

# MINUTES OF THE WAVERLEY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WAVERLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CNR PAUL STREET AND BONDI ROAD, BONDI JUNCTION ON TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023

#### **Present:**

Councillor Paula Masselos (Mayor) (Chair) Lawson Ward Councillor Elaine Keenan (Deputy Chair) Lawson Ward **Councillor Sally Betts Hunter Ward** Councillor Angela Burrill Lawson Ward Councillor Ludovico Fabiano Waverley Ward Councillor Leon Goltsman Bondi Ward Councillor Michelle Grav Bondi Ward **Councillor Tony Kay** Waverley Ward **Councillor Steven Lewis Hunter Ward** Councillor Tim Murray Waverley Ward Councillor Will Nemesh **Hunter Ward** Councillor Dominic Wy Kanak Bondi Ward

# Staff in attendance:

Emily Scott General Manager

Sharon Cassidy Director, Assets and Operations
Tara Czinner Director, Corporate Services

Fletcher Rayner Director, Planning, Sustainability and Compliance

Ben Thompson Director, Community, Culture and Customer Experience

At the commencement of proceedings at 7.00 pm, those present were as listed above.

Crs Betts, Burrill, Kay, Nemesh and Wy Kanak attended the meeting by audio-visual link.

#### PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

The General Manager read the following Opening Prayer:

God, we pray for wisdom to govern with justice and equity. That we may see clearly and speak the truth and that we work together in harmony and mutual respect. May our actions demonstrate courage and leadership so that in all our works thy will be done. Amen.

The Mayor read the following Acknowledgement of Indigenous Heritage:

Waverley Council respectfully acknowledges our Indigenous heritage and recognises the ongoing Aboriginal traditional custodianship of the land which forms our local government area.

# 1. Apologies/Leaves of Absence

There were no apologies.

# 2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

The Chair called for declarations of interest and the following were received:

- 2.1 Cr Kay declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/5.2/23.03 Adoption of Minutes Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting 23 February 2023 TC/V.01/23.02(2) Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach Streetscape Upgrade and informed the meeting that he uses the intersection frequently.
- 2.2 Cr Kay declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/5.2/23.03 Adoption of Minutes Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting 23 February 2023 TC/V.04/23.02(2) Patterson Street and Plowman Street, North Bondi 'No Stopping' Zones and informed the meeting that he lives in Plowman Street.
- 2.3 Cr Wy Kanak declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/8.4/23.03 Election Posters on Ausgrid Poles and informed the meeting that he is a candidate for the seat of Vaucluse in the upcoming State election.

#### 3. Obituaries

There were no obituaries.

Council rose for a minute's silence for the souls of people generally who have died in our local government area.

# 4. Addresses by Members of the Public

4.1 T McBai – CM/7.3/23.03 – Petition – St James Road, Bondi Junction – Resident Parking Scheme.

#### **ITEMS BY EXCEPTION**

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Masselos Seconder: Cr Keenan

That the recommendations for the following items be adopted as recommended in the business paper:

CM/5.1/23.03 Confirmation of Minutes – Council Meeting – 21 February 2023.

CM/7.1/23.03 Pricing Policy, Fees and Charges 2022-23 – Amendment - Offset Tree Planting.

CM/7.2/23.03 Investment Portfolio Report – February 2023.

CM/7.3/23.03 Petition – St James Road, Bondi Junction – Resident Parking Scheme.

CM/7.4/23.03 Youth Week 2023 – Financial Assistance.

CM/7.5/23.03 Graffiti Management Policy – Adoption.

# 5. Confirmation and Adoption of Minutes

CM/5.1/23.03 Confirmation of Minutes - Council Meeting - 21 February 2023 (SF23/16)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 February 2023 be received and noted, and that such minutes be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CM/5.2/23.03 Adoption of Minutes – Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 23 February 2023 (SF23/19)

Cr Kay declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item TC/V.01/23.02(2) – Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach – Streetscape Upgrade and informed the meeting that he uses the intersection frequently.

Cr Kay declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item TC/V.04/23.02(2) – Patterson Street and Plowman Street, North Bondi – 'No Stopping' Zones and informed the meeting that he lives in Plowman Street.

