



WAVERLEY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE WAVERLEY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE BOOT FACTORY, SPRING STREET, BONDI JUNCTION ON TUESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2024

Present:

Councillor Will Nemesh (Mayor) (Chair)	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 Katherine Westwood	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 7.04 pm during apologies/leaves of absence.

Crs Frazer and Masselos attended the meeting by audio-visual link.

PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

The Mayor 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

There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest

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

3. Obituaries

Ben Lucas

Father Nicholas Lucas

Leo Lucas

Bill Moyes OAM

Maurice Steinfeld

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

S Betts addressed the meeting.

4. Addresses by Members of the Public

4.1 S Betts – CM/3/24.10 – Obituaries – Ben Lucas and Nicholas Lucas.

4.2 B Peacock (on behalf of Save Bondi Village) – CM/8.3/24.10 – NSW Housing Reform – Communications Strategy.

4.3 P Paech – CM/8.3/24.10 – NSW Housing Reform – Communications Strategy.

4.4 C Phitidis – CM/8.4/24.10 – Cadigal Place Renaming.

ITEMS BY EXCEPTION**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

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

- CM/5.1/24.10 Confirmation of Minutes – Council Meeting – 20 August 2024.
- CM/5.2/24.10 Confirmation of Minutes – Council (Mayoral Election) Meeting – 10 October 2024.
- CM/5.3/24.10 Adoption of Minutes – Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting – 22 August 2024.
- CM/5.4/24.10 Adoption of Minutes – Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting – 26 September 2024.
- CM/7.2/24.10 Investment Portfolio Report – August 2024.
- CM/7.3/24.10 Investment Portfolio Report – September 2024.
- CM/7.5/24.10 Annual Returns Disclosing Interests of Councillors and Designated Persons.
- CM/7.6/24.10 Small Grants Program 2024-25 – Round 1.
- CM/11.1/24.10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – Mill Hill Cafe – 33 Spring Street, Bondi Junction – Lease.

5. Confirmation and Adoption of Minutes**CM/5.1/24.10 Confirmation of Minutes - Council Meeting - 20 August 2024 (A23/0761)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20 August 2024 be received and noted, and that such minutes be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

CM/5.2/24.10 Confirmation of Minutes - Council (Mayoral Election) Meeting - 10 October 2024 (A23/0761)**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That the minutes of the extraordinary Council (mayoral election) meeting held on 10 October 2024 be received and noted, and that such minutes be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

**CM/5.3/24.10 Adoption of Minutes - Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 22 August 2024
(A23/0764)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Part 1 of the minutes of the Waverley Traffic Committee meeting held on 22 August 2024 be received and noted, and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

**CM/5.4/24.10 Adoption of Minutes - Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 26 September 2024
(A23/0764)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Part 1 of the minutes of the Waverley Traffic Committee meeting held on 26 September 2024 be received and noted, and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

**CM/5.5/24.10 Adoption of Minutes - Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 24 October 2024
(A23/0764)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Westwood

That Part 1 of the minutes of the Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting held on 24 October 2024 be received and noted, and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Save and except the following:

1. TC/CV.01/24.10 – Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.

And that this item be dealt with separately below.

**CM/5.5.1/24.10 Adoption of Minutes - Waverley Traffic Committee Meeting - 24 October 2025 -
TC/CV.01/24.10 - Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (A11/0853)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Westwood

That Council:

1. Does not adopt the Traffic Committee's recommendation.
2. Defers this item to the Council meeting on 26 November 2024 for further consideration.

6. Mayoral Minutes

CM/6.1/24.08 Support for the Jewish Community - Collaboration with Woollahra Council on Public Artwork (A23/0698)

MOTION

Mover: Cr Nemes

That Council:

1. Welcomes the resolution of Woollahra Council passed at its meeting on 28 October 2024 to work with Waverley Council on commissioning a public art installation to represent both councils' ongoing support for those in our community impacted by the events on 7 October 2023.
2. Requests the Mayor to write to Cr Swan, Mayor of Woollahra, thanking her for the invitation to participate in this joint initiative and immediately commences discussions to facilitate a process moving forward.
3. Officers prepare a report to Council, following initial discussions with Woollahra Council, on the proposed scope, budget, timeline and consultation process for the art installation.
4. Refers this resolution to the Arts, Culture and Creativity Advisory Committee for its feedback.
5. Informs the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies of this resolution.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION ACCEPTED AN AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE 3.

