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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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 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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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
DAREBIN CITY COUNCIL HELD AT DAREBIN CIVIC CENTRE,
350 HIGH STREET PRESTON ON THURSDAY 31 MAY 2018**

THE MEETING OPENED AT 5.32PM

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 the 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 (5.38pm)
Cr. Trent McCarthy
Cr. Lina Messina (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. Susanne Newton
Cr. Susan Rennie
Cr. Julie Williams

Council Officers

Sue Wilkinson - Chief Executive Officer
Ingrid Bishop - General Manager Community Empowerment & Engagement
Cathy Henderson - General Manager Community
Rachel Ollivier - General Manager City Sustainability & Strategy
Vito Albicini - General Manager Operations & Capital
Darren Rudd - Manager City Development
Melinda Viksne - Manager Governance & Performance
Gerard Daly - IT Support Engineer
Katia Croce - Coordinator Council Business
Karlee Ferrante - Council Business Officer

2. APOLOGIES

An apology was lodged for the initial absence of Cr. Laurence.

3. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4. NOTICES OF MOTION

4.1 PRESTON MARKET HERITAGE STUDY AND PEER REVIEWS

Councillor: Gaetano GRECO

NoM No.: 348

Take notice that at the Special Council Meeting to be held on 31 May 2018, it is my intention to move:

That Council

- (1) *Immediately releases the confidential Preston Market Heritage Study and the peer reviews to the newly established Preston Market Community Reference Group to assist them in their important deliberation regarding the development of a new Incorporated Plan for the Preston Market site.*
- (2) *Receives a report at its next meeting on 12th June 2018 clarifying when the Preston Market Heritage Study and the peer review(s) will be publicly released to the community.*

Notice Received: 8 May 2018

Notice Given to Councillors 16 May 2018

Date of Meeting: 31 May 2018

WITH LEAVE OF THE CHAIRPERSON, MAYOR CR. LE CERF, CR. GRECO AMENDED HIS NOTICE OF MOTION PRIOR TO IT BEING SECONDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Motion

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

That Council:

- (1) Consistent with the key findings and recommendation in the publically released Heritage Study.
 - a) Seeks a heritage overlay over the Preston Market site to protect its potential heritage being exposed to unwanted damage.
 - b) Prepare archival standard photography records.
 - c) Initiate an interpretation strategy project in consultation with key stakeholders. specifically it is recommended that Council supports.
 - i. Publication of a brief social history of the Preston market in an accessible format (hard copy and e-book).
 - ii. A community based activity or activities to document community participation of the market and market life/culture which could be done through an arts, history or culture-focussed project.
 - iii. On-site interpretation of the stories of the Preston Market (via story-boards, QR codes or a place-based app).
 - iv. Linking the stories of the market to the wider stories of the immediate locality.
 - d) Undertakes further research to determine whether two aspects of the Preston Market may be of State significance, i.e. the use of space-frame technology and the importance of the market to represent a key aspect of post war migration history.
- (2) Consistent with the conclusions of the publically released peer review conducted by Heritage Revival P/L extend the scope of work to include assessment and documentation of other possible heritage significance especially aesthetic and technical in order to prepare the strongest possible case for protection of the Market.
- (3) Prepare and submits an application to have Preston Market listed as with Heritage Victoria Register.

Cr. Laurence proposed to the mover and the seconder that the motion be amended to include (4). as follows:

- (4) *Writes to local and federal members of parliament of Council's intention to lodge an application with the Victorian Heritage Register to have Preston Market recognised as a site of state heritage significance.*

This was accepted by the mover and seconder.

THE AMENDED MOTION THEN READS AS FOLLOWS:

Amended Motion

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

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- (3) Prepare and submits an application to have Preston Market listed as with Heritage Victoria Register.
- (4) Writes to local and federal members of parliament of Council's intention to lodge an application with the Victorian Heritage Register to have Preston Market recognised as a site of state heritage significance.

THE AMENDED MOTION WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST.

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

Cr Laurence entered the meeting during discussion of the above item at 5.38pm.

4.2 ADVOCACY AGAINST CUTS TO THE STATUS RESOLUTION SUPPORT SERVICES (SRSS) PROGRAM.**Councillor: Gaetano GRECO****NoM No.: 349**

Take notice that at the next ordinary meeting of Council to be held on 21 May 2018 it is my intention to move:

That Council:

- (1) Acknowledges the letter sent this month to the Federal Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Peter Dutton from the Darebin City Council Mayor, expressing Council's deep concern over the negative impact of the proposed cuts to the Status Resolution Support Services on asylum seekers in the community;*
- (2) Urgently writes to the Prime Minister asking the Federal Government to reverse these cuts and highlights the likely social impacts on the Darebin community;*
- (3) Urgently writes to Local State and Federal lower house members of Parliament, the Victorian Senators and State Upper House MPs to inform them of Council's position;*
- (4) Informs the agencies and community groups assisting people seeking asylum in Darebin, the Refugee Council of Australia and the Australian Council of Social Service of Council's position and its support of the alliance of community organisations;*
- (5) Releases a media statement outlining Darebin Council's position and that the Darebin Council advocacy document be updated with this Council resolution and any associated actions;*
- (6) Contacts other Victorian Councils seeking their support for joint advocacy on this issue;*
- (7) Considers reinvigorating its previous [Darebin Asylum Seeker Support Project](#), in partnership with the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council (DECC), which had the aim of ensuring the social inclusion of asylum seekers into the wider Darebin Community through the creation of the Darebin Community Passport;*
- (8) Considers supporting relevant agencies in the provision of employment programs given the greater demand for employment opportunities across the Darebin community.*

