

# MINUTES OF THE WAVERLEY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE BOOT FACTORY, SPRING STREET, BONDI JUNCTION ON TUESDAY, 9 DECEMBER 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 7.00 pm, those present were as listed above.

At 8.30 pm, following the vote on items by exception, the meeting adjourned for a short break. At 8.34, the meeting resumed.

At 9.44 pm, following the vote on item CM/8.1/25.12, the meeting adjourned for a short break. At 9.54 pm, the meeting resumed.

At 10.22 pm, following the vote on item CM/7.24/25.12, the meeting adjourned for a short break. At 10.24, the meeting resumed.

At 9.42 pm, during the consideration of CM/8.1/25.12, a procedural motion to shorten the duration of Councillors' speeches to three minutes at any one time, moved by Cr Nemesh and seconded by Cr Spooner, was put and declared carried.

At 11.33 pm, following the vote on CM/8.7/25.12, a procedural motion to extend the meeting by 30 minutes, moved by Cr Nemesh and seconded by Cr Spooner, was put and declared carried.

#### 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 Interests

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

- 2.1 Cr Nemesh declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/7.4/25.12 Hungarian Revolution of 1956 Memorial and informed the meeting that he is a Hungarian citizen.
- 2.2 Cr Masselos declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in item CM/6.2/25.12 Business Sydney and informed the meeting that she occasionally attends Business Sydney events.

## 3. Obituaries

Michele Hugonnet

Dr Jim George

Michele (Michael) Gargaro

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 M O'Neill MP CM/6.1/25.12 Community Improvement Districts.
- 4.2 J Tattershall (on behalf of Business Sydney) CM/6.2/25.12 Business Sydney.
- 4.3 M Gencher (on behalf of StandWithUs Australia) CM/6.3/25.12 –Combatting Antisemitism.
- 4.4 Y Eshed CM/6.3/25.12 Combatting Antisemitism.
- 4.5 B Kidd (on behalf of Flickerfest) CM/7.9/25.12 Flickerfest 2026 and 2027 Financial Assistance.
- 4.6 L Packett CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.7 B Cullen CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.8 J Simon (on behalf of Sydney YIMBY) CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.9 P Tulip (on behalf of Centre for Independent Studies) CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.10 A Thomsen CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.11 E Constantinou (on behalf of Bondi and Districts Chamber of Commerce) CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction.
- 4.12 P Lovitt (on behalf of Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club) CM/7.13/25.12 Council Chambers Site Future Use Options Consultation Outcomes.
- 4.13 J Barel CM/8.1/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.15/25.09 Petition Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights.
- 4.14 M Blumenthal CM/8.1/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.15/25.09 Petition Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights.
- 4.15 A Vigna CM/8.1/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.15/25.09 Petition Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights.
- 4.16 S Hely CM/8.1/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.15/25.09 Petition Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights.
- 4.17 G Benson CM/8.2/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.13/25.10 Northern Coastal Reserves Vegetation Management Program.
- 4.18 M Blumenthal CM/8.2/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.13/25.10 Northern Coastal Reserves Vegetation Management Program.
- 4.19 A Vigna CM/8.2/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION CM/7.13/25.10 Northern Coastal Reserves Vegetation Management Program.
- 4.20 S Bodnar (on behalf of Charing Cross Precinct) CM/8.4/25.12 Charing Cross Streetscape Upgrade SP2 (on behalf of Charing Cross Precinct).

4.21 A Mildon – CM/8.6/25.12 – Short-Term Rental Accommodation – Impacts and Review.

- 4.22 L Cossar (on behalf of Bondi Precinct) CM/8.7/25.12 New Year's Eve Event and Licence Evaluation (on behalf of Bondi Precinct).
- 4.23 M Wilson CM/8.7/25.12 New Year's Eve Event and Licence Evaluation.
- 4.24 C Delaney CM/8.3/25.12 Veteran Employment Program.

#### **ITEMS BY EXCEPTION**

## **MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION**

Mover: Cr Nemesh Seconder: Cr Townsend

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

CM/5.1/25.12	Confirmation of Minutes – Council Meeting – 18 November 2025.
CM/7.1/25.12	Capital Works Review Committee Meeting – 30 October 2025 – Minutes.
CM/7.2/25.12	Strategic Property Review Committee Meeting – 30 October 2025 – Minutes.
CM/7.3/25.12	Surf Life Saving Committee Meeting – 30 September 2025 – Minutes.
CM/7.5/25.12	Precinct Policy and Procedures and Code of Practice for Precincts – Exhibition.
CM/7.6/25.12	Code of Meeting Practice – Adoption.
CM/7.7/25.12	Council Resolutions – Status Update.
CM/7.9/25.12	Flickerfest 2026 and 2027 – Financial Assistance.
CM/7.10/25.12	Street Art Festival.
CM/7.11/25.12	Vision for Bondi Junction.
CM/7.12/25.12	Waverley Development Control Plan 2022 (Amendment No. 7) – Bondi Junction Special Entertainment Precinct – Exhibition
CM/7.14/25.12	Planning Proposal – Council Chambers.
CM/7.15/25.12	Planning Agreement Policy (Amendment No.6) – Monitoring and Transparency – Update
CM/7.16/25.12	Planning Agreements – 135-139 Curlewis Street and 141-155 Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach
CM/7.20/25.12	In-Ground Pedestrian Lights.
CM/7.21/25.12	Signage Strategy – Update.

CM/7.22/25.12	Thomas Hogan Reser	ve – Flooding Update.

- CM/7.23/25.12 Bronte Beach Rockfall Update.
- CM/7.25/25.12 Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club Lease Exhibition Outcome.
- CM/7.26/25.12 Bondi Golf Course and Clubhouse Lease and Licence Exhibition Outcome.
- CM/7.27/25.12 Tender Evaluation SSROC Panel Ready-Mix Concrete.
- CM/8.5/25.12 Shop Awnings Safety Awareness and Compliance Program.
- CM/8.6/25.12 Short-Term Rental Accommodation Impacts and Review.
- CM/8.8/25.12 Christmas Decorations Program Expansion.
- CM/8.9/25.12 Local Government Civics Program for Young People.
- CM/11.1/25.12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade Loan.
- CM/11.2/25.12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT Service Review Program Community, Culture and Customer Experience.

## 5. Confirmation and Adoption of Minutes

CM/5.1/25.12 Confirmation of Minutes - Council Meeting - 18 November 2025 (A25/0081)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council confirms the minutes of the Council meeting held on 18 November 2025 as a true record of the proceedings of that meeting.

## 6. Mayoral Minutes

CM/6.1/25.12 Community Improvement Districts (A25/2305)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

- 1. Notes community feedback in relation to vibrancy reforms within Bondi Junction and specifically Oxford Street Mall.
- 2. Further notes that Community Improvement Districts (CIDs) are designed to empower property and business owners to work with councils and the NSW Government to deliver shared priorities in their local areas.
- 3. Officers prepare a report to Council by March 2026 with an overview of the Community

Improvement District model and its potential relevance for Bondi Junction.