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

UNANIMOUS DECISION

That Council:

1. Welcomes the resolution of Woollahra Council passed at its meeting on 28 October 2024 to work with Waverley Council on commissioning a public art installation to represent both councils' ongoing support for those in our community impacted by the events on 7 October 2023.
2. Requests the Mayor to write to Cr Swan, Mayor of Woollahra, thanking her for the invitation to participate in this joint initiative and immediately commences discussions to facilitate a process moving forward.
3. Officers prepare a report to Council, following initial discussions with Woollahra Council, on the proposed scope, opportunities for public submissions, budget, timeline and consultation process for the art installation.
4. Refers this resolution to the Arts, Culture and Creativity Advisory Committee for its feedback.
5. Informs the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies of this resolution.

CM/6.2/24.08 Antisemitic Graffiti (A24/0972)**MOTION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

That Council:

1. Notes:

- (a) The antisemitic graffiti occurring in the Waverley local government area specifically targeted at the Jewish community.
- (b) That graffiti is a criminal act of vandalism and antisemitic graffiti is especially nefarious, with 129 instances recorded in the last month.

2. Welcomes the investigation by police taskforce Cadomin to catch the perpetrator(s).

3. Continues to immediately remove the graffiti upon notification.

4. Provides a copy of Council's register of antisemitic graffiti (which includes the date, time, location of each incident) every six months to the NSW Police, NSW Jewish Board of Deputies and the Special Envoy to Combat Antisemitism in Australia.

5. In conjunction with the police and other agencies, undertakes an immediate security assessment that includes but is not limited to:

- (a) Identifying locations of vulnerability.
- (b) Examining the suitability of installing additional and/or higher specification CCTV cameras in specific locations
- (c) Other security measures as identified within the security assessment.

6. Officers prepare a report to Council in December with options to implement the recommendations of the security assessment, a budget and a time frame.

AMENDMENT

Mover: Cr Townsend

Seconder: Cr Wy Kanak

That:

1. Clause 5(b) be deleted.

2. Clause 5(c) be amended to read as follows:

'And any other security measures as identified within the security assessment.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNANIMOUS DECISION

That Council:

1. Notes:
 - (a) The antisemitic graffiti occurring in the Waverley local government area specifically targeted at the Jewish community.
 - (b) That graffiti is a criminal act of vandalism and antisemitic graffiti is especially nefarious, with 129 instances recorded in the last month.
2. Welcomes the investigation by police taskforce Cadomin to catch the perpetrator(s).
3. Continues to immediately remove the graffiti upon notification.
4. Provides a copy of Council's register of antisemitic graffiti (which includes the date, time, location of each incident) every six months to the NSW Police, NSW Jewish Board of Deputies and the Special Envoy to Combat Antisemitism in Australia.
5. In conjunction with the police and other agencies, undertakes an immediate security assessment that includes but is not limited to:
 - (b) Identifying locations of vulnerability.
 - (b) Examining the suitability of installing additional and/or higher specification CCTV cameras in specific locations
 - (c) Other security measures as identified within the security assessment.
6. Officers prepare a report to Council in December with options to implement the recommendations of the security assessment, a budget and a time frame.

Cr Masselos was not present for the votes on this item.

7. Reports

CM/7.1/24.10 Draft Financial Statements 2023-24 (A24/0111)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Stephenson

That:

1. Council, in relation to the financial statements required by section 413(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, resolves that in its opinion the General Purpose Financial Statements, Special Purpose Financial Statements and Special Schedules for the year ending 30 June 2023 attached to the report:
 - (a) Have been properly drawn up in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*, the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, the Australian Accounting Standards and professional pronouncements, and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.
 - (b) To the best of Council's knowledge and belief, present fairly Council's operating result and financial position for the year and accord with Council's accounting and other records.

