



EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of WAVERLEY COUNCIL will be held at the Boot Factory, Spring Street, Bondi Junction at:

7.00 PM, THURSDAY 15 JANUARY 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Emily Scott', is positioned above the printed name.

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AGENDA

PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

The Mayor will 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.

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MAYORAL MINUTE
CM/3.1/26.01E

Subject: Royal Commission on Antisemitism and Social Cohesion

TRIM No: A25/2312

Author: Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Nemesh
Deputy Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Spooner

MOTION:

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the overwhelming sentiment of the Waverley community for a Commonwealth Royal Commission to be established to inquire into antisemitism in Australia and the events relating to the Bondi Beach terror attack that occurred on 14 December 2025.
2. Commends the Australian Government for its announcement on 8 January 2026 establishing a Commonwealth Royal Commission.
3. Notes that the Royal Commission will cover four key areas:
 - (a) Investigating the nature and prevalence of antisemitism in institutions and society, examining its key drivers in Australia, including religious and ideologically motivated extremism and radicalisation, including in the lead up to the antisemitic Bondi terrorist attack on 14 December 2025
 - (b) Make recommendations to assist law enforcement, border control, immigration and security agencies to tackle antisemitism.
 - (c) Examine the circumstances leading up to, during and following the antisemitic Bondi terrorist attack on 14 December 2025.
 - (d) Make recommendations to strengthen the national consensus in support of democracy, freedom and the rule of law (social cohesion) and counter the spread of ideologically and religiously motivated extremism in Australia.
4. Notes the appointment of former High Court Justice Virginia Bell AC to lead the Royal Commission, with a report due back to Government by no later than 14 December 2026.
5. Requests the Mayor to write to the Prime Minister, the Hon Anthony Albanese, MP informing him of this resolution.

MAYORAL MINUTE
CM/3.2/26.01E

Subject: Condolences for the Victims of the Bondi Beach Terror Attack

TRIM No: A25/2312

Author: Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Nemesh
Deputy Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Spooner

MOTION:

That Council:

1. Notes that it will invite public obituaries at its first ordinary Council meeting on Tuesday 24 February 2026 for the following individuals:
 - (a) Matilda Bee Britvan.
 - (b) Rabbi Eli Schlanger.
 - (c) Boris Tetleroyd.
 - (d) Boris Gurman.
 - (e) Sofia Gurman.
 - (f) Reuven Morrison.
 - (g) Edith Brutman.
 - (h) Marika Pogany.
 - (i) Rabbi Yaakov Levitan.
 - (j) Peter Meagher.
 - (k) Tibor Weitzen.
 - (l) Alexander Kleytman.
 - (m) Dan Elkayam.
 - (n) Adam Smyth.
2. Informs the families of the bereaved and places a notice on Council's website and social media channels.

Background

The loss of 15 souls as a result of the senseless violence that occurred on 14 December 2025 has been deeply felt not just across our Waverley community but Australia and the rest of the world. For those who called them family, friends, colleagues, neighbours, their presence can never be replaced. We will continue to remember and honour them. Council extends its deepest sympathies to the families, friends and loved ones of the victims.

Council acknowledges the profound and enduring impact of this attack on those directly affected, on the Waverley community and especially its Jewish community. As our community continues to grieve this senseless act of violence and loss of life, Council proposes to honour the 15 victims at its first ordinary Council meeting on 24 February 2026 by providing an opportunity for public obituaries to be shared.

Waverley Council will formally inform and invite the families of the bereaved to attend this meeting and again extends its heartfelt condolences to all those affected.

In memory of the victims, we choose light over darkness.