Notice Received: 8 May 2018**Notice Given to Councillors 16 May 2018****Date of Meeting: 31 May 2018**

Motion

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

That Council:

- (1) Acknowledges the letter sent this month to the Federal Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Peter Dutton from the Darebin City Council Mayor, expressing Council's deep concern over the negative impact of the proposed cuts to the Status Resolution Support Services on asylum seekers in the community;
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- (5) Releases a media statement outlining Darebin Council's position and that the Darebin Council advocacy document be updated with this Council resolution and any associated actions;
- (6) Contacts other Victorian Councils seeking their support for joint advocacy on this issue;
- (7) Considers reinvigorating its previous [Darebin Asylum Seeker Support Project](#), in partnership with the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council (DECC), which had the aim of ensuring the social inclusion of asylum seekers into the wider Darebin Community through the creation of the Darebin Community Passport;
- (8) Considers supporting relevant agencies in the provision of employment programs given the greater demand for employment opportunities across the Darebin community.

WITH LEAVE OF THE CHAIRPERSON, MAYOR CR. LE CERF, CR. RENNIE PROPOSED EACH ITEM OF THE NOTICE OF MOTION BE VOTED UPON INDIVIDUALLY.

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf granted Cr. Rennie's proposal

Motion

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

That the Chairperson's ruling granting each item to be voted upon individually be dissented from.

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf, left the chair at 6.03pm

The Deputy Mayor, Cr. Messina assumed the Chair

THE MOTION WAS PUT TO THE VOTE AND LOST.

The Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Cr. Messina declared the motion lost.

The Chairperson, Mayor Cr. Le Cerf assumed the Chair at 6.06pm.

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 18-149**

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

That Council:

- (1) Acknowledges the letter sent this month to the Federal Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Peter Dutton from the Darebin City Council Mayor, expressing Council's deep concern over the negative impact of the proposed cuts to the Status Resolution Support Services on asylum seekers in the community;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-150**

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

That Council:

- (2) Urgently writes to the Prime Minister asking the Federal Government to reverse these cuts and highlights the likely social impacts on the Darebin community;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-151**

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

That Council:

- (3) Urgently writes to Local State and Federal lower house members of Parliament, the Victorian Senators and State Upper House MPs to inform them of Council's position;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-152**

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

That Council:

- (4) Informs the agencies and community groups assisting people seeking asylum in Darebin, the Refugee Council of Australia and the Australian Council of Social Service of Council's position and its support of the alliance of community organisations;

CARRIED

Council Resolution**MINUTE NO. 18-153**

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

That Council:

- (5) Releases a media statement outlining Darebin Council's position and that the Darebin Council advocacy document be updated with this Council resolution and any associated actions;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-154**

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

That Council:

- (5) Contacts other Victorian Councils seeking their support for joint advocacy on this issue;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-155**

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

That Council:

- (7) Considers reinvigorating its previous [Darebin Asylum Seeker Support Project](#), in partnership with the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council (DECC), which had the aim of ensuring the social inclusion of asylum seekers into the wider Darebin Community through the creation of the Darebin Community Passport;

CARRIED**Council Resolution****MINUTE NO. 18-156**

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

That Council:

- (8) Considers supporting relevant agencies in the provision of employment programs given the greater demand for employment opportunities across the Darebin community.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Nil.

6. RECORDS OF ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCILLORS

6.1 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 Environmental Reference Group – 11 April 2018
- Councillor Briefing – 23 April 2018
- Councillor Briefing – 7 May 2018

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-157

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

That the record of the Assembly of Councillors held on 11, 23 April and 7 May 2018 and attached as **Appendix A** to this report, be noted and incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

CARRIED

7. REPORTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

Council Resolution

MINUTE NO. 18-158

MOVED: Cr. J Williams
SECONDED: Cr. L Messina

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:

Date of Council Meeting: 21 May 2018
(Activities 1st – 21st May 2018 Inclusive)

