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Darebin City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land we now call Darebin and pays respect to their Elders, past, present and future.

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 self-determination in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect.



English - Minutes

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Arabic

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT DAREBIN CIVIC CENTRE,
350 HIGH STREET PRESTON ON TUESDAY 12 JUNE 2018**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 6.05PM

WELCOME

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf opened the meeting with the following statement:

“I would like to acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand here today, the Wurundjeri people, and pay my respects to their Elders, past and present, as well as to Elders from other communities who may be with us today.”

1. PRESENT

Councillors

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

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer
Vito Albicini - General Manager Operations and Capital
Ingrid Bishop - General Manager Governance and Engagement
Cathy Henderson - General Manager Community
Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy
Allan Cochrane - Manager Finance
Melinda Viksne - Manager Governance and Performance
Tony Homfray - Senior Media Advisor
Karlee Ferrante - Acting Coordinator Governance, Council Business and Civic service
Alexis King - Executive Coordinator and Councillor Liaison
Christina Plant - Council Business and Governance Officer
Gerry Daly - IT Support Engineer

2. APOLOGIES

An apology was lodged for the absence of Cr. Julie Williams.

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-160

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

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 May 2018 and the Special Meeting of Council held on 31 May 2018 be confirmed as a correct record of business transacted.

CARRIED

5. QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

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

- **Anne Laver of Northcote**

Question One:

2018-19 BUDGET

The Budget makes provision for \$216K for Capital Works for Reservoir Leisure Centre

What amount has been allocated for the Northcote Leisure Centre?

And have any additional funds set aside for repairs and maintenance of both centres ?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf:

In addition to the amount of \$216,000 listed in the Capital works portion of the budget for RLC, there are amounts for:

- \$70,740 for repairs and maintenance at RLC
- \$280,000 for contractual maintenance at NARC
- \$162,000 for mechanical, electrical and minor building works at NARC
- \$81,000 for minor works at NARC.

Additional works could be undertaken from the facilities management budget if required.

Question Two:

PRESTON MARKET

Both the Council and VPA are advocating for a new Incorporated Plan with strong planning controls in order to save the Preston Market rather than pushing for a Heritage Overlay.

Council Officers believe a Heritage Overlay would mean more red tape and restrictions for traders.

To correct statements recently made; the Heritage Overlay Practice Notes of the State Government states that painting and other internal and external elements can be nominated to the sites according its significance and that these controls should be used sparingly.

An Interim Heritage Overlay can also be applied to prevent the possibility of demolition of the site before the Overlay can be approved.

The VPA have advised that a new Incorporated Plan does not negate the old one in the Planning Scheme, planning controls only apply to the new Incorporated Plan. This means that the three planned towers will go ahead as approved by VCAT.

The VPA have advised that they cannot force the owners to abide by any new planning controls, it can only 'encourage' the owners who would have to pay for all new controls and any new designs

The VPA and the Council believe that the owners need to see the value of the asset.

Both a new Incorporated Plan and a Heritage Overlay cannot protect the **USE** of the current market space ie; maintain it as a market.

The owners of the market have refused to agree to provide for more affordable housing in their development in Richmond as requested by the State government and want instead to push for Build-to-Rent products (The Age June 6th, 2018), given these factors above how does the Council propose that the owners can be persuaded to retain and indeed improve the market?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf:

With regard to the core question: How does the Council propose that the owners can be persuaded to retain and indeed improve the market?

You are correct that as the Preston Market is privately owned, there is a limit to what can be required or controlled with planning tools. For this reason, the Review that Council is currently working with the VPA on is designed to explore other options beyond planning controls for helping the market thrive into the future. This work is in progress and we are looking forward to being able to consider the options and recommendations when the work is ready.

- **Harvey Watson on behalf of John Beriman**

It is reported that the Valuer General Victoria (VGV) has prepared a valuation report on behalf of the La Trobe University to enable the sale of the land to the Darebin Council.

Given the current zoning of the Strathallan Open Space....PUBLIC PARK RECREATION ZONE and that to my knowledge there has been no move to change the zoning.

Is the Darebin Council satisfied that the valuation provided is a fair and reasonable price for the Strathallan Open Space?

Response from Chief Executive Officer, Sue Wilkinson:

On behalf of the Mayor, the Chief Executive Officer advised that the valuation provided by La Trobe is confidential and that she is unaware of any proposal to rezone the land. Council's view is that the site should be used for open space. The valuation should therefore reflect the Council's position in regard to the use of the land for open space, rather than an assumption of it being able to be developed. Council's view on this matter will be discussed later in the meeting.

- **Peter Roberts, President Save Strathallan Open Space**

In respect of the golf club, La Trobe University indicated on Friday advised that they were proposing to give the golf club a 5 year lease. That is only a short term solution to the issue and in the past the club has had ten and then subsequently a 15 year lease.

Given the current situation is Council still fully committed to retain on a permanent basis (or long term basis) the land as open space as it is currently?

Response from Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf:

Council believes that the land should be protected and we are fully committed to ensuring the land remains as public open space and we will continue to work with the State Government through the Member for Bundoora with La Trobe University and with the golf club and your group.

Responses to Public Questions taken on notice at the Council meeting on 30 April 2018.

At the Council meeting held on 30 April 2018, the following questions were taken on notice by the Chairperson, Mayor, Cr. Le Cerf.

- **Margaret Anne Learmonth submitted the following question regarding Council's provision of services in the Older and Active Darebin – 2017-2019.**

Could you please explain why there is no reference to Council's ongoing role in the provision of services to older residents in Older and Active in Darebin - 2017-2019. The only reference (on page 52) is to My Aged Care which makes it appear that Council has already opted out of continuing to provide any support to older people needing advice and information.

Email response dated 14 June 2018, provided to Ms Learmonth by Cathy Henderson, General Manager Community.

The purpose of the Older and Active Darebin Directory 2017-19 is to provide basic contact information about a wide range of activities, clubs and recreation for older adults in Darebin. There is also some basic, general information about support services in the directory.

As you are aware, federal government changes in recent years have meant that the My Aged Care system is now the first point of contact for older people seeking access to support services. That's why the My Aged Care contact details are there in the directory. If anyone contacts Council directly to seek access to support service, staff must tell them to first contact My Aged Care. We can't change that, it is how the federally funded system works. So, it isn't helpful for potential new clients if Council included our own contact details instead.

This in no way reflects any future decision Council may make about participation in the provision of federally funded aged care services post-2020. The Older and Active Darebin Directory is not a policy or strategy document but is meant to be a convenient handbook with brief information in it.

For further editions, we will give consideration to including text explaining that Council is a provider of support services to older people and noting that the first point of contact needs to be My Aged Care.

As you know, future decisions about Council's long term role in the provision of services to older people post-2020 will be made by Council next year, after the independent panel has conducted its review on Creating an Age Friendly Darebin.

I'll hope to see you at the AHAB meeting soon for further discussion.

.6. PETITIONS

Nil

7. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

8. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

The following people made a submission in relation to the following item and were thanked by the Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf:

- *Anne Laver*
- *Nalliah Suriya Kumaran*

Cr. Laurence disclosed a conflict of interest in the following item classifying the type of conflict as an indirect interest by close association.

