



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun

Councillor Adjei

Councillor Ammoun

Councillor Dr Green

Councillor Harle

Councillor Harte

Councillor Ibrahim

Councillor Karnib

Councillor Macnaught

Councillor Monaghan

Councillor Ristevski

Mr Jason Breton, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support

Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle

Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance

Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance

Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures

Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations

Mr David Galpin, General Counsel, Manager Governance, Legal and Procurement

Mr Earl Paradeza, Acting Chief Financial Officer

Mr John Hanlon, Chief Information Officer

Mr David Grasso, Rates Coordinator

Ms Jacqueline Newsome, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services

Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor read the following:

"In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council was read by Father Paul Monkerud from All Saints Parish.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONDOLENCES

Mr Ron Hughes

ITEM NO: COND 01

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Mr Ron Hughes (read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with a heavy heart that I acknowledge the passing of Ron Hughes on 31 December 2024. Ron was a dedicated and respected member of Liverpool's sporting community, serving on the Liverpool City Council Sports Committee for 26 years and contributing immensely to football in our region.

Ron devoted over 27 years to the Liverpool Rangers Football Club, holding roles such as Publicity Officer and Club Registrar. He also served on the SDSFA committee for 26 years and held key positions with the Liverpool District Women's Soccer Committee and Liverpool Sports Committee. His efforts extended to Football NSW, where he served as delegate, board member, and Secretary.

Ron championed inclusivity in football, supporting participation from culturally diverse and disadvantaged backgrounds. He also captured countless junior games as an official photographer, generously sharing these moments with families.

His contributions earned him Life Memberships with SDSFA and Liverpool Rangers, a State Award from Football NSW, and the prestigious George Churchward Medal in 2012.

Ron Hughes will be remembered as a passionate advocate for football and a pillar of our community. On behalf of Council, I extend heartfelt condolences to the Hughes family.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Acknowledge Ron Hughes' outstanding contributions to sport in Liverpool;
2. Extend condolences to the Hughes family; and
3. Explore appropriate ways to commemorate his legacy.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

A one minute silence was then observed for Mr Hughes.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 10 December 2024 and 12 December 2024 be confirmed as a true record of those meetings.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 10 - Opposing the Use of the Media Department for the Personal Benefit of the Mayor.

Reason: The motion in the Mayor's opinion is targeted at him. The motion in the Mayor's opinion should have been dealt with via another process. The motion mentions the Mayor.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber for this item once he made the declaration.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Mr Michael Byrne**, President of East Liverpool Progress Association addressed Council on the following item:

Item: Planning Policy for East Liverpool.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Mr Byrne.

2. **Ms Tracey Lynch** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: Social media and Liverpool City Council.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Ms Lynch.

Representation – items on agenda

3. **Ms Rose Koch** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 09 – Addressing Rubbish, Trolleys and Safety Concerns in our CBD and Suburban Streets.

4. **Mr Brendan (BJ) Gregory** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 02 - Importance of Flying the Australian Flag on All Council Buildings and NOM 03 – National Anthem at Council meetings.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension to Mr Gregory.

5. **Ms Karress Rhodes** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: CFD 01 – Recommendation for Dissolving Intermodal Precinct Committee.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension to Ms Rhodes.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: 2025 Australia Day Honours
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 5 February 2025

It is with pride that I acknowledge Ms. Pamela Anne Valentine of Liverpool, who has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the Australia Day 2025 Honours List for her outstanding service to our community.

Ms. Valentine has made invaluable contributions through her volunteer work with the City of Liverpool and District Historical Society and the Liverpool Genealogy Society. Her dedication has helped preserve and promote our city's rich heritage, fostering a deeper understanding of Liverpool's history among residents and visitors alike.

Beyond historical preservation, Ms. Valentine has played a key role in community events, educational initiatives, and collaborative projects, strengthening Liverpool's cultural fabric. Her generosity, leadership, and tireless commitment to community service are an inspiration to us all.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our congratulations and deepest appreciation to Ms. Valentine for her extraordinary contributions and well-deserved recognition.

I move that Council formally recognises and congratulates Ms. Pamela Anne Valentine for her Australia Day 2025 honour.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council acknowledges the achievements of Ms. Pamela Anne Valentine and congratulates her on receiving the Medal of the Order of Australia.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Ms Valentine was then presented with a certificate of appreciation by Mayor Mannoun on behalf of Liverpool City Council.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Acting CEO Performance Review for 2024
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 5 February 2025

This item was dealt with later in the meeting pursuant to Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, the Council deems that the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this Mayoral Minute is regarding personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 01
SUBJECT: Sikh Games
MOTION OF: Councillor Dr Betty Green
DATE: 5 February 2025

Clr Dr Green requested Mayor Mannoun accept a Motion of Urgency with regards to the Sikh Games.

She stated the basis of urgency as follows:

Basis of Urgency

This event is only 72 days away.

Event organisers are finalising the program schedule for this event that is expected to attract up to 3000 participants and 30,000 spectators.

The deadline for sponsorship of this event is imminent. If Council is to defer this item, the window to support the event will close.

The event organisers need to finalise all necessary arrangements including supply agreement and printed promotional material is imminent. The sponsorship of this event will mean that Council is afforded the opportunity to have its logos etc placed on promotional material and have opportunities to speak about the Liverpool community at key events.

If Council waits for a report to be presented to the 26 February 2025 meeting, it will miss the deadlines for inclusion in marketing material, programs etc, and will also impact on the ability of organisers to finalise arrangements for the event.

Source of Funding

Council has an amount of \$30,000 available in its Sports Donations and Subsidies program. Proposal is to draw on these available funds.

In accordance with Clause 9.3 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Mayor Mannoun ruled the above matter as urgent due to the timing of the event and as such it was dealt with at this meeting as shown below:

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 6.45pm and Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, became the Chairperson.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 6.50pm and resumed as Chairperson.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the value of the Sikh Games as a valuable event to connect the Sikh community across Western Sydney;
2. Supports the request for sponsorship from The Australian Sikh Games for the estimated value split of \$8,000 cash and \$22,000 in-kind (ex GST) to come from Sports Donations and Contributions program.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MOTION TO BRING ITEMS FORWARD:

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Mayor Mannoun**

That the following items be brought forward and dealt with now:

QWN 01 - Question with Notice - Cllr Harle - Residents of Edmondson Park and the badly deteriorated pavement section of Jardine Drive, **QWN 02** - Question with Notice - Cllr Harle - Abandoned Shopping Trolleys, **NOM 01** - Commemorative Plaque for Enes Besagic, **NOM 02** - Importance of Flying the Australian Flag on All Council Buildings, **NOM 03** - National Anthem at Council Meetings, **NOM 04** - Installation of Christmas Lights along Macquarie Street Trees, **NOM 05** - Legal fees and Expenses with regards to Public Inquiry, **NOM 06** - Proposal to Offer a 5% Discount for Full Payment of Council Rates, **NOM 07** Minimum Unrestricted Cash Reserves, **NOM 08** - Initiative to relocate the Chipping Norton Stakes from Randwick to Warwick Farm Racecourse, **NOM 09** - Addressing Rubbish, Trolleys, and Safety Concerns in Our CBD and Suburban Streets, **NOM 10** - Opposing the Use of the Media Department for the Personal Benefit of the Mayor, **NOM 11** - Food Insecurity Audit and Report, **NOM 12** - Review of Illegal Dumping, **NOM 13** - Appreciation for the Casula Powerhouse Staff and Budget Considerations, **NOM 14** - Proposal to Reduce Printing and Distribution of Liverpool Life Newsletter.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 014249.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harle - Residents of Edmondson Park and the badly deteriorated pavement section of Jardine Drive.

Background:

Many residents of Edmondson Park have asked when the badly deteriorated pavement section of Jardine Drive between Wakeling Drive and Diamond Hill Circuit is likely to be upgraded?

I understand that the developers of the area are responsible for progressively upgrading the road as the area is developed and have done so in relevant sections. I also understand that this area is composed of fragmented ownership and hence development.

Currently, the road surface section referred to above, is primarily a series of patches on patches with no footpath, an irregular ground surface, and limited space between the road edge and the chain wire fencing. The latter was erected to prevent high volumes of illegal dumping.

However, its present condition causes major safety issues as pedestrians are forced onto the road pavement, due to the patched surface, and presents tripping hazards, particularly for School Children using the road to walk to nearby St Francis Catholic School.

Edmondson Park Estate development has progressed rapidly over the past decade and Council would have and continues to collect substantial developer contributions hence the following questions.

Approximately, how much money has Council received from Developer Contributions to date, and what percentage is that of the total expected once development has reached around 80% of overall development for the area?

As of December 2024, the total contributions received amount is \$127.9 million. The percentage of the total expected contributions will be available following the current reform of the Liverpool Contribution Plan 2008 – Edmondson Park.

1. Has Council spent any of the collected developer contributions for this area and what specifically were they spent on so far?

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 10 December 2024, a Report (Item – PLAN 06) was tabled presenting the financial status of Council's Contributions Plans.

The Report showed that as of October 2024, contributions collected under the *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2008 – Edmondson Park* totalled \$127,976,245, of which \$98,253,482 has been spent on infrastructure and land acquisition within the Edmondson Park Precinct.

2. As noted above, sections of Jardine Drive are in very poor condition and poses significant pedestrian safety issues between Wakeling Drive and Diamond Hill Circuit.
 - Who is primarily responsible for upgrading this section of Jardine Drive?
 - Council is responsible as this section is a local road not immediately adjoining any developer lots.
 - A similar section, between Rynan Ave and Talana Hill Road was upgraded. Who carried out those works?
 - A developer has undertaken a half road construction in accordance with their DA Conditions of Consent.
 - Can Council investigate and take appropriate remedial action ASAP to allow a safe pedestrian space along this undeveloped section of road, which is also subject to flooding?
 - Council has engaged a consultant to design the section of road pavement of Jardine Drive between Rynan Ave and Wakeling Drive. This includes the upgrade of the existing culvert near Wakeling Drive, the drainage network along Jardine Drive in this section, kerb and gutter and footpaths.

Currently the design is 80% complete.

The project cost has not been finalised, however it is anticipated to be over \$5,000,000.00. Currently S7.11 contributions have \$600k allocated, which is only sufficient to complete the design and some minor patching work as a temporary measure.

Future delivery of the road will be subject to ongoing developer contributions and/or Council allocation of funds.

Accordingly, there is insufficient resourcing to provide a safe pedestrian space.

Clr Adjei left the Chamber at 6:53pm.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 6.53pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 6.55pm.

Note: Deputy Mayor Harle requested that this item be taken to the next Governance Committee Meeting to discuss the issues there.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 020306.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harle - Abandoned Shopping Trolleys

Background:

Abandoned Shopping trolleys. The State Government has introduced stricter laws regarding abandoned property, as per link below.

<https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/public/about-councils/laws-and-regulations/public-spaces-unattended-property-act-2021/>

Please address the following:

1. **Since these laws were introduced in November 2022, what changes has Council implemented to reduce the number of abandoned shopping trolleys in the Liverpool LGA?**

Refer below – Response.

2. **Have these changes been incorporated into Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Part 1, Subsection 28?**

Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Part 1, Subsection 28 does not reference legislation but rather has general requirements regarding the management of shopping trolleys. Refer below for Appendix 1.

- a. **Can Council enforce shopping trolley owners displaying suitable signage that states “shopping trolleys must not be taken beyond the boundaries of the shopping centre”, as per its DCP?**

If it is a condition of consent imposed on a Development Application.

3. **Have any abandoned shopping trolleys owners been issued penalties under the new regulations?**

Not at this stage.

4. **Does Liverpool City Council display on its website and media information the penalties that apply to abandoned and unattended property?**

Not at this stage.

Introduction

Abandoned shopping trolleys have increasingly become a public nuisance within our community. These trolleys often attract rubbish and contribute to unsightly and unsafe environments. In response to ongoing concerns raised by residents and community stakeholders, the Council has reassessed its current practices for managing this issue. This report outlines the current measures in place, evaluates their effectiveness, and introduces a new procedure to address the problem more effectively.

Shopping trolleys are classified as Class 2 items under the Public Spaces Unattended Property Act.

