



**MINUTES OF THE WAVERLEY EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE BOOT FACTORY, SPRING STREET, BONDI JUNCTION ON
TUESDAY, 13 MAY 2025**

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 7.15 pm, those present were as listed above, with the exception of Cr Wy Kanak who arrived at 7.21 pm during addresses by members of the public.

Crs Frazer 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 none were received.

3. Addresses by Members of the Public

- 3.1. S Pearce (on behalf of Surf Life Saving NSW and Bronte Surf Life Saving Club) – CM/5.1/25.05E – RESCISSION MOTION – CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – CM/11.2/25.04 – Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade – Project Update and Project Agreement.
- 3.2. I Power – CM/5.1/25.05E – RESCISSION MOTION – CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – CM/11.2/25.04 – Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade – Project Update and Project Agreement.
- 3.3. J Stewart (on behalf of Bronte Surf Life Saving Club) – CM/5.1/25.05E – RESCISSION MOTION – CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – CM/11.2/25.04 – Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade – Project Update and Project Agreement.

4. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

5. Closed Session**CM/5/25.05E Closed Session****MOTION / DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

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:

CM/5.1/25.05E RESCISSION MOTION - CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - CM/11.2/25.04 - Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade - Project Update and Project Agreement

This matter is considered to be confidential in accordance with section 10A(2)(d)(i) 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 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

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 7.27 pm, Council moved into closed session.

CM/5.1/25.05E RESCISSION MOTION - CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - CM/11.2/25.04 - Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade - Project Update and Project Agreement (A24/0641)

MOTION (WITHDRAWN)

Mover: Cr Lewis

Seconder: Cr Masselos

That Council rescinds resolution CM/11.2/25.04 – Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade – Project Update and Project Agreement, passed at the Council meeting on 29 April 2025.

FORESHADOWED MOTION (LAPSED)

Mover: Cr Lewis

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)(d)(i) of the *Local Government Act 1993*. The report contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

2. Notes the progress made on funding initiatives identified in the Sustainable Funding Action Plan for the Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Upgrade Project, as set out in the report.
3. Notes that the project budget of \$32,349,000 comprises two main components, with the building component costing \$23,614,770 and the public domain component costing \$8,734,230.
4. Notes that the project budget includes \$679,373 in professional fees and \$2,893,319 in contingency costs.
5. Notes that the following funding contributions have been agreed:
 - (a) Bronte Surf Life Saving Club: up to a maximum of \$4,250,000.
 - (b) Already secured Federal and State grants: \$3,345,000.
6. Notes that additional grant funding is being sought for the project in accordance with the Sustainable Funding Action Plan.
7. Holds a Councillor briefing as soon as possible on the following:
 - (a) The project's funding sources.
 - (b) The source of funding in the event of a costs overrun (other than agreed variations).
 - (c) The financial risks for Council in undertaking the project.
 - (d) Bronte Surf Life Saving Club's financial obligations to the project.
 - (e) The terms of the Project Agreement with Bronte Surf Life Saving Club attached to the report.

S Pearce (on behalf of Surf Life Saving NSW and Bronte Surf Life Saving Club), I Power and J Stewart (on behalf of Bronte Surf Life Saving Club) addressed the meeting.

6. Resuming in Open Session

CM/6/25.05E Resuming in Open Session

MOTION / DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconded: Cr Stephenson

That Council resumes in open session.

At 9.03, Council resumed in open session.

7. Meeting Closure

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.04 PM.

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SIGNED AND CONFIRMED
MAYOR
20 MAY 2025