4. Invites a representative from Transport for NSW's Urban Policy team to present at the first Waverley Business Forum in 2026.

5. Requests the Mayor to write to the Member for Coogee, Marjorie O'Neill MP, informing her of this resolution.

## **Background**

Community Improvement Districts (CIDs) are place-based partnerships between local government and the community, led by local businesses, to support and grow local economies, commercial centres and main streets. They rely on stakeholder collaboration toward shared goals for improving a local area, strengthening public-private relationships and enabling collective action on economic and place-based issues.

The CID model is independently led, with Council playing an enabling and supporting role. Council must formally confirm its support for a CID proposal after receiving a successful business or landowner submission and prior to the CID Authority (Transport for NSW) granting final approval. Proponents must engage with Council to ensure proposed activities align with Council's strategic plans and do not duplicate existing services. Once established, the CID is managed by a local board or entity made up of stakeholders who determine strategic priorities and projects.

Each CID entity must enter into a formal agreement with Council to govern the working relationship. Council participates in initial consultation with proponents and key stakeholders (such as local businesses, residents, and industry groups) and may provide support through shared resources or joint initiatives.

A special levy is applied to non-residential property owners within the defined area. This levy requires approval from a majority of affected landowners.

CIDs have been successfully implemented in several Sydney local government areas, including Randwick, City of Sydney, Inner West and Penrith.

#### Outcomes have included:

- Strategic planning documents (e.g. business plans, engagement surveys).
- Strong partnerships and collaboration frameworks (e.g. District Charter, memorandum of understanding).
- Branding and vision work (e.g. place identity, activation frameworks).
- Use of smart technology and data (e.g. floor space audits, trade area analysis).
- Placemaking interventions (e.g. public art, landscaping, outdoor dining, lighting).
- Events and activations (e.g. festivals, night-time programs, pop-ups, shopfront activations).
- Improved lighting for safety and amenity.
- Enhanced wayfinding and signage.

Transport for NSW is the CID Authority under the CID Act and is responsible for supporting establishment, operations, levy collection and oversight of CIDs, including proposal approvals, guidance to councils and proponents, and administration of support programs.

The CID Seed Funding Program, an open, demand-driven grant pool of \$1 million, supports proponents with eligible costs incurred during the process of establishing a CID.

A CID presents an opportunity to foster a more cohesive and collaborative approach to strengthening Bondi Junction. Council can take proactive steps by engaging key stakeholders early, including through the proposed presentation at the Waverley Business Forum.

M O'Neill MP addressed the meeting.

### CM/6.2/25.12 Business Sydney (A25/2306)

Cr Masselos declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item and informed the meeting that she occasionally attends Business Sydney events.

#### MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

#### That Council:

- 1. Joins Business Sydney as a member for a one-year period.
- 2. Allocates \$12,127.50 in the Q2 update of the 2025-2026 budget for a one-year membership with Business Sydney.

### **Background**

Waverley Council has an opportunity to strengthen its economic development, small business support and visitor-economy initiatives by joining Business Sydney, the city's leading invitation-only network of major corporations, government agencies and not-for-profit organisations committed to Sydney's prosperity.

Business Sydney champions initiatives that make Sydney more competitive, liveable and globally connected. Its membership includes senior leaders across financial and professional services, local government, construction and development, health, education, arts and culture, tourism and hospitality, technology, transport and logistics. Through its association with Business NSW and My Business, Waverley would also gain a direct channel to influence policy outcomes at both the state and national level.

Business Sydney brings capabilities that align directly with Council's strategic priorities, including:

- A deep understanding of Sydney's economic challenges and emerging opportunities.
- Strong connections across government, business and industry that enable meaningful collaboration.
- A proven record of advocacy and influence, shaping policy that delivers real outcomes for communities.
- The ability to turn ideas and policies into action, benefitting local businesses and residents.
- A commitment to driving economic growth, investment and visitation across Sydney.

Waverley's vibrant retail villages, world-renowned beaches and a flourishing creative community mean these capabilities can help amplify Waverley's role in shaping Sydney's economic and cultural future. Business Sydney has a strong track record of working with local councils, including Ryde, Randwick, North Sydney, Burwood and the City of Sydney, to deliver targeted events and policy programs tailored to local circumstances.

These have included initiatives focused on:

- Boosting local tourism and the visitor economy.
- Supporting and activating small business precincts.
- Developing a strong and diverse night-time economy.
- Strengthening arts and culture as economic drivers.

These initiatives have delivered measurable business and community benefits, and the same outcomes can be achieved for Waverley through collaborative planning and joint activation. Membership of Business Sydney will provide Council with a platform to advocate for the community, elevate local priorities and help shape the policies that influence investment, jobs, liveability and cultural vibrancy across the region. Business NSW and Business Sydney offer:

- More than 80 networking events annually, including exclusive CEO events, boardroom lunches and policy briefings.
- Advocacy on issues including CBD economies, job creation, innovation, precincts, infrastructure and sustainability.
- Access to insights, newsletters, media updates and executive-level support, including opportunities for speaking roles.
- Branding and marketing benefits, including use of the Business Sydney logo and acknowledgement in publications.

J Tattershall (on behalf of Business Sydney) addressed the meeting.

## CM/6.3/25.12 Combatting Antisemitism (SF25/6037)

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh

- 1. Notes that Waverley Council was the first council in Australia to adopt a strategy to combat antisemitism on 18 March 2025, which was supported by 11 of the 12 Councillors.
- 2. Notes that the following seven Councillors attended the 2025 Australian Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism organised by the Combat Antisemitism Movement (CAM): Crs Nemesh, Spooner, Frazer, Spicer, Westwood, Stephenson and Townsend.
- 3. Further notes that the Mayor was invited to speak by CAM at this conference on a panel called 'Council Leadership in Action' alongside the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Ron Hoenig MP, the General Manager of Council, Emily Scott, and the CEO of the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies, Michelle Goldman.
- 4. Notes that after this conference, other Australian councils expressed an interest or are in the process of adopting their own strategies to combat antisemitism based on the template provided by Waverley Council.
- 5. Notes that CAM invited the Mayor to attend the 2025 Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism in Paris between 19 to 21 November and speak on a panel 'From National Strategies to Local Action.'
- 6. Further notes that no Council funds were used or expended for the Mayor's attendance at the conference in Paris.

7. Notes the report on the Mayor's attendance at the 2025 Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism in Paris contained within the background of this mayoral minute.

8. Restates its position that this issue is above politics and calls for all Councillors to work together in combatting antisemitism especially given antisemitic incidents in Australia are almost five times the pre-October 7 levels (source: Executive Council of Australian Jewry).

