



MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

at 6.00 pm

Monday 18 February 2019

Present

Lord Mayor – Councillor G Bradbery AM (in the Chair), Councillors D Brown, A Martin, C Walters, C Blakey, D Figliomeni, J Kershaw, J Rimmer, L Colacino, M Cox, T Brown and V King

In Attendance

General Manager (Acting) – G Doyle, Director Infrastructure and Works (Acting), Connectivity Assets and Liveable City – A Carfield, Director Planning and Environment (Acting), Future City and Neighbourhoods – M Riordan, Director Corporate Services, Connected and Engaged City – R Campbell, Director Community Services, Creative and Innovative City – K Hunt, Manager Information and Improvement – C Phelan, Manager Governance and Customer Service – T Hopwood, Chief Financial Officer – B Jenkins, Manager Property and Recreation – P Coyte, Manager City Works – M Roebuck, Manager Project Delivery – G Whittaker, Manager Open Space and Environmental Services – J Gordon, Manager Community Cultural and Economic Development – S Savage

Apologies

Min No.

196 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Colacino that the apology tendered on behalf of Councillor Dorahy be accepted.

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DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor Rimmer declared a non-pecuniary, perceived Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B – Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals, due to being employed by a State Member of Parliament and advised that she would remain in the Chamber for debate and voting.

Councillor Cox declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B - Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals due to being a musician and playing at many festivals including some locally and others across the country. Councillor Cox further advised that she would remain in the Chamber for debate and voting.

Councillor Martin declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B - Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals as she is a co-owner of a music venue. Councillor Martin further advised that she would remain in the Chamber for debate and voting.

Councillor Blakey declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B - Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals as she is a performer at some local festivals and would remain in the Chamber for debate and voting.

Councillor Walters declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B - Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals as he is employed by a State Member of Parliament.

Councillor King declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item B - Lord Mayoral Minute relating to NSW Government Regulation of Music Festivals as one of her children is a live performer and a Member of the Illawarra Live Music Organisation. Councillor King further advised that she would remain in the Chamber for debate and voting.

Councillor Bradbery declared a non-pecuniary, significant Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 1 – Proposed Naming of Unnamed Reserve at Wongawilli and advised that he would be absenting himself from the Chamber as he is a friend of one of the proponents and opposes this name change, therefore he would vacate the Chamber during debate and voting on this Item.

PETITION – COUNCIL’S DOGS ON BEACHES POLICY

Councillor Cox tabled a petition with 52 signatures in relation to Council’s Dogs on Beaches Policy requesting that Council rezone the section of Woonona Beach, south of creek/lagoon at the end of Beach Drive and opposite the bend in Lighthouse Drive to the current southern limit at Bellambi.

The residents are requesting that this section be rezoned from Orange Zone to Green Zone in order that dogs and their owners can enjoy the beach off-leash at any time of the day.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 29 JANUARY 2019

197 **COUNCIL’S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor T Brown that the -

- 1 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 29 January 2019 (a copy having been circulated to Councillors) be taken as read and confirmed.
- 2 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Monday, 10 December 2018 meeting be amended to correct Item 17 Traffic Committee, to insert the correct meeting date of that Committee as 14 November 2018.

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM - ITEM 1 - PROPOSED NAMING OF UNNAMED RESERVE AT WONGAWILLI

Ronald Cooper on behalf of the Wongawilli Residents' Committee spoke against the recommendation and raised the following points of interest for consideration:

- The historical significance of dairy farming, mining and residential area of the village, its original residents, and that it is commonly referred to as Bankbook Hill.
- Community consultation surrounding the rezoning of the village.
- Current use of community facilities and grounds within the village.
- The impact of future development on the historical and heritage significance of the village.
- Recognition of support from the community in using the name Bankbook Park.

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM - ITEM B – LORD MAYORAL MINUTE – NSW GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF MUSIC FESTIVALS

Rod Cork spoke on behalf of the Illawarra Folk Club (IFC) in support of the recommendation and addressed Council in relation to problems with the new proposed NSW Government process to add additional safety regulations in the running of music festivals in NSW. Mr Cork added that the IFC will support the Lord Mayor's recommendations on this subject.

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM - ITEM 1 - PROPOSED NAMING OF UNNAMED RESERVE AT WONGAWILLI

Dawn Goldman a resident of Wongawilli spoke against the recommendation providing specific information to Council on the process of consultation undertaken by the Community Engagement Team and by the Wongawilli Residents' Committee on the naming of the park.

Ms Goldman expressed her concern in relation to the community consultation process undertaken by Council for the naming Bankbook Park and that many Wongawilli residents were unaware of this consultation and therefore had not been provided with the opportunity to respond.