Cr. Laurence left the meeting prior to consideration of item (5)i. at 7.37pm.

8.1 ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET 2018/19

Author: Finance Manager

Reviewed By: General Manager Governance and Engagement

PURPOSE

Under the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act), Council is required to prepare and adopt an annual budget by 30 June each year. This report forms part of the statutory process and recommends that Council adopts the Annual Budget 2018/19 and declares the rates for the 2018/19 financial year.

The draft Annual Budget 2018/19 was adopted by Council on 9 April 2018. At that meeting, Council resolved to give public notice in accordance with section 129 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) of Council's intention to adopt the proposed Annual Budget.

In response to the community consultation process initiated by Council to support the awareness-raising and communication of the draft Annual Budget, a total of one hundred and fifty seven (157) written submissions were received. At their request, twenty seven (27) of the submitters were heard by the Hearing of Submissions Committee on 31 May 2018. This report incorporates a summary of the submissions received and officers recommendations prepared on behalf of the Hearing of Submissions Committee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annual Budget is an essential planning and resource tool produced each year. The development of a considered budget is vital to the ongoing operational and financial viability of Council. The annual budget sets out the expected income and expenditure of both operational, strategic and capital activities for the coming year and also incorporates Council's rating strategies.

The annual budget is a transparent account of Council's operations in line with good governance. The budget documentation forms part of a comprehensive public accountability process and reporting that includes:

- The Council Plan
- The Strategic Resource Plan

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

The draft Annual Budget 2018/19 contains the information specified in the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) and all details required by the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 (the Regulations).

Key highlights of the draft Annual Budget 2018/19 include;

- Continued progress to achieve the goals and objectives of the Council Plan
- Delivery of a significant capital works program
- Delivery of high quality services and programs for the community
- Maintenance of our long term financial sustainability
- No borrowings
- No changes to current service levels
- Delivery of an underlying surplus
- An overall average rate increase of 2.25% in line with the rate cap set by the Victorian State government.

Sustainability initiatives include;

- Doubling solar power in Darebin
- Supporting the foundation of the Darebin Energy Foundation and the Darebin Nature Trust
- Dramatically improving walking and cycling infrastructure
- Continued implementation of the Climate Emergency Plan
- Investment in a range of energy efficient initiatives.

Community initiatives include;

- Ongoing provision of over 100 services to residents, businesses and community groups from the early years - maternal and child health and family services - through to retirement and seniors activities. Services also include waste collection, youth services, libraries, arts programs, festivals and more
- Preparation of a Community Engagement Strategy to support Councils deep commitment to increasing community participation in all of our decision making processes
- The ongoing provision of an outstanding performing arts and cultural programme
- Ongoing support and advocacy to strengthen our diverse and multicultural community
- Ongoing review of our services to respond to changing community needs, significant population growth, financial challenges.

Public infrastructure initiatives include;

- Commencement of a new multi-purpose stadium (WMSS) at John Cain Reserve to provide more sports opportunities for women and girls

- Planning for future improvements to the Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre and the Reservoir Leisure Centre
- A comprehensive program of improvements and new works across our parks, open spaces, playgrounds and sporting facilities
- Ongoing investment to ensure our critical assets and infrastructure are maintained including buildings, roads, footpaths and drains
- Works to reinvigorate the Darebin Arts Centre.

Strategy and planning initiatives include;

- A significant program of strategic initiatives aimed at setting out a long term, integrated plan for the future of the City and guiding land use, development, housing affordability, future community and physical infrastructure, transport requirements and opportunities for economic growth
- Finalisation of a new Open Space Strategy and the preparation of controls to ensure ongoing funding for open space to support our growing community
- A new developer contributions levy for infrastructure to serve our growing community
- Commencement of the Preston Urban Design Framework including updating the structure plan to ensure we have a clear plan to address growth and change in and around Preston.

Recommendation

That Council

- (1) Having considered all submissions received and having complied with the requirements of sections 127 and 129 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, adopts the Budget 2018/19 (attached as **Appendix A**) inclusive of the following amendments:
 - a. Increase rates and charges by \$459,000 to reflect the impact of supplementary rates raised in May 2018 on general rates for 2018/19;
 - b. Increase the financial assistance grant income by \$39,000 to reflect the Victorian Grants Commission allocation of general purpose and local roads grants;
 - c. Reduce the capital grants by \$74,000 to reflect the confirmed allocation of Roads to Recovery funding for 2018/19;
 - d. Increase operational expenditure by \$20,000 to increase the amount of funding for the Community Support Grants program as per the minutes of the Council Meeting 15 May 2017;
 - e. Increase capital expenditure by \$370,000 for the completion of the pavilion works at Pitcher Park;
 - f. Increase the capital expenditure carried forward from 2017/18 for completion of works in 2018/19 by \$3,378,000 for the following projects:
 - i. Street lighting compliance \$250,000
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 - viii. Oldis Gardens master plan implementation - \$41,000
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- (2) In accordance with sections 158 and 161 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council declares the Rates and Annual Service Charges for the 2018/2019 rating year commencing 1 July 2018 and ending 30 June 2019 as detailed in the Budget 2018/19.
- (3) In accordance with section 169 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council declares a rebate in relation to rates of \$150 to each owner of rateable land who is an 'eligible recipient' within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* to assist the proper development of the municipal district as detailed in the Annual Budget 2018/19 and is being granted because Council considers that it provides a benefit to the Darebin community in that it provides some relief on rates to elderly and other eligible residents in addition to the State Government rates concession and is consistent with principles of fairness and equity.
- (4) Notes the summary of the submissions received prepared on behalf of the Hearing of Submissions Committee (attached as **Appendix C**).
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 - c. Additional capital expenditure of \$150,000 to increase the amount available to deliver drinking fountains across Darebin;
 - d. Additional capital expenditure of \$250,000 to increase the amount available to plant more trees across Darebin;
 - e. Additional capital expenditure of \$40,000 to support the works being undertaken at the Raleigh Street Children's Centre;
 - f. Additional capital expenditure of \$100,000 to undertake works identified in the master plan for Donath and Dole reserves;
 - g. Additional capital expenditure of \$70,000 for design and construction of landscaping at the Yarana Road shared trail;
 - h. Additional capital expenditure of \$37,000 for the reinstatement the shade structure removed during the Yarana Road shared path works at the Melbourne Innovation Centre;
 - i. Capital expenditure of \$271,000 currently allocated for sub-surface drainage at W R Ruthven Reserve Oval be reallocated to undertake park surface works at Mayer Park.
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- (8) Adopts the Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 (**Appendix B**) as its Strategic Resource Plan for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2022 including updates to reflect
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any consequential changes to the Annual Budget 2018/19 made as part of its adoption noting that the revised Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 will be adopted in August 2018 with the Council Plan - Action Plan 2018/19.