The Regulation states:

Before taking possession of a class 1 item or a class 2 item under the Act, section 25(1)(b)(i) or (ii)—

- (a) the authorised officer must give written notice in accordance with this section that the authorised officer believes the item is unattended, and*
- (b) the notice must specify a time and date at which, if the authorised officer believes the item is unattended, the authorised officer may take possession of the item, and*
- (c) the specified time and date must be after the end of the minimum notice period, and*
- (d) the authorised officer must believe the item is unattended at the specified time and date.*

Applicable fines are:

- \$660 per trolley (individuals).
- \$1,320 per trolley (corporations).

Higher fines for clusters of trolleys.

For the Act, section 33(2)(f), a record of property taken possession of must include the following information—

- (a) the cost of taking possession of, storing, returning, destroying or disposing of, including selling, the property.

N.B: Regarding storage and fees payable on collection, Council Officers will need to ensure to keep '**Records of property**' for any actions taken by LCC.

Council must Identify and notify operators of unattended or obstructive trolleys with details of the issue and location.

- 3-hour timeframe: For trolleys causing an obstruction or safety risk (except 11 pm–7 am).
- 4-day timeframe: For trolleys left in one place for more than 7 days.

The regulation states:

Before taking possession of a class 1 item or a class 2 item under the Act, section 25(1)(b)(i) or (ii)—

(a) the authorised officer must give written notice in accordance with this section that the authorised officer believes the item is unattended, and

(b) the notice must specify a time and date at which, if the authorised officer believes the item is unattended, the authorised officer may take possession of the item, and

(c) the specified time and date must be after the end of the minimum notice period, and

(d) the authorised officer must believe the item is unattended at the specified time and date.

The regulation deals with each item individually.

The above process must be followed regardless of whether the intent is to take possession or issue a fine failing the collection of the trolley by the owner.

Response

Current Measures

The Council currently utilises a service called Trolley Tracker, which enables community members and Council Officers to report abandoned trolleys. Through this system, retailers receive notifications to retrieve their trolleys promptly. While this service was initially effective, recent evaluations indicate a significant decline in its effectiveness, with an increasing number of trolleys remaining uncollected for extended periods.

Issues Identified

- Retailers are not consistently retrieving reported trolleys in a timely manner.
- Abandoned trolleys are contributing to litter and creating hazards in public spaces.
- There is insufficient accountability for retailers to ensure their trolleys remain within their premises.

New Procedure

To address these challenges, the Council's Enforcement Officers have developed a revised approach:

1. Retailer Education:

Enforcement Officers will conduct visits to supermarkets and other retailers to provide educational documents. These materials will inform retailers of their obligations under relevant legislation in New South Wales (NSW) and outline the penalties for non-compliance.

2. Notice and Compliance:

Retailers will be issued a formal notice requiring the collection of any abandoned trolley within three (3) days of notification. Failure to comply will result in fines and the imposition of collection charges.

3. Increased Accountability:

Retailers will be encouraged to implement measures to prevent trolleys from leaving their premises. This could include physical barriers, coin-lock systems, geofencing or employing staff to monitor trolley use.

4. Goals of the New Procedure

The primary aim of this new procedure is to ensure retailers take proactive steps to prevent trolleys from being abandoned. By holding retailers accountable, the Council seeks to:

- Reduce the number of abandoned trolleys in public spaces.
- Minimise associated nuisances, including rubbish accumulation.
- Encourage retailers to maintain responsibility for their trolleys and contribute to a cleaner, safer community.

Conclusion

The Council is committed to addressing the issue of abandoned shopping trolleys through a combination of education, enforcement, and retailer accountability. The new procedure reflects our dedication to maintaining clean and safe public spaces for all residents. We will monitor the effectiveness of these measures and continue to engage with retailers and the community to ensure lasting improvements.

Note: Deputy Mayor Harle has requested that this item be tabled at a future Governance Committee meeting.

Clr Adjei returned to the Chamber at 6.57pm.

28. Shopping Trolleys

Applies to

This section applies to any development that will provide shopping trolleys for customers.

Background

Abandoned shopping trolleys are a major problem throughout the Liverpool LGA as they tend to end up in streets, parks and waterbodies.

Objectives

To minimise the abandonment of shopping trolleys.

Controls

1. A management plan is required for all businesses that offer the use of trolleys to their customers. At a minimum the management plan must contain the following elements:
 - A list of contacts for the store/premises (including phone numbers).
 - A statement verifying that trolley management will be undertaken in accordance with the relevant consent (the consent is to be attached as an addendum once issued).
 - Methods for identifying shopping trolleys that belong to a specific business (e.g. serial numbers, company logo, tracking device etc.).
 - A schedule for the daily collection of abandoned shopping trolleys, including details of trolley collection routes.
 - Details of a trolley containment system which restricts the removal of trolleys from the premises.
 - Measures to ensure that any trolleys reported as posing a risk or nuisance, are collected immediately upon notification (this may require an "after hours" collection service).
 - A register of all trolleys that have been reported or collected (including instances where the trolley was not found at the reported location).
 - Methods for warning customers about the consequences of abandoning or removing trolleys from the premises.
 - A site plan of the premises showing the location of trolley bays and exit points.
- Note:*
- Council must be notified of any updates to the plan of management.*
2. A trolley containment system must be provided for businesses with 20 or more trolleys. Such examples include:
 - Coin/token operated system with refund
 - Trolleys with wheel locks activated by a radio signal or magnetic strip
 - Radio signal transmitters on trolleys

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 408957.2024
SUBJECT: Commemorative Plaque for Enes Beslagic

Background

Enes Beslagic's decision to perform in Liverpool not only enriches our local cultural landscape but also elevates Liverpool's profile on an international stage. By honoring him with this plaque, we express our gratitude and commitment to fostering a thriving arts community.

This motion celebrates our partnership with the arts and the positive recognition it brings to Liverpool.

I ask that Liverpool City Council award a commemorative plaque to Enes Beslagic, the world-renowned Bosnian actor, in recognition of his decision to choose Liverpool's Casula Performing Arts Centre (CPAC) as the venue for his upcoming performance in February 2025. This gesture will serve as a token of our appreciation for his contributions to the arts and acknowledge the international publicity this event will bring to Liverpool.

The plaque will be presented on behalf of all Liverpool City Councillors by Councillor Peter Ristevski, who has been invited by the event organisers to attend the performance. This presentation will highlight Liverpool's support for the arts and promote Liverpool as a vibrant cultural hub.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Liverpool City Council:

1. Approve the creation and presentation of a commemorative plaque to Enes Beslagic.
2. Confirm the attendance of Councillor Peter Ristevski at the performance for the purpose of the presentation.
3. Allocate necessary resources for the creation of the plaque.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Liverpool City Council:

1. Approve the creation and presentation of a commemorative plaque to Enes Beslagic.
2. Allocate necessary resources for the creation of the plaque.
3. The Mayor to present the plaque, however if he is unavailable for Deputy Mayor Harle to present the plaque. If the Mayor or Deputy Mayor Harle are unable to attend for Cllr Ristevski to present the plaque.
4. Confirm all Councillors are invited to the event.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for the motion.

Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 7:21pm.
 Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 7:23pm.

Point of order raised by Clr Ristevski
 Point of order raised by Clr Macnaught
 Point of order raised by Clr Macnaught
 Point of order raised by Clr Ammoun

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 409709.2024
SUBJECT: Importance of Flying the Australian Flag on All Council Buildings

Background

Flying the Australian flag on all council buildings is a simple yet powerful way to promote national pride and unity within our community. By taking this step, we can reinforce our commitment to celebrating our Australian identity and values:-

1. National Identity:

The Australian flag represents our country's history, values, and diversity. Flying it on council buildings will foster a sense of belonging and national pride within the community.

2. Civic Engagement:

Displaying the flag prominently encourages civic engagement and community spirit, reminding residents of their shared identity and responsibilities as Australians.

3. Cultural Significance:

The flag is a vital part of our national heritage, symbolising the rights and freedoms enjoyed by all Australians. Its visibility in public spaces reinforces the importance of these values.

4. Funding Support:

To ensure the successful implementation of this initiative, it is essential to seek federal government funding. This support will help cover the costs associated with the procurement and installation of flags and flagpoles on council buildings.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the significance of the Australian flag as a symbol of national pride and unity and resolves to fly the Australian flag on all council buildings;

2. Write to the Federal Government to seek funding to support this important initiative;
3. Direct the Acting CEO that a report to come back to the next council meeting on the cost of installing a flagpole on every council building to determine a funding source; and
4. Direct the Acting CEO that a report to come back to the next council meeting for the cost to install a significant flagpole with a very large Australian flag to sit on top of the new library on Scott Street.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Harle

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the significance of the Australian flag as a symbol of national pride and unity;
2. Write to the Federal and State Government to seek funding to support this important initiative once a report has been received on the cost;
3. Direct the Acting CEO that a report to come back to the April council meeting on the cost of installing flagpoles and all associated cost of flying the three official flags on every appropriate council building, including appropriately sized flagpoles with the three official flags being, the Australian Flag, the Indigenous Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag, including operational protocol costs; and
4. Direct the Acting CEO to identify a funding source including grants from Federal and State Government.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 02
SUBJECT: Closure of Community Justice Centres
MOTION OF: Councillor Richard Ammoun
DATE: 5 February 2025

Clr Ammoun requested Mayor Mannoun accept a Motion of Urgency with regards to the Closure of Community Justice Centres.

He stated the basis of urgency as follows:

The closure of Community Justice Centres (CJCs) affects the Liverpool Community. The community and Liverpool Council were not consulted on the proposed closures. The closures will take effect as of the 30th June 2025. There are a lot of families in the Liverpool LGA that depend on these services adding to the cost of legal fees. Clr Ammoun wants to advocate as soon as possible against the closures.

In accordance with Clause 9.3 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Mayor Mannoun ruled the above matter as urgent and as such it was dealt with at this meeting as shown below:

It is with deep concern that I bring to your attention the recent confirmation by the NSW Attorney General regarding the planned closure of all Community Justice Centres (CJCs) across the state, effective from 30 June 2025. This decision, made without consultation with councils or their communities, poses significant risks to social cohesion and access to justice.

Since their establishment, CJCs have played an invaluable role in providing free and effective mediation services to individuals and communities. Whether resolving neighbourhood disputes, small debts, or minor community conflicts, CJCs have successfully helped countless residents avoid the time, expense, and stress of formal legal proceedings.

The proposed closure will have several detrimental impacts, including:

Reduced Community Harmony: With increasing urban density, particularly in areas like Liverpool, access to alternative dispute resolution mechanisms is essential to maintaining positive neighbourly relations.

Increased Legal Costs: Without CJCs, individuals may be forced into formal legal processes, which are both costly and time-consuming.

Strained Judicial Resources: The likely rise in court cases will further burden an already stretched judicial system, delaying justice for all.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 409640.2024
SUBJECT: National Anthem at Council Meetings

Background

The singing of the national anthem serves as a powerful reminder of our shared values, history, and commitment to our local community. It is an opportunity to foster a sense of unity, pride, and belonging among residents and Councillors alike. Incorporating this practice into our Council meetings not only honours our nation but also strengthens the bonds within our community.

Rationale:

1. Fostering Community Spirit:

Singing the national anthem together can enhance a sense of belonging and collective identity among community members, encouraging active participation in local governance.

2. Promoting Civic Engagement:

By encouraging local schools to join in singing, we can cultivate a culture of civic engagement and pride, motivating more individuals to participate in local affairs.

3. Enhancing Meeting Atmosphere:

The anthem can set a positive tone for Council meetings, fostering respect and decorum, and reminding us of our responsibilities to our constituents.

4. Encouraging Inclusivity:

This initiative can also promote inclusivity by inviting diverse community members to share a common experience that transcends individual differences.

I urge my fellow Council members to support this motion, as it represents a step toward reinforcing community spirit and enhancing our collective commitment to serving our residents. Let us come together to celebrate our nation and our community at the start of each meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council recognises and promotes the importance of community spirit and participation in the singing of the national anthem at Council meetings by inviting local schools on a rotating basis to sing the national anthem at each council meeting.

Point of Order raised by Clr Ammoun

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 7:47pm.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chamber at 7:52pm.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Ristevski

Seconded: Clr Karnib

That Council recognises and promotes the importance of community spirit and participation in the singing of the national anthem at Council meetings and appropriate Council events by inviting local schools on a rotating basis to sing the national anthem when possible.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7.53pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed in open council at 8.17pm with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 409796.2024
SUBJECT: Installation of Christmas Lights along Macquarie Street Trees

Background

It is essential to recognise the significance of Christmas for many residents in our community, particularly the majority who identify as Christians. Christmas is a time of joy, togetherness, and celebration, and the visual spectacle of festive lights plays a vital role in fostering that spirit.