MAYORAL MINUTE

CM/3.3/26.01E



Subject: Council Response to the Bondi Beach Terror Attack

TRIM No: A25/2312

Author: Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Nemesh
Deputy Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Spooner

MOTION:

That Council:

1. Notes the letters of condolence from mayors, councillors and other individuals and organisations in response to the Bondi Beach terror attack, including those listed in the attachments to this mayoral minute.
2. Notes the following actions Council has taken in response to the Bondi Beach terrorist attack of 14 December 2025:
 - (a) Allocated \$100,000 to community organisations to provide direct support to the Jewish community (Council resolution CM/4.1/25.12E), including distributing \$78,000 of this grant funding via an expressions of interest process to the following organisations as at 11 January 2026:
 - (i) COA Sydney Incorporated – \$10,000.
 - (ii) Jewish Education Matters – \$10,000.
 - (iii) Our Big Kitchen – \$10,000.
 - (iv) Community Health Support – \$10,000.
 - (v) Bridges for Peace – \$4,500.
 - (vi) Kids Giving Back – \$6,000.
 - (vii) Dover Heights Synagogue – \$10,000.
 - (viii) Sydney Chevra Kadisha – \$10,000.
 - (ix) North Bondi Surf Life Saving Club – \$7,500.
 - (b) Allocated from 23 December 2025 the Yalagang Room and the Garu and Guya courtyards for marquee space, and the Artist Studio in the Art Gallery for use by the NSW Reconstruction Authority, NSW Health and Lifeline community services and notes that this will be operational until the end of January 2026.
 - (c) Allocated an additional space for Lifeline Australia to provide direct mental health support services to impacted community members (Council resolution CM/4.1/25.12E).

- (d) Flew flags at half-mast on all Council buildings from 15 December 2025 to 2 January 2026 (Council resolution CM/4.1/25.12E).
 - (e) Repositioned the Chanukiah (designed by artist Joel Adler) from Dover Heights to 'Archer Park' to serve as a temporary memorial until a permanent memorial is established.
 - (f) Approved a temporary kiosk located in Park Drive North adjacent to North Bondi Playground to be used by the community as a place for connection and prayer.
 - (g) Supported the Sydney Jewish Museum and the Jewish Historical Society and their volunteers in the preservation of the floral tribute decommissioning process on 22 December 2025.
3. Acknowledges and thanks LGNSW President Mayor Darcy Byrne and all participating NSW mayors, deputy mayors, councillors and general managers for their support and show of solidarity in participating in the wreath-laying tribute on Thursday 18 December 2025.
4. Expresses our deep appreciation and gratitude to the NSW Government for the assistance provided to Council and the community including:
- (a) Financial assistance to Waverley Council, the Jewish community and Waverley businesses through the NSW Reconstruction Authority.
 - (b) Ongoing support from NSW Police and the Waverley Local Area Command.
 - (c) The establishment of the Bondi Community Hub at Bondi Pavilion on 23 December 2025 and notes that it will be in place until the end of January 2026.
 - (d) Supporting Chabad of Bondi and NSW Jewish Board of Deputies in the coordination of the Light Over Darkness, A Night of Unity, Menorah Lighting and Commemoration event held in Bondi Park with over 15,000 participants on the final day of Channukah 2025.
5. Authorises the General Manager, in consultation with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, to make recommendations for recipients of the Prime Minister's Special Honours List on behalf of Council, including a nomination to posthumously acknowledge the following individuals for bravery in risking and sacrificing their lives to stop the gunmen:
- (a) Boris Gurman.
 - (b) Sofia Gurman.
 - (c) Reuven Morrison.
6. Authorises the Mayor to present a 'Key to the City' (including a lifetime Waverley Beach Pass) to:
- (a) Ahmed al-Ahmed.
 - (b) Gefen Bitton.
 - (c) Leibel Lazaroff.
7. Organises a civic function in appreciation and gratitude to all first responders.

8. Acknowledges and thanks Waverley Council staff first responders and those involved in the crisis incident response at the Waverley Council Staff Awards in March 2026.
9. Provides Lifeline with month-to-month venue hire access for up to six months to a dedicated space in Bondi Pavilion to continue offering community services at this time, noting that the Bondi Story Room is currently closed until it is refurbished as a community gallery.
10. Writes to the following individuals and organisations informing them of this resolution:
 - (a) Prime Minister of Australia – The Hon Anthony Albanese MP.
 - (b) Leader of the Opposition – The Hon Sussan Ley MP.
 - (c) Premier of NSW – The Hon Chris Minns MP.
 - (d) Leader of the Opposition – Kellie Sloane MP.
 - (e) Member for Coogee – Marjorie O'Neill MP.
 - (f) Federal Member for Wentworth – Allegra Spender MP.
 - (g) Mayor of Inner West Council – Cr Darcy Bryne.
 - (h) NSW Jewish Board of Deputies.
 - (i) Executive Council of Australian Jewry.
 - (j) Chabad of Bondi – Rabbi Yehoram Ulman.
 - (k) Rabbinical Council of NSW.
 - (l) Sydney Jewish Museum.
 - (m) Australian Jewish Historical Society.
 - (n) Surf Life Saving NSW.
 - (o) North Bondi RSL.
 - (p) Bondi and Districts Chamber of Commerce.