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Motion

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

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 - j. Additional operational expenditure of \$80,000 to increase funding of program delivery at the seven neighbourhood houses and Darebin Information and Volunteer Resource service (DIVRS), offset by reduction in operating expenditure of \$80,000 to reduce the funding allocated to the neighbourhood house feasibility study.**
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Cr. Rennie proposed that item (5)i be dealt with as a separate item due to Cr. Laurence's conflict of interest.

This was accepted by the seconder.

Amendment

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

That Council as per recommendation (1)-(10):

- (11) Increase number of apprenticeship positions from 6 to 10 and trainee positions from 2 to 5.
- (12) Additional operating expenditure of \$15,000 to increase work experience and mentoring programs for disadvantaged youth.
- (13) Additional operating expenditure of \$50,000 to undertake a skills matching and mentoring employment project.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST

The Chairperson, Mayor, Cr. Le Cerf declared the Amendment lost.

Amendment

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

That Council as per recommendation (1)-(10):

- (14) Additional Capital expenditure of \$230,000 for repairs, lighting, and fencing of tennis courts at the Lake View Tennis Club.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST

The Chairperson, Mayor, Cr. Le Cerf declared the Amendment lost.

Amendment

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

That Council as per recommendation (1)-(10):

- (19) Additional Capital expenditure of \$40,000 to undertake works for illuminated speed signs and a raised pedestrian crossing at the Northern School for Autism.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND CARRIED.

THE AMENDED MOTION THEN READ AS FOLLOWS:

Amended Motion

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

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 - b. Additional operational expenditure of \$50,000 to increase advocacy and support for refugees and people seeking asylum living in Darebin;
 - c. Additional capital expenditure of \$150,000 to increase the amount available to deliver drinking fountains across Darebin;
 - d. Additional capital expenditure of \$250,000 to increase the amount available to plant more trees across Darebin;
 - e. Additional capital expenditure of \$40,000 to support the works being undertaken at the Raleigh Street Children's Centre;
 - f. Additional capital expenditure of \$100,000 to undertake works identified in the master plan for Donath and Dole reserves;
 - g. Additional capital expenditure of \$70,000 for design and construction of landscaping at the Yarana Road shared trail;
 - h. Additional capital expenditure of \$37,000 for the reinstatement the shade structure removed during the Yarana Road shared path works at the Melbourne Innovation Centre;

 - j. Additional operational expenditure of \$80,000 to increase funding of program delivery at the seven neighbourhood houses and Darebin Information and Volunteer Resource service (DIVRS), offset by reduction in operating expenditure of \$80,000 to reduce the funding allocated to the neighbourhood house feasibility study.**
- (6) All submitters be advised that Council has considered their submissions relating to the Proposed Budget 2018/19 and that the submitters be advised of the outcome of the consideration as it relates to their specific submission, and they be thanked for their contributions.
- (7) Gives public notice of the adoption of the Annual Budget 2018/19 in accordance with section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
- (8) Adopts the Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 (**Appendix B**) as its Strategic Resource Plan for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2022 including updates to reflect any consequential changes to the Annual Budget 2018/19 made as part of its adoption noting that the revised Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 will be adopted in August 2018 with the Council Plan - Action Plan 2018/19.
- (9) Adjusts the Council Plan 2017-2021 by replacing the existing Strategic Resource Plan with the Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 (**Appendix B**).
- (10) Notes that a copy of the adopted Budget 2018/19 will be provided to the Minister for Local Government in accordance with section 130(4) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
- (11) Additional Capital expenditure of \$40,000 to undertake works for illuminated**
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speed signs and a raised pedestrian crossing at the Northern School for Autism.

Amendment

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

That Council:

- (15) Additional operational expenditure of \$30,000 to increase funding for Interfaith Faith activities.
- (16) Additional operational expenditure of \$5,000 to increase funding for Friends of Baucau as part of Council's friendship commitment with Baucau.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST

The Chairperson, Mayor, Cr. Le Cerf declared the Amendment lost.

Amendment

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

That Council:

- (5) Makes the following amendments to the Budget 2018/19 in response to the submissions received:
 - k. Retains \$271,000 in the budget for sub surface drainage works for Ruthven Reserve Oval.

Further information was provided by officers, with this information Cr. Laurence withdrew his Amendment.

Cr. Laurence left the meeting prior to consideration of item (5)i at 7.37pm

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-161

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

That Council:

- (5) Makes the following amendments to the Budget 2018/19 in response to the submissions received:
 - i. Capital expenditure of \$271,000 currently allocated for sub-surface drainage at W R Ruthven Reserve Oval be reallocated to undertake park surface works at Mayer Park.

CARRIED

Cr. Laurence returned to the meeting after consideration of the above item at 7.41pm.

THE AMENDED MOTION WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND BECAME THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-162

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

That Council:

- (1) Having considered all submissions received and having complied with the requirements of sections 127 and 129 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, adopts the Budget 2018/19 (attached as **Appendix A**) inclusive of the following amendments:
 - a. Increase rates and charges by \$459,000 to reflect the impact of supplementary rates raised in May 2018 on general rates for 2018/19;
 - b. Increase the financial assistance grant income by \$39,000 to reflect the Victorian Grants Commission allocation of general purpose and local roads grants;
 - c. Reduce the capital grants by \$74,000 to reflect the confirmed allocation of Roads to Recovery funding for 2018/19;
 - d. Increase operational expenditure by \$20,000 to increase the amount of funding for the Community Support Grants program as per the minutes of the Council Meeting 15 May 2017;
 - e. Increase capital expenditure by \$370,000 for the completion of the pavilion works at Pitcher Park;
 - f. Increase the capital expenditure carried forward from 2017/18 for completion of works in 2018/19 by \$3,378,000 for the following projects:
 - i. Street lighting compliance \$250,000
 - ii. Drainage upgrade - Byfield Street \$182,000
 - iii. Drainage upgrade - Wilson Boulevard \$398,000
 - iv. Pavilion upgrade - Pitcher Park \$150,000
 - v. Pavilion upgrade - WH Robinson Reserve \$500,000
 - vi. Road rehabilitation program - \$450,000
 - vii. IT Strategy implementation - \$1,260,000
 - viii. Oldis Gardens master plan implementation - \$41,000
 - ix. Robinson/Capp master plan implementation - \$147,000.
- (2) In accordance with sections 158 and 161 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council declares the Rates and Annual Service Charges for the 2018/2019 rating year commencing 1 July 2018 and ending 30 June 2019 as detailed in the Budget 2018/19.
- (3) In accordance with section 169 of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council declares a rebate in relation to rates of \$150 to each owner of rateable land who is an 'eligible recipient' within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004* to assist the proper development of the municipal district as detailed in the Annual Budget 2018/19 and is being granted because Council considers that it provides a benefit to the Darebin community in that it provides some relief on rates to elderly and other eligible residents in addition to the State Government rates concession and is consistent with principles of fairness and equity.
- (4) Notes the summary of the submissions received prepared on behalf of the Hearing of

Submissions Committee (attached as **Appendix C**).