Recent observations have shown that last year's Christmas decorations fell short of expectations. The absence of vibrant lights along Macquarie Street contributed to a lacklustre holiday atmosphere, which did not reflect the community's festive spirit. This year, we have an opportunity to rectify this by reinstating a bright and welcoming display that will uplift the community's mood and encourage participation in holiday events.

Benefits:

1. Community Engagement:

Illuminating Macquarie Street with Christmas lights will draw residents and visitors, creating a sense of community and encouraging local businesses during the holiday season.

2. Cultural Significance:

For many, Christmas is a cherished holiday. Displaying lights is a way to honour this tradition and celebrate our community's values.

3. Aesthetic Appeal:

Beautifully decorated streets enhance the overall appearance of our city, making it more inviting and enjoyable for everyone.

Let us come together to create a festive environment that reflects the joy of the season and fosters community spirit.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That:

1. Council consider for the 2025/26 budget, the installation of Christmas lights on the trees along Macquarie Street in order to enhance our community's celebration of Christmas.
2. The funding source to come from the Most Blessed Nights festival which costs ratepayers \$400,000.

With Liverpool Council having just generated a \$11 million loss in its recent audited financial statements and current unrestricted cash reserves sitting at near zero, as Councillors we have a fiduciary duty to ensure that ratepayers money is used to its maximum benefit for the community.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

1. A report be given at the earliest possible Council meeting so that ratepayers are aware of the total legal fees and expenses and staff time in terms of dollars. The same report to also include the NSW Government legal fees that ratepayers will need to pay for losing the case.
2. Council's legal team seek advice whether these legal fees can be recovered personally from the Councillors that voted in favour of taking legal action against the New South Wales Government. This report to be tabled at the earliest possible Council meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Chairperson

ITEM NO: NOM 07
FILE NO: 430334.2024
SUBJECT: Minimum Unrestricted Cash Reserves

Background

In light of the current financial challenges facing the Council, it is imperative that we adopt best practices to safeguard our financial stability. Maintaining a minimum level of unrestricted cash reserves will not only provide a safety net during unexpected financial downturns but also ensure that future Councils are equipped to manage their finances responsibly.

Rationale:

- 1. Financial Stability:** A minimum cash reserve will help prevent future financial crises by providing a buffer against unforeseen expenses and revenue shortfalls.
- 2. Best Practice:** Establishing this policy aligns with best practices recommended by financial governance and other Councils that have successfully managed their finances.
- 3. Public Confidence:** Demonstrating sound financial management will strengthen public trust in the council's ability to govern effectively and make prudent fiscal decisions.
- 4. Long-term Planning:** This policy will encourage strategic financial planning and responsible budgeting, ensuring that we can meet both current and future community needs without compromising our financial integrity.

By adopting this motion, Liverpool Council can take a proactive step toward ensuring financial resilience and accountability.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Liverpool City Council:

1. Establishes a policy to maintain a minimum of \$25 million in unrestricted cash reserves.
2. Directs the finance department to implement and monitor compliance with this minimum cash reserve requirement moving forward and to put a freeze on any discretionary spending that will put the unrestricted cash reserves below \$25 million.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Council:

1. Establishes a benchmark of maintaining a minimum of \$25 million in unrestricted cash reserves.
2. Directs the Acting CEO to implement and monitor compliance with this minimum cash reserve requirement moving forward; and
3. Receive the reserve balance with the monthly Investment Report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 08
FILE NO: 003609.2025
SUBJECT: Initiative to relocate the Chipping Norton Stakes from Randwick to Warwick Farm Racecourse

Background

The Chipping Norton Stakes is a prestigious horse racing event traditionally held at Warwick Farm Racecourse. By moving this event back to Liverpool on a Saturday, we can attract a larger audience, increase participation from local businesses, and promote tourism in the Liverpool area.

This strategic change will not only benefit racegoers but also local vendors, restaurants, and hotels.

Rationale:

1. Economic Benefits:

Hosting the Chipping Norton Stakes at Warwick Farm on a Saturday will provide a significant boost to the local economy, increasing foot traffic and supporting small businesses.

2. Community Engagement:

The event will foster a sense of community and pride, encouraging local residents to participate and celebrate this iconic sporting occasion.

3. Promotion of Horse Racing:

Bringing this event back to Liverpool will enhance the profile of horse racing within the region, attracting more visitors and participants.

4. Logistical Advantages:

A Saturday event allows for better attendance and engagement from the community, making it more accessible for families and racing enthusiasts.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Council supports the initiative to relocate the Chipping Norton Stakes from Randwick to Warwick Farm Racecourse on a Saturday, revitalising the event and enhancing community engagement in Liverpool.
2. Council engage with relevant stakeholders, including the Australian Turf Club and local businesses, to explore the feasibility of this proposal.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 9.08pm
 Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 9.10pm.
 Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 9:13pm.
 Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 9:16pm.
 Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 9:17pm.
 Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 9:19pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 09
FILE NO: 003872.2025
SUBJECT: Addressing Rubbish, Trolleys, and Safety Concerns in Our CBD and Suburban Streets

Background

Council needs to take immediate action to address the ongoing issues of rubbish and shopping trolleys being dumped in the Central Business District (CBD) and suburban streets, as well as the critical health and safety concern posed by discarded needles in parks and toilets, particularly in Bigge Park.

The cleanliness and safety of our community spaces are paramount. Recently, there has been an alarming increase in the amount of rubbish and shopping trolleys left abandoned in public areas. Additionally, the presence of needles in our parks and public toilets, especially in Bigge Park, poses a significant health risk to residents, children, and visitors.

These issues not only tarnish the reputation of our city but also compromise public safety and well-being.

Conclusion:

By implementing these solutions, we can create a cleaner, safer, and more welcoming environment for all residents and visitors to Liverpool.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. *Increase Waste Management Services:*
Implement a regular clean-up schedule for high-traffic areas in the CBD and suburban streets that are known hotspots. This could involve the deployment of additional street cleaning crews and the use of volunteers from local community groups.
2. *Public Education Campaign:*
Launch an awareness campaign to educate residents and businesses about the importance of proper waste disposal. This could include signage in key areas and information distributed through local media.

3. *Enhanced Surveillance and Reporting:*
Install surveillance cameras in hotspots where rubbish and trolleys are frequently dumped. Encourage community members to report incidents of illegal dumping through a dedicated hotline or app.
4. *Collaboration with Local Businesses:*
Work with local retailers to establish a trolley return initiative, incentivising customers to return trolleys to their designated areas. This could include signage and potential rewards for compliance.
5. Lobby the State Government to relocate the Methadone clinics in Liverpool to other LGAs as Liverpool has done its time and fair share in this space.
6. *Community Engagement:*
Organize community clean-up days to foster a sense of ownership and responsibility for our public spaces. Engage schools, local organisations, and residents to participate in these initiatives.
7. Allocate necessary funding to implement these initiatives effectively by redirecting funds from City Futures and Community and Lifestyle.
8. Report back to the Council within three months on the progress of these actions.
9. Establish a taskforce to be made up of three Councillors, a representative of the United Services Union and Director Operations that meet every month to address the ever-growing list of rubbish issues of our LGA.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

The Council directs the Acting CEO to prepare a Charter for a committee by including the points below that would deal with the city presentation and maintenance and refer back to Council. This committee is to be open to the public.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Points

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Organize community clean-up days to foster a sense of ownership and responsibility for our public spaces. Engage schools, local organisations, and residents to participate in these initiatives.

6. Allocate necessary funding to implement these initiatives effectively by redirecting funds from City Futures and Community and Lifestyle.

7. Report back to the Council within three months on the progress of these actions.

8. Establish a taskforce to be made up of Councillors Deputy Mayor Harle, Councillor Karnib and Councillor Ristevski together with a representative from the United Services Union and the director of Council operations that meets every month at 6pm to address the ever-growing list of rubbish issues of our LGA. That meeting is to be open to the public.

ITEM NO: NOM 10
FILE NO: 012953.2025
SUBJECT: Opposing the Use of the Media Department for the Personal Benefit of the Mayor

Background

The purpose of this motion is to address the inappropriate use of the Media Department for the personal benefit of the Mayor.

The media department of Liverpool Council is a vital resource intended to serve the public interest by promoting community engagement and effective communication between the Council and its constituents. It is imperative that this department operates within the framework of its intended purpose, free from any personal or political biases.

Reasons for the Motion:

1. Misuse of Public Resources:

The media department's resources, including personnel and funding, should be utilised for council-related activities that benefit the community as a whole, not for personal promotions or political agendas.

2. Ethical Standards:

The integrity of the Council is paramount. Allowing the media department to be used for personal gain undermines the ethical standards expected from public officials and erodes public trust in local government.

3. Equitable Communication:

All Councillors and their constituents should have equal access to media resources. Preferential treatment for the Mayor could lead to perceptions of bias and inequality, damaging the Council's reputation.

4. Public Accountability:

The council must remain accountable to its residents. Using the media department for personal benefit detracts from the Council's commitment to accountability in governance.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council formally adopts a policy that prohibits the use of the Media Department for personal use by the Mayor or any council members. This policy should ensure that all communications and media resources focus on council activities that serve the public interest rather than personal interests.

Point of order raised by Clr Harte.

Mayor Mannoun and Deputy Mayor Harle left the Chamber at 9.23pm.

The meeting was paused.

Deputy Mayor Harle returned to the Chamber at 9.25pm and assumed as Chairperson in Mayor Mannoun's absence.

Clr Karnib left the Chamber at 9:26pm.

Clr Karnib returned to the Chamber at 9:27pm.

During discussion Mayor Mannoun declared a non pecuniary, less than significant interest in this matter and left the Chamber for the remainder of this item.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Cllr Ristevski **Seconded:**

That the recommendation be adopted.

There was no Secunder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Harle called a recess of meeting at 9.31pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed by Mayor Mannoun as Chairperson, at 9.47pm in open session with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: NOM 11
FILE NO: 018158.2025
SUBJECT: Food Insecurity Audit and Report

Background

Food security refers to the assurance that all individuals consistently have access to sufficient, safe, and nutritious food necessary for a healthy and active life. The issue of food insecurity within communities is increasingly complex, influenced by various factors including economic instability, health challenges, and housing insecurity.

According to the SWSLHD publication South West Sydney: Our Health (2019), the most recent data on food insecurity in South West Sydney indicated that 8.6% of those surveyed experienced food insecurity. Food insecurity can impact individuals, households, and communities, potentially leading to health issues, particularly affecting children, the elderly, and those with chronic diseases. Additionally, the stress and anxiety related to uncertainty about food access can affect mental health and well-being.

Numerous organisations, charities and community groups and churches are currently providing meals to many individuals and families across the LGA with reports to Council that demand for these services is increasing. To gain a better understanding of the current problem of food insecurity Council is well placed as a coordinating body to lead a collaborative effort that would build better understanding of the drivers and experiences of food insecurity in our city and improve current approaches and interventions to meet the needs of vulnerable families and individuals.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Dr Green)

That Council:

1. Provide a report on the agencies, organisations, churches and community groups currently providing food relief in Liverpool.
2. Consult with experts in research, health and food insecurity to better understand the contributing factors at our local level and to inform and improve responses.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 12
FILE NO: 018194.2025
SUBJECT: Review of Illegal Dumping

Background

Illegal dumping in Liverpool's residential areas, CBD, and rural regions remains a persistent issue that generates numerous resident complaints. Despite the Council's significant investment in surveillance cameras at identified hotspots, the disposal of rubbish and household items on roadsides and residential verges continues to account for a substantial number of complaints received through Customer Service as well as directly from Councillors.