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

That Part 1 of the minutes of the Waverley Traffic Committee meeting held on 23 February 2023 be received and noted, and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Save and except the following:

1. TC/V.01/23.02(2) – Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach – Streetscape Upgrade.

And that this item be dealt with separately below.

CM/5.2.1/23.03 Adoption of Minutes - Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 23 February 2023 - TC/V.01/23.02(2) - Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach - Streetscape Upgrade (A21/0381)

This item was saved and excepted by Cr Kay.

Cr Kay declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item and informed the meeting that he uses the intersection frequently.

MOTION Mover: Cr Kay
Seconder: Cr Burrill

That Council adopts the Traffic Committee's recommendation subject to amendments to clauses 1 and 3 such that the recommendation now reads as follows:

## That Council:

- Approves the installation of traffic devices, signs and line marking in Curlewis Street, between Campbell Parade and Old South Head Road, Bondi Beach, as shown in Attachment 1 with the following changes:
  - (a) Traffic signals at Old South Head Road, Glenayr Avenue and Campbell Parade to be approved through a separate process.
  - (b) The proposed combined pedestrian/bicycle crossing to be replaced with a compliant pedestrian/bicycle refuge island.
- 2. Delegates authority to the Executive Manager, Infrastructure Services, to modify the designs should further amendments be required.

#### Notes that:

- (a) The traffic signal designs and the compliant pedestrian/bicycle refuge island design will be submitted to Transport for NSW for approval, with any required design and signage changes being approved by Transport for NSW.
- (b) Council has already undertaken two rounds of consultation on the concept designs and incorporated changes based on the feedback received.
- (c) After signage and line marking approval, the project's review of environmental factors (REF) will be emailed to Councillors for their feedback, five days prior to public exhibition, as per the Councillor Consultation Approval Process. Public exhibition of the REF will be subject to Councillor feedback, in line with the Councillor Consultation Approval Process.
- (d) The General Manager, under delegation, will consider the REF outcomes and feedback from

the public exhibition to determine whether the project will proceed.

- (e) Council will proceed to tendering for construction services should the General Manager determine that the project proceed.
- 4. Conducts a road safety and movement audit once the cycleway has been completed and in operation for six months.

FORESHADOWED MOTION Mover: Cr Lewis

Seconder: Cr Murray

That Council adopts the Traffic Committee's recommendation.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

**Division** 

For the Motion: Crs Betts, Burrill, Goltsman, Kay and Nemesh.

Against the Motion: Crs Fabiano, Gray, Keenan, Lewis, Masselos, Murray and Wy Kanak.

THE FORESHADOWED MOTION NOW BECAME THE MOTION.

AMENDMENT Mover: Cr Kay

Seconder: Cr Burrill

That the motion be amended to read as follows:

'That Council adopts the Traffic Committee's recommendation subject to amendments to clauses 1 and 3 such that the recommendation now reads as follows:

## That Council:

- 1. Approves the installation of traffic devices, signs and line marking in Curlewis Street, between Campbell Parade and Old South Head Road, Bondi Beach, as shown in Attachment 1 of the report with the following changes:
  - (a) Traffic signals at Old South Head Road, Glenayr Avenue and Campbell Parade to be approved through a separate process.
  - (b) The addition of a rubber speed cushion on the eastbound lane of Curlewis Street (at the pedestrian refuge island) on the approach to the roundabout at Wellington Street, subject to feedback from the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) exhibition.
- 2. Delegates authority to the Executive Manager, Infrastructure Services, to modify the designs should further amendments be required.
- 3. Notes that:
  - (a) The traffic signal designs and the addition of the rubber speed cushion will be submitted to Transport for NSW for approval, with any required design and signage changes being approved by Transport for NSW.
  - (b) Council has already undertaken two rounds of consultation on the concept designs and incorporated changes based on the feedback received.

- (c) After signage and line marking approval, the project's review of environmental factors (REF) will be emailed to Councillors for their feedback, five days prior to public exhibition, as per the Councillor Consultation Approval Process. Public exhibition of the REF will be subject to Councillor feedback, in line with the Councillor Consultation Approval Process.
- (d) The General Manager, under delegation, will consider the REF outcomes and feedback from the public exhibition to determine whether the project will proceed.
- (e) Council will proceed to tendering for construction services should the General Manager determine that the project proceed.
- 4. Conducts a road safety and movement audit once the cycleway has been completed and in operation for six months.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

#### **Division**

For the Amendment: Crs Betts, Burrill, Goltsman, Kay and Nemesh.