- (5) Makes the following amendments to the Budget 2018/19 in response to the submissions received:
 - a. Additional operational expenditure of \$50,000 to increase funding for the Age Friendly City to support older people in Darebin;
 - b. Additional operational expenditure of \$50,000 to increase advocacy and support for refugees and people seeking asylum living in Darebin;
 - c. Additional capital expenditure of \$150,000 to increase the amount available to deliver drinking fountains across Darebin;
 - d. Additional capital expenditure of \$250,000 to increase the amount available to plant more trees across Darebin;
 - e. Additional capital expenditure of \$40,000 to support the works being undertaken at the Raleigh Street Children's Centre;
 - f. Additional capital expenditure of \$100,000 to undertake works identified in the master plan for Donath and Dole reserves;
 - g. Additional capital expenditure of \$70,000 for design and construction of landscaping at the Yarana Road shared trail;
 - h. Additional capital expenditure of \$37,000 for the reinstatement the shade structure removed during the Yarana Road shared path works at the Melbourne Innovation Centre;

 - j. Additional operational expenditure of \$80,000 to increase funding of program delivery at the seven neighbourhood houses and Darebin Information and Volunteer Resource service (DIVRS), offset by reduction in operating expenditure of \$80,000 to reduce the funding allocated to the neighbourhood house feasibility study.
- (6) All submitters be advised that Council has considered their submissions relating to the Proposed Budget 2018/19 and that the submitters be advised of the outcome of the consideration as it relates to their specific submission, and they be thanked for their contributions.
- (7) Gives public notice of the adoption of the Annual Budget 2018/19 in accordance with section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
- (8) Adopts the Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 (**Appendix B**) as its Strategic Resource Plan for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2022 including updates to reflect any consequential changes to the Annual Budget 2018/19 made as part of its adoption noting that the revised Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 will be adopted in August 2018 with the Council Plan - Action Plan 2018/19.
- (9) Adjusts the Council Plan 2017-2021 by replacing the existing Strategic Resource Plan with the Strategic Resource Plan 2018-2022 (**Appendix B**).
- (10) Notes that a copy of the adopted Budget 2018/19 will be provided to the Minister for Local Government in accordance with section 130(4) of the *Local Government Act 1989*.
- (11) Additional Capital expenditure of \$40,000 to undertake works for illuminated speed signs and a raised pedestrian crossing at the Northern School for Autism.

CARRIED

Cr. Laurence requested that it be noted he voted in opposition to the Council Resolution.

Christina Plant, Council Business Officer temporarily left the meeting during discussion of the above item at 7.37pm and returned at 7.39pm.

Gerry Daly, IT Support Engineer temporarily left the meeting during discussion of the above item at 7.44pm.

8.2 WOMEN'S MULTI-SPORTS STADIUM**Author:** Project Manager**Reviewed By:** General Manager Operations and Capital

PURPOSE

To seek Council endorsement to commence the delivery of the Women's Multi-Sports Stadium in line with the project scope, budget and timelines as defined by this report.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The scope for the WMSS includes the provision of a community standard facility which includes 4 indoor courts, 4 outdoor courts, upgrades to improve the traffic intersection, car park and landscape works. This scope aims to address the undersupply of court facilities in the south of the municipality and increase sports participation, with a focus on bridging the gap in women's sports participation.

It is recommended that Council commence detailed design of the Stadium and traffic intersection entrance. It is noted that Council has allocated \$5,989,000 Excl GST in the 2018/19 draft budget to commence the delivery of the project and that Council's current Long Term Financial Plan has allocated future funding for the completion of the project. It is also recommended that Council advocate for funding through the State and Federal Government.

The planning and design for the construction of the four outdoor netball courts is underway and planned to be delivered in December 2018.

Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the project scope for the Darebin Women's Multi-Sports Stadium (WMSS) which includes a community standard facility consisting of four (4) indoor and four (4) outdoor multipurpose courts, entry and intersection works, car park and landscape elements;
- (2) Note that the preliminary estimated cost is \$33,400,000 (Excl. GST);
- (3) Note that Council has allocated \$5,989,000 in the draft 2018 / 19 budget to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and the construction of the outdoor courts; and
- (4) Commence procurement for the engagement of a principal architect and sub-consultants to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and intersection works.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. T McCarthy

SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the project scope for the Darebin Women's Multi-Sports Stadium (WMSS) which includes a community standard facility consisting of four (4) indoor and four (4) outdoor multipurpose courts, entry and intersection works, car park and landscape elements;
- (2) Note that the preliminary estimated cost is \$33,400,000 (Excl. GST);
- (3) Note that Council has allocated \$5,989,000 in the draft 2018 / 19 budget to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and the construction of the outdoor courts; and
- (4) Commence procurement for the engagement of a principal architect and sub-consultants to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and intersection works.

Cr. Laurence proposed to the mover and seconder an additional point (5) be included as follows:

- (5) *Request officers develop a more competitive costing for this project to present to the next council meeting*

This was not accepted by the mover and seconder.

Amendment

MOVED: Cr. T Laurence

SECONDED: Cr. G Greco

That Council:

- (5) Request officers develop a more competitive costing for this project to present to the next council meeting.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST

The Chairperson, Mayor, Cr. Le Cerf declared the Amendment lost.

THE MOTION BEFORE THE CHAIR WAS PUT AND CARRIED AND BECAME THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-163

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

That Council:

- (1) Endorse the project scope for the Darebin Women's Multi-Sports Stadium (WMSS) which includes a community standard facility consisting of four (4) indoor and four (4) outdoor multipurpose courts, entry and intersection works, car park and landscape elements;
- (2) Note that the preliminary estimated cost is \$33,400,000 (Excl. GST);
- (3) Note that Council has allocated \$5,989,000 in the draft 2018 / 19 budget to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and the construction of the outdoor courts; and
- (4) Commence procurement for the engagement of a principal architect and sub-consultants to commence the design of the WMSS facility, car park, entry and intersection works.

CARRIED

Gerry Daly, IT Support Engineer returned to the meeting during discussion of the above item at 8.04pm

8.3 FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSES AND OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS**Author:** Coordinator Community Wellbeing**Reviewed By:** General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the proposed funding agreement model for Neighbourhood Houses and the Darebin Information and Volunteer Resource Service (DIVRS).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends a funding model for the Darebin Neighbourhood House Network and DIVRS, which has been designed as a platform to develop long term, transparent and sustainable partnerships to achieve shared goals.

The recommended model aligns the term of funding agreements to the existing building lease terms (5+3 years) for the neighbourhood houses, and aims to give the organisations more certainty and ability to plan ahead and simplify administration, while also allowing Council flexibility in the medium term to adjust services to meet changing community needs if needed.

It is also recommended that additional funding of \$20,000 per year per site be allocated from 1 July 2019 to support additional program delivery. From 2019/20 these organisations would also no longer be eligible to apply for community grants. As well as providing additional funds, the benefit of this approach is to simplify and provide more certainty regarding funding. As the 2018-19 community grants round is already in progress, it is recommended that this commence from 1 July 2019.

This recommended model responds to a Council resolution at its meeting held on 19 June 2017, when Council resolved: *'That Council receive a further report on the potential to move to longer term funding agreements with neighbourhood houses and other community organisations, such as 10 year agreements with increased funding'*.