### **Background**

The 2025 Paris Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism was hosted by the Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo from 19–21 November. A link to the conference schedule and program can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

The conference was attended by mayors, councillors and representatives of Jewish communities from all over Europe, including but not limited to: France, UK, Spain, Italy, Germany, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Hungary, Norway, Netherlands, Belgium, Sweden, Finland, Ukraine, Poland, Lithuania and Switzerland.

Additionally, there were antisemitism envoys from across Europe and the United States present at the conference. There were roughly 200+ attendees.

The Mayor, Cr Will Nemesh, was invited to speak at this conference on a panel called 'From National Strategies to Local Action' alongside other mayors and representatives.

On the panel, the Mayor addressed the following:

- 1. Waverley Council was the first Council in Australia to adopt and endorse a strategy to combat antisemitism in March 2025.
- 2. Council developed a template strategy for other councils around Australia to use in part or in full. This was unveiled at the Australian Mayors Conference to Combat Antisemitism in September 2025.
- 3. This strategy to combat antisemitism consisted of tangible actions that were applicable to a local, national and international context. This included:
  - (a) The adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism. The Mayor noted that to tackle antisemitism, it must first be defined.
  - (b) Local government should focus on local issues. No matter where in the world, local government is fundamentally about providing services and infrastructure to the local community and should not involve itself in foreign affairs or conflicts.
  - (c) Local government should focus on community cohesion and celebrate diversity. Specifically, within the context of local Jewish communities to celebrate their history, culture and life (both past and present).
- 4. The Mayor told the conference that antisemitism was not a Jewish issue but an issue that affects all communities and societies around the world. As such it requires a whole of society approach. Cr Nemesh described the effect that antisemitism has had on the Waverley community in Australia and in particular the Jewish community.
- 5. Combatting antisemitism requires a coordinated approach between various levels of government as well as internal and external stakeholders. Cr Nemesh told the conference about

the Mayoral Roundtable on Social Cohesion in February 2025 that had over 20 Sydney Metropolitan Councils condemning antisemitism and promoting social cohesion.

After the presentation, several mayors and councillors requested a copy of Waverley Council's antisemitism strategy.

By attending this conference, Council demonstrated its commitment in combating antisemitism locally as well as globally. By sharing insights learned, Council was shown to be a global leader in combatting antisemitism at a local government level.

The attendance of the Mayor at this conference did not cost the Waverley ratepayers and no Council funds were used.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION ACCEPTED THE ADDITION OF A NEW CLAUSE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

'Notes that the Mayor's travel and accommodation costs were partly funded by the conference organisers as approved by the General Manager under the Sponsorship Policy on 16 October 2025.'

**AMENDMENT** Mover: Cr Lewis Seconder: Cr Merten

That the following clause be added to the motion:

'Notes that the Mayor first informed all Councillors that he had attended the Paris conference when he moved this motion on 9 December 2025.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

### Division

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

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

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A PROCEDURAL MOTION THAT THE MOTION BE NOW PUT, MOVED BY CR TOWNSEND AND SECONDED BY CR SPICER, WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED ON THE CASTING VOTE OF THE CHAIR.

THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED ON THE CASTING VOTE OF THE CHAIR.

## **DECISION**

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- 8. Notes the report on the Mayor's attendance at the 2025 Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism in Paris contained within the background of this mayoral minute.
- 9. Restates its position that this issue is above politics and calls for all Councillors to work together in combatting antisemitism especially given antisemitic incidents in Australia are almost five times the pre-October 7 levels (source: Executive Council of Australian Jewry).

M Gencher (on behalf of StandWithUs Australia) and Y Eshed addressed the meeting.

7. Reports

CM/7.1/25.12 Capital Works Review Committee Meeting - 30 October 2025 - Minutes (SF25/2139)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council notes the minutes of the Capital Works Review Committee meeting held on 30 October 2025 attached to the report.

CM/7.2/25.12 Strategic Property Review Committee Meeting - 30 October 2025 - Minutes (SF25/2130)

**MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION** Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council notes the minutes of the Strategic Property Review Committee meeting held on 30 October 2025 attached to the report.

CM/7.3/25.12 Surf Life Saving Committee Meeting - 30 September 2025 - Minutes (SF25/5728)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council notes the minutes of the Surf Life Saving Committee meeting held on 30 September 2025 attached to the report.

## **CM/7.4/25.12 Hungarian Revolution of 1956 - Memorial (A23/0678)**

Cr Nemesh declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in this item and informed the meeting that he is a Hungarian citizen.

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

That:

- 1. Council approves the design, inscription and location of the memorial to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution of 1956, as set out in the report subject to the following amendments:
  - (a) The wording of the plaque to be: 'Let this monument stand here in memory of the Hungarians who fought for their freedom in 1956, the many who came to Sydney and in gratitude to the country that welcomed them during difficult historical times, to the city that they helped build and to the land that holds their bodies (now and forever)'.
  - (b) For the English in clause 1(a) to be translated into the Hungarian.
- 2. The funding for the memorial is to come from the Australian Hungarian community only.

AMENDMENT Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Lewis

That the following clause 1(c) be added to the motion:

'The Hungarian Government coat of arms be removed from the plaque.'

THE AMENDMENT WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **UNANIMOUS DECISION**

That:

- Council approves the design, inscription and location of the memorial to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution of 1956, as set out in the report subject to the following amendments:
  - (a) The wording of the plaque to be: 'Let this monument stand here in memory of the

Hungarians who fought for their freedom in 1956, the many who came to Sydney and in gratitude to the country that welcomed them during difficult historical times, to the city that they helped build and to the land that holds their bodies (now and forever)'.

- (b) For the English in clause 1(a) to be translated into the Hungarian.
- 2. The funding for the memorial is to come from the Australian Hungarian community only.

## CM/7.5/25.12 Precinct Policy and Procedures and Code of Practice for Precincts - Exhibition (A25/2181)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

### That Council:

- 1. Publicly exhibits the draft Precinct Policy and Procedures attached to the report (Attachment 1) for 28 days.
- 2. Publicly exhibits the draft Code of Practice for Precincts attached to the Report (Attachment 2) for 28 days.
- 3. Officers prepare a report to Council following the exhibition period.

## CM/7.6/25.12 Code of Meeting Practice - Adoption (SF25/332)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

- 1. Adopts the Code of Meeting Practice attached to the report.
- 2. In accordance with clause 3.1 of the Code of Meeting Practice, sets the frequency, time and place of its ordinary Council and Council Committee meetings as follows:
  - (a) Ordinary Council meetings: generally, the third Tuesday of the month at 7.00 pm at the Boot Factory, Spring Street, Bondi Junction.
  - (b) Finance, Operations and Community Services Committee meetings; generally, the first Tuesday of the month at 7.00 pm at the Boot Factory.
  - (c) Strategic Planning and Development Committee meetings; generally, the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm at the Boot Factory.
- 3. In accordance with clause 3.10 of the Code of Meeting Practice, fixes the deadline for notices of motion and questions with notice to be submitted to the General Manager as 3.00 pm on the second Friday before the meeting is to be held.