Background

Council would like to express its sincere gratitude firstly to the Waverley community and secondly to the broader Australian community for its response following the horrific terror attack at Chanukah by the Sea at Bondi Beach on Sunday 14 December 2025.

While this attack deliberately targeted our Jewish community, it was an attack on all Australians. Our Waverley community has always been and remains a resilient and tight-knit community where people support each other and look out for one another in the good times and the bad. This has never been so evident in the days and weeks following the attack. The paddle-out by surfers and board riders, the honour guard of lifesavers standing shoulder to shoulder across Australia's beaches and the thousands of people who came to pay their respects are testament to the spirit of our community and that of the Australian people.

Council recognises the extraordinary bravery and selflessness of the first responders and everyday heroes, the police and emergency services, our businesses, our residents, and all those who showed acts of kindness, both big and small, in the days and weeks that followed.

Council would also like to acknowledge the support provided from mayors and councillors from across Australia, as well as acknowledge the assistance provided by the NSW State Government.

Council also recognises the outpouring of grief and support from countless dignitaries and local government officials from Australia and across the world in the form of condolence letters and messages.

Council would like to outline our response to the attack so far.

At an emergency meeting on Tuesday 16 December 2025, Council allocated \$100,000 to community organisations that provide vital direct support to the Jewish Community.

The NSW Reconstruction Authority, NSW Health and Lifeline community services have operated a Community Hub from 23 December 2025 to offer immediate and wide-ranging support to those affected within the Yalagang Room, the Garu and Guya courtyards and the Artist Studio in the Art Gallery. Council notes that this Hub will operate until the end of January 2026. Council has also allocated an additional space for Lifeline to continue offering mental health support services to impacted community members on a temporary but ongoing basis.

Council relocated a Chanukiah from Military Road in Dover Heights to Bondi Park on Tuesday 5 January to serve as a temporary memorial until a permanent memorial is established. This Chanukiah was designed by Jewish artist Joel Adler, in partnership with the Jewish Climate Network, and was commissioned by Waverley Council in 2025 as part of its investment into Chanukah decorations for the community. It is a contemporary interpretation of a Chanukiah, fitted with solar power to light the 'candles.' A plaque will be added to the Chanukiah to read as follows:

This temporary memorial honours the fifteen souls murdered in the attack on our community on the first night of Chanukah on 14 December 2025. In their memory we choose light over darkness.

Council also facilitated a temporary kiosk located in Park Drive North adjacent to North Bondi Playground to be used by the community as a place for connection and prayer.

Flags on all Council buildings were flown at half-mast for a two-week period beginning 15 December 2025. In addition, Council suspended all advertising campaigns from 16 December 2025 and, where possible, replaced visuals with commemorative messages for the community. It has committed to additional and ongoing messaging to highlight the resilience and hope of the Bondi and Waverley community.

Beginning on 22 December 2025, Council supported the Sydney Jewish Museum and the Australian Jewish Historical Society and their volunteers to preserve elements of the floral tribute at Bondi Pavilion as it was decommissioned. Council notes that the Jewish community plans to use some of these items, from dried flowers to gifts and cards, in permanent memorials and artworks commemorating victims and survivors.

Council will continue to honour the victims and the survivors of the attack. It will also recognise the heroism of those who put themselves in harm's way with no concern for their own individual safety of welfare. Council intends to award a 'Key to the City'—including a lifetime Waverley beach pass—to Ahmed al-Ahmed, Gefen Bitton and Leibel Lazaroff. Council will also host a civic function to show

appreciation and gratitude for all first responders and make recommendations about potential recipients of the Prime Minister's Special Honours List, including posthumous commendations for Boris and Sofia Gurman and Reuven Morrison.