This problem is multifaceted and thus necessitates a comprehensive problem-solving approach to better understand the underlying causes of illegal dumping. Notably, a broad-based review presents an opportunity for the Council to explore various possibilities, initiatives, and practical solutions that can further bolster and expand the Council's commitment to a circular economy.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Dr Green)

That Council:

1. Provide a report on illegal dumping that includes:
 - a. all aspects of Council's response including
 - i. Customer Service data
 - ii. Type of rubbish/goods collected
 - iii. Location
 - iv. Cost to Council
 - b. Possible solutions
2. Report to be provided for presentation at April Governance Committee Meeting.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Dr Green

Seconded: Clr Monaghan

That Council:

1. Provide a report on illegal dumping that includes:
 - a. all aspects of Council's response including
 - i. Customer Service data
 - ii. Type of rubbish/goods collected
 - iii. Location
 - iv. Cost to Council
 - b. Possible solutions
 - c. Include in this review, statistics around the uptake of Council's household clean up service and whether or not, in that investigation, there's a better way for Liverpool Council to offer that service to the Liverpool LGA.
2. Report to be provided for presentation at the April Governance Committee Meeting and thereafter on a monthly basis.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 13
FILE NO: 019362.2025
SUBJECT: Appreciation for the Casula Powerhouse Staff and Budget Considerations

Background

To ensure that our cultural venues are well-maintained, which is essential for continuing to offer high-quality events and experiences to our community and making Liverpool a destination city.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and thank the dedicated staff at Casula Powerhouse for their outstanding efforts in organising the recent Taste of Spain event. Their hard work and commitment to bringing diverse cultural experiences and enhance the vibrancy of Liverpool and foster a greater understanding and appreciation of different cultures.
2. Encourage the staff at Casula Powerhouse to continue their excellent work in organising similar events in the future. These initiatives promote Liverpool as a destination to visit.
3. Council to prioritise and include funding in the upcoming budget for necessary repairs at the Casula Powerhouse that are currently unfunded and pressing such as:
 - i. Replace four air-conditioning chillers \$850,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - ii. Repair the awning at the Ceramics Studio \$58,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - iii. Repair the Smokestack \$950,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - iv. Evaporator for the Bar Fridge at CPAC. \$1,500 **(Funded by CPAC Operational Budget)**

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and thank the dedicated staff at Casula Powerhouse for their outstanding efforts in organising the recent Taste of Spain event. Their hard work and commitment to bringing diverse cultural experiences and enhance the vibrancy of Liverpool and foster a greater understanding and appreciation of different cultures.

2. Encourage the staff at Casula Powerhouse to continue their excellent work in organising similar events in the future. These initiatives promote Liverpool as a destination to visit.
3. Council to consider funding in the upcoming budget for necessary repairs at the Casula Powerhouse that are currently unfunded and pressing such as:
 - i. Replace four air-conditioning chillers \$850,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - ii. Repair the awning at the Ceramics Studio \$58,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - iii. Repair the Smokestack \$950,000 **(Not funded – CAPEX 25/26 Request)**
 - iv. Evaporator for the Bar Fridge at CPAC. \$1,500 **(Funded by CPAC Operational Budget)**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Ammoun raised a point of order.
 Clr Harte left the Chamber at 10:05pm.
 Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 10:06pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 14
FILE NO: 021411.2025
SUBJECT: Proposal to Reduce Printing and Distribution of Liverpool Life Newsletter

Background

In recent years, there has been a significant shift in how residents consume information. Most community members now rely on social media platforms, such as the Council's Facebook page, for updates and announcements. This change in communication preferences suggests that the traditional printed newsletter may no longer be the most effective method for reaching our residents.

The proposed reduction in the frequency of the Liverpool Life newsletter will not only align our communication strategy with contemporary practices but will also yield substantial financial savings. The estimated annual savings of \$68,310 can be effectively reallocated to improve frontline services, especially in maintaining the cleanliness of our streets, parks, and public spaces.

Benefits:

Cost Savings:

By reducing the newsletter's printing and distribution, the Council can save significant funds, which can be better spent on essential services.

Environmental Impact:

Less printing contributes to sustainability efforts, reducing paper waste and the Council's overall carbon footprint.

Enhanced Service Delivery:

Redirecting funds to frontline services will directly benefit the community by improving the quality of public spaces, enhancing the overall liveability of Liverpool.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council:

1. Reduce the printing and distribution of the Liverpool Life newsletter from its current frequency to twice a year.
2. Redirect the savings of \$68,310 from this reduction into frontline services, particularly focusing on maintaining and enhancing the cleanliness of our city.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Acting CEO Performance Review for 2024
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 5 February 2025

RECOMMENDATION

1. That under Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, the Council deems that the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this agenda item is personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors) and is therefore confidential.
2. That Council notes the Mayoral Minute and endorses the findings and recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer Performance Review Panel on the Acting Chief Executive Officer's performance for the period ending December 2024.
3. That Council endorses the Panel's recommendations for the Acting Chief Executive Officer's priorities in the 2025 review period.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

COUNCIL DECISION

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

1. Supports the list of future street names – namely Determination, Gallant, Honour, Respect, Virtuous and Vow – to be used to inform development of new subdivisions proposed for East Leppington;
2. Publicly exhibits the names in accordance with Council's Naming Convention Policy, for a period of 28 days;
3. Following public exhibition, forwards the proposed street names to the NSW Geographical Names Board seeking formal approval;
4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to undertake the process of gazettal, if there are no objections received during public exhibition.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 008478.2025

SUBJECT: Grants Donations and Community Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$14,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Non-Resident Nepali Association (NRNA) Incorporated	Women Conference – International Women’s Day 2025	\$5,000
Iraqi Australian University Graduates Forum Incorporated	Australia Day 2025	\$9,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 10.29pm
Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 10:32pm.

CORPORATE SUPPORT REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 430236.2024
SUBJECT: Annual Code of Conduct Complaints Statistics Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receive the Complaints Statistics Report; and
2. Note that the Complaints Statistics Report has been submitted to the Office of Local Government.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for the motion.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 005911.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report December 2024

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That the Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 011431.2025
SUBJECT: Public inquiry

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That this item be moved to the end of the meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

This item was dealt with as the last item of this meeting.

CITY FUTURES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CFD 01
FILE NO: 006502.2025
SUBJECT: Recommendation for Dissolving Intermodal Precinct Committee

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council defer this item.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Monaghan) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Dr Green therefore lapsed).

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council defer this item to a Governance Committee meeting for a further report to be prepared to create a more comprehensive economic strategic development committee to consider these and other broader economic issues and opportunities for Liverpool.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

NIL.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 348746.2024

SUBJECT: Rate Modelling and Liverpool Civic Place Valuation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Macnaught

That Council defer this item.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

1. Purchase Lot 9 Section 3 DP 2756, 2 Boyd St Austral being land identified for contribution items Local Park 5 (LP5), Basin 8 (B8) and drainage channel (CHN8) for the price and terms outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classifies the subject land as operational in accordance with Local Government Act 1993.
3. Authorises the A/CEO or their delegate to execute any document, under power of Attorney necessary to give effect to this decision.
4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would if disclosed a commercial advantage on as person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposed to conduct) business with.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

CONF 03 – Exemption to Tender – Internet and Data Centre Services was dealt with later in the meeting in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(d i) of the 1993 Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

1. Enter a contract with Transport NSW to purchase Lot 2 DP 1203671, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement of the land, to have it classified as Operational Land.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business with.
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute any documents necessary to give effect to this decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 013980.2025
SUBJECT: Exemption to Tender - Internet and Data Centre Services

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded Cllr Harte**

That Council move into closed session pursuant to the provisions of *s10A(2)(d i) of the 1993 Local Government Act* because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 10.51pm.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded Cllr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Approves, for the purpose of the tendering requirements under s.55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, the engagement of TPG Telecom Limited for up to 24 months as a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - TPG Telecom Limited is currently providing internet and data centre services to council.
 - Pursuing a short-term contract with a new vendor would likely result in substantial implementation costs.
 - If the contract is not extended with the current provider there may be operational disruption for the business.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.55pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 26 February 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5 February 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 26 FEBRUARY 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun

Councillor Adjei

Councillor Ammoun

Councillor Dr Green

Councillor Harle

Councillor Harte

Councillor Ibrahim

Councillor Karnib

Councillor Macnaught

Councillor Monaghan

Councillor Ristevski

Mr Jason Breton, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support

Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle

Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance

Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance

Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures

Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting, Director Operations

Mr David Galpin, General Counsel, Manager Governance, Legal and Procurement

Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer

Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services

Ms Melissa Wray, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6.03pm

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

“In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council’s Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded,

- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.”

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Prayer of the Council was read by Father Anthony Morgan from St George and Prince Tadros Coptic Orthodox Church.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONDOLENCES

NIL.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 5 February 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Jason Breton, Acting CEO declared a non-pecuniary, but significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 11 - Recruitment of CEO

Reason: Mr Breton stated he would be an applicant for the CEO position and indicated he would leave the chamber when the matter came before council for consideration.

Mr Breton left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Ms Tina Bono, Director Community and Lifestyle declared a non-pecuniary, but significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 11 - Recruitment of CEO

Ms Bono left the Chamber for the duration of the item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Mr Grant De Fries** addressed Council on the following item:

Hume Highway – GMD intersection upgrade works.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three minute extension of time be given to Mr De Fries.

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Mr Angelo Tilocca** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: COM 01 – Defibrillators at Sporting Fields.

2. **Mr Eric North** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: CFD 01 – Recommendation for Dissolving Intermodal Precinct Committee.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three minute extension of time be given to Mr North.

3. **Ms Karress Rhodes** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: CFD 01 – Recommendation for Dissolving Intermodal Precinct Committee.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three minute extension of time be given to Ms Rhodes.

4. **Mr Michael Andjelkovic** to address Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 05 - Festivals and Fiscal Responsibility

Motion: **Moved:** **Seconded:**

Mayor Mannoun granted a three minute extension of time be given to Mr Andjelkovic.

Clr Ammoun left the Chamber at 6.27pm.

MAYORAL MINUTES

ITEM NO: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Liverpool Glass
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 26 February 2025

Today, I recognise and celebrate an extraordinary milestone for one of Liverpool's longest-standing family-owned businesses — Liverpool Glass, which proudly marks 50 years of outstanding service to our community and beyond.

Since its establishment in 1975, Liverpool Glass has become synonymous with high-quality glazing and expert craftsmanship. This remarkable company has built its reputation on the values of safety, quality, and professionalism. Refusing to cut corners or compromise on standards, their commitment to delivering exceptional products and service has made them a trusted name across Sydney.

Under the leadership of Jeff Gough, who brought fresh energy and a visionary approach after transitioning from his successful transport business, Liverpool Glass has gone from strength to strength. Jeff's stewardship modernized the company while preserving the values that have defined its success for half a century.

Today, Liverpool Glass continues to serve strata companies, families, and businesses, always upholding the highest standards of craftsmanship and customer care. Their enduring legacy is a testament to the skill, dedication, and hard work of the tradespeople and staff who have contributed to this success story over the decades.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our heartfelt congratulations to Liverpool Glass for 50 years of excellence. We acknowledge and appreciate their significant contribution to our local economy and community.

May this impressive legacy of trust, service, and craftsmanship continue to thrive for many more years to come.

Thank you.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the Mayoral Minute be received and noted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Cllr Ammoun was not in the Chamber when this item was voted on.

Mr Jeff Gough was then presented with a certificate of appreciation by Mayor Mannoun on behalf of Liverpool City Council.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chamber at 6.40pm

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Endorsing the Mayoral Roundtable Statement on Social Cohesion
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 26 February 2025

Liverpool is a city of believers!

Our community is a shining example of multiculturalism, religious faith, and inclusivity. An inspiring 87% of Liverpool's residents are reported as having a religious affiliation. We are a city where faith and culture are deeply intertwined, with 43.2% of our residents born overseas and over 140 languages spoken within our community.

Our cultural fabric continues to become richer every year. This tapestry of cultural and religious backgrounds underscores Liverpool's status as a vibrant and inclusive community within Sydney. It is this very diversity that makes our city strong, welcoming, and resilient. Liverpool is a wonderful example of how so many cultures and religions can co-exist respectfully and safely amongst each other. We are very lucky to live in a community that exemplifies this cohesion.

I commend the various religious and cultural leaders within our LGA who continue to serve their communities with passion and dedication and advocate tirelessly for their believers.

As Councillors, it is our duty to represent and advocate for all our residents, ensuring that their voices and needs are recognised and supported. Liverpool City Council has always taken great pride in fostering social harmony, promoting interfaith dialogue, and strengthening connections between our diverse communities.

Our dedicated Council staff work tirelessly to identify and address the specific needs of our many and diverse community, and I thank them wholeheartedly for their continued efforts in this exceptionally important work which has been embraced and delivered in Council's current Community Strategic Plan.