Recommendation**That Council:**

- (1) Resolve to enter into funding agreements for the term of 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2023, with the option to extend to 30 June 2026, with each of the following organisations:
 - a) Alphington Community Centre
 - b) The Bridge - Preston and Thornbury Neighbourhood House
 - c) Jika Jika Community Centre
 - d) Reservoir Neighbourhood House
 - e) Span Community Centre
 - f) Preston Reservoir Adult Community Education (PRACE)
 - g) Darebin information and Volunteer Resource Service DIVRS
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive to execute new funding agreements with each of the above mentioned organisations.
- (3) That the funding agreements provide for annual funding of the same level as 2017-18, adjusted annually in line with CPI, and from 1 July 2019 for an additional \$20,000 per year for program delivery for each of the above mentioned organisations.
- (4) Note that the above mentioned organisations would not be eligible to apply for community grants from 2019/20.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 18-164**

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

That Council:

- (1) Resolve to enter into funding agreements for the term of 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2023, with the option to extend to 30 June 2026, with each of the following organisations:
 - a) Alphington Community Centre
 - b) The Bridge - Preston and Thornbury Neighbourhood House
 - c) Jika Jika Community Centre
 - d) Reservoir Neighbourhood House
 - e) Span Community Centre
 - f) Preston Reservoir Adult Community Education (PRACE)
 - g) Darebin information and Volunteer Resource Service DIVRS
- (2) Authorises the Chief Executive to execute new funding agreements with each of the above mentioned organisations.
- (3) That the funding agreements provide for annual funding of the same level as 2017-18 with additional funding of \$20,000 per year for program delivery for each of the above mentioned organisations to be phased as follows:
 - a) Additional \$10,000 per annum per organisation from 1 July 2018;

- b) A further additional \$10,000 per annum per organisation from 1 July 2019;
 - c) Annual CPI adjustment to the annual funding be applied from 1 July 2020.
- (4) Note that the above mentioned organisations would not be eligible to apply for community grants from 2018/19.

CARRIED

Cr. Trent McCarthy temporarily left the chamber after consideration of the above item at 8.12pm.

8.4 POTENTIAL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON COUNCIL-OWNED LAND**Author:** Strategic Planner**Reviewed By:** General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to:

- Outline options to Council and key considerations for an affordable housing project on Council-owned land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston; and
- To recommend that Council progress with this project by commencing the statutory process for lease of the land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Darebin Council has a long term commitment to strengthening its diverse community and demonstrating strong leadership for more than 150,000 people from 148 countries who call Darebin home. Council has stated that all levels of government must be active and involved in contributing to increasing the supply of Affordable Housing.

Council has been exploring how its own assets can be used for Affordable Housing and has identified a suitable site for consideration for an affordable housing project at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston). This site is currently used for public car parking and it is proposed that a future affordable housing project would be above the car park and that parking would be retained.

This report recommends commencing statutory and community consultation processes for the lease of the site for an affordable housing project on a long-term lease. The term of such lease is limited to 50 years under the Local Government Act. The rental amount can be set by Council and it is recommended, in this case, that it would be a nominal amount. It is considered that the whole site (not just the air rights) should be considered for lease. This could enable the potential tenant to make better use of the site, and Council can require that the ground floor (or an equivalent area provided in a basement) be made available for public car parking through the lease conditions. Leasing the site for this purpose is a new approach for an affordable housing project, which could help demonstrate a new method for increasing affordable housing.

Council would decide at a future date, as to whether to go ahead with any lease. Commencing the statutory procedures for a lease is a decision to seek the community's views on the proposal to lease the land, and is not a decision to proceed with a lease.

Council could also consider the option of commencing statutory procedures for selling the land. The sale of land is a common approach for councils wishing to develop Affordable Housing on council-owned sites. If Council were to consider this option, it is recommended that any sale of the land would be at a nominal amount.

The Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation is interested in offering a grant of \$1 million to a registered housing association, or charitable organisation for development of Affordable Housing in Darebin City, which could help support any future affordable housing project at 52-60 Townhall Avenue. In order to progress this grant opportunity, Council would need to formalise its partnership with the LMCF via a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This report therefore recommends delegating authority to the CEO to finalise and execute an MOU. At any point, Council may resolve not to proceed with the sale or lease of the land or the project itself, unfettered by the MOU.

Recommendation

That Council:

- (1) Commence the statutory procedures under sections 190 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ("the Act") to lease (at a nominal cost) the land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston (any lease would contain conditions requiring public car parking to be retained on site);
- (2) In addition to, and concurrently with, the statutory procedures, undertake community consultation to investigate the disposal of the land; and
- (3) Commence an Expression of Interest process to identify a suitable tenant for the site (subject to the outcome of the statutory process), such tenant to be a registered housing association or a charitable organisation capable of delivering affordable housing on the site.
- (4) Continue its advocacy to State Government to increase the number of public and social housing dwellings in Darebin, including through potential partnerships.
- (5) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate, on Council's behalf, to negotiate, finalise and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation, which outlines (among other things):
 - a) LMCF's agreement to contribute \$1 million to a tenant identified by Council to assist in the development of an affordable housing project on the land, subject to meeting LMCF's criteria and to their final approval.
 - b) That the MOU does not pre-determine Council's decision in regards to lease of its land.

Motion

MOVED: Cr. L Messina
SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

- (1) Commence the statutory procedures under sections 190 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ("the Act") to lease (at a nominal cost) the land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston (any lease would contain conditions requiring public car parking to be retained on site);
- (2) In addition to, and concurrently with, the statutory procedures, undertake community consultation to investigate the disposal of the land; and
- (3) Commence an Expression of Interest process to identify a suitable tenant for the site (subject to the outcome of the statutory process), such tenant to be a registered housing association or a charitable organisation capable of delivering affordable housing on the site.

- (4) Continue its advocacy to State Government to increase the number of public and social housing dwellings in Darebin, including through potential partnerships.
- (5) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate, on Council's behalf, to negotiate, finalise and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation, which outlines (among other things):
 - a) LMCF's agreement to contribute \$1 million to a tenant identified by Council to assist in the development of an affordable housing project on the land, subject to meeting LMCF's criteria and to their final approval.
 - b) That the MOU does not pre-determine Council's decision in regards to lease of its land.

Cr. Laurence proposed to the mover and seconder an additional point (6) be included as follows:

- (6) Officers report back on the three other social housing projects at the August Council meeting.

This was accepted by both the mover and seconder

THE AMENDED MOTION THEN READ AS FOLLOWS:

Amended Motion

MOVED: Cr. L Messina
SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

- (1) Commence the statutory procedures under sections 190 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ("the Act") to lease (at a nominal cost) the land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston (any lease would contain conditions requiring public car parking to be retained on site);
- (2) In addition to, and concurrently with, the statutory procedures, undertake community consultation to investigate the disposal of the land; and
- (3) Commence an Expression of Interest process to identify a suitable tenant for the site (subject to the outcome of the statutory process), such tenant to be a registered housing association or a charitable organisation capable of delivering affordable housing on the site.
- (4) Continue its advocacy to State Government to increase the number of public and social housing dwellings in Darebin, including through potential partnerships.
- (5) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate, on Council's behalf, to negotiate, finalise and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation, which outlines (among other things):
 - a) LMCF's agreement to contribute \$1 million to a tenant identified by Council to assist in the development of an affordable housing project on the land, subject to meeting LMCF's criteria and to their final approval.
 - b) That the MOU does not pre-determine Council's decision in regards to lease of its land.
- (6) Officers report back on the three other social housing projects at the August Council meeting.

