets a target of 100% renewable energy by 2030 to meet all Australia's energy needs and foster new industry.
- Requires all products and packaging sold in Australia to be made from fully recycled materials by default.
- o Invests in the infrastructure to support the transition to all electric cars by 2025.

7.47 pm - Cr. Newton returned to the meeting

#### Motion

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

#### That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2019-2020 climate emergency education and mobilisation programs that are underway.
- (2) Establishes Climate Emergency Australia as a network that stands independently of any one organisation and invites other organisations to join and support the network.

- (3) Promotes Climate Emergency Australia and Council's advocacy priorities at the National Climate Emergency Summit to be held in Melbourne in February 2020, which Darebin City Council is sponsoring.
- (4) Works in partnership with the Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA) to build the network of local governments and to build local government capability to respond to the Climate Emergency by delivering workshops and webinars and sharing knowledge about and examples of effective responses to the climate emergency.
- (5) Writes to local governments that have declared a climate emergency to seek their support in building common advocacy positions on the climate emergency.
- (6) Calls upon the Victorian and Australian Governments to respond to the climate emergency to achieve zero emissions by 2030 through policy reform that:
  - Achieves 100% renewable energy by 2030 and then quickly doubles renewable energy supply - to meet all of Australia's energy needs and foster new jobs and new industry.
  - Reforms planning laws and building standards to mandate that all new construction and major renovations and extensions on existing buildings deliver net zero emissions outcomes by 1 January 2023 (or before) including the removal of all mandated requirements to connect to gas.
  - Requires all products and packaging sold in Australia to be made from fully recycled materials by default.
  - Invests in the infrastructure to support the transition to all electric cars by 2025.

Cr. Le Cerf sought consent of the mover and seconder to amend the last point of item (6) to read as follows:

 Invests in the infrastructure to support the transition to all electric cars, buses and trucks by 2025 and support local manufacturing of all types of road transport vehicles.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder to further amend the last point of item (6) to read as follows:

 Invests in the infrastructure to support the just transition to all electric cars buses and trucks by 2025 and support local manufacturing of all types of road transport vehicles.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

Cr. Laurence sought the consent of the mover and seconder to add an additional point to item (6) as follows:

Requires all roads and footpaths to be made from fully recycled materials.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

THE MOTION BEFORE COUNCIL WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-276** 

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

#### That Council:

- (1) Notes the 2019-2020 climate emergency education and mobilisation programs that are underway.
- (2) Establishes Climate Emergency Australia as a network that stands independently of any one organisation and invites other organisations to join and support the network.
- (3) Promotes Climate Emergency Australia and Council's advocacy priorities at the National Climate Emergency Summit to be held in Melbourne in February 2020, which Darebin City Council is sponsoring.
- (4) Works in partnership with the Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA) to build the network of local governments and to build local government capability to respond to the Climate Emergency by delivering workshops and webinars and sharing knowledge about and examples of effective responses to the climate emergency.
- (5) Writes to local governments that have declared a climate emergency to seek their support in building common advocacy positions on the climate emergency.
- (6) Calls upon the Victorian and Australian Governments to respond to the climate emergency to achieve zero emissions by 2030 through policy reform that:
  - Achieves 100% renewable energy by 2030 and then quickly doubles renewable energy supply - to meet all of Australia's energy needs and foster new jobs and new industry.
  - Reforms planning laws and building standards to mandate that all new construction and major renovations and extensions on existing buildings deliver net zero emissions outcomes by 1 January 2023 (or before) including the removal of all mandated requirements to connect to gas.
  - Requires all products and packaging sold in Australia to be made from fully recycled materials by default.
  - Invests in the infrastructure to support the just transition to all electric cars, buses and trucks by 2025 and support local manufacturing of all types of road transport vehicles.
  - Requires all roads and footpaths to be made from fully recycled materials.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

8.10 COUNCIL SUBMISSION TO MINISTERIAL ADVISORY

COMMITTEE- PLANNING MECHANISMS FOR

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Author: Principal Strategic Planner

**Reviewed By:** General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report proposes that Council endorse an informal submission to the Ministerial Advisory Committee (MAC) on Planning Mechanisms for Affordable Housing.