2. Council is unaware of any matter that would render the financial statements false or misleading in anyway.
3. The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, General Manager and Responsible Accounting Officer sign:
 - (a) The Statement by Councillors and management for the General Purpose Financial Statements and Special Purpose Financial Statements on page 6 of the Annual Financial Statements attached to the report.
 - (b) The Statement by Councillors and management for the Special Purpose Financial Statements on page 3 of the Special Purpose Financial Statements attached to the report.
 - (c) The financial statements attached to the report.
4. Council sends the signed financial statements to Council's auditor for final clearance.
5. Council forwards a copy of the audited financial statements to the Office of Local Government.
6. Council gives public notice of the audited financial statements and presents them at a Council meeting, in accordance with sections 418 and 419 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

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

CM/7.2/24.10 Investment Portfolio Report - August 2024 (SF24/3676)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council notes:

1. The Investment Summary Report for August 2024 attached to the report.
2. 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/7.3/24.10 Investment Portfolio Report - September 2024 (SF24/3676)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council notes:

1. The Investment Summary Report for September 2024 attached to the report.
2. 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/7.4/24.10 Committees and Organisations - Councillor Appointments (SF24/5003)**MOTION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

That Council:

1. Establishes a Capital Works Review Committee that includes the ICT Modernisation Program within its scope.
2. Establishes a Strategic Property Review Committee that includes the responsibilities of the Housing Advisory Committee within its scope.
3. Disestablishes the Housing Advisory Committee.
4. Re-establishes the Surf Life Saving Committee.
5. Changes the name of the Sustainability Expert Advisory Panel to the Sustainability and Transport Expert Advisory Panel and amends its scope to include the responsibilities of the Cycling Advisory Committee.
6. Disestablishes the Cycling Advisory Committee.
7. Re-establishes the Waverley Business Forum, to replace the Innovation Forum, noting there are no appointed members to the forum.
8. Officers prepare reports to Council as soon as possible recommending terms of reference for each of the following committees and appoints Councillor members once the terms of reference are adopted:
 - (a) Capital Works Review Committee.
 - (b) Strategic Property Review Committee.
 - (c) Surf Life Saving Committee.
 - (d) Sustainability and Transport Expert Advisory Panel.
 - (e) Waverley Business Forum.
9. Appoints Councillors to the committees and organisations listed below until the next mayoral election on 15 September 2026, subject to the rules of the organisations.

AMENDMENT

Mover: Cr Wy Kanak

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council also appoints Cr Fabiano to the General Manager's Performance Review Panel.

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

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNANIMOUS DECISION

That Council:

1. Establishes a Capital Works Review Committee that includes the ICT Modernisation Program within its scope.
2. Establishes a Strategic Property Review Committee that includes the responsibilities of the Housing Advisory Committee within its scope.
3. Disestablishes the Housing Advisory Committee.
4. Re-establishes the Surf Life Saving Committee.
5. Changes the name of the Sustainability Expert Advisory Panel to the Sustainability and Transport Expert Advisory Panel and amends its scope to include the responsibilities of the Cycling Advisory Committee.
6. Disestablishes the Cycling Advisory Committee.
7. Re-establishes the Waverley Business Forum, to replace the Innovation Forum, noting there are no appointed members to the forum.
8. Officers prepare reports to Council as soon as possible recommending terms of reference for each of the following committees and appoints Councillor members once the terms of reference are adopted:
 - (a) Capital Works Review Committee.
 - (b) Strategic Property Review Committee.
 - (c) Surf Life Saving Committee.
 - (d) Sustainability and Transport Expert Advisory Panel.
 - (e) Waverley Business Forum.
9. Appoints Councillors to the committees and organisations listed below until the next mayoral election on 15 September 2026, subject to the rules of the organisations:

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Committee name:	<u>Finance, Operations and Community Services Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair and Deputy Chair.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case Council will appoint the Chair.
Appointees:	Crs Westwood (Chair) and Masselos (Deputy Chair).
Committee name:	<u>Strategic Planning and Development Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair and Deputy Chair.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case Council will

appoint the Chair.