4. In accordance with clause 4.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice, holds public forums at 6.30 pm before Council and Council Committee meetings.

5. In accordance with clause 8.1 of the Code of Meeting Practice, fixes the order of business for its ordinary Council and Council Committee meetings as set out in the report.

## CM/7.7/25.12 Council Resolutions - Status Update (SF25/4815)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council notes the status of outstanding resolutions from September 2021 to October 2025, as set out in the attachment to the report.

## CM/7.8/25.12 Youth Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference and Councillor Appointments (A25/1839)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Spicer

Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

1. Notes the outcomes of the Waverley Youth Summit held on 21 November 2025, as set out in the report.

- 2. Adopts the terms of reference for the Youth Advisory Committee attached to the report.
- 3. Appoints Cr Spicer (Chair), Cr Fabiano (Deputy Chair) and Cr Townsend to the Committee until the next mayoral election on 15 September 2026.
- 4. Invites expressions of interest for up to eight young people to be appointed to the Committee.

## CM/7.9/25.12 Flickerfest 2026 and 2027 - Financial Assistance (A25/0248)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

## That:

- 1. In accordance with section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council:
  - (a) Grants \$155,435.60 (including GST) in financial assistance to Flickerfest Pty Ltd to support the cost of Flickerfest 2026.
  - (b) Grants \$155,435.60 (including GST) in financial assistance to Flickerfest Pty Ltd, as adjusted by the Pricing Policy, Fees and Charges, to support the cost of Flickerfest 2027.
- 2. The financial assistance is subject to:

(a) Flickerfest Pty Ltd providing Council with professionally audited financial statements, to be delivered by the end of October each year.

- (b) Flickerfest Pty Ltd packing away all chairs each evening so public access to the Guru Courtyard is maintained daily throughout the festivals.
- (c) Council utilising the Theatre on 26 January each year for its citizenship ceremonies.
- 3. Council authorises the General Manager or delegate to execute an event licence with Flickerfest Pty Ltd to deliver Flickerfest 2026 and 2027.

B Kidd (on behalf of Flickerfest) addressed the meeting.

## **CM/7.10/25.12** Street Art Festival (A25/1792)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council approves the Street Art Festival for delivery commencing in 2026, as set out in the report, noting that the sites are subject to change.

### **CM/7.11/25.12 Vision for Bondi Junction (A25/0985)**

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

## That Council:

- 1. Adopts the Vision for Bondi Junction attached to the report (Attachment 1).
- 2. Notes the outcomes of community consultation in the Engagement Report attached to the report (Attachment 2).
- 3. Continues development of the Bondi Junction Master Plan (Stage 2), to translate the Vision into a detailed planning, design and place framework.

L Packett, B Cullen, J Simon (on behalf of Sydney YIMBY), P Tulip (on behalf of Centre for Independent Studies), A Thomsen and E Constantinou (on behalf of Bondi and Districts Chamber of Commerce) addressed the meeting.

## CM/7.12/25.12 Waverley Development Control Plan 2022 (Amendment No. 7) - Bondi Junction Special Entertainment Precinct - Exhibition (SF25/6331)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

- 1. Endorses the commencement of establishing a Special Entertainment Precinct (SEP) in Bondi Junction, encompassing the E2 Commercial Core zoned area.
- 2. Investigates Purple Flag accreditation for the proposed SEP area.
- 3. Applies for funding under the NSW Government's Special Entertainment Precinct Kickstart Grant Program Round 2.
- 4. Publicly exhibits the draft Waverley Development Control Plan 2022 (Amendment No. 7) attached to the report (Attachment 1) for 28 days.
- 5. Officers prepare a report to Council following exhibition period, including terms of reference for a Precinct Working Group as outlined in the report.

## CM/7.13/25.12 Council Chambers Site - Future Use Options - Consultation Outcomes (SF25/3189)

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Spicer

## That Council:

- 1. Notes the outcomes of the community consultation on the future use options for the Council Chambers site, as set out in the report, demonstrating support for redeveloping the site as a recreation/community hub, with Option 2 having the highest support.
- 2. Undertakes further planning for the development of the site as recreation/community hub focusing on the elements in Option 2 and broader feedback received in parallel with the development of the planning proposal and Plan of Management.
- 3. Subject to final planning advice, demolishes the existing building, with funding to be considered in the Q2 budget.

A PROCEDURAL MOTION THAT THE MOTION BE NOW PUT, MOVED BY CR TOWNSEND, WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED ON THE CASTING VOTE OF THE CHAIR.

#### **Division**

For the Procedural Motion: Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and

Westwood.

Against the Procedural Motion: Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner and Wy

Kanak.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED ON THE CASTING VOTE OF THE CHAIR.

### **DECISION**

#### That Council:

1. Notes the outcomes of the community consultation on the future use options for the Council Chambers site, as set out in the report, demonstrating support for redeveloping the site as a recreation/community hub, with Option 2 having the highest support.

- 2. Undertakes further planning for the development of the site as recreation/community hub focusing on the elements in Option 2 and broader feedback received in parallel with the development of the planning proposal and Plan of Management.
- 3. Subject to final planning advice, demolishes the existing building, with funding to be considered in the Q2 budget.

#### **Division**

**For the Motion:** Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood. **Against the Motion:** Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak.

P Lovitt (on behalf of Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club) addressed the meeting.

## CM/7.14/25.12 Planning Proposal - Council Chambers (A25/0637)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

- 1. Forwards the planning proposal attached to the report (Attachment 1) for 49A, 49B and 49C Bondi Road, Bondi Junction, to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) for Gateway determination for the purposes of public exhibition, with the proposal seeking to:
  - (a) Rezone 49A Bondi Road from SP2 Infrastructure to RE1 Public Recreation.
  - (b) Include the following additional permitted uses for 49B Bondi Road: Public Administration Building, Community Facilities, Restaurant or Café and Recreation Facility (indoor).
  - (c) Include the following additional permitted uses on 49C Bondi Road: Public Administration Building.
- 2. Publicly exhibits the planning proposal in accordance with any conditions of the Gateway determination or amendments requested by the DPHI.
- 3. Requests and accepts, if offered, the role of the Local Plan Making Authority from the DPHI to exercise the delegations issued by the Minister under section 3.36 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* to amend the *Waverley Local Environmental Plan 2012*.
- 4. Notes that consultation on future uses of the former Chambers site (Options 1–4) was open between 7 October to 17 November 2025, with three redevelopment options and one refurbishment option, and that all options would be permitted by the draft planning proposal.

## CM/7.15/25.12 Planning Agreement Policy (Amendment No.6) - Monitoring and Transparency - Update (SF25/1774)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

1. Notes the progress update on implementing improvements to the accessibility and clarity of development contributions information, as set out in the report.