Mayoral Roundtable

On 6 February 2025, I had the privilege of co-hosting the Mayoral Roundtable on Social Cohesion, held in Bondi, where 23 Mayors from across Sydney came together to discuss the importance of unity and to condemn all forms of religious vilification.

Together, we endorsed a strong statement reaffirming our commitment to fostering harmony, standing against hate, and ensuring that all residents—regardless of faith or background—feel safe, respected, and valued in our communities. I have attached a copy of this statement.

ATTACHMENT

Mayors of Sydney joint statement on social cohesion

6 February 2025

We, the Mayors of the following Councils, are united in calling out violence, hatred, and extremism. Our communities are welcoming and connected and made stronger by our diverse views, faiths, backgrounds, cultures and identities. The acts of hate and violence seen across Sydney must be condemned in the strongest terms, while these brazen and cowardly acts require prosecution with the full force of the law.

These criminal acts aim to create fear, chaos and division. We call on our communities to stand together, as we are standing together, to support one another during these challenging times. We unequivocally condemn the alarming rise in antisemitic attacks as well acknowledge the broader escalation of racism and violence against racial and faith-based communities including Muslims, Christians, Jews, Hindus and Buddhists. There is no place for hate in our society.

Sydney is a vibrant and proudly multicultural and multifaith city. Its diverse population is reflected right across the city, creating an inclusive community of which we are proud. Every layer of government and every person in our community has a role to play in maintaining our peaceful harmonious community in Sydney. Local government plays a crucial role in fostering this inclusivity among multicultural communities, where everyone feels safe, respected, and valued. We strongly state that local government is for local issues, and that foreign affairs is not the remit or expertise of Councils.

We are committed to being champions of social cohesion and using our leadership and knowledge to combat racism and promote community safety. Our communities deserve to live free from fear and hatred and we will work together to uphold these values and advocate for the support needed to achieve them.

Today, we call on the New South Wales and Federal Governments to take urgent action by:

- Recognising Local Government as a vital tier of Government in creating and maintaining social cohesion;
- Partnering with Councils to combat the scourge of antisemitism, and protect all communities from vilification, intimidation, and violence;
- Investing in multicultural and interfaith education programs to strengthen understanding and unity between communities;
- Enhancing legislation to combat hate crimes and discrimination and ensure stronger protections for all;

- Supporting Local Government to develop anti-racism, inclusion and social cohesion strategies and policies; and
- Providing security infrastructure and resources where needed to safeguard at-risk communities including robust and effective policing, to find and charge perpetrators of hate crimes.

We will continue to collaborate as elected representatives to advocate for our communities, share best practices, coordinate and promote initiatives, activities and community safety. We intend to formalise this work through strategic frameworks. Our goal is to create a stronger, safer and more united society where everyone feels respected and valued.

Jointly signed by:

Will Nemesh, Mayor, Waverley Council
 Ned Mannoun, Mayor, Liverpool Council
 Darcy Byrne, Mayor, Inner West Council
 Zoe Baker, Mayor, North Sydney Council
 Elise Borg, Mayor, Georges River Council
 Jack Boyd, Mayor, Sutherland Shire Council
 Trenton Brown, Mayor, City of Ryde
 John-Paul Baladi, Mayor, Strathfield Council
 Sarah Swan, Mayor, Woollahra Council
 Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council
 Brad Bunting, Mayor, Blacktown City Council
 Ann Marie Kimber, Mayor, Mosman Council
 Edward McDougall, Mayor, Bayside Council
 Michael Megna, Mayor, Canada Bay Council
 Zac Miles, Mayor, Hunters Hill Council
 Dylan Parker, Mayor, Randwick Council
 Sue Heins, Mayor, Northern Beaches Council
 Tanya Taylor, Mayor, Willoughby
 Warren Waddell, Mayor, Hornsby Shire Council
 Martin Zaiter, Lord Mayor, City of Parramatta
 Christine Kay, Mayor, Ku-ring-gai Council
 Merri Southwood, Mayor, Lane Cove Council

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 03
SUBJECT: Review of Media Policy
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 26 February 2025

“How you treat a waiter says a lot about your character.” This well-known saying reminds us that respect and kindness should extend to everyone, including those who serve our community. In the same spirit, we must ensure that our Council staff—who work tirelessly for Liverpool—are treated with dignity and respect, both in person and online.

Since late last year, there has been a significant increase in negative social media posts that have included personal attacks on Council staff—both collectively and individually. Such conduct not only undermines the wellbeing of staff but also threatens the professional reputation of Council.

We can all have different views, but ultimately, we must learn to agree to disagree to allow democracy to function. Respectful debate and open discussion are the foundation of our governance. When we engage in constructive dialogue rather than hostility, we strengthen our community and set a positive example for future generations.

Our children learn from how we act, both in public and online. If we engage in negativity and disrespect, they see it as acceptable. We must ensure that we always set the right example.

Liverpool City Council staff work tirelessly every day to serve our community, often in challenging circumstances. Despite the negativity they may face online, they continue to provide essential services with dedication and professionalism. We sincerely thank them for their unwavering commitment and hard work.

While Liverpool City Council’s existing Media Policy provides guidance on media engagement, it requires an urgent review to better reflect contemporary legal frameworks, particularly in relation to cyberbullying and social media conduct by both staff and Councillors.

I propose that Council initiate a formal review of its Media Policy to ensure it aligns with current laws and best practices including but not limited to Work, Health and Safety, online bullying, defamation, Fair Work and any other relevant laws.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 04
SUBJECT A World Class Upgrade to Fifteenth Avenue
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 26 February 2025

On 19 January 2025 the NSW and the Federal Government announced \$1 billion to upgrade Fifteenth Avenue, the main arterial road between Liverpool and the Aerotropolis. This announcement comes off the back of a grassroots Council-run campaign calling on the upgrade of the corridor. This initiative must go beyond a simple road upgrade and deliver a transformative infrastructure project that prioritises public transport, connectivity, and active transport options.

Fifteenth Avenue is poised to turn into Liverpool's main link to the Bradfield and beyond. Currently, more than 22,000 vehicles per day use the two-lane Fifteenth Avenue. Residents face congestion every day, and it will only worsen as Austral continues to develop. The pressure on our local road network is already unsustainable, and further delays will continue to diminish the quality of life for our residents.

Western Sydney has done most of the work in providing housing for the city. The community deserves high quality infrastructure, and I look forward to Fifteenth Avenue being, as Premier Chris Minns stated, "... a world class piece of transport infrastructure."

This cannot just be about widening the current road but creating a high capacity, multimodal transport corridor that serves the region for decades to come. A key objective of this upgrade must be to reduce reliance on private vehicles. Many residents in the surrounding areas currently face the financial burden of owning multiple cars, which is particularly challenging during a cost-of-living crisis. A reliable, efficient, and high-speed public transport link will provide an affordable alternative, reducing household expenses while improving overall mobility.

In order for the road to be world-class, Fifteenth Avenue needs at least 6 lanes – including a fast transit corridor. The upgrade must include footpaths and cycleways which promote active transport, enhance liveability and ensure pedestrian safety. Such a design will ensure seamless movement of people and goods, reducing congestion and travel times while facilitating economic growth.

Connecting Fifteenth Avenue to Bradfield and Western Sydney International Airport should not be deferred to a later stage beyond the announced 2031 delivery timeframe (4 years commencing 2027) – the community needs this upgrade now.

The Premier has promised a world class infrastructure project – it is our role, as a Council, to hold the State and Federal Government to that promise and to give the community the infrastructure they deserve.

Motion:

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Writes to the NSW Government and the Federal Government, thanking the Premier and Prime Minister for their \$1 billion commitment to upgrading Fifteenth Avenue, whilst also:
 - a. Reaffirming Council's position that a world-class transport corridor must include a minimum of three lanes in each direction, incorporating a dedicated fast transit corridor, footpaths, and cycleways to enhance liveability, safety, and long-term mobility.
 - b. Emphasizing the urgency of preserving the Fifteenth Avenue corridor to safeguard the expansion and functionality of the upgraded road.
 - c. Directing the NSW Government to Council's Fifteenth Avenue Masterplan, which outlines Council's vision for a fully integrated transport link between Liverpool and the Aerotropolis.
 - d. Calling on the NSW Government to expedite the delivery of the project within the announced 2027–2031 timeframe, ensuring that the transit corridor is delivered as part of the initial upgrade and not deferred to a later stage.
 - e. Stresses the strategic importance of the upgrade as a key arterial route connecting Liverpool to Bradfield and Western Sydney International Airport, noting the economic benefits that a rapid transport network will have for residents across the Liverpool LGA, especially in the way of employment opportunities for residents in the 2168 Postcode.
 - f. Calls on the NSW Government to include Liverpool City Council in planning decisions regarding the upgrade, to ensure Council has input in the draft designs of Fifteenth Avenue.
2. Thanks Council staff, particularly those within the City Futures and Planning and Compliance directorates, for their efforts in advocating for this critical infrastructure upgrade and mobilising the community through a grass-roots campaign.
3. Writes to Mr Mark Coure MP, Member for Oatley and Shadow Minister for South-Western Sydney, thanking him for his advocacy and for sponsoring Council's Parliamentary Petition.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 February 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 26 March 2025

Chairperson

ITEM NO: MAYOR 05
SUBJECT: Miracle Babies
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 26 February 2025

Miracle Babies Foundation is Australia's leading organisation supporting premature and sick newborns, their families and the hospitals that care for them. Every year in Australia, around 48,000 newborn babies require the help of a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) or Special Care Nursery (SCN). 27,000 of these babies are born premature and up to 1,000 babies lose their fight for life.

Miracle Babies is a Liverpool-based charity, having been established in collaboration with Liverpool Newborn Intensive Care Unit. Council has a long history of supporting Miracle Babies and is proud to be the home of such an important and long-standing organisation, which provides vital support to so many people in our community at such a challenging time in their lives.

This year, Miracle Babies will celebrate 20 years of supporting the community. To celebrate this milestone, they will be holding two key events in Liverpool.

The first in May 2025 is a gala dinner at the William Inglis Hotel which will raise much needed funds to support Miracle Babies to continue their amazing work with Australia's premature and sick newborns and their families.

The second event, planned for November 2025, will highlight and celebrate the Miracle Babies community story through an exhibition at the Yellamundie Library Gallery in partnership with the Culture Festival and Events team. This exhibition will coincide with World Prematurity Day on 17 November 2025.

To acknowledge Council's long-standing support of Miracle Babies and celebrate this important milestone for this organisation, it is recommended that Council provide in kind support to the value of \$2500 and present a commemoration plaque at the gala dinner. Funding for this event will be drawn from the Civic Events Program budget.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Recognise the 20-year milestone of Miracle Babies foundation and its contribution in Liverpool; and
2. Endorse in kind support to the value of \$2500 and present a commemoration plaque at the Miracle Babies Event gala dinner at the William Inglis Hotel in May 2025.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 06
SUBJECT: Recognition of the Serbian Community in Liverpool
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE 26 February 2025

The Serbian community across Liverpool has made, and continues to make, significant contributions to our city. Many of our residents of Serbian heritage now call Liverpool home.

On 15 February 2025, I had the pleasure of representing the City of Liverpool at the Serbian Festival Sydney (**SFS**) held in Darling Harbour.

The SFS is an entirely volunteer organised and run event, headed up by the Serbian Orthodox Youth Association Inc (**SOYA**), based here in Liverpool.

The SFS is one of the largest displays of Serbian culture outside Europe, and had over 80,000 visitors across the two day event. It was a tremendous occasion and the absolute best of multiculturalism was on display. I congratulate the organisers on a fabulous event.