Appointees: Crs Stephenson (Chair) and Lewis (Deputy Chair).

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

Committee name: **Traffic Committee**

Councillors to be appointed: Council must appoint one voting representative to the Committee. Council's voting representative may be the Mayor, a Councillor or an employee of Council. Council must also appoint an alternate voting representative (Deputy Chair).

Chair of Committee: The Mayor unless they decline, in which case Council will appoint the Chair.

Appointees: Cr Frazer (Chair) and Spicer (Deputy Chair).

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Committee name: **Access and Inclusion Advisory Panel**

Councillors to be appointed: Chair, Deputy Chair and two other Councillors.

Chair of Committee: The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.

Appointees: Crs Spicer (Chair), Townsend (Deputy Chair), Spooner and Fabiano.

Committee name: **Arts, Culture and Creativity Advisory Committee**

Councillors to be appointed: Chair, Deputy Chair and one other Councillor.

Chair of Committee: The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.

Appointees: Crs Stephenson (Chair), Westwood (Deputy Chair) and Masselos.

Committee name: **Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee**

Councillors to be appointed: One (non-voting). The Mayor cannot be a member of this Committee.

Chair of Committee: An Independent Member (non-Councillor).

Appointees: Cr Spicer.

Committee name: **Floodplain Management Committee**

Councillors to be appointed: Chair, Deputy Chair and one other Councillor.

Chair of Committee: The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.

Appointees:	Crs Stephenson (Chair), Nemesh (Deputy Chair) and Spooner.
Committee name:	<u>General Manager’s Performance Review Panel</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair, Deputy Mayor and one other Councillor.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.
Appointees:	Crs Nemesh (Chair), Westwood (Deputy Chair) and Spooner.
Committee name:	<u>Multicultural Advisory Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair, Deputy Chair and up to two other Councillors.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.
Appointees:	Crs Nemesh (Chair), Lewis (Deputy Chair) and Frazer.
Committee name:	<u>Reconciliation Action Plan Advisory Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair, Deputy Chair and two other Councillors.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.
Appointees:	Crs Townsend (Chair), Wy Kanak (Deputy Chair), Masselos and Fabiano.
Committee name:	<u>Resident Parking Scheme Review Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Chair, Deputy Chair and one other Councillor.
Chair of Committee:	The Mayor unless they decline, in which case the Mayor will nominate one Councillor to chair the Committee.
Appointees:	Crs Stephenson (Chair), Frazer (Deputy Chair) and Merten.
	<u>EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</u>
Name:	<u>Centennial Park and Moore Park Community Trustee Board</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	One Councillor.
Appointees:	Cr Nemesh (Mayor).
Name:	<u>NSW Public Libraries Association</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	One Councillor.
Appointees:	Cr Spicer.

Name:	<u>Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) – Board</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	A maximum of two delegates and two alternates (one delegate to be the Mayor).
Appointees:	Crs Nemesh (Mayor) and Townsend. Alternates: Crs Westwood and Spooner (Deputy Mayor).
Name:	<u>Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) – Program Delivery Committee</u>
Description:	Deals with asset management, public works, procurement, waste management and SSROC financial reports.
Councillors to be appointed:	Cr Westwood. Alternate: Cr Merten.
Name:	<u>Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) – Sustainability Program Committee</u>
Description:	Deals with regional planning, environmental management, transport planning and management, and community development.
Councillors to be appointed:	Cr Westwood. Alternate: Cr Masselos.
Name:	<u>Sydney Coastal Council Group – Delegate</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	One Councillor (no alternate).
Appointee:	Cr Townsend.
Name:	<u>Sydney Coastal Council Group – Executive Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	One Councillor (must not be the delegate and there is no alternate).
Appointee:	Cr Frazer.
Name:	<u>Sydney Football Stadium Community Consultative Committee</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	One Councillor and one alternate.
Appointees:	Cr Nemesh (Mayor). Alternate: Cr Spicer.
Name:	<u>Sydney Water Customer and Community Reference Group (Bondi)</u>
Councillors to be appointed:	Up to three Councillors.
Appointees:	Crs Frazer, Spicer and Spooner.