- 2. Notes the draft consolidated 'Development Contributions in Waverley' webpage text attached to the report, which outlines the various contributions applicable in the Waverley local government area, including:
  - (a) Section 7.12 infrastructure contributions.
  - (b) Affordable housing contributions (Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme 2023).
  - (c) Voluntary planning agreements (VPAs).
  - (d) Applicable NSW Government contributions.
- 3. Notes that the final text, layout and presentation may be subject to minor modification during implementation on Council's website.

## CM/7.16/25.12 Planning Agreements - 135-139 Curlewis Street and 141-155 Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach (SF25/5099)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

- Approves the planning agreement attached to the report applying to land at 135–139 Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach, offering a total monetary contribution of \$21,000 to be allocated to the Curlewis Street Streetscape Upgrade and Flood Risk Management Projects in the Bondi Basin.
- 2. Approves the planning agreement attached to the report applying to land at 141–155 Curlewis Street, Bondi Beach, offering a total monetary contribution of \$843,000 to be allocated to the Curlewis Street Streetscape Upgrade and Flood Risk Management Projects in the Bondi Basin.
- 3. Authorises the General Manager to execute the agreements.

## CM/7.17/25.12 Bondi Road Streetscape Beautification and Scoping Study (A25/0484)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Spicer

Seconder: Cr Nemesh

## That Council:

1. Notes the beautification works completed and currently underway along Bondi Road between Park Parade and Denham Street.

- 2. Approves the actions identified in the Bondi Road Scoping Study attached to the report.
- 3. Notes that the \$20,000 budgeted to prepare the Bondi Road Scoping Study report was not spent and reallocates this amount to deliver the beautification initiatives approved by Council at its April 2025 meeting.
- 4. Offices prepare a report to the May 2026 Council meeting outlining:
  - (a) The status of all actions identified in the Scoping Study.
  - (b) The proposed scope, methodology and estimated cost for a Public Domain Improvement and Placemaking Study.
  - (c) A timeline for commencement of this study in July 2026.
- 5. Allocates funding towards the Public Domain Improvement and Placemaking Study as part of the 2026–27 budget process.

## CM/7.18/25.12 Parklet Program (SF25/1336)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Nemesh

#### That Council:

1. Approves a business-led model for the Parklet Program, as set out in the report (Option 1).

2. Officers prepare a report to Council by March 2026 on implementing the model, which may be incorporated into the Footpath Seating Policy and Guidelines.

## Division

For the Motion: Crs Fabiano, Frazer, Lewis, Merten, Nemesh, Spicer, Spooner, Stephenson,

Townsend, Westwood and Wy Kanak.

**Against the Motion:** Cr Masselos.

## CM/7.19/25.12 Prescribed Traffic Control Devices and Regulation of Traffic - Delegations and Local Transport Forum (SF25/3889)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Frazer Seconder: Cr Spicer

#### That Council:

- 1. Disestablishes the Waverley Traffic Committee.
- 2. Establishes the Waverley Transport Forum and adopts the Terms of Reference attached to the report (Attachment 1).
- 3. Appoints Cr Frazer (Chair) and Cr Spicer (Deputy Chair) to the Transport Forum until the next mayoral election on 15 September 2026.
- 4. Sub-delegates the functions set out in Transport for NSW's 2025 Authorisation and Delegation for Prescribed Traffic Control Devices and Regulation of Traffic attached to the report (Attachment 2) to the General Manager, the Director, Assets and Operations, the Executive Manager, Infrastructure Services, and the Manager, Integrated Transport.
- 5. Authorises the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to affix the Council seal to the instrument of delegation to the General Manager attached to the report (Attachment 3).

### **CM/7.20/25.12 In-Ground Pedestrian Lights (A14/0193)**

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

## That Council:

- 1. Does not install in-ground pedestrian lights in Spring Street, Bondi Junction, or other locations for the following reasons:
  - (a) The lights are anticipated to have an unfavourable cost-benefit outcome with limited existing evidence to their safety outcomes.
  - (b) Transport for NSW typically owns and operates all aspects of traffic signals.
- 2. Continues to develop road and active travel safety education materials and works with the community to enhance awareness of infrastructure improvements.

#### **CM/7.21/25.12 Signage Strategy - Update (A24/0538)**

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

## That Council:

1. Approves the Local Government Area Gateway Signage Project, as set out in the report, that:

(a) Establishes a signage typology consistent with the Public Domain Technical Manual (PDTM) signage suite and Council branding.

- (b) Identifies potential gateway entry signage locations at key local government area boundaries and assesses constructability, visual impact, operational considerations and cost.
- (c) Includes community and stakeholder engagement to test preferred locations and design principles.
- (d) Includes the Syd Einfeld Drive/Oxford Street gateway site as the first priority for upgrade within the project, ensuring consistency with the broader gateway approach and enabling use of available planning agreement funding once realised.
- (e) Excludes suburb gateway signage, due to limited strategic and community benefit, additional visual clutter and the risk of reinforcing neighbourhood boundaries.
- 2. Considers funding the project in the 2026-27 budget, supplemented by planning agreement funding when it becomes available.
- 3. Does not include QR codes in the PDTM signage suite due to long-term maintenance, redundancy, liability and accessibility limitations.
- 4. Approves the 2025–26 Parks Signage Implementation Program, as set out in the report, prioritising:
  - (a) Dudley Page Reserve.
  - (b) Thomas Hogan Reserve (remaining entry sign).
  - (c) Sam Fiszman Park.
  - (d) Hugh Bamford Reserve.
  - (e) Ray O'Keefe Reserve.
- 5. Authorises the Director, Assets and Operations, to amend the 2025–26 Parks Signage Implementation Program to suit other operational signage priorities that may occur during next year's delivery program.

## CM/7.22/25.12 Thomas Hogan Reserve - Flooding Update (A25/1834)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

That Council notes the update, as set out in the report, on the causes of flooding at Thomas Hogan Reserve, the options to reduce further flooding and options for park improvements.

### CM/7.23/25.12 Bronte Beach Rockfall - Update (SF25/5609)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

1. Notes the safety measures and remediation works in response to the Bronte Beach rockfall, as set out in the report.

2. Does not repurpose the sandstone for Council projects but considers it for maintenance works.

## CM/7.24/25.12 North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club - Lease and Licence - Exhibition (A25/0714)

MOTION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Stephenson

#### That Council:

1. In accordance with section 47 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, publicly notifies and exhibits for 28 days:

- (a) The proposal to grant a lease of up to 20 years to the North Bondi Surf Lifesaving Club for the North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club building and Advanced Rescue Life Saving Facility.
- (b) The proposal to grant a licence of up to 20 years to the North Bondi Surf Lifesaving Club to use the forecourt in front of the club building for club events and fundraising activities.
- 2. Officers prepare a report to Council following the exhibition period.

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

#### **UNANIMOUS DECISION**

#### That Council:

- 1. In accordance with section 47 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, publicly notifies and exhibits for 42 days:
  - (a) The proposal to grant a lease of up to 20 years to the North Bondi Surf Lifesaving Club for the North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club building and Advanced Rescue Life Saving Facility.
  - (b) The proposal to grant a licence of up to 20 years to the North Bondi Surf Lifesaving Club to use the forecourt in front of the club building for club events and fundraising activities.
- 2. Officers prepare a report to Council following the exhibition period.