Attachments

1. List of condolence letters [↓](#)
2. Letter from Combat Antisemitism Movement (CAM) [↓](#)

First and last name	Organisation
Cr Lachlan Ford, Mayor	Bourke Shire Council
Cr Phyllis Miller OAM, Mayor	Forbes Shire Council
Cr Gary Lee, Mayor	Nambucca Valley Council
Cr Vincent Teichmann,	Dorset Council, Tasmania
Cr Merri Southwood, Mayor	Lane Cove Council
Cr Paul Smith, Mayor	Cowra Shire Council
Cr Alex Makin, Mayor	City of Port Phillip
Cr Tom Tate, Mayor	City of Gold Coast
Cr Sue Heins, Mayor	Northern Beaches Council
Cr Eric Noakes, Mayor	Walcha Council
Cr Robert Samuel	Willoughby City Council
Cr Simone Zmood, Mayor	Glen Eira City Council
Cr Ashley Hall, Mayor	Edward River Council
Cr Julia Cornwell McKean, Mayor	Berrigan Shire Council
Cr Robert Bell, Mayor	Uralla Shire Council
Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Mayor	Ballina Shire Council
Mr Gavin Rhodes, General Manager	Lockhart Shire Council
Cr Peter Sharp, Mayor	Lockhart Shire Council
Cr Todd Carney, Mayor	Penrith City Council
Cr Tania Brown, Lord Mayor	Wollongong City Council
Cr Mathew Hatcher, Mayor	Eurobodalla Shire Council
Rt Hon Clover Moore AO, Lord Mayor	City of Sydney
Cr Ray Smith, Mayor	Clarence Valley Council
Cr Michael Hewitson AM, Mayor	City Of Unley
Cr Josh Black, Mayor	Dubbo Regional Council

Cr Jim Grivas, Mayor	Manningham Council
Cr Scott Jeffery, Mayor	Strathbogie Shire Council
Cr Steve Allan, Mayor	Bellingen Shire Council
Cr Rick Firman OAM, Chairman	Country Mayors Association of NSW (CMA)
Mr Gary Fry, Secretariat	Country Mayors Association of NSW (CMA)
Cr Mary Duniam, Mayor	Waratah Wynyard Council
Cr Carol Oataway, Mayor	Hay Shire Council
Cr Samantha O'Toole, Mayor	Balonne Shire Council
Cr John Harvie, Mayor	Murray River Council
Cr Tanya Taylor, Mayor	Willoughby City Council
Dr Sophie Scamps MP, Federal Member for Mackellar	
Cr Jasmin Jones, Mayor	Yass Valley Council
Cr Daniel Kingston, Mayor	City of Joondalup
Rt Hon Nicholas Reece, Lord Mayor	City of Melbourne
Cr Brendan Blomeley, Mayor	City of Clarence
Cr Andrew McKibbin, Mayor	Oberon Council
Cr Ewen Jones, Mayor	Narromine Shire Council
Cr Peter Hunter, Mayor	Renmark Paringa Council
Cr Therese Fedeli, Mayor	Camden Council
Cr Kenrick Winchester, Mayor	Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council
Cr Ella Winnall, Mayor	Berri Barmera Council
Cr John Faker, Mayor	Burwood Council
Cr Adam Belot, Mayor	Livingstone Shire Council
Cr Brad Bunting, Mayor	Blacktown City Council
Cr Mark Wasley, Mayor	Adelaide Plains Council