CM/7.5/24.10 Annual Returns Disclosing Interests of Councillors and Designated Persons (A24/0116)**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council notes the returns of Councillors and designated persons disclosing interests for the period 30 June 2023 to 30 June 2024.

CM/7.6/24.10 Small Grants Program 2024-25 - Round 1 (A24/0730)**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council, under the Small Grants Program 2024–25 (Round 1), grants \$46,000 to the individuals and organisations as recommended in Table 1 of the report, subject to any conditions specified in Attachment 1 of the report.

8. Notices of Motions**CM/8.1/24.10 Pedestrian Amenity (A24/0956)****MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Fabiano
Seconder: Cr Wy Kanak

That Council:

1. Notes that:

- (a) There is an existing Council resolution that addresses the process and prioritisation of pedestrian amenity improvements across Waverley, including:
 - (i) Bronte Road from Ebley Street, Bondi Junction, to Victoria Street, Charing Cross (both sides of the road).
 - (ii) Wellington Street, Bondi from Bondi Road to Edward Street (Bondi Public School Side).
 - (b) Delivery of the program is currently underway.
 - (c) A report will be prepared to Council on the Walking Strategy, including the findings of the Safe Walking Routes to School project, in early 2025.
2. Officers include in the report to Council the outcomes of the audit for the areas specified in clauses 1 (a)(i) and (ii).

CM/8.2/24.10 NSW Housing Reform - Communications Campaign (SF24/382)**MOTION**

Mover: Cr Merten

Seconder: Cr Lewis

That Council:

1. Notes that:
 - (a) The Waverley local government area (LGA) is one of the most densely populated LGAs in Australia.
 - (b) The previous Mayor and General Manager and Council planners have met the Minister for Planning, the Hon Paul Scully, to discuss the State Government's housing reforms and their impact and implications for Waverley.
 - (c) As a result of that meeting, the Department of Planning and Environment and Council undertook to work together to clarify definitions such as 'town centres', and to achieve housing reform outcomes that are sensitive to residential and public amenity of the Waverley LGA.
2. Requests that Council's Community Planning Advocate works with the Communications team to develop an information, communications and outreach campaign explaining the new State Government's housing reforms. This plan, including a budget and funding source, is to be presented at the December Council meeting for consideration.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION ACCEPTED THE ADDITION OF A NEW CLAUSE SUCH THAT THE MOTION NOW READS AS FOLLOWS:

That Council:

1. Notes that:
 - (a) The Waverley local government area (LGA) is one of the most densely populated LGAs in Australia.
 - (b) The previous Mayor and General Manager and Council planners have met the Minister for Planning, the Hon Paul Scully, to discuss the State Government's housing reforms and their impact and implications for Waverley.
 - (c) As a result of that meeting, the Department of Planning and Environment and Council undertook to work together to clarify definitions such as 'town centres', and to achieve housing reform outcomes that are sensitive to residential and public amenity of the Waverley LGA.
2. Requests that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor seek an urgent meeting with the Minister for Planning and Public Places, the Hon Paul Scully, to discuss Council's preferred options to deliver its housing targets.
3. Requests that Council's Community Planning Advocate works with the Communications team to develop an information, communications and outreach campaign explaining the new State Government's housing reforms. This plan, including a budget and funding source, is to be presented at the December Council meeting for consideration.

AMENDMENT

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

That clause 3 be amended to read as follows:

‘Requests that Council’s Community Planning Advocate works with the Precincts and community groups to explain the new State Government’s housing reforms and their impact on Waverley.’

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED.

Division

For the Amendment: Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood.

Against the Amendment: Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION THEN ACCEPTED AN AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE 3.