#### Division

For the Motion: Crs Fabiano, Frazer, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Nemesh, Spicer, Spooner,

Stephenson, Townsend, Westwood and Wy Kanak.

Against the Motion: Nil.

CM/7.25/25.12 Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club - Lease - Exhibition Outcome (A25/0712)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

1. Grants an interim 12-month lease to the Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club for the Tamarama Surf Life Saving Club building and the storage facility at Tamarama Park to allow for negotiations on the long-term lease to be finalised.

2. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to execute the interim lease.

CM/7.26/25.12 Bondi Golf Course and Clubhouse - Lease and Licence - Exhibition Outcome (A23/0084)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

### That Council:

- Treats the attachment to 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 attachment contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
- 2. Grants a lease and licence to Bondi Golf and Diggers Club Ltd for Bondi Golf Course and the clubhouse building for five years 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.

CM/7.27/25.12 Tender Evaluation - SSROC Panel - Ready-Mix Concrete (SF17/2878)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION

Mover: Cr Nemesh
Seconder: Cr Townsend

### That Council:

 Treats the tender evaluation attached to 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 tender evaluation contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person(s) who supplied it.

2. Under section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, accepts the following SSROC-approved supplier panel for the supply of ready-mix concrete for three years with two one-year options at the discretion of SSROC and Council:

- (a) Central Concrete Australia Pty Ltd.
- (b) Gunlake Concrete (NSW) Pty Ltd.
- (c) Metromix Pty Ltd.
- 3. Note that SSROC will notify unsuccessful tenderers of the decision in accordance with section 179 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

## CM/7.28/25.12 Tender Evaluation - Cleaning and Hygiene Services (A25/0943)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson Seconder: Cr Westwood

#### That Council:

- 1. Treats the tender evaluation attached to 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 tender evaluation contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person(s) who supplied it.
- 2. Under section 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, accepts the preferred tenderer Solo Services Group Australia for the supply of cleaning and hygiene services for the sum of \$13,667,374 (excluding GST).
- 3. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to enter a contract on behalf of Council with the preferred tenderer for three years with two two-year options.
- 4. Notifies unsuccessful tenderers of the decision in accordance with section 179 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

## CM/7.29/25.12 Tender Evaluation - Website Redevelopment (SF25/651)

MOTION / DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Westwood

#### That Council:

Treats the attachments to 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 attachments contain commercial information of a confidential
 nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person(s) who
 supplied it.

2. Under section 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, accepts the preferred tenderer Digital Garden to redevelop Council's website for the sum of \$563,144 (excluding GST).

- 3. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to enter into contract on behalf of Council with the preferred tenderer for three years with one two-year option.
- 4. Notifies unsuccessful tenderers of the decision in accordance with section 179 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

## CM/7.30/25.12 Tender Evaluation - Waverley Library Administration Areas Reconfiguration - Head Contractor Services (SF25/5664)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Westwood

#### That Council:

- 1. Treats the tender evaluation attached to 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 tender evaluation contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person(s) who supplied it.
- 2. Under section 178(1)(a) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, accepts the preferred tenderer Sullivans Constructions (Aus) Pty Ltd for the supply of head contractor services for the Waverley Library Administration Areas Reconfiguration for the sum of \$667,506 (excluding GST).
- 3. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to enter into contract on behalf of Council with the preferred tenderer.
- 4. Notifies unsuccessful tenderers of the decision in accordance with section 179 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

## CM/7.31/25.12 Tender Evaluation - Public Domain Pavers, Furniture and Fixtures (SF25/4176)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Stephenson

Seconder: Cr Westwood

- 1. Treats the attachments to the report as confidential in accordance with section 11(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, as they relate to a matter specified in section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993. The attachments contain commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person(s) who supplied it.
- 2. Under section 178(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, accepts the

following preferred tenderers for the supply of public domain pavers, furniture and fixtures (categories 1–5 and 7–9):

- (a) Category 1 (paving) Austral Masonry Holdings Pty Ltd trading as Urbanstone.
- (b) Category 2 (seating) Tom Stoddarty Pty Ltd.
- (c) Category 3 (bicycle racks) Superior Nominees Pty Ltd trading as Miracle Recreation Equipment.
- (d) Category 4 (bins) EP Draffin Manufacturing Pty Ltd.
- (e) Category 5 (bollards) Superior Nominees Pty Ltd trading as Miracle Recreation Equipment.
- (f) Category 7 (drinking fountains) EP Draffin Manufacturing Pty Ltd.
- (g) Category 8 (signage) Cunneen & Company Pty Ltd trading as Cunneen Signs.
- (h) Category 9 (bluestone kerbs) Mansour Paving (Aust) Pty Ltd.
- 3. Authorises the General Manager or delegate to enter into contract on behalf of Council with the preferred tenderers for five years with two one-year options.
- 4. In respect of Category 6 (recycled plastic furniture):
  - (a) Declines to accept any of the tenders, in accordance with section 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.
  - (b) Declines to invite fresh tenders or applications as referred to in section 178(3)(b)–(d) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, as Council has tested the market with an open tender process.
  - (c) In accordance with section 178(3)(e) of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, authorises the General Manager or delegate to enter into negotiations with the single tenderer and other suppliers with a view to entering into a contract for the supply of recycled plastic furniture, as there were no conforming bids.
  - (d) Authorises the General Manager or delegate to complete negotiations and execute all necessary documentation to finalise the matter.
- 5. Notifies unsuccessful tenderers of the decision in accordance with section 179 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*.

#### 8. Notices of Motion

CM/8.1/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION - CM/7.15/25.09 - Petition - Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna

Road, Dover Heights (SF19/2986)

MOTION Mover: Cr Fabiano

Seconder: Cr Merten

#### That Council:

1. Notes the petition to halt the removal of the tuckeroo trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights, circulated to Councillors and tabled at the Council meeting.

2. Rescinds resolution CM/7.15/25.09 – Petition – Tuckeroo Trees in Myuna Road, Dover Heights, passed at the Council meeting on 16 September 2025.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

J Barel, M Blumenthal, A Vigna, and S Hely addressed the meeting.

CM/8.2/25.12 RESCISSION MOTION - CM/7.13/25.10 - Northern Coastal Reserves -

Vegetation Management Program (A22/0383)

MOTION Mover: Cr Fabiano

Seconder: Cr Merten

## **That Council**

1. Notes the petition to halt the removal of vegetation from the northern coastal reserves, circulated to Councillors and tabled at the Council meeting.

2. Rescinds resolution CM/7.13/25.10 – Northern Coastal Reserves – Vegetation Management Program, passed at the Council meeting on 21 October 2025.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

Division

**For the Motion:** Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak. **Against the Motion:** Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood.

G Benson, M Blumenthal and A Vigna addressed the meeting.