The MAC has been established to provide recommendations to the Minister for Planning on options to develop a state planning policy to facilitate supply of affordable housing. The MAC is made up of experts within the planning and housing sectors.

The MAC is not accepting formal submissions; rather it is engaging directly with selected stakeholders. Notwithstanding this, there is opportunity for Council to form a public position on this matter to emphasise the importance of this issue, and to endorse the attached for submission to the MAC.

The current mechanisms for delivering affordable housing through the planning system are considered inadequate. Since their introduction on 1 June 2018, these mechanisms have delivered <u>zero</u> affordable dwellings in Darebin, an experience common to multiple councils in Melbourne. This is despite Council's efforts to encourage developers to make such contributions, and the launch of an affordable housing advisory program within Council, in collaboration with the City of Moreland. Council acknowledges that the current mechanism has been in place only a short while but would expect that some outcomes would have been achieved over the 16 months since their implementation, if the mechanisms were effective.

The proposed submission includes responses to the MAC's terms of reference and draws on Council's experience in securing affordable housing outcomes. It calls for mandatory controls to deliver affordable housing and acknowledges the need for significant state and federal government investment to complement this.

The report recommends Council endorse the submission (**Appendix A**) and write to the Minister for Planning to request the introduction of mandatory affordable housing controls. If Council endorsed the submission, officers would seek to work with other councils in Melbourne to most effectively advocate Council's position.

- 8.10pm Cr. Le Cerf and Cr. Messina left the meeting
- 8.11pm Cr. Le Cerf returned to the meeting
- 8.12pm Cr. Messina returned to the meeting

#### Motion

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Endorses the submission attached in **Appendix A** and authorise the General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy to make a submission to the MAC on Council's behalf.
- (2) Writes to the Minister for Planning and Housing to request:
  - Introduction of mandatory controls for affordable housing in the planning scheme; and
  - b. Meaningful engagement with councils in determining and implementing the planning mechanisms for affordable housing.

Cr. Laurence sought consent from the more and seconder to amend point (2) as follows:

- a. Introduction of mandatory controls for affordable housing (public housing, community housing and social housing) in the planning scheme; and
- b. Meaningful engagement with councils in determining and implementing the planning mechanisms for affordable housing that can extend to any future 10% mandated inclusionary zoning policy level up to 28%.

The mover and seconder consented to the amendment.

THE MOTION BEFORE COUNCIL WAS PUT AND CARRIED.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-277** 

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

#### That Council:

- (1) Endorses the submission attached in **Appendix A** and authorise the General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy to make a submission to the MAC on Council's behalf.
- (2) Writes to the Minister for Planning and Housing to request:
  - a. Introduction of mandatory controls for affordable housing (public housing, community housing and social housing) in the planning scheme; and
  - b. Meaningful engagement with councils in determining and implementing the planning mechanisms for affordable housing that can extend to any future 10% mandated inclusionary zoning policy level up to 28%.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

8.11 GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2019-2023

Author: Graffiti Management Officer

**Reviewed By:** Chief Executive Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report is to endorse the Graffiti Management Strategy 2019-2023.

The new strategy significantly strengthens the previous work of Council by adopting a new whole-of-community response to graffiti management that includes Council, residents, businesses, artists, community organisations and graffitists.

The strategy acknowledges that graffiti is a highly complex social activity that remains a consistent issue for inner city Councils across Melbourne. Graffiti is a highly contentious and subjective issue that draws a mixture of views from the community. Therefore, it cannot be effectively managed by one approach.

The new Graffiti Management Strategy 2019-2023 seeks to present a balanced graffiti management approach, incorporating an understanding of the graffiti culture; the prevention of; and the expectations of the Darebin community and evidence-based knowledge about how graffiti can be effectively reduced. It also draws a clear distinction between 'graffiti' applied without permission and 'street art' that is created on property with permission.