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

UNANIMOUS DECISION

That Council:

1. Notes that:
 - (a) The Waverley local government area (LGA) is one of the most densely populated LGAs in Australia.
 - (b) The previous Mayor and General Manager and Council planners have met the Minister for Planning, the Hon Paul Scully, to discuss the State Government’s housing reforms and their impact and implications for Waverley.
 - (c) As a result of that meeting, the Department of Planning and Environment and Council undertook to work together to clarify definitions such as ‘town centres’, and to achieve housing reform outcomes that are sensitive to residential and public amenity of the Waverley LGA.
2. Requests that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor seek an urgent meeting with the Minister for Planning and Public Places, the Hon Paul Scully, to discuss Council’s preferred options to deliver its housing targets.
3. Requests that Council’s Community Planning Advocate works with the Precincts and community groups to explain the new State Government’s housing reforms and their impacts on Waverley and prepares a report to the December Council meeting with a full proposal on a way forward, including budget.

Cr Masselos was not present for the votes on this item.

CM/8.3/24.10 NSW Housing Reform - Communications Strategy (SF24/382)**MOTION**

Mover: Cr Wy Kanak

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council:

1. Notes the following unanimous resolution passed at the 'Save Bondi Village' group meeting at Bondi Pavilion on 14 October 2024: 'This community/public meeting calls on Waverley Council to embark on an extensive communication strategy to inform residents of the NSW Housing Reforms and the serious implications of these reforms for Bondi/Waverley.'
2. Officers prepare a report to the December 2024 Council meeting outlining an engagement and communications strategy and budget to inform residents of the NSW housing reforms and anticipated impacts for Waverley.
3. Officers prepare a report to Council by June 2025 evaluating the changes to the excavation controls in the Waverley Development Control Plan and recommending any further amendments to ensure the objectives are achieved.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

Division**For the Motion:** Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak.**Against the Motion:** Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood.*Cr Masselos was not present for the vote on this item.**B Peacock (on behalf of Save Bondi Village) and P Paech addressed the meeting.***CM/8.4/24.10 Cadigal Place Renaming (A24/0287)****MOTION / DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Frazer

That Council:

1. Withdraws its application to the Geographical Names Board to change the name of Cadigal Place to Gadigal Place.
2. Advises the residents of Cadigal Place of Council's decision, as well as the Dover Heights Precinct.

C Phitidis addressed the meeting.

9. Questions with Notice

CM/9.1/24.10 Access Provisions (A21/0205)

QUESTION

The following question was submitted by Crs Fabiano and Wy Kanak:

Regarding resolution CM/8.6/23.11 (Continuous Pedestrian Paths of Travel – Accessibility Solutions), can an update be provided on the actions outlined in this resolution, particularly relating to the audit of kerb crossings (pram ramps) and priorities for rebuilding to contemporary standards?

Background

Priorities for pram ramps were identified in Council's Asset Strategy.

Resolution CM/8.6/23.11 is as follows:

That Council:

1. *Notes Council resolution CM/8.2/21.11 (Accessibility in Waverley) for Waverley to become the most accessible place in NSW.*
2. *Notes the Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) 2022–26, which aims to identify what needs to be done to optimise accessibility and inclusion in Waverley.*
3. *Notes actions from Council's Bondi Junction Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) 2009 are now finalised.*
4. *Notes the Waverley People, Movement and Places Study approved by Council in December 2017.*
5. *Officers prioritise the installation of Tactile Graphic Surface Indicators (TGSIs), known as tactile markers, such as at existing continuous footpath treatments (CFTs) in Waverley, ensuring that installations meet best practice for proper alignment with all desire lines of pedestrian travel, starting with high pedestrian areas in Bondi Junction.*
6. *Officers, through Council's internal Access and Mobility Working Group:*
 - (a) *Continue to conduct access audits of the Bondi Junction commercial area and villages centres throughout Waverley to plan, prioritise and action improvements to continuous pedestrian paths of travel, including footpaths, kerb ramps, cycleways, continuous footpath treatments, shared paths, shared zones, unsignalised pedestrian crossing, and signalised intersections using a staged approach to create outcomes as soon as possible.*
 - (b) *Identify areas of concern that fall under the authority of Transport for NSW/the NSW State Government and then make representations, as appropriate, with Councillors being notified.*
7. *Officers investigate any funding sources to carry out this work.*
8. *Officers engage with the Access and Inclusion Advisory Panel on proposals.*
9. *Officers request design input on the above initiatives from Guide Dogs NSW and other stakeholders in the vision impaired area.*

10. *Receives a progress report in the first half of 2024 on the above actions.*

General Manager's answer

Clauses 1 to 4 are noted.