CM/8.3/25.12 Veteran Employment Program (A25/2231)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Lewis

That Council:

1. Notes:

Waverley's commitment to employing veterans as evidenced by past practice of hiring ex-(a) service people.

- The Veterans Employment Program launched the NSW Local Government Rank to Grade (b) Guide in August 2019 to assist veterans learning about options for employment within local government.
- (c) That 36 councils have developed their own form of Veteran Employment Program to support veterans looking for employment.
- The Federal Department of Veterans Affairs Veteran Employment Commitment program. (d)

#### 2. Investigates:

- The Veterans Employment Program and Veteran Employment Commitment Program and (a) the implications and benefits for Council.
- (b) What costs are associated with the programs, including any membership fees and potential staffing costs to manage the program.
- Any human resources impacts for council. (c)
- Signing up to the Veterans Employment Program with the view to employing more ex-(d) service people.
- 3. Officers prepare a report to Council on the outcome of the investigation by April 2026.

C Delaney addressed the meeting.

#### CM/8.4/25.12 Charing Cross Streetscape Upgrade - SP2 (A23/0580)

**MOTION** Mover: Cr Masselos

Seconder: Cr Lewis

### That Council:

#### 1. Notes that:

- (a) Work on the Charing Cross Streetscape Upgrade is nearing completion, with positive community and business feedback about the look and feel of the upgrade.
- (b) Council voted to cease all works associated with Separable Portion 2 (SP2), although some significant preliminary works such as laying conduits under the footpaths and road crossings is complete for the future installation of undergrounding overhead wires.
- (c) There is strong community and business calls to complete footpath works for the area covered by SP2 given the uneven, unesthetic and dilapidated state of the footpath as a result of these works and age.
- (d) The significant \$7.9 million surplus at the Q1 budget review could go towards finishing this project.

#### 2. Reinstates work on SP2 to:

Complete the footpath pavement upgrade at Six Ways, including: the area at the corner of Bronte Road and Carrington Road that incorporates the Robin Hood Hotel; the corner of Bronte Road and Victoria Street incorporated by the Ezy Mart shop and opposite the corner of Cass Brothers; the area of Carrington Road and Victoria Street that takes in the Charing Coss Hotel down to the electrician; the corner of Victoria Street and Bronte Road down to the coffee shop; and the footpath pavement around the old post office building on the north corner intersection of Carrington Road and Bronte Road.

- Does not progress the closing of the left-hand turn slip lane from Bronte Road to Carrington Road.
- 3. Ensures that the contractor reinstates the road surface of Bronte Road between Neighbourhood Cellars and High Street, which is the area used by the contractors to store toilet facilities, barriers, cement works and other building materials.
- 4. Allocates funds from the 2026–2027 Long Term Financial Plan budget.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

S Bodnar (on behalf of Charing Cross Precinct) addressed the meeting.

#### CM/8.5/25.12 Shop Awnings - Safety Awareness and Compliance Program (A25/2228)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

- 1. Implements an awning safety awareness and compliance program, including written advice to owners of buildings with awnings projecting over public footpaths regarding:
  - Their legal responsibility under the Roads Act 1993 to maintain awnings in a satisfactory (a) state of repair.
  - (b) The need for regular inspection by a qualified structural engineer, particularly for awnings more than 10 years old.
  - (c) Recommended actions to address corrosion, water ingress risks and structural defects.
- 2. Notes that building owners are legally responsible for the safety, maintenance and structural adequacy of awnings over public land, and that Council's program is undertaken to remind building owners of their responsibility.
- 3. Notifies Precincts to remind concerned residents to use Snap Send Solve to report any observations of visually deteriorated, damaged, sagging or concerning awnings, so that Council can determine whether a formal inspection or regulatory action is required.

## CM/8.6/25.12 Short-Term Rental Accommodation - Impacts and Review (A25/2229)

## MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover:

Seconder: Cr Townsend

Cr Nemesh

#### That Council:

 Undertakes a review of non-hosted short-term rental accommodation (STRA) and its impacts within the local government area (LGA) and provides a detailed analysis of how non-hosted STRA affects:

- (a) Rental availability.
- (b) Rental affordability.
- (c) Tourist accommodation.
- 2. Includes as part of the review an assessment of STRA activity within the Bondi basin area, generally bounded by Fletcher Street, Campbell Parade, Murriverie Road and Old South Head Road, together with data for the broader Waverley LGA.
- 3. Provides a comparison of non-hosted STRA activity before and after the commencement of the NSW STRA regulatory framework (2020–2021).
- 4. Ensures that the report includes the following components:
  - (a) An overview of the current NSW STRA statutory and regulatory framework (including the 180-day cap for non-hosted STRA).
  - (b) An overview of the NSW Government's review of the STRA framework, which was exhibited in early 2024.
  - (c) Demographic and socio-economic analysis of the areas most affected.
  - (d) Assessment of impacts on the local housing market.
  - (e) High-level investment and economic analysis of the STRA market within Waverley.
- 5. Investigates options available to Council to strengthen compliance with the existing 180-day cap.
- 6. Officers prepare a report to Council outlining the findings and recommended actions for consideration at the June 2026 Council meeting.

A Mildon addressed the meeting.

CM/8.7/25.12 New Year's Eve Event and Licence Evaluation (A25/0935)

MOTION Mover: Cr Merten

Seconder: Cr Spooner

1. Notes the licence agreement awarded to Fuzzy Operations for the paid ticketed New Year's Eve event at Bondi Beach and free ticketed Locals Lawn event.

2. Following the completion of the events on 31 December 2025, undertakes a comprehensive review and evaluation of the two events, with the review to consider:

(a) Resident and stakeholder notification and engagement plan.

(b) Hotline number for residents and business to call during bump-in and bump-out regarding concerns.

(c) Traffic and parking management plans, including changes to public transport and the notification plan around these changes.

(d) Security and crowd management plan.

(e) Emergency services and Office of Liquor and Gaming notifications and engagement levels.

(f) Noise monitoring plan, including schedule and location for regular readings.

(g) Cleaning and waste plans.

(h) Turf remediation plans.

(i) Local awareness of the event prior to New Year's Eve, including changes to access to the beach, parkland, parking and skate park.

(j) Local sentiment to the event.

(k) Impact on local traffic and parking before and during the event.

(l) Adequacy of public transport.

(m) Effectiveness of crowd control and movement in and out of the beach area.

(n) Benefit to local business.

(o) Experience of residents before and after the event.

3. Officers prepare a report to Council on the results of the review and evaluation no later than April 2026.

## **FORESHADOWED MOTION**

Mover: Cr Stephenson Seconder: Cr Spicer

## That Council notes:

1. The licence agreement awarded to Fuzzy Operations for the paid ticketed New Year's Eve event at Bondi Beach and free ticketed Locals Lawn event.

2. The \$49,000 of community grants awarded from the licence fee funds and congratulates those local community organisations who were successful in obtaining funding.