Ms Goldman urged Councillors to consider the mining history of Wongawilli and its residents when determining the outcome of this matter.

PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM – CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF DEVELOPMENT

Cherylyn Fenton stated that she was President of the Corrimal Community Action Group and was speaking in relation to single developments having insignificant or minor effects on the community. However, when there are many developments, the combined impact can be catastrophic and permanently change a place of living.

Ms Fenton's main issues of concern included traffic and transport, flooding in areas that are considered high risk to residents, threats to local endangered flora and fauna, permanently changing height limits, drainage, noise, air quality, visual impacts, Aboriginal heritage, cultural heritage, ground and water contamination, as well as lack of infrastructure.

Ms Fenton added the number of approvals and applications for multi-storey developments and dual occupancy in this area has been very rapid. Block sizes are becoming smaller, dwelling sizes are increasing. Council owned land has been sold and there is less green space available.

Ms Fenton also spoke in relation to the current and proposed level of development in particular the Corrimal area, and the need to rethink an approach moving forward.

- 198 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Walters that all speakers be thanked for their presentations and invited to table their notes.

CALL OF THE AGENDA

- 199 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Figliomeni that the staff recommendations for Items 3 – 8 inclusive be adopted as a block.

A PROCEDURAL MOTION was MOVED by Councillor D Brown seconded Councillor Colacino that the agenda items be considered in the following order, Item B , Item 1 , Item 2, and Item A.

ITEM B – LORD MAYORAL MINUTE – NSW GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF MUSIC FESTIVALS

- 200 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Bradbery that –

- 1 Wollongong City Council, as a matter of urgency, write to the Premier for NSW, and other relevant Ministers, Local State Members of Parliament, Parliamentary Secretary for the Illawarra and Government agencies to:
 - a Highlight the significant cultural and economic benefits that music festivals provide in regional areas, especially in Wollongong and the Illawarra.
 - b Express concern about potential implications for Wollongong tourism and cultural events from the proposed introduction of blanket regulation for music festivals and outdoor concerts.
 - c Call for a hold on the implementation of the Interim Guidelines for Music Festival Event Organisers until further engagement and feedback from stakeholders is addressed.
 - d Request that the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority engage with stakeholders, including Wollongong Council, prior to the framing of legislation to introduce a new music festival licence application process.
 - e Request that NSW Police, Health agencies and local government, in consultation with music event organisers, develop a financially sustainable industry standard to enable safe festivals and events.
 - f Support the demands that the Don't Kill Live Music industry group has submitted to the NSW Government.

Variations The variation moved by Councillor Martin, the addition of the words 'as a matter of urgency' and 'to Local State Members of Parliament, Parliamentary Secretary for the Illawarra' in Point 1 was accepted by the mover.

The variation moved by Councillor Cox, that the following words be removed from Point e 'for user pays policing and medical services at events' and the addition of the words 'to enable safe festivals and events' be added to Point e was accepted by the mover

During debate on Item B, a PROCEDURAL MOTION was MOVED by Councillor T Brown seconded Councillor Martin that Councillor Blakey be granted an additional one minute to address the meeting.

An AMENDMENT was MOVED by Councillor Blakey seconded Councillor Cox that –

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 - a Highlight the significant cultural and economic benefits that music festivals provide in regional areas, especially in Wollongong and the Illawarra.
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 - d Request that the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority engage with stakeholders, including Wollongong Council, prior to the framing of legislation to introduce a new music festival licence application process.
 - e Request that NSW Police, Health agencies and local government, in consultation with music event organisers, develop a financially sustainable industry standard that considers trialling pill testing.
 - f Support the demands that the Don't Kill Live Music industry group has submitted to the NSW Government.

Councillor Blakey's AMENDMENT on being PUT to the VOTE was LOST.

In favour

Councillors Blakey and Cox

Against

Councillors Kershaw, Rimmer, D Brown, T Brown, Martin, King, Colacino, Walters, Figliomeni and Bradbery

Councillor Bradbery's Lord Mayoral Minute then became the MOTION.

The MOTION on being PUT to the VOTE was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DEPARTURE OF COUNCILLORS

During debate and prior to voting on Item B, Councillor Cox departed and returned to the meeting, the time being from 7.03pm to 7.05pm.

During debate and prior to voting on Item B, Councillor King departed and returned to the meeting, the time being from 7.21 pm to 7.22pm.

During debate on Item B, a PROCEDURAL MOTION was MOVED by Councillor Cox seconded Councillor Colacino that Councillor Rimmer be granted an additional one minute to address the meeting.

DEPARTURE OF COUNCILLOR

Due to a prior Disclosure of Interest in relation to Item 1, Councillor Bradbery vacated the Chair and departed the Chamber, the time being 7.30pm and did not take part in discussion or voting on this item. The Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor D Brown assumed the Chair.