**Against the Amendment:** Crs Fabiano, Gray, Keenan, Lewis, Masselos and Murray.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED.

#### **DECISION**

That Council adopts the Traffic Committee's recommendation.

## 6. Mayoral Minutes

CM/6.1/23.03 The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP (A03/1284)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

That Council:

- 1. Acknowledges the outgoing Member for Vaucluse, the Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP, and her service to the constituents of Vaucluse.
- 2. Requests the Mayor to write to Gabrielle Upton thanking her for her service and wishing her well in her future endeavours.

## **Background**

The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP was first elected to state parliament in 2011, replacing Peter Debnam. She has held the role as the Member for Vaucluse for the past 12 years.

She has held a number of ministerial positions during her tenure including:

- Environment Minister.
- Minister for Local Government.
- Minster for Heritage.
- Minster for Family and Community Services.
- Minster for sport and Recreation.

She was also the first female NSW Attorney General, and currently has been serving as the parliamentary Secretary for the NSW Premier.

Gabrielle was born and raised in the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney where she attended Brigidine College in Randwick and the University of New South Wales, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. Upton's career began as a banking and finance lawyer with legal firms Freehills, Hollingdale and Page and DLA Phillips Fox, after being admitted as a solicitor to the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the High Court of Australia in 1988.

She worked as a banker with Deutsche Bank and Toronto Dominion Bank in New York financing the energy sector. From 2000 until 2010, Gabrielle was legal counsel at the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a member of CAMAC, the Australian federal government's principal advisory committee on corporations and securities law, between 2006 and 2011. She served as Deputy Chancellor at the University of New South Wales from 2006 until 2009, and on the University's Council from 2002 to 2010. From 2005 to 2011, Upton was the Deputy Chair of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award (Australia) and from 2009 to 2011 was Chair of The Friends of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award in Australia, and was also a board member of Neuroscience Research Australia from 2007 to 2011, and a Fellow of the Law Faculty at the University of New South Wales. She is a Fellow of The Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Gabrielle has chosen not to contest the upcoming State election, and we wish her well in her new endeavours.

# 7. Reports

CM/7.1/23.03 Pricing Policy, Fees and Charges 2022-23 - Amendment - Offset Tree Planting (SF22/838)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Masselos
Seconder: Cr Keenan

That Council amends the Pricing Policy, Fees and Charges 2022–23 as follows:

1. Section 31, Trees – Amend the 'Offset Tree Planting' entry to read as follows:

'Offset Tree Planting Private Trees/Tree Permits, including purchase, supply, planting and a 12-month maintenance program.'

2. Section 31, Trees – Add a new entry to read as follows:

'Pensioner concession of 75% discount for offset tree planting.'

CM/7.2/23.03 Investment Portfolio Report – February 2023 (A03/2211)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

That Council:

Notes the Investment Summary Report for February 2023 attached to the report.

2. Notes that the Executive Manager, Finance, as the responsible accounting officer, advises that all investments have been made in accordance with the requirements of section 625 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and directions from the Minister for Local Government, including Ministerial Investment Orders, and Council's Investment Policy.

CM/7.3/23.03 Petition - St James Road, Bondi Junction - Resident Parking Scheme (A02/0750)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

#### That Council:

1. Refers the petition requesting a resident parking scheme opposite 58–78 St James Road, Bondi Junction, to the Executive Manager, Infrastructure Services, for consideration.

2. Officers prepare a report to the Traffic Committee on the consideration of the petition.

T McBai addressed the meeting.

CM/7.4/23.03 Youth Week 2023 – Financial Assistance (A02/0456)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

That Council, in accordance with section 356 of the *Local Government Act*, grants up to \$4,000 in financial assistance to WAYS Youth and Family to support the cost of Bondi Blitz during Youth Week 2023.

CM/7.5/23.03 Graffiti Management Policy - Adoption (A09/0440)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

That Council adopts the Graffiti Management Policy attached to the report.

CM/7.6/23.03 Surf Life Saving Clubs – Annual Grants (A23/0031)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Keenan

### That Council:

1. Approves annual operational grants of \$21,000 to Bronte Surf Life Saving Club, Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club, Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club and North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club for the 2023–24 financial year to support the ongoing lifesaving operations of the clubs.

