

## ITEM 9

## APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLOR DELEGATES TO COMMITTEES AND EXTERNAL BODIES

Council is entitled to representation on a number of groups and committees. Councillors are appointed as a representative of Council by resolution of Council to the groups and committees listed in the attachment to this report. The duration of appointment will be the term of council.

### RECOMMENDATION

- 1 Councillor representatives be appointed to the groups and committees listed in Attachment 1 where the number of nominations equals the number of available appointments.
- 2 Where the number of nominations is greater than the number of available appointments, elections be held to fill any remaining vacancies, with the elections to be conducted by open means on a show of hands.
- 3 The General Manager be authorised to appoint staff to any groups or committees that continue to have vacancies following the election of Councillors.
- 4 The term of appointment to Internal Committees and External Organisations be for the term of Council.

### REPORT AUTHORISATIONS

Report of: Todd Hopwood, Manager Customer and Business Integrity  
 Authorised by: Renee Campbell, Director Corporate Services - Connected + Engaged City

### ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Nominations of Councillor Delegates to Internal Committees and External Bodies

### BACKGROUND

Councillors have been provided with the opportunity to submit nominations for the various internal and external organisations to which they wish to be appointed. Any nominations received as at the date of publishing of this report have been noted in the attached listing of required Councillor appointments. Further nominations can be made from the floor when considering this item.

Attachment 3 of Council's adopted Code of Meeting Practice stipulates that voting for the appointment of Councillor Delegates to Committees and External Bodies is to be by open means, on a show of hands. Those committees with nominees highlighted in red in the attached document, currently have more nominees than required members and may require an election process to be conducted.

### CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

The Lord Mayor and Councillors have been provided with details of the various internal and external committees and organisations to which appointments of Councillor representation can occur. In addition, the Lord Mayor and Councillors have been provided the opportunity to submit nominations to the committee and/or organisations to which they wish to be appointed.

### PLANNING AND POLICY IMPACT

This report contributes to the delivery of Our Wollongong 2032 Goal 4. It specifically delivers on the following:

Community Strategic Plan 2032		Delivery Program 2022-2026	
Strategy		Service	
4.7	Demonstrate responsible decision-making based on our values, collaboration, and transparent and accountable leadership	Governance and Administration	


## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Councillor representatives appointed to some external organisations and committees may incur travel and/or overnight accommodation expenses for attendance at quarterly or annual meetings. Such expenses are accounted for within the Councillors' annual budgets.


Other expenses incurred may include travel to and from meetings, parking fees or incidental expenses incurred while attending meetings.

## CONCLUSION

It is appropriate for Council to proceed to appoint Councillor representatives to the groups and committees listed in the report to ensure that Council's interests are appropriately represented.

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ORGANISATION	COUNCILLOR REQUIREMENT	TERM	PRIOR DELEGATES	NOMINEES 2024
<b>ADVISORY COMMITTEES</b>				
<b>AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (ARIC)</b>				
<p>The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) is the primary oversight committee of Council and was established to promote the good corporate governance of Council. Observer only, not involved in voting or debate.</p> <p>The Lord Mayor is unable to be an observer of the Committee</p> <p>There is also three independent members appointed by Council.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One Councillor observer (non-voting)</li> </ul>	Term of Council	1. Cr Tania Brown	1. Cr Thomas Quinn 2. Cr Deidre Stuart
<b>PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE</b>				
<p>The Performance Review Committee is responsible for conducting performance reviews of the General Manager on an annual basis and report the findings and recommendations of those reviews to Council.</p> <p>In addition to the Councillors resolved as members of the Committee, one additional Councillor may be nominated by the GM (Optional).</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> As required in accordance with the performance review timetable</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor (Chairperson)</li> <li>Deputy Lord Mayor (as elected by Council)</li> <li>One Councillor appointed by Council</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Gordon Bradbery (LM)</li> <li>Cr Tania Brown (DLM)</li> <li>Cr Mithra Cox (Council appointment)</li> </ul>	1. Cr Tania Brown (LM) 2. Cr Linda Campbell (DLM) 3. Cr Kit Docker
<b>WEST DAPTO REVIEW COMMITTEE</b>				
<p>This Committee provides advice to Council on policies and strategies which relate to the West Dapto Land Release, with a focus on assisting Council work towards the West Dapto Land Release.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Meetings are bi-monthly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor (Chairperson)</li> <li>Ward 3 Councillors</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Gordon Bradbery (LM) (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Ann Martin</li> <li>Cr Linda Campbell</li> <li>Cr Elisha Aitken</li> <li>Cr Dom Figliomeni</li> </ul>	1. Cr Tania Brown (LM) (Chair) 2. Cr Ann Martin 3. Cr Linda Campbell 4. Cr Deidre Stuart 5. Cr Tiana Myers