Linda Campbell, Secretary	Port Kembla Labor Branch
Alex Makin, Mayor	City of Port Philip
Rt Hon Dr Jane Lomax-Smith, Lord Mayor	City of Adelaide
Cr Nick Dametto, Mayor	City of Townsville
Mayor Glen Docherty, Mayor	City of Playford
Cr Michael Hewitson AM, Mayor	The City of Unley
Cr Anna Reynolds, Mayor	City of Hobart
Cr Jill Whittaker OAM, Mayor	Campbeltown City Council
Cr Benjamin Cai, Mayor	Strathfield Council
Cr Ola Hamed, Mayor	Cumberland City Council
Cr John Medcalf OAM, Mayor	Lachlan Shire Council
Cr Ann Marie Kimber, Mayor	Mosman Council
Rt Hon Bruce Reynolds, Lord Mayor	City of Perth
Cr Cheryl Cook, Mayor	Federation Council
Cr Mitchell Griffin	Maitland City Council
Cr Darrell Tiemens, Mayor	Narrabri Shire Council
Cr Moira Were AM, Mayor	City of Onkaparinga
Cr Tiffany Galvin, Mayor	Gwydir Shire Council
Pamela Jackson, Chief Executive Officer	City of Holdfast Bay
Cr Adam Belot, Mayor	Livingstone Shire Council
Bruce Scott OAM, Chief Executive Officer	Murweh Shire Council
Cllr Jeremy Newmark, Leader	Hertsmere Borough Council
Andy Burnham, Mayor	Greater Manchester
Marianne Alto, Mayor	Mayor of Victoria, Canada

Mr. Nishikiori, Executive Director	Chiba Prefectural Government
Phil Mauger, Mayor	Christchurch City Council
Sharona R. Nazarian, PsyD, Mayor	City of Beverly Hills
Councillor Zafar Iqbal MBE, JP, Lord Mayor	Birmingham City Council
Scott Gillingham, Mayor	City of Winnipeg
Mr Christian ESTROSI, Mayor	Nice/ Nice Côte d'Azur Area
Cr Abdul Salam Khan, Deputy Leader,	Coventry City Council
Cr Robert Aldridge, the Rt Hon Lord Provost	City of Edinburgh
Ms Szerena Maria Gombar, Consul	Trade and Consular Office of Hungary, Sydney
Vanessa Gauci, Chief Executive Officer	Autism Community Network
Lynne Fitzsimons, President Bondi Icebergs Club	Bondi Icebergs Club
Robert Andreson, President	Strata Community Association (NSW)
Sacha Roytman	Combat Antisemitism Movement (CAM) coalition,
Eli Gescheit, Director	Navon Planning
Gregor Ptok, Founder & Principal Consultant	LG DEI Services
David Tanevski, Founding Director & Hon. Secretary/Treasurer	Urban Taskforce Australia Ltd
Susan Wheeldon, Country Director - Australia, New Zealand & Oceania	Airbnb
Paul Power, Chief Executive Officer	Refugee Council of Australia

The Sydney Run Club	The Sydney Run Club
Maqsood Al-Kabir, Executive Director	Australian Institute for Peace and Dialogue Incorporated
Mayor Matt Burnett, President	Australian Local Government Association
Pete Lovitt, Vice President (Life Member)	Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club
Shannon Seban, Director of European Affairs	Combat Antisemitism Movement
Councillor Carmine Grimshaw, Lord Mayor	City of Manchester
Mr. Ahmet Aras, Mayor	Mugla Metropolitan Municipality
Councillor Dan Cohen	Lord Mayor of Leeds



December 18th, 2025

Mayor Will Nemesh
Waverley Council
PO Box 9, Bondi Junction 1355

Dear Mayor Nemesh,

On behalf of the legislators, mayors, councilmembers, councillors, and elected officials of the Combat Antisemitism Movement (CAM) coalition, we write to express our deepest solidarity with you and the Waverley Council community following the antisemitic terror attack on December 14, 2025, at Bondi Beach in Sydney.

In this horrific attack, gunmen opened fire on members of the Jewish community who had gathered to celebrate the first night of Hanukkah, the Festival of Lights, killing 15 people, injuring dozens of others, and sending shockwaves around the world. The deliberate targeting of Jews during a moment of prayer, celebration, and spiritual meaning was not random. It was an attack on Jewish identity, on memory, and on the values that bind our democratic societies together. Such violence must be named for what it is: pure and simple antisemitism.

As elected leaders from around the world, we see firsthand that antisemitism is not an abstract threat. We see how it manifests in our streets, our schools, our communities, and online, and how quickly intimidation can escalate into violence when it is tolerated, minimized, or excused. Cities are on the front lines of this fight, but governments at every level must fully assume their responsibility to protect Jewish communities, confront antisemitism decisively, and ensure that those who incite or commit hatred face real consequences.

