



WAVERLEY
COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE BOOT FACTORY, SPRING STREET, BONDI JUNCTION ON
TUESDAY, 4 MARCH 2025**

Present:

Councillor Katherine Westwood (Chair)	Lawson Ward
Councillor Will Nemesh (Mayor)	Hunter Ward
Councillor Keri Spooner (Deputy Mayor)	Waverley Ward
Councillor Ludovico Fabiano	Waverley Ward
Councillor Dov Frazer	Hunter Ward
Councillor Steven Lewis	Hunter Ward
Councillor Paula Masselos	Lawson Ward
Councillor Margaret Merten	Bondi Ward
Councillor Joshua Spicer	Waverley Ward
Councillor Michelle Stephenson	Bondi Ward
Councillor Lauren Townsend	Lawson 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, with the exception of Cr Wy Kanak who arrived at 7.02 pm during declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests.

Cr Wy Kanak attended the meeting by audio-visual link.

PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

The Chair read the following Opening Prayer and Acknowledgement of Indigenous Heritage:

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.

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

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 Wy Kanak declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/5.2/25.02 – Sydney 2000 Olympic Games Beach Volleyball Event – Commemoration of 25th Anniversary and informed the meeting that he was involved in community objections to the design and potential environmental impacts of the volleyball stadium.
- 2.2 Cr Townsend declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/5.3/25.02 – Leichhardt Street, Waverley – Traffic Calming – Consultation Outcomes and informed the meeting that she lives in one of the surrounding streets.

3. Addresses by Members of the Public

- 3.1 C Wright – FC/5.3/25.02 – Leichardt Street, Waverley – Traffic Calming – Consultation Outcomes.
- 3.2 M Keen - FC/5.3/25.02 – Leichardt Street, Waverley – Traffic Calming – Consultation Outcomes.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

FC/4.1/25.03 Confirmation of Minutes - Finance, Operations and Community Services Committee Meeting - 4 February 2025 (A25/0080)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Stephenson

That Council confirms the minutes of the Finance, Operations and Community Services Committee meeting held on 4 February 2025 as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5. Reports

FC/5.1/25.03 Artwork Acquisition - Kathy Cavaleire, 'Transient Collage' (A23/0398)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Nemesh

That Council accepts the donation of Kathy Cavaliere's artwork *Transient Collage* (2000) to the Waverley Council Art Collection.

FC/5.2/25.03 Sydney 2000 Olympic Games Beach Volleyball Event - Commemoration of 25th Anniversary (A25/0248)

Cr Wy Kanak declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item and informed the meeting that he was involved in community objections to the design and potential environmental impacts of the volleyball stadium.

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

That Council commemorates the 25th anniversary of the beach volleyball event held during the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games by:

1. Nominating the event for a Blue Plaque.
2. Acknowledging and celebrating the event during the Festival of the Winds on 14 September 2025.

FC/5.3/25.03 Leichhardt Street, Waverley - Traffic Calming - Consultation Outcomes (A20/0069)

Cr Townsend declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item and informed the meeting that she lives in one of the surrounding streets.

MOTION

Mover: Cr Westwood

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council:

1. Notes that the speed limit in Leichhardt Street, Waverley, will reduce to 40 km/h in the next four to six months, in accordance with the 40 km/h speed limit changes south of Bondi Road.
2. Consults the community on the following five options to improve traffic calming and congestion in Leichhardt Street:
 - (a) Option 1 – Install traffic calming devices.
 - (b) Option 2 – Implement one-way southbound and traffic calming devices.

- (c) Option 3 – Implement one-way northbound.
- (d) Option 4 – Remove parking between 13 and 19 Leichhardt Street (western side) and install traffic calming devices.
- (e) Option 5 – Widen the street between 13 and 19 Leichhardt Street (eastern side) and install traffic calming devices.

3. Officers prepare a report to Council on the outcome.

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

UNANIMOUS DECISION

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 - (d) Option 4 – Remove parking between 13 and 19 Leichhardt Street (western side) and install traffic calming devices.
 - (e) Option 5 – Widen the street between 13 and 19 Leichhardt Street (eastern side) and install traffic calming devices.
 - (f) Option 6 – Closure of Leichhardt Street at the intersection of Macpherson Street and Leichhardt Street.
3. Officers prepare a report to Council on the outcome.

C Wright and M Keen addressed the meeting.

FC/5.4/25.03 Ruthven Street, Bondi Junction - Traffic Calming - Consultation Outcomes (A20/0069)**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Townsend
Seconder: Cr Westwood

That Council:

1. Notes that the speed limit in Ruthven Street, Bondi Junction, will reduce to 40 km/h within the next four to six months, in accordance with the 40 km/h speed limit changes south of Bondi Road.
2. Notes the outcome of the review and consultation process, including an information package on parking across driveways/footpaths.
3. Approves the following traffic calming measure in Ruthven Street, as set out in the report:
 - (a) The conversion of rubber speed cushions to concrete-based asphalt-embedded flat top speed humps.
4. Notifies the residents of Ruthven Street and the Mill Hill Precinct Committee of this resolution.

6. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

7. Closed Session**FC/7/25.03 Closed Session****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Frazer

That:

1. Council moves into closed session to deal with the matters listed below, which are classified as confidential under section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act* for the reasons specified:

FC/7.1/25.03 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Clementson Park, Newland Street, Bondi Junction - Part Lot 1 DP 120184 – Lease

This matter is considered to be confidential in accordance with section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act*, and Council is satisfied that discussion of the matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

2. Pursuant to sections 10A(1), 10(2) and 10A(3) of the *Local Government Act*, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is

classified as confidential under section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act*.

3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from the media and public as provided by section 11(2) of the *Local Government Act*.

At 7.44 pm, Council moved into closed session.

FC/7.1/25.03 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Clementson Park, Newland Street, Bondi Junction - Part Lot 1 DP 120184 - Lease (A02/0237)

MOTION / DECISION

Mover: Cr Nimesh

Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council:

1. Treats the report as confidential in accordance with section 11(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as it relates to a matter specified in section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*. The report contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.
2. Grants a lease to The Grace Child Centre Incorporated for Part Lot 1 DP 120184, Clementson Park, Newland Street, Bondi Junction, for 12 months, on the terms and conditions set out in the report.
3. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to complete negotiations and execute all necessary documentation to finalise the matter.

8. Resuming in Open Session

FC/8/25.03 Resuming in Open Session

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nimesh

Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council resumes in open session.

At 7.55 pm, Council resumed in open session.

Resolutions from closed session made public

In accordance with clause 14.21 of the Waverley Code of Meeting Practice, when the meeting resumed in open session the chair announced the resolutions made by Council while the meeting was closed to members of the public and the media.

9. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.56 PM.

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SIGNED AND CONFIRMED
CHAIR
1 APRIL 2025