THE AMENDED MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED AND BECAME THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-165

MOVED: Cr. L Messina

SECONDED: Cr. S Amir

That Council:

- (1) Commence the statutory procedures under sections 190 and 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* ("the Act") to lease (at a nominal cost) the land at 52-60 Townhall Avenue, Preston (any lease would contain conditions requiring public car parking to be retained on site);
- (2) In addition to, and concurrently with, the statutory procedures, undertake community consultation to investigate the disposal of the land; and
- (3) Commence an Expression of Interest process to identify a suitable tenant for the site (subject to the outcome of the statutory process), such tenant to be a registered housing association or a charitable organisation capable of delivering affordable housing on the site.
- (4) Continue its advocacy to State Government to increase the number of public and social housing dwellings in Darebin, including through potential partnerships.
- (5) Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate, on Council's behalf, to negotiate, finalise and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation, which outlines (among other things):
 - a) LMCF's agreement to contribute \$1 million to a tenant identified by Council to assist in the development of an affordable housing project on the land, subject to meeting LMCF's criteria and to their final approval.
 - b) That the MOU does not pre-determine Council's decision in regards to lease of its land.
- (6) Officers report back on the three other social housing projects at the August Council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.5 SOLIDARITY STATEMENT FOR WORLD REFUGEE DAY 20 JUNE 2018**Author:** Coordinator Equity and Diversity**Reviewed By:** General Manager Community

PURPOSE

To seek Council endorsement to become a signatory to the UN Refugee Agencies Solidarity Statement for World Refugee Day

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR)'s #WithRefugees Campaign is inviting Refugee Welcome Zone Mayors around Australia to participate in an initiative highlighting the important work cities all over the world are doing to promote inclusion, bring communities together and support refugees. As a Refugee Welcome Zone member, Council has the opportunity to participate in the campaign.

Darebin Council is part of the long standing nation-wide advocacy in support for a more humane, non-punitive refugee policy based on the protection of the human rights.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-166**MOVED:** Cr. G Greco
SECONDED: Cr. S Rennie**That Council:**

- (1) Endorse the UNHCR's #WithRefugees Campaign by signing the statement of solidarity ahead of World Refugee Day on 20 June 2018;
- (2) Issue a media release; and
- (3) Support this announcement through Darebin's social media channels on World Refugee Day and as part of our ongoing advocacy as a Refugee Welcome Zone member.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.6 DAREBIN NATURE TRUST - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS**Author:** Coordinator Public Realm**Reviewed By:** General Manager City Sustainability and Strategy

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to appoint community members to the Darebin Nature Trust.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Establishing the Darebin Nature Trust is an innovative initiative that will see a group of Darebin community members who are experts in the field of environmental preservation, conservation and management guide the process to acquire new land to add to Darebin's network of public open space. The purpose of the Trust is to ensure that green space provision parallels Darebin's growth and achieves best practice outcomes for our environment and growing community by improving Darebin's open space provision, protecting and enhancing local biodiversity.

The Darebin Nature Trust will also have a key role in providing advice and insight into the development of the Darebin Open Space Strategy.

Initially, to help Council establish a long term model for the Darebin Nature Trust, the Darebin Nature Trust has been established as an Advisory Committee of Council as an interim body for one year. The interim Trust will provide expert input into the development of the Open Space Strategy and determine the most effective long term Trust model. This will include resourcing, targets, representation and membership terms. This advice will be provided to Council in a report for consideration in early 2019.

The interim Trust will be active for 12 months. At the close of this time, a further expression of interest will be advertised to appoint members. Members of the interim Nature Trust will be eligible for membership in the longer term group.

In order to establish the interim Trust, an Expressions of Interest (EOI) process was open for seven weeks for community members to submit their interest in becoming a member of the Trust. A total of fifteen (15) applications were submitted as part of this process for the nine positions on the interim Trust. Expressions of interest have been received from a field of highly qualified and skilled candidates.

The Councillor members of the Darebin Nature Trust were appointed for 2017-18 at Council's meeting of 13 November 2017 when Council's community advisory committees were established for the 2017-18 year and are: Councillor Susanne Newton (Latrobe Ward), Councillor Steph Amir (Cazaly Ward), Councillor Trent McCarthy (Rucker Ward) and Councillor Kim Le Cerf (Mayor).

The Terms of Reference allow for a membership committee formed from the three (3) Councillor representatives and two (2) officers to determine community member appointment for the interim Trust. However, because of the importance of the work that the interim Trust will be tasked with, the selection of membership is presented to Council for review and decision.

Recommendation

That:

- (1) Council appoints the following people to the interim Darebin Nature Trust for a period of 12 months, in accordance with the adopted Terms of Reference:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
 - f. _____
 - g. _____
 - h. _____
 - i. _____
- (2) A report on behalf of the interim Trust be brought to Council with recommendations for a long term model for the Darebin Nature Trust in early 2019.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-167

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

That:

- (1) Council appoints the following people to the interim Darebin Nature Trust for a period of 12 months, in accordance with the adopted Terms of Reference:
 - a. Dr Geoff Wescott
 - b. Dr Chris Williams
 - c. Megan Ivey-Law
 - d. Neal Masters
 - e. Dr Nadine Richings
 - f. David Taylor
 - g. Ray Radford
 - h. Heloise Gibb
 - i. Matthew Rose
- (2) A report on behalf of the interim Trust be brought to Council with recommendations for a long term model for the Darebin Nature Trust in early 2019.
- (3) That applicant Helen Clark be included as a reserve member in the instance that any of the above members cannot accept the role.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**8.7 PROPOSED ROAD DISCONTINUANCE ADJOINING 1
BROUGHTON AVENUE, RESERVOIR**

Author: Property Officer
Senior Property Officer

Reviewed By: General Manager Operations and Capital

PURPOSE

To inform Council of the outcome of preliminary investigations into the proposed discontinuance and sale of the right-of-way/road adjoining 1 Broughton Avenue, Reservoir, shown hatched on the statutory plan in **Appendix A** and coloured yellow on the aerial photo in **Appendix B** (Road).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2017, an enquiry was received from the owner of 1 Broughton Avenue, Reservoir following a Town Planning application, requesting the discontinuance of the Road to enable its inclusion into a proposed development at the site. Investigations revealed that although the owner of 1 Broughton Avenue is the registered proprietor of the Road, it remains a 'road' on title. The Road is not in Council's Register of Public Roads and appears to have been enclosed by the adjoining property owner at 1 Broughton Avenue for many years.

