

MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT WAVERLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, 5 APRIL 2016

Present:

Councillor Angela Burrill (Chair) Lawson Ward

Councillor Joy Clayton Bondi Ward
Councillor John Wakefield Bondi Ward
Councillor Dominic Wy Kanak Bondi Ward

Councillor Leon Goltsman Hunter Ward
Councillor Miriam Guttman-Jones Hunter Ward

Councillor Paula Masselos Lawson Ward

Councillor Tony Kay (Deputy Mayor) Waverley Ward
Councillor Bill Mouroukas Waverley Ward
Councillor Ingrid Strewe Waverley Ward

Staff in attendance:

Arthur Kyron General Manager
Cathy Henderson Director, Waverley Life
Peter Monks Director, Waverley Futures
Emily Scott Director, Waverley Renewal
Jane Worthy Internal Ombudsman

At the commencement of proceedings at 7.00 pm, those present were as listed above, with the exception of Jane Worthy, who arrived at 7.01 pm, and Cr Wakefield, who arrived at 7.07 pm.

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/Leaves of Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Crs Betts and Cusack.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

The Chair called for declarations of interest and none were received.

3. Addresses to Council by Members of the Public

There were no addresses to Council.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

OC/4.1/16.04 Confirmation of Minutes – Operations Committee Meeting – 1 March 2016 (SF16/414)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION: Mover: Cr Mouroukas Seconder: Cr Clayton

That the Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting held on 1 March 2016 be received and noted, and that such minutes be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5. Reports

OC/5.1/16.04 Sustainable Communities Framework – Our Sustainability Engagement Plan

(A15/0394)

MOTION Mover: Cr Goltsman

Seconder: Cr Kay

That Council adopts the Sustainable Communities Framework attached to this report.

AMENDMENTMover: Cr Wy Kanak
Seconder: Cr Masselos

That the Motion be adopted subject to the addition of the following clause:

'That any future report setting out the actions from the framework identifies actions reconnecting the cultural values and custodianship of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, and that these be part of the future implementation of the policy.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

Division

For the Amendment: Crs Masselos, Strewe, Wakefield and Wy Kanak.

Against the Amendment: Crs Burrill, Clayton, Kay, Goltsman, Guttman-Jones and Mouroukas.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED.

DECISION: That the Motion be adopted.

Cr Wy Kanak requested that it be recorded in the minutes that he voted against the Motion.

OC/5.2/16.04 Pesticide Use and Notification Plan (A06/0333)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Goltsman

Seconder: Cr Mouroukas

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the Pesticide Use Notification Plan 2016 as printed in the agenda subject to the following changes to the Notification Summary Table on page 43 of the agenda:
 - (a) Where baiting is undertaken, that a letter box drop be instituted in surrounding areas.
 - (b) Where meat baiting is undertaken, that there be a door-knock in surrounding areas, in addition to a letter box drop.
- 2. Officers prepare a report to the June 2016 Operations Committee on the feasibility of either eliminating or minimising our use of chemicals in the control of weeds and vermin in the Waverley LGA. The report is also to investigate additional options of notification of pesticide use.

AMENDMENT (WITHDRAWN) Mover: Cr Wy Kanak

Seconder:

That the Motion be adopted subject to the addition of the following clause:

'That consultation and comment be sought from the peak body for sufferers of chemical sensitivity in relation to the Pesticide Use Policy.'

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED.

Division

For the Motion: Crs Burrill, Clayton, Goltsman, Guttman-Jones, Kay, Masselos, Mouroukas,

Strewe and Wakefield.

Against the Motion: Cr Wy Kanak.

DECISION: That the Motion be adopted.

OC/5.3/16.04 Review of Internal Reporting Policy (A16/0056)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION: Mover: Cr Kay

Seconder: Cr Mouroukas

That Council adopts the Internal Reporting Policy attached to this report.

OC/5.4/16.04 Petitions Policy Review (A08/1339)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION: Mover: Cr Kay

Seconder: Cr Clayton

That Council:

1. Adopts the Petitions Policy attached to this report subject to the following changes:

- (a) The Petition Lodgement Form and Petition (attached to the Policy) to include statements that demonstrate consent and understanding from persons signing the petition that:
 - (i) All personal details are provided to Council in accordance with the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* for considering the subject of the petition and to verify its authenticity.
 - (ii) Petitions and related documents received by Council may be publicly available under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*.
- (b) The Petitions Policy be extended as follows:
 - (i) For electronic petitions, to require that all petitioners provide their full address. Point 4 on page 3 of the Policy would therefore be amended to read 'The full name, address (including postcode), and email address of those people who support the e-petition.'
- 2. Provides copies of the Petitions Policy to all precinct conveners.
- 3. Officers investigate and report to Council on:
 - (a) Including for all petition types an additional column and nomenclature for address category so that residents, landowners, business people, users of Council services, visitors, or non-locals can be distinguished from each other. This could either be mandatory or optional.
 - (b) The costing, feasibility and timing of Council hosting e-petitions on its website or developing a

web portal.

- (c) The actions and likely timing of the NSW Government introducing legislation for e-petitions to local government.
- (d) Council's May 2013 resolution on Electronic Lobbying and submissions, following consultation with precinct groups and the community on these matters.

7. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.06 PM.

SIGNED AND CONFIRMED CHAIRPERSON 3 MAY 2016