Clause 5

Council officers have implemented updated technical standards to ensure that new pedestrian facilities including pram (pedestrian) ramps, continuous footpath treatments and pedestrian crossings include contemporary and compliant design principles. As such, any new treatments being installed will meet this above objective.

Existing treatments planned for review and retrofitting with tactile graphic surface indicators are to be completed within the current financial year. Focus on key pedestrian routes and the Bondi Junction commercial area will be the priority.

Clause 6

Audits are planned of key pedestrian routes to assess the opportunities for improvements.

Based on the findings of these audits, a program of works will be developed. This is likely to be funded from the Complete Streets Program and the Local Village Centres allocations in the Long Term Financial Plan. This audit is occurring in parallel with finalising Council's Walking Strategy. Officers will be reporting to Council on the Walking Strategy in early 2025 of the calendar year.

Sharon Cassidy
Director, Assets and Operations

CM/9.2/24.10 Tram Waiting Shed/Bus Shelter, Bondi Road (A04/0458)

QUESTION

The following question was submitted by Crs Fabiano and Wy Kanak:

The historic tram waiting shed/bus shelter on Bondi Road has fallen into a state of disrepair and is in urgent need of repair. Can an update be provided on any proposed plans to complete carpentry repairs and repainting of the historic tram shed?

Background

This is an important legacy structure from Waverley's transport past and offers excellent shade and shelter to people waiting for buses. It has been damaged and out of use for several months. Bedraggled infrastructure unnecessarily degrades Waverley's historic amenity, and repairs and restoration are worthwhile.

General Manager's answer

Council officers have undertaken a full design scope, including a methodology for preservation of the historic tram waiting shed's materials and character. Council adopted the 2024-25 Capital Works Budget with adequate budget provisions for this scope.

Prior to tendering for the delivery of the works, there is the necessary heritage approvals process that needs to be undertaken. This is currently in train.

Works are planned to be completed this financial year.

Sharon Cassidy
Director, Assets and Operations

CM/9.3/24.10 First Nations Training Programs (A24/0965)

QUESTION

The following question was submitted by Cr Wy Kanak:

Can officers clarify which First Nations training programs are available for post-youth training; for example, Council rangers and casuals?

General Manager's answer

Council has an Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are a focus group within this plan. The plan outlines Council's priority to continue to provide targeted employment opportunities through the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Training Program and provide cultural awareness training to employees to increase understanding and appreciation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. As well as our much loved Elsa Dixon Trainees, Council also has a targeted employment position (Aboriginal Community Development Officer).

Council recently advertised for casual Rangers through our normal recruitment process which everyone is encouraged to apply. All advertisements for Council's recruitment include our commitment to equal employment opportunity and our encouragement for (among other groups) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply. Council does not have any First Nations adult training programs at this point in time.

Ben Thompson
Director, Community, Culture and Customer Experience

10. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

11. Closed Session

There were no matters dealt with in closed session.

CM/11.1/24.10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Mill Hill Cafe - 33 Spring Street, Bondi Junction - Lease (A21/0147)

Council dealt with this item in open session.

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemes

Seconder: Cr Fabiano

That Council:

1. Treats the report as confidential 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 the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.
2. Grants a lease to The Dining & Co Castle Hill Pty Ltd for the Mill Hill Café, 33 Spring Street, Bondi Junction, for three years with one three-year option, 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.

12. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.53 PM.

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SIGNED AND CONFIRMED
MAYOR
26 NOVEMBER 2024