RECOMMENDATION

To acknowledge the contribution of our Serbian community to Liverpool I propose that Council

1. engage in discussions with SOYA around sponsorship options for the Serbian Festival Sydney, and other activities conducted by SOYA;
2. in conjunction with the Serbian Council of Australia (the peak-body of the Serbian community (**SCofA**)), SOYA and the Serbian Orthodox Church, investigate and bring a report back to a future Council meeting the opportunity to dedicate a park to the Serbian community;
3. create a register of street names to be used when required, which recognises all of the various multicultural influences in the vibrant city of Liverpool, including the names Serbia Boulevard, Belgrade Parade, Obilic Avenue and Avala Drive in recognition of the Serbian community and the other communities who call Liverpool home.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

PLANNING & COMPLIANCE REPORTS

ITEM NO: PLAN 01
FILE NO: 005918.2025
SUBJECT: Planning Proposal - Industrial Land in Austral (RZ-7/2023) - Post-Exhibition Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.
2. Proceeds with Amendment 100 to the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Western Parkland City) 2021* to:
 - a) Prohibit 'hotel or motel accommodation;
 - b) Prohibit 'food and drink premises (group term);
 - c) Permit with consent 'take-away food and drink premises and restaurants and cafés'; and
 - d) Include a new additional local provision under Part 6 which will apply to the entire IN2 Light Industrial Precinct.
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or their delegate) to forward the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure as the Plan-making Authority for this Planning Proposal; and
4. Notifies those representatives who made a submission on the Planning Proposal during the public exhibition of Council's decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 030890.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$6,908** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Canterbury Bankstown Chamber of Commerce Incorporated	CEO For a Day! Liverpool Program	\$6,908

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$10,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Association For Community Development Incorporated	Ramadan Shopping Festival 2025	\$10,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

1. Councillors confirm their attendance with the CEO by Wednesday 5th March 2025, for the NGA Conference at the National Convention Centre, Canberra from Tuesday 24 – Friday 27 June 2025;
2. Council confirm any motions they wish to submit to the NGA Conference;
3. Council reschedule the June Council meeting to Wednesday 18 June 2025;
4. Council reschedule the June Governance Committee meeting to Tuesday 10 June 2025; and
5. Council notes the allocated budget of up to \$30,000 from the current Civic and Executive Services budget.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Dr Green also suggested a complementary motion might be also that the government take on the responsibility of the roads.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 031906.2025
SUBJECT: Mayoral Attendance at the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Conference, 7-8 May 2025 in Hong Kong

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Notes the invitation from the event organisers;
2. Provide a determination for the attendance of Mayor Ned Mannoun to Hong Kong to present at the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Summit from 7-8 May 2025; and
3. The CEO or alternate officer to accompany Mayor Mannoun to Hong Kong for 5th Annual Aerotropolis Summit for 7-8 May 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Cllr Ristevski then moved a Foreshadowed motion.

Mayor Mannoun stated that he wanted to inform Council that in order to deal with the Foreshadowed Motion, Council would need to move into Closed Session *pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property*. Mayor Mannoun stated he would also need to leave the Chamber.

Cllr Ristevski stated that he disagreed and that he wanted Council to remain in Open Session

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council move into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 1993.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 7.21pm and Cllr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, became the Chairperson.

Cllr Ristevski then amended his Foreshadowed motion.

Foreshadowed motion: Moved: Clr Ristevski Seconded: Clr Karnib

That:

1. Council notes the Invitation from the event organisers;
2. Council confirms the attendance of Mayor Ned Mannoun to Hong Kong to present at the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Summit from 7-8 May 2025;
3. The CEO or alternate officer to consider attending with Mayor Mannoun to Hong Kong for 5th Annual Aerotropolis Summit for 7-8 May 2025; and
4. Any Councillor/s that wish to attend they self fund.

The Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) then became the motion and on being put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for Clr Ristevski's motion):

Vote for: Clr Green, Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun and Clr Macnaught.

Note: Mayor Mannoun was not in the Chamber when the Foreshadowed motion was voted on.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Harle called a recess of meeting at 7.33pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

As advised by the Acting CEO, Mayor Mannoun retired from the meeting at 7.48pm.

The meeting resumed in Open Council at 7.48pm by Deputy Mayor Harle, as the Chairperson with all Councillors present except Mayor Mannoun who had retired from the meeting.

RESCISSION MOTION

Clr Ammoun stated that a Rescission motion on the previous motion will be lodged.

Clr Ristevski requested the Rescission motion be moved to the end of the meeting. Clr Ammoun requested that the Rescission motion be dealt with now.

Clr Macnaught raised a point of order.

Deputy Mayor Harle ruled that the Rescission motion be dealt with now.

The Rescission motion was then signed by Clrs Ammoun, Harte and Macnaught and handed to the Chair and is shown below:

We the undersigned Councillors move a Rescission Motion for the resolution of COM 04 - Mayoral Attendance at the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Conference, 7-8 May 2025 in Hong Kong

Signed:

Clr Matthew Harte

Clr Fiona Macnaught

Clr Richard Ammoun

COUNCIL DECISION

The Rescission motion was put.

On being put to the meeting the Rescission motion was declared LOST.

Division (for the Rescission motion):

Vote for: Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Vote against: Clr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle*, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski, ,

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

***Note:** Deputy Mayor Harle did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore in accordance with Clause 11.4 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice (as shown below), he is recorded as voting against the motion:

"A councillor who is present at a meeting of the council but who fails to vote on a motion put to the meeting is taken to have voted against the motion."

Mayor Mannoun was not in Chamber when the Rescission motion was voted on as he had retired from the meeting.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 7:54pm.

Clr Ammoun then stated to the Chair that he would like to remove himself from the meeting as it is an OH&S matter that was just voted on and was lost.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 7:57pm.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 7:57pm.

Clr Adjei left the Chamber at 7:57pm.

RECESS

Deputy Mayor Harle called a recess of meeting at 7.59pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Deputy Mayor Harle, as the Chairperson, resumed the meeting at 8.04pm in Open Session with Councillors Dr Green, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Councillors Adjei, Ammoun, Harte and Macnaught retired from the meeting.

Motion:

- On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Karnib **Seconded:** Clr Monaghan

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: CORP 05
FILE NO: 026560.2025
SUBJECT: Proposed permanent Road Closure and Sale of part of Chapman Street at West Hoxton.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Ristevski**

That Council:

1. Approves the commencement of a road closure process for part of Chapman Street, at Poole Street and Ormiston Avenue to Cowpasture Road, West Hoxton as outlined in this report;
2. Notes that the sale of Lot 27 in Deposited Plan1069623 is proposed as part of this application and is conditional upon the permanent closure of the identified section of Chapman Street in West Hoxton being completed;
3. Notes that a public notification process, which will also involve the referencing of relevant service providers/authorities and relevant government departments/agencies including NSW Crown Lands, will be undertaken;
4. Approves to classify the land comprising any area of closed road as "Operational" land pursuant to Section 43 of the Roads Act 1993;
5. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or their delegated officer to execute any documents, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision; and
6. Resolves that a further report be made to the Council upon completion of the consultation and valuation elements of the road closure process and upon completion of the valuation of Lot 27 in Deposited Plan 1069623, prior to any sale/transfer progressing.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Clr Monaghan left the Chamber at 8:40pm.

Clr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 8:41pm.

ITEM NO: CFD 03

FILE NO: 022614.2025

SUBJECT: Special Entertainment Precincts

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Dr Green

Seconded: Clr Karnib

That:

1. Council agrees to pursue, in accordance with ministerial guidelines, establishment of a Special Entertainment Precinct on Macquarie Street, Macquarie Mall, George Street, Scott Street and Memorial Avenue, Liverpool and intersecting streets for 18 months;
2. Council agree to apply for funding to support establishment of the SEP;
3. Council authorise the CEO or delegate to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions; and
4. A future trial be conducted in other areas such as Edmondson Park.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 040285.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Local Traffic Committee held 29 January 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Karnib

Seconded: Cllr Dr Green

That Council adopts the following Committee recommendations:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 29 January 2025.
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 021389.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Macnaught - Extreme Heat Days

Already this summer we have experienced heat wave conditions locally, with more to come. During these events, our most vulnerable community members are more at risk of heat stress and adverse health outcomes. With the concurrent cost of living pressures, it may be extremely difficult for people to seek relief from the heat in their homes.

With a view to supporting our community in times where heat it extreme, can Council please answer the following:

- 1. What measures is the council taking to support the community during extreme heat days, especially for vulnerable groups such as the elderly, children, and those with health conditions?**

Council adopted a Climate Change Policy and Climate Action Plan in March 2023. The plan outlines Council's commitment to the community in responding to climate change by identifying our path to net zero emissions. The Liverpool Climate Action Plan proposes to increase resilience to urban heat by incorporating greening and cooling design into planning controls.

Council participated in a Heat Smart initiative in 2022 a two-year project to build resilience to heatwaves & extreme heat in Western Sydney as part of that project heat preparedness community workshops were delivered.

Liverpool City Council most recently supported Australia's first-ever Extreme Heat Awareness Day, held Wednesday 5 February 2025 through social media promotion of Australian Red Cross' campaign initiatives.



Additionally, Council has sought to reduce local heat island affect - 25, 500 trees and shrubs were planted in 2024 as part of Council's environment restoration fund which will go a long way to help cool down the LGA.

Council makes its community libraries available free of charge and promotes this through its Council social pages when extreme heat weather is forecasted. All of Councils Libraries are fully airconditioned and operate extended hours across the network.

Yellamundie is open 9am – 8pm weekdays, Saturdays 9am – 4pm and Sundays 12pm to 4pm.

Carnes Hill Library is open 9.30am – 5pm weekdays (8pm on Tuesday and Thursdays). Saturday 9.30am – 4pm and Sundays 12pm – 4pm.

Casula, Moorebank, Green Valley and Miller Libraries are open 6 days. Weekdays 9.30am -5pm (till 8pm two nights per week) and Saturdays 9.30am – 12pm.

- 2. Could the council consider extending the hours of our libraries during extreme heat events to provide residents with a cool, safe space to stay? Please indicate cost and resourcing requirements for this to be an option.**

The library network provides heat respite through to 8pm each weekday at Yellamundie (and across limited days at other locations, noting above).

Additional heat respite could be achieved by extending weekend hours at Yellamundie.

Extending Saturday opening to 9am – 6pm, would require an additional 2hrs of staff wages for 6 staff. The majority of Saturday staffing is worked as TIL (with a day off through the week), however these extended hrs would require at least 1.5hrs of OT per staff member as it goes beyond a standard day length.

Costing approximately ranges from \$901.12 to \$985.40 depending on the staff available for the additional time for each 2-hour Saturday extended hours.

Extending Sunday opening hours to 10am – 6pm, would require and an additional 4hrs of staff wages for 6 staff. These would need to be paid at OT rates.

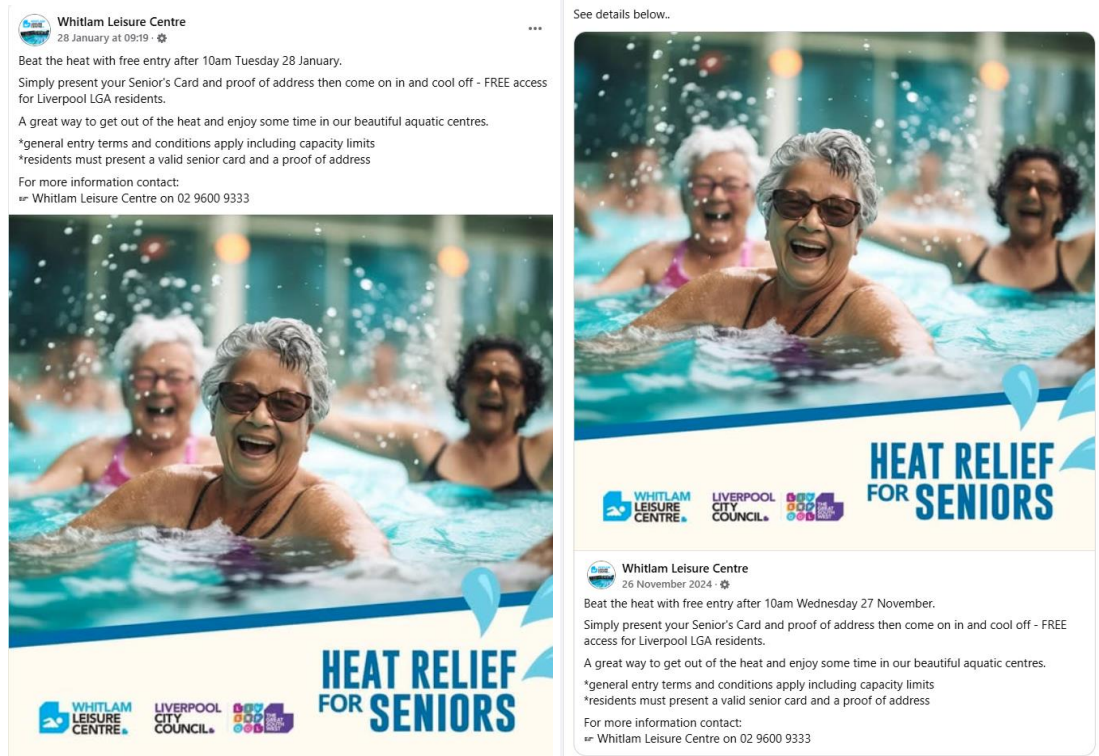
Costing approximately ranges from \$1802.24 to \$1970.80 depending on the staff available for Sunday extended hours.