2. Approves annual grants to each of the four clubs for a further two financial years, with the grants to increase annually in line with the Consumer Price Index.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION ACCEPTED AN AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE 2 SUCH THAT IT NOW READS AS FOLLOWS:

'Approves annual grants to each of the four clubs for a further two financial years, with the grants to increase annually in line with the Consumer Price Index or other factors as reviewed by Council.'

AMENDMENT Mover: Cr Kay
Seconder: Cr Burrill

That clause 1 be amended to read as follows:

'Approves annual operational grants of \$25,000 to Bronte Surf Life Saving Club, Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club, Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club and North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club for the 2023–24 financial year to support the ongoing lifesaving operations of the clubs.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST ON THE CASTING VOTE OF THE CHAIR.

Division

For the Amendment: Crs Betts, Burrill, Fabiano, Goltsman, Kay and Nemesh.

Against the Amendment: Crs Gray, Keenan, Lewis, Masselos, Murray and Wy Kanak.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **UNANIMOUS DECISION**

That Council:

- 1. Approves annual operational grants of \$21,000 to Bronte Surf Life Saving Club, Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club, Bondi Surf Bathers Life Saving Club and North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club for the 2023–24 financial year to support the ongoing lifesaving operations of the clubs.
- 2. Approves annual grants to each of the four clubs for a further two financial years, with the grants to increase annually in line with the Consumer Price Index or other factors as reviewed by Council.

#### 8. Notices of Motions

CM/8.1/23.03 Frontier Wars - Recognition and Commemoration (A23/0116)

This matter was last considered by Council at its meeting on 21 February 2023. At that meeting, a procedural motion to lay the item on the table until this meeting was carried.

MOTION Mover: Cr Wy Kanak

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That:

1. Council allocates a prominent space on the Waverley Cenotaph, or in the rose garden beside the Crete commemoration, for a plaque that commemorates those killed in the Frontier Wars.

- 2. The language, design and ceremonial affixing of the plaque be done with community consultation, cultural protocols and in conjunction with local First Nation descendants and Aboriginal organisations, including the La Perouse Local Land Council and Land Council networks.
- 3. Council displays a link to the University of Newcastle's map of colonial frontier massacres on its various webpages, including the Waverley Library website.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION ACCEPTED AMENDMENTS TO THE MOTION SUCH THAT IT NOW READS AS FOLLOWS:

#### That Council:

- 1. Investigates the feasibility, location, cost, and possible budget implications and options for a commemorative plaque for those First Nations people killed in the Frontier Wars.
- 2. Undertakes community consultation with Council's Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee, local First Nation descendants and Aboriginal organisations, including the La Perouse Local Land Council and Land Council Networks.
- 3. Receives a report addressing the matters detailed in clauses 1 and 2.
- 4. Displays a link to the University of Newcastle's map of colonial frontier massacres on its various webpages, including the Waverley Library website.

AMENDMENT Mover: Cr Lewis
Seconder: Cr Goltsman

That clause 4 be deleted.

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED.

AT THIS STAGE IN THE PROCEEDINGS, A PROCEDURAL MOTION MOVED BY CR LEWIS AND SECONDED BY CR GOLTSMAN TO LAY THE ITEM ON THE TABLE UNTIL THE MARCH COUNCIL MEETING TO ALLOW OFFICERS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE MOTION AS AMENDED IS OUT OF ORDER, WAS PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UPON THE RESUMPTION OF DEBATE, CR GOLTSMAN MOVED A PROCEDURAL MOTION, SECONDED BY CR FABIANO, THAT THE ITEM BE TAKEN FROM THE TABLE.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **UNANIMOUS DECISION**

#### That Council:

- 1. Investigates the feasibility, location, cost, and possible budget implications and options for a commemorative plaque for those First Nations people killed in the Frontier Wars.
- 2. Undertakes community consultation with Council's Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee, local First Nation descendants and Aboriginal organisations, including the La Perouse Local Land Council and Land Council Networks.
- 3. Receives a report addressing the matters detailed in clauses 1 and 2.

Cr Betts was not present for the vote on the motion.