- Meeting with Lidia Thorpe MP
- Metropolitan Transport Forum
- Reception at Government House – Launch of Multicultural Museums Victoria ‘Grandmothers’ Project with Hon Linda Dessau AC, Governor of Victoria
- Rucker Ward Budget Consultation Listening Post
- Regular Weekly Catch ups with CEO
- Regular Weekly Catch ups with Communications
- Photo at TW Blake Park for Northland Urban Renewal Project
- Council Briefing
- Selection of Darebin Nature Trust Members
- Darebin Creek Management Committee Meeting
- Women of the North Night Northern Football Netball League
- Interview with Honours Student
- Weekly Meetings with Deputy Mayor
- East Preston Community Centre Open Day
- Aged Care Reforms Working Group Meeting
- Council Planning Committee
- Quarterly Catch Up with Ged Kearney MP
- Meeting to Discuss Arts Strategy Review
- Interview for MBA Project
- Meeting with Save Strathallan Open Space Community Coalition
- Meeting with Lidia Thorpe MP re Heidelberg Road Planning Controls

- Rainbow Flag Raising & Community Morning Tea
- Meeting with Carolyn Lunt and visit to Merri Creek
- Climate Emergency Darebin Advisory Committee
- MAV State Council Meeting
- Meeting at All Nations Park with Community Members
- “Crocodility” and “One on One” Exhibitions
- Morning Tea at Link Community Transport
- Council Meeting

REPORT OF CR. STEPH AMIR

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

- Visit to Bell Primary to speak with Grade 4 classes
- Cazaly Ward budget consultation listening post
- Northlink Synchrotron industry tour
- Council briefing
- Delivered guest lecture at the University of Melbourne on leadership
- Darebin Nature Trust selection panel meeting
- Guest speaker at Fossil Free RMIT’s “Divestival”
- 1:1 meeting with Manager of Recreation and Libraries
- “Meet and greet” with new SSAGD members
- Aged care reforms working group meeting
- Planning Committee meeting
- Rainbow flag raising and IDAHOBIT morning tea
- Many phone conversations with residents regarding AH Capp Reserve
- Site visit to AH Capp Reserve
- Briefing for SSAGD meeting

REPORT OF CR. GAETANO GRECO

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

- Council Briefing
- Community reference Group - Meeting 1 re: Donath and Dole Master Plan
- Interfaith Council meeting
- Reimagining Ruthven Master Plan -phone conference
- East Preston Community Centre Open Day

- 2018 ECCV Multicultural State Conference
- Attended to resident's issues:
 - Planning
 - Footpaths
 - Street lighting
 - Aged care services
 - Future of Preston Market

REPORT OF CR. TRENT MCCARTHY

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

- Council Briefing
- Darebin Nature Trust Meeting
- Planning Committee Meeting
- Climate Emergency Darebin Workshop
- Climate Emergency Darebin Meeting
- Penders Park Project Control Group
- Rucker Ward Budget Consultation
- Transition to a Safer Climate Forum in Banyule
- 'Crunch Time' Guest as part of Next Wave Festival at Darebin Arts Centre
- Meeting with Lidia Thorpe MP and Cr Amanda Stone regarding Heidelberg Road Development Controls

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.
- Cazaly Budget Consultation
- Meet The Principal Dr Sean Butler
- Pitch It Grand Final
- Darebin Arts Speakeasy
- Meet the Grade 4 Students Bell Primary
- Click Art Opening Night
- Metropolitan Waste Recovery Forum

- Crunch Time Darebin Arts Centre
- Bella Mammias Mother's Day Presentation
- East Preston Community Centre
- Festival Of Philippines Art & Culture

REPORT OF CR. SUSANNE NEWTON

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

- Darebin Progress Association Meeting
- Arts Ambassadors Meeting Briefing with Vicky Guglielmo
- Council briefing
- Reimagining Ruthven Community Reference Group Meeting
- Darebin Nature Trust Meeting
- Reimagining Ruthven Master Plan Meeting
- Induction with new Sexuality, Sex and Gender Diversity Committee Members
- Aged Care Reforms Working Group
- Planning Committee
- Meeting with Save Our Strathallan Open Space Community Coalition
- Interview with Darren Rudd and Lee McKenzie for their MBA studies
- Enlightened Development Symposium

REPORT OF CR. SUSAN RENNIE

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

- Darebin Progress Association Meeting
- Council briefing
- Aged Care Reforms Working Group
- Planning Committee
- Interview with Darren Rudd and Lee McKenzie for their MBA studies
- Rucker Ward budget listening post
- Darebin Interfaith Advisory Committee
- Meeting with Marc Chung and colleagues re Mayer Park PCG
- East Preston Community Centre Open Day
- Interview with journalism student
- MCMC Committee of Management
- 6 weekly catch up with CEO

- IDAHOBIT flag raising event
- MAV State Council
- Batman Park Kindergarten Fun Day

REPORT OF CR. JULIE WILLIAMS

- Council meeting
- Meeting with CEO and EMT
- Preston Business Advisory Committee
- Budget Community Consultation
- Council Briefing session
- Planning Committee
- CEO Catch up
- Victorian Young Achiever wards
- Meeting and discussions with residents regarding:
 - Planning, parking, traffic management, street cleaning, Preston Market, Queen street, AH Capp, Graffiti, Age Care Services.

REPORT OF CR. TIM LAURENCE

Cr Tim Laurence is on an approved leave of absence.

8. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.14pm.