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-278** 

MOVED: Cr. L Messina SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

That Council endorses the new Graffiti Management Strategy 2019-2023

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## 9. CONSIDERATION OF RESPONSES TO PETITIONS, NOTICES OF MOTION AND GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

#### 10. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

#### 11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Acting Chief Executive Officer advised Council that she was withdrawing Item 11.1 Audit Committee Report and the matter would be presented to the next Council Meeting.

#### 12. RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

#### 12.1 ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS HELD

An Assembly of Councillors is defined in section 3 of the *Local Government Act 1989* to include Advisory Committees of Council if at least one Councillor is present or, a planned or scheduled meeting attended by at least half of the Councillors and one Council Officer that considers matters intended or likely to be the subject of a Council decision.

Written records of Assemblies of Councillors must be kept and include the names of all Councillors and members of Council staff attending, the matters considered, any conflict of interest disclosures made by a Councillor attending, and whether a Councillor who has disclosed a conflict of interest leaves the assembly.

Pursuant to section 80A (2) of the Act, these records must be, as soon as practicable, reported at an ordinary meeting of the Council and incorporated in the minutes of that meeting.

An Assembly of Councillors record was kept for:

- Darebin Nature Trust Meeting #11 24 September 2019
- Darebin Nature Trust Meeting #12 22 October 2019
- Councillor Briefing Session 28 October 2019
- Darebin Aboriginal Advisory Committee 30 October 2019
- Councillor Briefing Session 11 November 2019
- Councillor Briefing Session 18 November 2019

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-279** 

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. J Williams

**That** the record of the Assembly of Councillors held on 24, 22, 28 & 30 October and 11 & 18 November 2019 attached as **Appendix A** to this report, be noted and incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

**CARRIED** 

#### 13. REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-280** 

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

**That** Council note the Reports by Mayor and Councillors.

**CARRIED** 

#### REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE, MAYOR

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

- Meeting with Darebin Progress Association
- Mayer Park Project Control Group meeting
- Mayoral Briefing MP Theophanous Meeting
- MP Theophanous tour of NARC
- Darebin Domestic Animal Management Reference Group
- Presentation on engaging MPs for climate advocacy
- Your Community Health / Darebin City Council introduction meeting
- Remembrance Memorial Service
- Darebin RSL Poem Reading
- Victorian Aboriginal Local Government Action Plan Review and Future Strategy Forum
- Council Briefing
- KMART Wishing Tree Launch Christmas 2019
- Seniors Month Aboriginal Elders Afternoon Tea
- Councillor Briefing State Government announcement this morning on Level Crossing Removals in Preston
- MSS fly through and details on community consultation and engagement
- Farewell Morning Tea Penny Anderson
- Lunch with the Mayor Vicky/Susan Northcote
- JOY FM interview regarding Darlington Statement
- Meeting with Darebin/Moreland/Yarra Minister Martin Foley MP
- Magazine Launch n-Scribe 14
- One on One with the Deputy Mayor
- Northcote Netball Court Opening
- One on One with the CEO

- Dinner prior to Planning Committee
- Planning Committee meeting
- Council Briefing
- Interview with ABC Radio Darwin climate emergency
- Mayoral Briefing Yanada House
- Mayor Selling Big Issue High Street/Gower Street
- Northcote Preventive Health Innovation Hub meeting with the Mayor Darebin City Council
- LGWGOG 2019 Meeting
- Interview with La Trobe University students regarding recycling
- Meeting with the Mayor Initiatives for the Indian and Sri Lankan community
- Darebin Design Excellence Launch
- Mayoral Briefing Advisory Committees
- Darebin Ethnic Communities Council Meeting
- Taking the Waters by Lemony S Puppet Theatre Opening Night
- Cathy Henderson's Farewell Morning tea
- LGPRO Emerging Leaders Community Perception and Expectation
- Northcote Swim Club Meet
- Team Lunch CE Office
- One on One with the CEO
- Formal Photographs prior to Statutory Meeting
- Special Council Meeting
- Mayoral Briefing Mitchell Street Traffic issues
- Libraries After Dark Advisory Group
- MAV Transport and Infrastructure Committee
- One on One with the CEO
- Briefing Rucker ward Councillors Streets for People (Croxton West)
- PAALAM Taste of India
- Panellist at Bingo Symposium
- Mayoral Briefing Mayoral Taskforce
- One on One with the CEO
- Council meeting

#### REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON, DEPUTY MAYOR

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

- Darebin Disability Advisory Committee
- Weekly catch ups with Mayor Rennie
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) Governance and Risk Committee Meeting
- Pathways to Politics for Women Alumni event with Carol Schwarz, Patricia Karvelas and Deborah Wu
- Darebin Nature Trust meeting
- Special Meeting of Council election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor
- Farewell Morning Tea for Cathy Henderson, General Manager
- Meeting with Melbourne Polytechnic English Students with Mayor Rennie
- East Reservoir Neighbours for Change panellist on Community Conversation to show our respect and support for homeless people
- Bundoora Homestead Art Centre Strategic Workshop
- Video interview about lights along Plenty Road/Main Drive Bundoora with international students studying media and communications from La Trobe College
- Academic Board Meeting at La Trobe College
- Councillor Briefing x2
- Reservoir Stomp
- Crispe Park movie night
- Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) AGM
- Councillor Briefing on Level Crossing Removals in Preston
- Creating a Great Volunteer Environment for Sporting Clubs event
- MC at Darebin Ethnic Communities Council event A solemn reflection to commemorate the victims of the recent crimes against humanity suffered by the Kurdish Community
- Filming of short video about Climate Emergency
- Aurum Graduate Jewellery Exhibition of students from Melbourne Polytechnic, Northcote Town Hall

#### REPORT OF CR. STEPH AMIR

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

- Meeting with regent residents
- Interview with Northcote High students about local environmental issues
- Meeting with the Mayor
- Radio interview on JOY 94.9 about the affirmation of the Darlington Statement
- Discussion with President of Land of Welcome
- Planning committee meeting

- Councillor briefing
- Merri Creek Management Committee meeting
- Meeting with CEO
- Mayoral election
- SSAGD Advisory Committee meeting
- Meeting with resident regarding planning issues

#### REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO

No reports submitted.

#### REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE

No reports submitted.

#### REPORT OF CR. KIM LE CERF

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

- Timorese Cultural Night
- Audit Committee Meeting
- Cathy Henderson's Farewell Morning Tea
- Special Council Meeting Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor
- Briefing Streets for People Croxton West
- Council Meeting

#### REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY

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

- People's Assembly on the Climate Emergency
- NAGA Webinar on Climate Emergency
- Council Briefings
- NAGA Advocacy Working Group
- Northcote High School Netball Court Opening
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Council Briefing
- Employment Service Providers Forum
- MIC Board Meeting
- Special Council Meeting
- Launch of the Bee Shed
- Meeting with DCAN

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

No reports submitted.

#### REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS

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

- Council Meetings
- Briefing Meetings
- Darebin Music Fest
- Planning Committee
- CEO one on one meeting
- Cazaly Ward Meeting
- Taste of India
- Autism State Library
- Attended, visited residents regarding incidents on Tyler street, cars rat racing down side streets, car parking, graffiti on Plenty road

#### 14. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL

#### **CLOSE OF MEETING**

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-281** 

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

**That** in accordance with section 89(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council resolves to close the meeting to members of the public to consider the items designated confidential by the Chief Executive Officer.

- 14.1 Compulsory Acquisition of the Right of Way at 16-20 Dumbarton Street, Reservoir
- 14.2 Construction of Outdoor Netball Courts Update and Contract Variation CT201848

**CARRIED** 

The meeting was closed to the members of the public at 8.31pm.

#### **RE-OPENING OF MEETING**

#### **Council Resolution**

**MINUTE NO. 19-282** 

MOVED: Cr. K Le Cerf SECONDED: Cr. T McCarthy

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

**CARRIED** 

The meeting was re-opened to the members of the public at 9.09pm.

#### 15. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

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