- 3. Council's leisure centres often provide reduced cost or free entry during periods of extreme heat for vulnerable community members on an ad hoc basis. Is there a mechanism to formalise this arrangement once certain conditions are met to give our community members certainty of this option? If so, what approximate cost would be involved?**

Council implemented a program to provide heat respite within its Leisure Centres in November 2023. This program provides free Casual swim access for seniors card holders to both Whitlam Leisure Centre and Michael Wenden Aquatic Centre on occasions where temperatures are predicted to exceed 33 degrees on consecutive days.

In summer 2023/24 more than 100 free entries were provided with current numbers for the 2024/25 summers season at approximately 45 visitations.

The free entry program has been promoted on both leisure centre and council social media pages (see below)



4. Are there any existing community programs or initiatives in place to provide relief from extreme heat, and if so, how can residents access them?

Health NSW is the main source of education and awareness raising on Heat locally called '**Beat the heat - Heat and health.**'

The primary source of promotion of this initiative is through the distribution of multilingual flyers in the community. Council has supported this initiative through the distribution of promotional material at events and networks.

These resources are also available on NSW Health website –

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/factsheets/Pages/beat-the-heat.aspx>

The comprehensive collection of useful links and resources to help support your health during hot weather with the following information:

What is extreme heat and is it dangerous for my health?

What is heat-related illness?

Who is most at risk?

Know the signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke

How to cool down

Tips to prepare yourself and your home before hot weather arrives

Help and support

Additional Resources

5. What steps is the council taking to increase public awareness of cooling options available on extreme heat days, such as air-conditioned public spaces?

Council will continue to deliver and publish opportunities for extreme heat respite through its social media channels and where possible, implement targeted communications to vulnerable members of the community. Council will further consolidate these actions into a single directory for distribution to its network of supporting agencies and community groups.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 014745.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - Union Grievances

Please Council address the following:

1. Can Council please provide a tally of union-invoked grievances (as per the Local Government State Award) by month, for every month starting from December 2021 to December 2024 inclusive?
2. Please also present the data in a bar chart.

Response (provided by Corporate Support)

1. Provided below is a tally of Union invoked grievances lodged in accordance with the *Local Government State Award*.

The below table reflects monthly tally from December 2021 to January 2025.
Please note, there was no data consistently collected prior to current management that commenced in January 2023.

Number of USU Grievances between December 2021 to January 2025					
Month	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	N/A		0	1	4
February	N/A	1	0	2	
March	N/A		4	1	
April	N/A		0	2	
May	N/A	2	1	5	
June	N/A		0	3	
July	N/A		1	13	
August	N/A		4	1	
September	N/A		1	5	
October	N/A		1	1	
November	N/A	2	0	0	
December	0		4	1	
Total	0	5	16	35	4
Percentage	0%	8%	27%	58%	7%

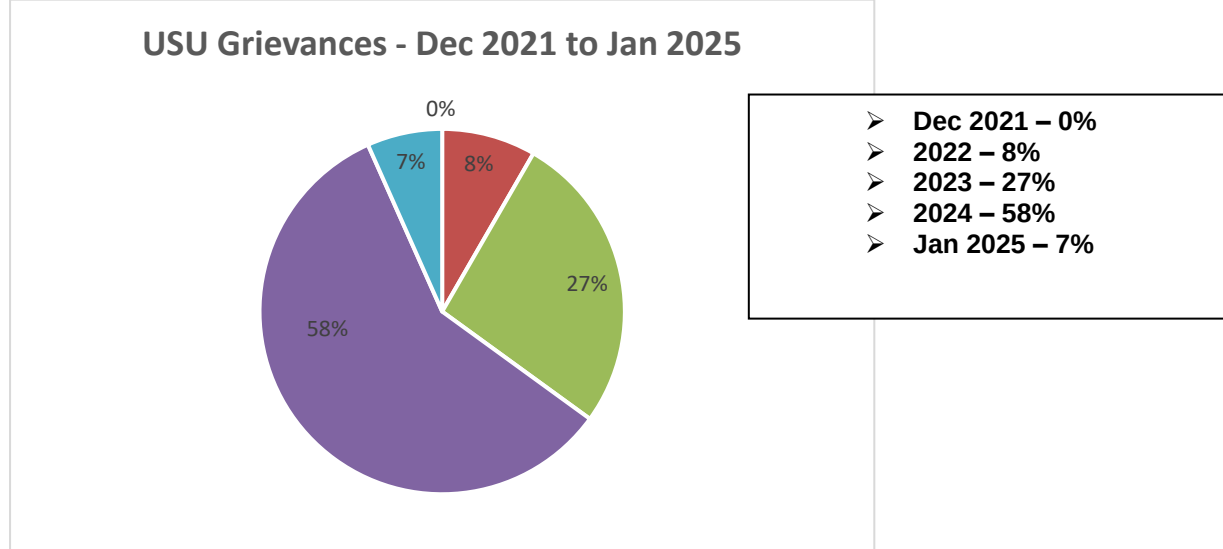
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2. The pie chart illustrates the distribution of USU grievances from 2021 to 2025:
 - 2021 shows no recorded grievances, due to incomplete data collection starting late in the year.
 - 2022 and 2023 each account for a moderate share of grievances, suggesting a consistent reporting trend during these years.
 - 2024 shows a noticeable increase in grievances, indicating a potential rise in

issues or more active reporting. The trend over the year shows that there was a peak mid- year, and the rest of the year was consistent with prior years.

- 2025 trends will not become apparent until further data is collected each month.

This trend suggests an overall increase in grievances, particularly from 2024 onwards.



ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 042057.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - The Islamic House

1. Can Council please confirm whether The Islamic House is officially open for use?
 - a) If not, what is stopping it from being operational?
 - b) Will it be open for use by the end of February 2025 when Ramadan commences?
 - c) If not, what can Council do to assist in ensuring there is no further delay?

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

- 1. Can Council please confirm whether The Islamic House is officially open for use?**

The Building Information Certificate BIC-115/2024 was issued on 10 Feb 2025. The opening date now rests with the Australian Islamic House.

(a) If not, what is stopping it from being operational?

Not applicable

(b) Will it be open for use by the end of February 2025 when Ramadan commences?

This is a matter for AIH who now has the benefit of the necessary planning and building approvals.

(c) If not, what can Council do to assist in ensuring there is no further delay?

Not applicable.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 042268.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Financial Information

A response to the questions as published in the Council Agenda will be provided in the 26 March 2025 Council agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 042661.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Green - Liverpool City Council Master Plans

Master plans in local government are strategic documents that outline the vision and potential for future development of a specific area or precinct. These plans guide infrastructure improvements and public space design to meet community needs.

Could Council please provide a list of existing Master Plans that details:

1. The precinct or area of the Master Plan.
2. The year the Master Plan was endorsed by Council.
3. The preparation cost of the Master Plan.
4. The timeline of the Master Plan including any corresponding implementation plan and anticipated date/time of delivery.
5. Identified grant or funding sources for the implementation of the Master Plan and if a submission has been made and if not why not.

Response (provided by City Futures)

Following a Council restructure and the temporary alignment of City and Community Planning shared between CF and Operations, the centralisation of the master planning has been ongoing. Combined with a shortage of resources in this area, Council has been addressing the master plans strategically.

The following list updates current master plans:

Existing Council endorsed (with the last 5 years) Master Plans include the following:

1. Woodward Park Master Plan
2. Miller Social Infrastructure Master Plan
3. Hammondville Park Master Plan
4. Craik Park Master Plan
5. Carnes Hill Stage 2 Master Plan
6. Lighthorse Park Master Plan
7. Liverpool City Centre Public Domain Master Plan
8. Ernie Smith Reserve Master Plan

Other Master Plans which are being completed, but yet to be endorsed by Council, include the following:

1. Scott Memorial Park Master Plan
2. Georges River/Chipping Norton Lakes Spatial Framework
3. Cabramatta and Brickmakers Creek Master Plan
4. Ernie Smith Reserve Master Plan
5. Ireland Park Master Plan

6. Michael Wenden Leisure Centre Master Plan
7. Greenway Sportfield Master Plan
8. Bill Anderson Reserve Master Plan
9. Sinozich Reserve Master Plan
10. Whitlam Park Master Plan
11. Jardine Park Master Plan
12. Carnes Hill Stage 2 Master Plan

A more comprehensive list, with the details as requested in the Question with Notice, will be circulated to Councillors.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 042671.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Dr Green - Outstanding Voluntary Planning Agreements

Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) refer to common legal agreements between developers and planning authorities e.g. Councils which can fund or deliver community infrastructure.

Could Council please provide a detailed list of outstanding VPAs of agreed works between developers and Council that are yet to be completed including:

1. The location of agreed VPA negotiated works.
2. The year the VPA was made.
3. The details of the works the VPA included.
4. The date and year the VPA was agreed for commencement.
5. Identified VPAs where the agreed works has not been commenced or completed and reasons why

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 March 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 043792.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - Development Application DA-550/2024

Please address the following:

What is the current status of Development Application DA-550-2024?

- a) Was any opposition received from the community?
- b) If so, what was Liverpool Council's response and what was the outcome?

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

What is the current status of Development Application DA-550-2024?

Development Application DA-550/2024 for 25 Simone Crescent, Casula, was lodged on 25 November 2024, seeking consent for *demolition of existing structures, construction of a 6 storey co-living housing development comprising 45 private rooms, 2 communal rooms and related landscaping.*

Pursuant to the Council's Community Participation Plan, the application was notified between 28 November 2024 to 13 December 2024. The Council received thirty-four (34) submissions. Due to the number of submissions received, the application will be reported to the Liverpool Local Planning Panel (LLPP) for determination.

In response to the volume of submissions and requests received from the community, a Community Consultation Session was held on-site on 4 February 2025.

The application is under assessment and Council officers are not yet in a position to make a recommendation about whether the application can be supported or not. Please note that the applicant has lodged a Class 1 Appeal with the Land and Environment Court (LEC) on 7 February 2025, against the deemed refusal of the application. The matter is listed for first directions on 7 March 2025, and Council Officers are in the process of preparing the Statement of Facts and Contentions to be filed with the Court.

a) Was any opposition received from the community?

As mentioned in the previous response, a total of thirty-four (34) submissions were received objecting to the development.

A summary of the concerns raised in the submissions received are as follows:

- Traffic generation;
- Overshadowing and solar access;
- Limited parking provided;

- Out of character;
- Neighbourhood demographics changing and safety; and
- DCP non-compliances – Related to setbacks and the height of building.

Additional matters were raised in the Community Consultation Session held on-site on 4 February 2025 which are as follows:

- Site isolation;
- Road safety;
- Zoning characterisation and lack of community consultation;
- Unsuitability of area as "accessible"; and
- Lack of infrastructure to support such developments.

b) If so, what was Liverpool Council's response and what was the outcome?

All submissions were acknowledged by Council and due to the high volume of submissions and community requests, a Community Consultation Session was held on-site on 4 February 2025.

The concerns raised will be considered in the assessment of the application and during the Class 1 Appeal process. Residents will also have the opportunity to attend the s34 Conference and LLPP meeting, with the dates to be confirmed.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 045109.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Monaghan- DA - 550/2024

Please address the following:

1.
 - a. When was Development Application DA-550/2024 lodged with Liverpool City Council?
 - b. When was it approved?
 - c. Was the community notified?
 - d. If not, why not?
 - e. How is a boarding house with 45 individual rooms suitable for a residential street?
 - f. How is a boarding house with 45 individual rooms, and 9 parking spaces considered an appropriate development?

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

- a. ***When was Development Application DA-550/2024 lodged with Liverpool City Council?***

Development Application DA-550/2024 was lodged on 25 November 2024.