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<b>FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES</b>					
Our Floodplain Risk Management Committees give advice to Council on the preparation and implementation of flood management plans for catchments within the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA). The Committees include people interested in the sustainable management of floodplains in our area. There is one committee each for our northern, central and southern areas.					
<b>CENTRAL AREA</b>  The Central area covers the Fairy Creek Cabbage Tree Creek, Wollongong City, and Allan's Creek catchments (primarily Ward 1 and 2).  <b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum three Councillors, one to be elected Chair</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr John Dorahy (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> <li>Cr Tania Brown</li> </ul>	1. Cr Andrew Anthony 2. Cr Thomas Quinn 3. Cr Kit Docker	
<b>NORTHERN AREA</b>  The Northern area covers the Hewitt's Creek, Collins Creek, Northern Suburbs and Towradgi catchments (Ward 1).  <b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum three Councillors, one to be elected Chair</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Mithra Cox (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Cameron Walters</li> <li>Cr Richard Martin</li> </ul>	1. Cr Jess Whittaker 2. Cr Ryan Morris 3. Cr _____	
<b>SOUTHERN AREA</b>  The Southern area covers the Minnegang Creek Kully Bay, Mullet Creek, Brooks Creek, Lake Illawarra, and Duck Creek catchments (Ward 3).  <b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum three Councillors, one to be elected Chair</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Ann Martin (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Elisha Aitken</li> <li>Cr Linda Campbell</li> </ul>	1. Cr Ann Martin 2. Cr Deldre Stuart 3. Cr Tiana Myers	
<b>EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>					
<b>ASSOCIATION OF MINING AND ENERGY RELATED COUNCILS</b>					
The Association of Mining and Energy Related Councils (MERC) represents mining and energy related councils and their communities throughout New South Wales.  The Association's mission is to advocate on behalf of members (21 member councils) and their communities on mining and energy related issues.  <b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two member delegates from each member Council (Councillors or staff).</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Dom Figliomeni</li> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> </ul>	1. Cr Thomas Quinn 2. Cr Ryan Morris 3. Cr Deldre Stuart	

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<b>ILLAWARRA BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</b>				
<p>A Bush Fire Management Committee (BFMC) provides a forum for cooperative and coordinated bushfire management in a local area.</p> <p>It also provides for community involvement in the Bush Fire Risk Management process and assists the Bush Fire Coordinating Committee to consider issues relevant to the protection of life, property and the environment from bushfires.</p> <p>BFMCs are responsible for preparing, coordinating, reviewing and monitoring the Plan of Operations and Bush Fire Risk Management Plan for their area.</p> <p>They assist in the coordination of bush fire detection, mitigation, control and suppression.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One delegate of Council (Mayor, Councillor or senior staff representative).</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> </ul>	1. Cr _____
<b>ILLAWARRA DISTRICT WEEDS AUTHORITY (IDWA)</b>				
<p>IDWA is a regulatory association of Kiama, Shellharbour and Wollongong Councils aimed at the control of all declared noxious weeds within the Wollongong- Shellharbour-Kiama boundary limits. The IDWA reports to the Illawarra Shoalhaven Joint Organisation.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> </ul>	1. Cr Jess Whittaker 2. Cr Ryan Morris