Consultation with the owners of 1 Broughton Avenue, Reservoir confirmed the feasibility of the proposed discontinuance with the property owners also confirming their interest by signing an 'in principle agreement' to purchase the land from the Road at market value as well as meeting all reasonable costs associated with the discontinuance of the Road in accordance with current policy

Due to the owners of 1 Broughton Avenue being the registered proprietor of the Road the (non-occupying) adjoining property owners were not approached in the first instance. The statutory process will provide all adjoining property owners the opportunity to make comment on the proposal.

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-168

MOVED: Cr. S Rennie
SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

That Council:

- (1) Commences the statutory procedures under section 206 and clause 3 of Schedule 10 to the Local Government Act 1989 (*"the Act"*) to discontinue the road at the rear of 1 Broughton Avenue, Reservoir, shown hatched on **Appendix A**.
- (2) Give Public Notice under sections 207A, 82A and 223 of the Act of the proposed discontinuance in the appropriate newspapers and on Council's website and such notice state that if discontinued, Council proposes to sell the land from the road to the adjoining property owner at 1 Broughton Avenue, Reservoir, by private treaty and transfer to itself any land from the road not sold to the adjoining property owners.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Nil

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 STRATHALLAN GOLF CLUB LAND VALUE

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 350

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 12 June 2018, it is my intention to move:

That Council notes:

1. The current Value General Victoria (VGV) valuation reflects a figure grossly disproportional to the valuations obtained by the Strathallan Golf Club.

It is considered the VGV Valuation does not reflect a reasonable assessment of the current market value of the land taking into account Council's view that it should be retained for use only as open space.

The significantly higher valuation as placed on the land by the VGV is considered prejudicial to Council's view that of retaining the land for use as open space and reflects an inappropriate figure to commence meaningful negotiations.

2. Should negotiation between the parties fail to result in a sale, LTU has clearly indicated that the land will not be utilised as a golf course, resulting in the loss of a valuable community recreational/social facility.

And resolves

3. To request that the Valuation Report as prepared by the VGV should be made available to all affected third parties given the significant adverse impact that may be suffered by the Strathallan Golf Club and the broader Community and to facilitate an "Open and Transparent" process.
4. To request the VGV to seek a second valuation and involve the Land Monitor.
5. That a copy of the correspondence forwarded to the VGV to be sent to Mr Colin Brooks MP, State Member for Bundoora and Mr Richard Wynne MP, Minister for Planning.

Notice Received: 29 May 2018

Notice Given to Councillors 5 June 2018

Date of Meeting: 12 June 2018

Motion

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

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5. That a copy of the correspondence forwarded to the VGV to be sent to Mr Colin Brooks MP, State Member for Bundoora and Mr Richard Wynne MP, Minister for Planning.

Cr. Newton proposed an additional item (6) be included as follows:

6. Requests that Officers investigate the detailed terms associated with the contract of sale for the acquisition of the Strathallan Golf Course land by La Trobe University from the State Government including any actual or implied requirements for use, retention, covenants or legal restrictions and further, researches the details of any communications used to announce the sale.

This was accepted by the mover and seconder.

THE AMENDED MOTION READ AS FOLLOWS:

Amended Motion

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

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THE AMENDED MOTION WAS PUT AND CARRIED AND BECAME THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-169

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

That Council notes:

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CARRIED

10.2 LEVEL CROSSINGS**Councillor: Gaetano GRECO****NoM No.: 351**

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 12 June 2018, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Notes that the state government announced that a contract for the removal of the High Street, Reservoir, and Bell Street, Preston, level crossings is due to be awarded in 2018, with works to commence soon, however Council is concerned that still no firm commitment has yet been made.
- (2) Writes to the Level Crossing Removal Authority seeking clarification as to when a d work will actually commence on the removal of the level crossings at High Street and Bell Street.

Notice Received: 29 May 2018**Notice Given to Councillors 5 June 2018****Date of Meeting: 12 June 2018**

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-170**MOVED: Cr. G Greco**
SECONDED: Cr. T Laurence***That Council:***

- (1) Notes that the state government announced that a contract for the removal of the High Street, Reservoir, and Bell Street, Preston, level crossings is due to be awarded in 2018, with works to commence soon, however Council is concerned that still no firm commitment has yet been made.
- (2) Writes to the Level Crossing Removal Authority seeking clarification as to when a d work will actually commence on the removal of the level crossings at High Street and Bell Street.

CARRIED

10.3 PRESTON MARKET HERITAGE OVERLAY**Councillor: Gaetano GRECO****NoM No.: 352**

Take notice that at the Council Meeting to be held on 12 June 2018, it is my intention to move:

That Council:

1. Notes the urgent concerns raised by prominent community members of the Victorian Planning Authority's (VPA) Preston Market Reference Group in their letter dated 29 May 2018 in which they;
 - a. Express their "serious concerns" with Council's recent decision not "to follow through with a resolution to seek a heritage overlay and interim heritage protection leaving the market completely exposed to heritage vandalism in the future";
 - b. Question the relevance of the reference group due to its limited role in not being able to recommend a heritage overlay and interim or permanent heritage controls over the market, and;
 - c. Believe that the extension of the time lines for developing a new Preston Market Incorporated Plan unnecessarily delays the process of making a decision on new planning controls before the government enters into a caretaker period.
2. Resolves to immediately;
 - a. Reconsider its previous decision and seek a heritage overlay over the Preston Market site in view of issues raised above.
 - b. Seeks approval from the Minister of Planning to apply heritage controls to the market site in order to safe guard the market against potential heritage damage.
 - c. Undertakes further research as recommended by the Heritage Study into the state significance of the market;
 - d. Write to the VPA as partners in the consultation process, requesting that it scraps the extension of the consultation timelines and returns back to its original timetable to enable a decision to be made before the government enters into a caretaker period.

Notice Received: 25 May 2018**Notice Given to Councillors 5 June 2018****Date of Meeting: 12 June 2018**

Motion

That Council:

1. Notes the urgent concerns raised by prominent community members of the Victorian Planning Authority's (VPA) Preston Market Reference Group in their letter dated 29 May 2018 in which they;
 - a. Express their "serious concerns" with Council's recent decision not "to follow through with a resolution to seek a heritage overlay and interim heritage protection leaving the market completely exposed to heritage vandalism in the future";
 - b. Question the relevance of the reference group due to its limited role in not being able to recommend a heritage overlay and interim or permanent heritage controls over the market, and;
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2. Resolves to immediately;
 - a. Reconsider its previous decision and seek a heritage overlay over the Preston Market site in view of issues raised above.
 - b. Seeks approval from the Minister of Planning to apply heritage controls to the market site in order to safe guard the market against potential heritage damage.
 - c. Undertakes further research as recommended by the Heritage Study into the state significance of the market;
 - d. Write to the VPA as partners in the consultation process, requesting that it scraps the extension of the consultation timelines and returns back to its original timetable to enable a decision to be made before the government enters into a caretaker period.

THE MOTIN WAS PUT AND LOST

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf, declared the motion lost.