CM/8.2/23.03 Seven Ways Reserve – Landscaping (A21/0569)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Goltsman

Seconder: Cr Kay

That Council:

- 1. Investigates additional landscaping at Seven Ways Reserve. The investigation is to include:
  - (a) Identifying how the Reserve can be better maintained.
  - (b) Whether new underground stormwater retention infrastructure is required before there are any landscape changes at ground level.
  - (c) On-site consultation with visitors, local business owners and local residents.
- 2. Officers prepare a report on the above investigation for Council's consideration by May 2023.

CM/8.3/23.03 Tree Management Policy - Pruning and Maintenance (A22/0383)

MOTION Mover: Cr Betts

Seconder: Cr Nemesh

That Council amends section 5.5.1 of the Tree Management Policy, 'Pruning and Maintenance', to add the following paragraph:

'Council will prune trees in the public domain, during regular maintenance, if they grow to block iconic harbour or ocean views that existed before the trees were planted.'

That Council amends section 5.5.1 of the Tree Management Policy, 'Pruning and Maintenance', to add the following paragraph:

'Council will prune trees in the public domain, during regular maintenance, if they grow to block iconic harbour or ocean views that existed before the trees were planted.'

FORESHADOWED MOTION (RULED OUT OF ORDER) Mover: Cr Lewis

That Council:

- 1. Notes that:
  - (a) The Tuckeroo tree (Cupaniopsis anacardioides) is listed in Council's Street Tree Master Plan.
  - (b) The Tuckeroo tree is a commonly used tree species for street planting throughout this part of the local government area due to its survival rate and adaptability to soil and weather conditions.
  - (c) Tuckeroos trees were planted along the odd numbered (south) side of Myuna Road, Dover

Heights, in or about 2007.

- (d) A Merit request review on all properties in Myuna Road has identified only two residents in the street and one resident living nearby who have requested pruning in respect of views dating from 2014, 2015 and 2019.
- 2. Undertakes an inspection of the Tuckeroo trees on the south side of Myuna Road.
- 3. Officers prepare a report to Council identifying which of the Tuckeroo trees in Myuna Road require:
  - (a) Maintenance and pruning.
  - (b) Selective crown reduction that will assist re-instating pre-existing views.

THE FORESHADOWED MOTION WAS RULED OUT OF ORDER ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT DID NOT RELATE TO THE MOTION.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

**Division** 

For the Motion: Crs Betts, Burrill, Goltsman, Kay and Nemesh.

Against the Motion: Crs Fabiano, Gray, Keenan, Lewis, Masselos, Murray and Wy Kanak.

CM/8.4/23.03 Election Posters on Ausgrid Poles (SF19/2545)

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Betts

#### That Council:

- 1. Notes that Ausgrid wrote to candidates and political parties participating in the upcoming NSW State election advising them on the display of election posters (corflutes).
- 2. Notes that some candidates have ignored Ausgrid's request for election posters to not be displayed on Ausgrid 'poles and wires.'
- 3. Further notes that Ausgrid has indicated that it will remove election posters from their poles and fine those candidates responsible.
- 4. Writes to Ausgrid requesting that money from the fines collected from the improper display of election posters within the Waverley local government area be donated to a charity within the Waverley local government area chosen at the discretion of Ausgrid.
- 5. Writes to all candidates and political parties participating in the upcoming State election within the seats of Coogee and Vaucluse informing them of this resolution.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

Cr Burrill was not present for the vote on this item.

CM/8.5/23.03 North Bondi Bus Terminus - Safety Upgrades (A22/0183)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Goltsman

That Council:

1. Notes the ongoing safety concerns of residents and businesses in and around the North Bondi bus terminus

- 2. Immediately:
  - (a) Repaints the zebra crossing at the intersection of Campbell Parade and Brighton Boulevard.
  - (b) Installs improved and more visible pedestrian crossing signs across the intersection.
- 3. Investigates if a lighting solution to improve safety could also be immediately installed, with a report to be received by Council in May 2023.