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<b>ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN JOINT ORGANISATION (ISJO)</b>				
<p>ISJO consists of four member councils being Kiama, Shellharbour, Shoalhaven and Wollongong.</p> <p>ISJO's core functions are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>regional strategic planning, including high level planning across the quadruple bottom line</li> <li>inter-governmental collaboration, working closely with the NSW Government as well as the Australian Government, other councils and Joint Organisations</li> <li>regional leadership and advocacy, as the preeminent regional voice for councils and communities</li> </ul> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor</li> <li>One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor</li> <li>Cr David Brown</li> </ul>	1. Cr Tania Brown (LM) 2. Cr _____
<b>ILLAWARRA ZONE LIAISON COMMITTEE - RURAL FIRE SERVICE</b>				
<p>This committee reviews the performance criteria set out in the Illawarra Zone RFS Management Plan and the Service Level Agreement between Council and the RFS.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> </ul>	1. Cr Ryan Morris
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARIES NSW SE ZONE</b>				
<p>An operational group which enables those Councils and public library services in the Southeast Region (who are members) meet on a regular basis for common purposes and discuss operational matters.</p> <p>This is a subgroup of the NSW Public Libraries Association.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Richard Martin</li> </ul>	1. Cr Linda Campbell

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<b>REFERENCE GROUPS</b>				
<b>ABORIGINAL REFERENCE GROUP</b>				
<p>The Aboriginal Reference Group gives advice to Council about issues that affect our local communities.</p> <p>They also help to provide a connection between Council and the Aboriginal community and promote activities that celebrate Aboriginal culture.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Bi-monthly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two Councillors</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Gordon Bradbery</li> <li>Cr Cath Blakey</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Jess Whitaker</li> <li>Cr Ann Martin</li> </ol>
<b>HERITAGE REFERENCE GROUP</b>				
<p>The Wollongong Heritage Reference Group gives advice to Council about policies, strategies and projects that protect and promote our city's heritage. The focus of the Reference Group is to assist Council work towards the preparation and delivery of the Wollongong Heritage Strategy and Action Plan.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One Councillor (Chair)</li> <li>Option for second councillor if required.</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Ann Martin (Chair)</li> <li>Vacant</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Ann Martin</li> <li>Cr Ryan Morris</li> </ol>
<b>SPORTS AND FACILITIES REFERENCE GROUP</b>				
<p>The Sports and Facilities Reference Group advises Council about sport in our city. This includes identifying priorities for improving sports facilities, planning new facilities and attracting major sporting events to Wollongong.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three Councillors (one to be elected Chairperson)</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Cameron Walters (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Elisha Aitken</li> <li>Cr Tania Brown</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Linda Campbell</li> <li>Cr Dan Hayes</li> <li>Cr Ryan Morris</li> <li>Cr Kit Docker</li> </ol>



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WALKING, CYCLING AND MOBILITY REFERENCE GROUP				
<p>The Walking, Cycling and Mobility Reference Group will provide advice and feedback to Council in developing, implementing, and monitoring bicycle and pedestrian strategies and policies. The Group does not have decision making authority, the power to bind the Council or the power to incur expenditure.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> As needs basis but not more than quarterly.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three Councillors (one to be elected Chairperson)</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr David Brown (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Dom Figliomeni</li> <li>Cr Mithra Cox</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Dan Hayes</li> <li>Cr Jess Whittaker</li> <li>Cr Tiana Myers</li> </ol>
LAKE ILLAWARRA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION GROUP				
<p>The purpose of the Lake Illawarra CMP Implementation Group is to oversee and where needed, provide advice on the implementation of actions within the Lake Illawarra CMP. It will act as a platform for relationship building between all stakeholders, with the shared aspiration to ensure that Lake Illawarra's ecological, social, and economic value is maintained and improved now and into the future</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Quarterly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Up to 3 Councillors</li> <li>Chair to be appointed from the Host Council's Delegates (Wollongong is the Host council for 2024 term).One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Martin</li> <li>Cr Campbel</li> <li>Cr Aitken</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Ann Martin</li> <li>Cr Diedre Stuart</li> <li>Cr Tiana Myers</li> </ol>
SECTION 355 COMMITTEES				
CITY OF WOLLONGONG AWARDS COMMITTEE				
<p>The Australia Day Committee helps to plan our city's biggest community event of the year. They also judge the City of Wollongong Australia Day Awards.</p> <p><b>Meeting frequency:</b> Monthly</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor (Chairperson),</li> <li>One Councillor</li> </ul>	Term of Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lord Mayor (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Tania Brown</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cr Tania Brown (LM) (Chair)</li> <li>Cr Kit Docker</li> </ol>