Mayor Nemesh, we stand firmly with you as you lead your community through this moment of tragedy and horror, and we stand with the Jewish community of Sydney and across Australia. You are not alone. Our coalition remains united in our commitment to keep our cities safe for all residents and to confront hatred and violence without hesitation or ambiguity.

Please convey our condolences to the victims and their families, and our sincere wishes for strength, healing, and resilience in the days ahead. We also want to recognize your commitment to confronting antisemitism and strengthening community cohesion, including your leadership and your participation in two Mayors Summits Against Antisemitism. We commend the steady moral clarity you have shown over time, and we reaffirm our collective determination to confront antisemitism wherever and whenever it appears.

With solidarity and respect,

Elected Officials from Around the World



Greg Adermann
Councillor
Brisbane City Council, AUS

Jenny Barrie
Councillor
City of Newcastle, AUS

Dr. Ron Bezic
Councillor
Bayside City Council, AUS

Morgan Broadbent
Councillor
Queanbeyan–Palerang Council, AUS

Geoffrey Churchett
Mayor
District Council of Tumby Bay, AUS

Eva Camobell
Councillor
Camden Council, AUS

Xavier Carr
Councillor
Town of Cambridge, AUS

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Councillor
Willoughby City Council, AUS

Fiona Cunningham
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Rajwant Doshi
Councillor
City of Perth, AUS

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Councillor
Randwick City Council, AUS

Aldo Antolli
Councillor
Kingborough Council, AUS

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Mayor
Livingstone Shire Council, AUS

Brendan Blomeley
Mayor
Clarence City Council, AUS

Kathy Bryla
Councillor
Lane Cove, AUS

Sharon Cadwallader
Mayor
Ballina Shire Council, AUS

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Acting Lord Mayor
City of Melbourne, AUS

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Councillor
Edward River Council, AUS

Louise Crawford
Councillor
Port Phillip, AUS

Jessica D'Arienzo
Councillor
Dulwich Hill, Sydney, AUS

Tarun Dewan
Councillor
City of Cockburn, AUS

Kathy Duff
Mayor
South Burnett Council, AUS

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Deputy Mayor
Livingstone Shire Council, AUS

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Shire President
Shire of Lake Grace, AUS

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Cumberland City Council, AUS

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Mayor
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Kym Mckay

Councillor
City of West Torrens, AUS

Alexandra Meggitt

Councillor Upper Lachlan Shire
Binda, AUS

Suzanne Migdale

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William Miller

Councillor
City of Holdfast Bay, AUS

Ryan Morris

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Rodney Moss

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City of Mitcham, AUS

Joe Natoli

Councillor
Sunshine Coast Council, AUS

Belinda Nesl

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Central Coast Council, AUS

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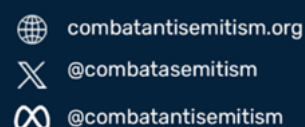
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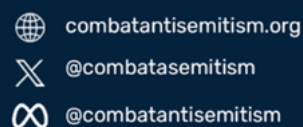
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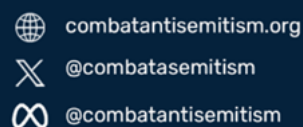
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MAYORAL MINUTE

CM/3.4/26.01E



Subject: Commemoration and Memorialisation Process for Victims of the Bondi Beach Terror Attack

TRIM No: A25/2312

Author: Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Nemesh
Deputy Mayor of Waverley, Councillor Spooner

MOTION:

That Council:

1. Treats the attachment to the mayoral minute 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)(e) of the *Local Government Act 1993*. The attachment contains information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.
2. Notes that the Chanukiah designed by artist Joel Adler has been repositioned from Dover Heights to 'Archer Park' and will serve as a temporary memorial for the community in response to the Bondi Beach terror attack until a permanent memorial can be established.
3. Notes that the NSW Government will lead future conversations with the families of victims, Waverley Council and the Jewish community about the establishment of a permanent memorial.
4. Notes that the commencement of these conversations will be led by the NSW Government supported by Waverley Council, with the timetable yet to be determined.
5. Provides a number of dedicated Bondi Beach Sea Wall mural panels for 12 months along the Bondi Beach promenade with a select expression of interest process to engage artists.
6. Officers curate a reflective visual arts exhibition in Bondi Pavilion Art Gallery showcasing the cultural and community artistic response to the tragedy, and that this exhibition be a collaboration with Shalom Collective incorporating local creatives.
7. Notes that Council commissioned a Bondi Park Bridges and Barrier – Structural Recommendations Report in 2024, which concluded that both the north and south heritage-listed pedestrian bridges across Park Drive in Bondi Park are reaching the end of their useful life and require replacement within several years.
8. Noting that the replacement of the northern pedestrian bridge may form part of a future discussion of a permanent memorial, requests officers to prepare a report to Council to determine the cost, timetable and approvals process for a replacement and/or restoration of both heritage-listed pedestrian bridges, and notes that this resolution does not make a determination on the future of these heritage bridges, only that further assessment will be undertaken.