11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Nil

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 Interfaith Advisory Committee - 10 May 2018
- Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee - 17 May 2018
- Darebin Women's Advisory Committee - 24 May 2018
- Council Briefing - 28 May 2018

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-171

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

That the record of the Assembly of Councillors held on 10, 17, 24 and 28 May 2018 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. 18-172

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

That Council note the Reports by Mayor and Councillors.

CARRIED**REPORT OF CR. KIM LE CERF, MAYOR**

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

- Chongqing Delegation - Food Business Expo Welcome Address
- Interview with Journalist re Batman Name Change for Federal Division
- North Link Chongqing Delegation - Darebin Civic Welcome Dinner
- 3KND Radio Interview
- Press Briefing with Leader re Preston Market and Aged Friendly Darebin
- Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee Meeting
- Darebin Women's Advisory Committee
- Mayor's Writing Awards Announcement Event
- Anglican Parish of Jika Jika Foodbank
- Homemade Food and Wine Festival - Awards Presentation
- Homemade Food and Wine Festival - Meet the Makers Showcase
- Interview with University Student re January 26 decision
- Official Sod Turn to Mark the Construction of Preston High School
- Regular Weekly Meetings with CEO
- Regular Weekly Meetings with Communications/Media
- Council Briefing Session
- Meeting with Martin Foley MP Minister for Housing Disability & Ageing
- Meeting with Darebin Neighbourhood House Network Managers & DIVRS
- Meeting with Lidia Thorpe MP
- Launch of Deadly Dan at the League Film and Educational Resources
- Special Council Meeting
- Hearing of Submissions - Proposed Budget 2018/19
- Regular Weekly Meeting with Deputy Mayor
- 2018 HART Award Ceremony

- Homemade Food and Wine Festival - Zach Green Pop Up Indigenous Restaurant
- Audit Committee Meeting
- Planning Briefing
- Budget Briefing
- Election Advocacy Briefing
- AEC Victorian Redistribution Committee - Submission to Committee's Inquiry into Objections for Renaming of Federal Division
- This Place - The Readings / Performance Event
- Northern Business Achievement Awards
- Ideas Hack - Engagement for Preston East with Community Experts
- Darebin's World Environment Day Event
- Meeting with Leader Journalist
- Council Meeting

REPORT OF CR. STEPH AMIR

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

- Regular meeting with the CEO
- SSAGD meeting
- Launch of new play space at Treehouse Early Learning Centre, Preston
- Meeting with Lidia Thorpe MP
- Special Council meeting
- Hearing of budget submissions 2018-19
- Visit to home of constituent regarding damage by street tree
- Video conference with Samantha Ratnam MP
- Planning Briefing
- Budget Briefing
- Election Advocacy Briefing
- Northern Business Achievement Award
- Ideas Hack for East Preston

REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO

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

- Homemade food and wine festival
- Council Briefing
- Event to celebrate reconciliation week

- Dole and Donath Reserve Community reference group meeting 2
- Budget Briefing
- Election Advocacy Briefing
- Keon Park Tennis Club Diversity Coaching for kids
- Meeting with residents re:
 - Parking
 - Planning
 - Street safety

REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY

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

- Chongqing Delegation with Northlink
- Launch of new soccer facilities with FFV at John Cain Memorial Park
- Reconciliation Week Event at intercultural Centre
- CEO Catch-Uo
- 21st Century Capabilities Forum
- Darebin Environmental Reference Group Meeting
- Proposed Budget 2019/19 Hearing of Submissions followed by Briefing Session
- Zach Green - Meeting Place: Pop Up Indigenous Restaurant - Darebin
Homemade Food & Wine Festival
- Budget Briefing
- Planning Briefing
- Election Advocacy Meeting with CEO and directors

REPORT OF CR. LINA MESSINA

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

- Council briefings
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Individual resident complaints and emails
- Budget Briefing
- Northern Business Achievement Awards
- NorthLink Chongqing Delegation
- Home Made Food and Wine Festival Awards Night
- Home Made Food and Wine Festival
- Book launch Wheeler Centre - Dr Mimmie Claudine
- Confederazione Fanti D'Italiani Luncheon

- Greek Community Of Northcote 39th Anniversary Festival
- Preston Business Advisory Committee
- Festa Della Repubblica Speech St Brigid's School
- William St Parking Concerns
- MBA Interview
- Community Cocktail Festa Della Republica
- ICCI Gala Ball
- Festa Della Santa Giovanna- Joannie Baretto
- Mendip Road Residents' concerns
- Oakhill Residents' Concerns
- Delphi Bank Northern Region Breakfast
- Bullants Football Club Volunteer in Canteen
- Bullants Football Club Meeting
- Northern Business Achievement Awards Breakfast
- John Cain Memorial Park Soccer Pitch Opening.
- Preston West Primary School Assembly
- Darebin Arts Speak Reservoir Function
- HACK- Preston East new suburb
- Breakfast with the Mayor x2
- Meeting with CEO Sue Wilkinson
- Preston Market Community Reference Group

REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON

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

- Enlightened Development Symposium
- Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity committee meeting
- Digital Darebin - workshop 3
- VLGA Board Meeting
- Homemade Food and Wine Festival - Meet the Makers Showcase (Mayor's speech at 12.30 pm)
- Bundoora Homestead Board WORKSHOP
- Proposed Budget 2019/19 Hearing of Submissions followed by Briefing Session
- ZACH GREEN EVENTS - Meeting Place: Pop Up Indigenous Restaurant - Darebin Homemade Food & Wine Festival
- Meeting with Christopher Baker and Ben Rodgers, Inner North Community Foundation

- Darebin Disability Advisory Committee
- Budget Briefing
- Planning Briefing
- Election Advocacy Meeting with CEO and directors
- Ideas Hack - Part of Engagement for the Northland Urban Renewal Precinct in Preston East
- Meeting with Peter Allen, CEO of Ethical Property Australia
- Meeting with Kylie Duffy, CEO of Women into Leadership

REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE

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

- Local government women's charter Champions Lunch
- MAV Alcohol, drugs and gambling group
- Social Enterprise Workshop
- Mayor's Writing Awards Announcement Event
- MAV Human Services Committee
- MAV Planning Committee
- MAV Transport and Infrastructure Committee
- Homemade food and wine festival - Meet the makers showcase
- City of Yarra Stolen Generation Marker
- Official Sod Turn to mark construction of Preston High School
- Council briefing session
- Meeting with Darebin Neighbourhood House Network Managers
- Darebin Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Grand Opening Completion of John Cain Memorial Park Synthetic Pitches
- EPIC College Iftar dinner
- Budget Briefing session
- Special Council Meeting
- Audit Committee Meeting
- Planning briefing
- Planning meeting
- Election Advocacy Meeting
- Metropolitan Transport Forum
- Pre meeting to discuss Mayer Park Masterplan PCG Meeting
- Mayer Park Masterplan PCG

- Council Meeting
- ZACH GREEN Pop Up Indigenous Restaurant - Darebin Homemade Food & Wine Festival

REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS

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REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE

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

- Special council meeting 31/5/18
- Budget submissions 31/5/18
- Budget briefing June
- Consulted with Traders and residents re budget and storm water issues.

14. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL

Nil

15. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.