ITEM 1 - PROPOSED NAMING OF UNNAMED RESERVE AT WONGAWILLI

201 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor King seconded Councillor Figliomeni that Council:

- 1 Endorse the application to the Geographical Names Board of NSW to formally assign the name 'Bankbook Park' over Lot 329 DP 1207443.
- 2 Urgently meet with the Illawarra Lands Council to find a meaningful place to name Garreeaira.

Variation The variation moved by Councillor Kershaw for the removal of the words 'suburb or' in Point 2 was accepted by the mover and seconder.

In favour Councillors Kershaw, Rimmer, D Brown, T Brown, King, Colacino, Walters and Figliomeni
Against Councillors Cox, Blakey and Martin
Absent Councillor Bradbery

An AMENDMENT was MOVED by Councillor Cox seconded Councillor Martin that:

Council endorse the application to the Geographical Names Board of NSW to formally assign the name 'Garreeaira Reserve' over Lot 329 DP 1207443.

Councillor Cox's AMENDMENT on being PUT to the VOTE was LOST.

In favour Councillors, Martin, Cox, Blakey and D Brown
Against Councillors Kershaw, Rimmer, T Brown, King, Colacino, Walters and Figliomeni
Absent Councillor Bradbery

Councillor King's MOTION was then PUT to the VOTE and was CARRIED.

RETURN OF COUNCILLOR

On the conclusion of debate and voting on Item 1, Councillor Bradbery returned to the Chamber and resumed the Chair, the time being 8.03 pm.

ITEM 2 - DRAFT BEACH AND FORESHORE ACCESS STRATEGY 2019-2028

202 **COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION** – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY on the motion of Councillor Colacino seconded Councillor D Brown that –

- 1 Council endorse the public exhibition of the draft Beach and Foreshore Strategy 2019-2028 from 19 February 2019 to 18 March 2019 inclusive.
- 2 Following exhibition the final version of the draft Beach and Foreshore Strategy 2019-2028 be presented to Council for consideration and endorsement.

ITEM A - NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR COX - 2023 WOMEN'S WORLD CUP HOSTING BID

203 COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY by Councillor Cox seconded Councillor King that Council -

- 1 Note that Australia, through the Football Federation Australia (FFA), has submitted a bid to host the 2023 Women's (Soccer) World Cup.
- 2 Supports Destination Wollongong's efforts to secure Wollongong as a host for 2023 Women's World Cup football games.
- 3 Write to the NSW Premier, the NSW and Federal Ministers for Sport and Football Federation Australia expressing support for World Cup Games to be held in Wollongong.

Variation The variation moved by Councillor D Brown for the removal of Point 2 the words being 'Write to the NSW and Federal Ministers for Sport and Football Federation Australia to express interest in Wollongong being a host City for the 2023 Women's World Cup' and be replaced with the addition of Points 2 and 3 were accepted by the mover and seconder.

ITEM 3 - COUNCILLOR APPOINTMENT TO HERITAGE REFERENCE GROUP

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – That Council appoint Councillor Ann Martin as a Councillor delegate to the Heritage Reference Group until September 2019.

ITEM 4 - EXERCISE OF DELEGATIONS OVER THE CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD – TENDERS

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – That Council note the exercise of delegations by the General Manager and Lord Mayor or Deputy Lord Mayor over the Christmas/New Year period.

ITEM 5 - POLICY REVIEW: MEDIA COUNCIL POLICY

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – That the revised Media Council Policy be adopted by Council.

ITEM 6 - DRAFT QUARTERLY REVIEW STATEMENT DECEMBER 2018

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – That -

- 1 The draft Quarterly Review Statement December 2018 be adopted.
- 2 The Budget Review Statement as at December 2018 be adopted and revised totals of income and expenditure be approved and voted.
- 3 Council approve the transfer to Waste Disposal Facilities internally restricted cash of \$1.534 million representing the forecast net improvement in operational result for the year ending 30 June 2019.

ITEM 7 - CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 23 JANUARY 2019

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION - That in accordance with the powers delegated to Council, the Minutes and Recommendations of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee held on 23 January 2019 in relation to Regulation of Traffic be adopted.

ITEM 8 - BI-MONTHLY RETURNS OF DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS AND OTHER MATTERS - FEBRUARY 2019

The following staff recommendation was adopted as part of the Block Adoption of Items (refer Minute Number 199).

COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION – That Council note the tabling of the Returns of Disclosures of Interest as required by Section 450A of the Local Government Act 1993.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8.15 PM

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Wollongong held on Monday 11 March 2019.

Chairperson