9. Rescinds resolution PD/5.3/25.03 that proposed to progress design, consultation, approvals and construction of a modified half court in Bondi Park, located to consider the future playground expansion.
10. Initiates the approval process to permanently locate a half-court basketball court as part of the skatepark redevelopment project.
11. Writes to the following individuals and organisations informing them of this resolution:
 - (a) Prime Minister of Australia – The Hon Anthony Albanese MP.
 - (b) Leader of the Opposition – The Hon Sussan Ley MP.
 - (c) Premier of NSW – The Hon Chris Minns MP.
 - (d) Leader of the Opposition – Kellie Sloane MP.
 - (e) Member for Coogee – Marjorie O'Neill MP.
 - (f) Federal Member for Wentworth – Allegra Spender MP.
 - (g) NSW Jewish Board of Deputies.
 - (h) Executive Council of Australian Jewry.
 - (i) Chabad of Bondi – Rabbi Yehoram Ulman.
 - (j) Rabbinical Council of NSW.
 - (k) Sydney Jewish Museum.
 - (l) Australian Jewish Historical Society.
 - (m) Surf Life Saving NSW.
 - (n) North Bondi RSL.
 - (o) Bondi and Districts Chamber of Commerce.

Background

Waverley Council continues to work with the families of the victims, the NSW Government and the Waverley community including the Jewish community to honour those whose lives were lost as well as the survivors following the terror attack at Chanukah by the Sea on 14 December 2025. The process for a permanent memorial at Bondi Beach and Park will be led by the NSW Government. Council acknowledges that there are many beautiful ideas, but this consultation process will take time.

As the process for a permanent memorial will be ongoing, Council will in the interim provide access to the Bondi Beach Sea Wall for a more immediate commemoration response through an EOI process. In addition to this, Council relocated a Chanukiah from Military Road in Dover Heights to Bondi Park on Tuesday 5 January 2026. This Chanukiah was designed by Jewish artist Joel Adler, in partnership with the Jewish Climate Network, and was commissioned by Waverley Council in 2025 as part of its investment into Chanukah decorations for the community. It is a contemporary interpretation of a menorah, fitted with solar power to light the 'candles.'

Council also has facilitated a temporary kiosk located in the Park Drive North adjacent to North Bondi Playground to be used by the community as a place for connection and prayer.

In preparation for Council's Strategic Assessment Management Plan (SAMP) 7, Council commissioned SDA structures to review the structural condition and remediation requirements of the two heritage-listed pedestrian bridges over Park Drive in Bondi Park (the northern heritage-listed bridge being the primary location of the Bondi Beach terror attack on 14 December 2025). The pedestrian bridges (south and north) are both heritage-listed items locally and listed within the Bondi Pavilion, Beach and Park Plan of Management, required under the *Crown Lands Management Act*.

A further report was commissioned by SDA structures in August 2024 to consider the recommendations and remediation of the pedestrian bridges in light of the structural review of adjacent and adjoining assets to the bridges (including but not limited to the walls, paths, stairs). The findings of the report determine that the bridges are nearing the end of their useful life and require replacement in the next few years, with a few options available for Council to consider. Any decision Council makes should be considered in the context of any future discussion on the establishment of a permanent memorial in Bondi Park to honour the victims of the Bondi Beach terror attack. This mayoral minute does not require Council to make a determination on the two heritage-listed pedestrian bridges.

Attachments

1. SDA - Bondi Park Bridges and Barrier - Structural Recommendations Report - August 2024 (confidential)