CM/8.6/23.03 Resident Parking Scheme Review - Visitor Parking Permits (A02/0750)

MOTION Mover: Cr Kay

Seconder: Cr Betts

That Council investigates the following matters as part of the upcoming Resident Parking Scheme (RPS) Councillor/Council officer review:

- 1. A new visitor parking permit for short-term rental accommodation (STRA), such as a transferable digital permit.
- 2. A free first visitor parking permit, such as for properties that have no off-street parking and where no free first resident parking permit has been issued.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

#### 9. Questions with Notice

CM/9.1/23.03 Electric Vehicle Chargers (A11/0853)

# **QUESTION**

The following question was submitted by Cr Kay:

It is noted that:

- 1. The transport sector in the Waverley local government area (LGA) is the second largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, making up approximately 20% of community emissions.
- 2. A key opportunity to reduce community greenhouse gas emissions is the transition of transport vehicles from using fossil fuels to electricity from a renewable source.

- 3. Electric vehicles (EV) and other electric transport modes provide a pathway to decarbonise the transport sector when the electricity comes from a renewable resource.
- 4. Council supports the uptake of EVs in the Waverley LGA to hasten the transition from internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles to EVs to help meet the community greenhouse gas emission reduction target of bet zero by 2035.
- 5. Council's policy is to roll out a network of EV charging points in the Waverley LGA so that charging is available for residents, visitors and businesses.
- 6. A dual port 22kW medium speed EV charging station can charge two cars simultaneously, taking on average 2-3 hours, with an example recently installed outside 15 Castlefield Street, Bondi. Fast chargers can take 45 minutes for a full charge.
- 7. Council supports and encourages the uptake and use of EVs through an increasing number of EV charging stations in the Waverley LGA, affecting changes to local infrastructure and parking.

Can the following questions be answered?

- 1. Can the above noted information be confirmed?
- 2. What are the total number of EV charging stations (1) on-street and (2) in Council facilities in 2023 (now), and estimated for 2025, 2030 and 2035 (acknowledging that estimates become less accurate into the future as assumptions change)?
- 3. In relation to the Officeworks and Waverley Library car parks, for each car park:
  - (a) What is the car parking capacity and current average and maximum occupancy?
  - (b) How many EV charging stations are envisaged for the future (over the next 10-12 years)?
  - (c) What incentives can be provided to attract EV car owners to use the Library?
  - (d) How long does recharging take at the current EV charging points?
  - (e) How can we prevent EV owners leaving the charging cable plugged into their vehicle long after the vehicle has been fully charged, and thereby falsely using an EV charging point?

# General Manager's answer

# Question 1

The above notes are correct except for item 6. The time taken to charge a car varies depending on the model. Some cars can only charge up to 7KW AC, so charging on 22KW would result in charge times from two hours and up to eight hours. Similarly, depending on the model of car, and the charger, fast chargers can take between 15 minutes and 1.5 hours for a full charge.

#### Question 2

Currently, there are five on-street EV charging stations in Waverley and two off-street in Council facilities. By the end of 2023, it is expected there will be 24 on street and eight off-street chargers in Council facilities.

In 2025, it is estimated that there will be 42-50 on street chargers and 10-20 off-street chargers in Council

facilities.

In 2030, it is estimated, with low confidence, there will be 134 on-street EV chargers.

In 2035, it is estimated, with low confidence, there will be 275-on-street EV chargers.

#### **Question 3**

(a) Eastgate Car Park has 883 parking spaces with an occupancy rate of approximately 65-70%, with a majority of vehicles staying for between one to two hours.

The Library Car Park has 122 parking spaces with an occupancy rate of approximately 85-90%.

Hollywood Avenue Car Park has 168 parking spaces with an occupancy rate of approximately 55-60%.

Officeworks Car Park has 55 parking spaces. Although publicly available, this is a leased facility whereby occupancy figures are not collected.

- (b) This analysis has not been undertaken specific to these car parks.
- (c) The provision of EV charging facilities is the most effective incentive.
- (d) There are currently no EV charging units in the Officeworks or Library car parks. The two charge points in Eastgate car park are 50KW and generally charge in around 45 minutes. The installation of six fast chargers in Waverley Library is expected in 2023.
- (e) In accordance with regulatory signage, a vehicle must be charging to utilise the parking spot. Many charging units visually show if charging is occurring or not, so enforcement action could be taken if a car has ceased charging. Owners of electric vehicles may also have access to a phone app to alert them when their vehicle is fully charged.

#### **Fletcher Rayner**

**Director, Planning, Sustainability and Compliance** 

# 10. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

## 11. Closed Session

There were no matters dealt with in closed session.

# 12. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.03 PM.

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SIGNED AND CONFIRMED MAYOR 18 APRIL 2023