3. That Elrow XXL, Locals Lawn and Council's Dudley Page New Year's Eve event have all sold out.

- 4. That approximately 30% of all tickets have been purchased by residents of postcode 2026, and 60% of all tickets have been purchased by eastern suburbs residents, indicating a high level of enthusiasm from local residents.
- 5. That all Locals Lawn tickets are being allocated to residents of postcode 2026 with any unclaimed tickets being allocated to residents of the Waverley local government area.
- 6. That Council, Fuzzy Operations, NSW Police, Transport for NSW and other government agencies have been working closely together for event planning and delivery.
- 7. The positive economic impact especially for the hospitality sector with 'dine and dance' packages and many restaurants and bars opening on what was previously a quiet or 'dead' trading period.
- 8. That Council, Fuzzy Operations, NSW Police, Transport for NSW and other government agencies will be undertaking a comprehensive event debrief/review to inform future event planning.

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

#### Division

**For the Motion:** Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak. **Against the Motion:** Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood.

THE FORESHADOWED MOTION THEN BECAME THE MOTION.

THE MOVER OF THE MOTION THEN ACCEPTED AMENDMENTS TO CLAUSE 8.

THE MOTION WAS THEN PUT AND DECLARED CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **UNANIMOUS DECISION**

That Council notes:

- 1. The licence agreement awarded to Fuzzy Operations for the paid ticketed New Year's Eve event at Bondi Beach and free ticketed Locals Lawn event.
- 2. The \$49,000 of community grants awarded from the licence fee funds and congratulates those local community organisations who were successful in obtaining funding.
- 3. That Elrow XXL, Locals Lawn and Council's Dudley Page New Year's Eve event have all sold out.
- 4. That approximately 30% of all tickets have been purchased by residents of postcode 2026, and 60% of all tickets have been purchased by eastern suburbs residents, indicating a high level of enthusiasm from local residents.
- 5. That all Locals Lawn tickets are being allocated to residents of postcode 2026 with any unclaimed tickets being allocated to residents of the Waverley local government area.
- 6. That Council, Fuzzy Operations, NSW Police, Transport for NSW and other government agencies have been working closely together for event planning and delivery.

7. The positive economic impact especially for the hospitality sector with 'dine and dance' packages and many restaurants and bars opening on what was previously a quiet or 'dead' trading period.

8. That Council, Fuzzy Operations, NSW Police, Transport for NSW and other government agencies will be undertaking a comprehensive event debrief/review to inform future event planning, with a report to be prepared to Council and shared with Precinct Committees.

L Cossar (on behalf of Bondi Precinct) and M Wilson addressed the meeting.

## CM/8.8/25.12 Christmas Decorations Program Expansion (A25/0501)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

#### That Council:

1. Notes the increased Festive Decorations Program in 2025 and the expanded Christmas events and programming across the local government area (LGA).

- 2. Notes that Council has a proud history of diversity and multifaith traditions and regularly celebrates the holidays of different faiths throughout the year.
- 3. Notes that Christmas is an important religious holiday for Christians.
- 4. Includes in the 2026 Festive Decorations Program:
  - (a) A nativity scene in a prominent location; and
  - (b) The words 'Merry Christmas' in decorative banners, posters, advertisements and other Council decorative and promotional material.
  - (c) A red and green colour scheme in decorations.

## CM/8.9/25.12 Local Government Civics Program for Young People (A25/2230)

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

- 1. Note the importance of civics and civics education for children and young people.
- 2. Notes Council's long-established Precinct system and its focus on civic engagement.
- 3. Investigates the establishment of a civics program for young people, including but not limited to:
  - (a) The importance of local government and how it operates in relation to other levels of government

- (b) Visiting a selection of Waverley's key infrastructure.
- (c) Understanding what services and infrastructure Council provides.
- (d) Volunteering with Council.
- (e) Work experience opportunities with Council.
- 4. Investigates the feasibility of extending the work to Council's Community Programs team to deliver a civics program specifically for children and young people.

5. Officers prepare a report to Council no later than March 2026 on the outcome.

## CM/8.10/25.12 2025 Paris Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism - Mayor's Attendance (SF25/6037)

MOTION Mover: Cr Lewis Seconder: Cr Merten

- 1. Notes that the Mayor attended the 2025 Mayors Summit Against Antisemitism in Paris between 19 and 21 November 2025.
- 2. Notes that the published conference schedule of events records Cr Nemesh as a panel speaker in a session headed 'From National Strategies to Local Action' on 20 November 2025 in in his capacity of 'Mayor of Waverley Council (Australia).'
- 3. Notes the Mayor attended and chaired the meeting of Council held on 18 November 2025 by audio-visual link but did not inform the meeting that he was overseas or that he was attending a conference in Paris as Mayor,
- 4. Further notes that six other councillors also attended the Council meeting on 18 November 2025 by audio-visual link.
- 5. Further notes that Councillors were first informed by way of the General Manager's comments when they received the Council papers for the Council meeting to be held on 9 December 2025 that the Mayor's travel and accommodation expenses to attend the Paris conference had been partly funded by the conference organisers and that this was approved by the General Manager under the Council's Sponsorship Policy on 16 October 2025.
- 6. Directs the Mayor to provide Council with a written report by no later than Monday 22 December 2025 addressing the following:
  - (a) Identifying the person or entity who invited him to the conference, and attaching a copy of any written invitation.
  - (b) Disclosing the dollar value of the contribution to his travel and accommodation expenses.
  - (c) Providing an explanation as to why he did not inform the meeting of councillors held on 18 November 2025 that he was overseas and attending the conference in Paris as Mayor.

#### THE MOTION WAS PUT AND DECLARED LOST.

Division

**For the Motion:** Crs Fabiano, Lewis, Masselos, Merten, Spooner and Wy Kanak. **Against the Motion:** Crs Frazer, Nemesh, Spicer, Stephenson, Townsend and Westwood.

#### 9. Questions with Notice

There were no questions with notice.

## 10. Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.

#### 11. Closed Session

CM/11.1/25.12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Building Upgrade - Loan (A25/1755)

Council dealt with this item in open session.

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

## That Council:

- 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. Approves the \$18 million loan from TCorp to fund the Bronte Surf Life Saving Club and Community Facilities Upgrade project.
- 3. Authorises the General Manager to complete negotiations and execute all necessary documentation to finalise the matter.

CM/11.2/25.12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT - Service Review Program - Community, Culture and Customer Experience (SF25/2636)

Council dealt with this item in open session.

MOTION / UNANIMOUS DECISION Mover: Cr Nemesh

Seconder: Cr Townsend

 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)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993.
 The report contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).

2. Authorises the General Manager to implement the actions regarding the service review program in the Community, Culture and Customer Experience directorate, as set out in the report.

**24 FEBRUARY 2026** 

12.	Meeting Closure	
THE	MEETING CLOSED AT 11.50 PM.	
		SIGNED AND CONFIRMED
		MAYOR