- b. ***When was it approved?***

The application is currently under assessment and Council officers are not yet in a position to make a recommendation about whether the application can be supported. Please note that the applicant has lodged a Class 1 Appeal with the Land and Environment Court (LEC) on 7 February 2025, against the deemed refusal of the application. The matter is listed for first directions on 7 March 2025, and Council Officers are in the process of preparing the Statement of Facts and Contentions to be filed with the Court.

- c. ***Was the community notified?***

Pursuant to the Council's Community Participation Plan, the application was notified between 28 November 2024 to 13 December 2024. The Council received thirty-four (34) submissions. Due to the number of submissions received, the application will be reported to the Liverpool Local Planning Panel (LLPP) for determination.

In response to the volume of submissions and requests received from the community, a Community Consultation Session was held on-site on 4 February 2025.

d. If not, why not?

Please refer to the response above.

e. How is a boarding house with 45 individual rooms suitable for a residential street?

The proposal seeks consent for the construction of a Co-Living Housing development, which differs from a Boarding House.

A Boarding House is defined as a building or place that.

- i. provides residents with a principal place of residence for at least 3 months.
- ii. that contains shared facilities, such as a communal living room, bathroom, kitchen or laundry.
- iii. that contains rooms, some or all of which may have private kitchen and bathroom facilities,
- iv. used to provide affordable housing and
- v. if not carried out by or on behalf of the Land and Housing Corporation—managed by a registered community housing provider.

A Co-Living Housing development is defined as a building or place that

- i. has at least 6 private rooms, some or all of which may have private kitchen and bathroom facilities.
- ii. provides occupants with a principal place of residence for at least 3 months and
- iii. has shared facilities, such as a communal living room, bathroom, kitchen or laundry, maintained by a managing agent, who provides management services 24 hours a day.

The subject site is zoned R4 High Density Residential pursuant to the *Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008* (LLEP). Pursuant to the LLEP, Residential Flat Buildings are a permissible form of development with consent and as such the Co-Living Housing development is a permissible form of development pursuant to Clause 67 (b) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021*.

f. How is a boarding house with 45 individual rooms, and 9 parking spaces considered an appropriate development?

As previously noted, the Co-Living Housing development is a permissible form of development for the site. Notwithstanding, the application is currently under assessment and Council officers are not yet in a position to make a recommendation about whether the application can be supported or not.

Regarding parking, the required number of spaces is determined by Clause 68 (2)(e)(i) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021*, which requires 0.2 parking spaces for each private room, where development is an accessible area, to which the site is located.

For context, *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021*, defines an accessible area as following:

- (a) 800m walking distance of a public entrance to -
 - i. a railway station, or
 - ii. a wharf from which a Sydney Ferries ferry service operates, or
- (b) 400m walking distance of -
 - i. a public entrance to a light rail station, or
 - ii. for a light rail station with no entrance - a platform of the light rail station, or
- (c) 400m walking distance of a bus stop used by a regular bus service, within the meaning of the Passenger Transport Act 1990, that has at least 1 bus per hour servicing the bus stop between -
 - i. 6am and 9pm each day from Monday to Friday, both days inclusive, and
 - ii. 8am and 6pm on each Saturday and Sunday

The Jardine Park, Old Kurrajong Road bus stop is the closest to the subject site, being 230m away on the northern side of Old Kurrajong Road and 280m away on the southern side. Bus Services are available between the nominated time periods as per Transport for NSW's schedules.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 044104.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Rangers for Extended Hours

Council trialled Rangers and Compliance Staff working after hours to address relevant issues of illegal parking and anti-social behaviour in problem areas.

Please address the following:

1. Could Council provide the previous reports that evaluated Rangers and Compliance staff working after normal hours and the results of the trial and any recommendations?

A response to this question will be provided in the 26 March 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 044494.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - Infrastructure Grants

Please address the following:

1. Has Liverpool City Council returned any money to either the NSW State Government or the Federal Government that it received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021?
 - a. If so, how has this occurred?
 - b. If so, why has this occurred?
 - c. If so, what is the exact dollar figure of infrastructure grants that Liverpool Council has applied for and received from both State and Federal Governments?
 - i. From this sum, what is the exact dollar figure that Liverpool Council has returned to:
 - ii. NSW State Government
 - iii. Federal Government
 - d. If this has occurred, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA have not been able to commence or complete as a result of this?
2. If not, does Liverpool City Council intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal governments?
 - a. If so, why?
 - b. If so, what are the financial implications for Liverpool City Council?
 - c. If so, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA that had grant funding approved are now not able to commence?
 - d. If so, why has the funding grants received for infrastructure not been returned already?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 March 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 11
FILE NO: 044525.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Karnib - Legal Costs regarding 2024 Local Government Election

Please address the following:

1. What are the total legal costs that Liverpool City Council incurred as a result of deciding to push forward with the 2024 Local Government election?
 - a. Has Liverpool Council had to pay any form of insurance excess for any councillor/s as a result of this decision or any other legal matter in 2024?
 - b. If so, what is the dollar figure?
 - c. What is the breakdown per councillor/s?
 - d. Is this money legally recoverable in any other way, apart from at the expense of the rate payer?
 - i. If so, how?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1. The legal costs associated with the 2024 Liverpool local government election were:

- (1) The cost of legal proceedings in the Land and Environment Court and Court of Appeal (**the Proceedings**) to prevent the Minister for Local Government from cancelling the election, which were reported to Council on 26 November 2024 in response to a question with notice:

Council's external legal costs	\$360,173
Contribution to State Government legal costs	\$75,000
Total	\$435,173

- (2) The cost of time spent by Council's legal services unit in relation to the Proceedings, which was not quantified.
- (3) The cost of time spent by Council's legal services unit in relation to contested invoices from its electoral services provider, which has not been quantified.

(a) No.

(b) Not applicable.

- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Some preliminary observations were made to Council on 5 February 2025 regarding the prospects of recovering the costs of proceedings from councillors. These were provided in response to a notice of motion that was then deferred. In summary:
- No grounds had been identified to indicate a basis for claiming against councillors who voted in favour of the Proceedings.
 - The Proceedings avoided Council wasting money paid or due under its electoral services contract.
 - Section 731 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides a form of protection for councillors. A councillor is not personally subject to any action, liability, claim or demand in respect of a matter or thing done by a councillor in good faith for the purpose of executing the Local Government Act or any other Act and for and on behalf of the council.
 - The provisions on surcharging in Chapter 13, Part 5, Division 2 of the Local Government Act 1993 provide for surcharging by the Departmental Chief Executive in specified circumstances, not by Council.
- (e) The following further information is provided in relation to the surcharging provisions in Chapter 13, Part 5, Division 2 of the Local Government Act 1993:
- The Departmental Chief Executive may disallow any expenditure, transfer or entry in Council's accounts that has been incurred or made in contravention of the Local Government Act 1993 or any other Act or regulation (Local Government Act 1993, section 435(1)(a)).
 - The Departmental Chief Executive may surcharge the amount of any disallowance on the councillor, general manager or member of staff by whom the expenditure, transfer or entry was incurred or made or ordered to be incurred or made (Local Government Act 1993, section 435(1)(b)).
 - The Departmental Chief Executive may also surcharge on a councillor, the general manager or any other member of staff: (a) the amount of any deficiency or loss incurred by Council as a consequence of the negligence or misconduct of the councillor, general manager or member of staff, or (b) any money which ought to have been, but has not been, brought into account by the councillor, general manager or member of staff (Local Government Act 1993, section 435(2)).
 - There is a procedure to be followed by the Departmental Chief Executive before surcharging a person (Local Government Act, section 436).

- The amount of a surcharge becomes payable to the council as a debt when the time within which an appeal may be brought against the surcharge expires or any appeal is finally determined (Local Government Act, section 438).
- (f) A councillor or member of staff given notice of a proposed surcharge may seek to claim under Council's Management Liability policy of insurance. No view is expressed regarding any other action that such individuals may take.
- (g) Legal advice can be obtained in relation to (d) and matters arising from (d) if Council resolves to require it. The cost of such advice is estimated at \$10,000 ex GST.

ITEM NO: QWN 12
FILE NO: 044547.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - Council Election Countback

Please address the following:

1. Why did Liverpool Council omit tabling an item in the first council meeting of our tenure (October 2024 meeting) pertaining to the decision of enacting a count back or by election should for whatever reason this be required?
 - a. How did this occur?
 - b. What financial cost have we exposed ourselves to?
 - c. Should a councillor resign or become unfit to perform their civic duties, what is the estimated cost of this error to:
 - i. Perform a by election in north ward only?
 - ii. Perform a by election in south ward only?
 - iii. Perform a by election in both?
 - d. Considering the legal matters council initiated in ensuring the 2024 election proceeded, how was such an important issue not discussed by the ELT or tabled at our meeting in October 2024?
 - i. Was this discussed by councils ELT since the election in September 2024?
 - ii. If not, why not?
 - e. Can this issue be rectified as soon as possible?
 - i. If so, please provide all options available for council to consider?

Responses (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

S291A of the Local Government Act indicates that in the event of a casual vacancy within 18 months of an election a countback can be held if certain conditions are met. This legislation was introduced in 2021.

The conditions are that:

- (a) the casual vacancy occurs within 18 months after the date of the last ordinary election of the councillors for the area; and
- (b) the council has at its first meeting following that ordinary election of councillors, by resolution, declared that any such casual vacancy is to be filled by a countback of votes cast at the last election for that office.

Several internal factors and election management contributed to Council not tabling a report for Count Back at the first meeting of Council.

Council has identified and reviewed practice and updated process to ensure report is tabled in the future. This has previously been reported to Councillors.

Countback elections are described in the schedule 9A of the Local Government (general) Regulations 2021. Council must pass a resolution at its first meeting following the ordinary election to use countback to fill a casual vacancy. As a resolution was not passed, if a Councillor resigned with 18 months of the Council Elections, a bi election is required to be held.

A Countback election can only be used for 18 months after the 2024 Local Government elections, until 14 March 2026, if a Councillor resigns in this period to fill a vacancy.

As Liverpool Council has not been required to administer a bi election previously, accurate bi election costings are not available. The number of vacancies could also impact forecasts. To provide an estimate, external quotations would need to be obtained. A further report can be brought to Council with potential estimates, however additional time will be required to obtain these costs from election providers.

Countback is not being utilised by Liverpool, Fairfield, Ku-ring-gai, North Sydney, Shellharbour, Willoughby, Woollahra Councils.

ITEM NO: QWN 13
FILE NO: 045105.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Vacancies

Please address the following:

1. What is the total number of full time equivalent vacancies across Council per Organisation Unit?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

The below table indicates the total number of budgeted vacant positions by Directorate. A vacancy is defined as “does not have a substantive person in that position”. For example, the CEO position is considered a vacancy because there is not a permanent incumbent.

Directorate	Occupied (Acting)	Unoccupied	Grand Total
City Futures	3	2	5
Community and Lifestyle	4	22	26
Corporate Support	0	8	8
Customer Experience & Business Performance	0	11	11
Office of the CEO	2	0	2
Operations	24	49	73
Planning and Compliance	6	16	22
Grand Total	39	108	147

ITEM NO: QWN 14
FILE NO: 045106.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Monaghan - Mayor and CEO diary

Please address the following:

- a) Are the Mayor and the CEO required to publish their diary detailing who they met with, where and when they met, and the purpose of the meeting?
- b) If not, why not?

Response (provided by Corporate Support)

Please address the following:

- a) *Are the Mayor and the CEO required to publish their diary detailing who they met with, where and when they met, and the purpose of the meeting?*

There is no legislative requirement for the Mayor and the CEO to publish their diaries detailing who they have met with, where and when they met, and the purpose of the meeting. It is not open access information within the meaning of section 18 of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 that Council is required to proactively release. Compliance with the conflict-of-interest provisions of Council's Conduct does not require publication of a person's diary.

- b) *If not, why not?*

The State Government has not yet made it a positive obligation to publish diary information. The Office of Local Government is preparing guidelines on the lobbying of councillors and other council officers after recommendations made by ICAC in various investigations into local government. The guidelines are not yet available, and it is not known if they will deal with the issue of open diaries for Mayors and CEOs of local government councils.

The Mayor and CEO may choose to publish their diaries in the interests of transparency. There is evidence of this practice being voluntarily adopted at some councils (see: [Lord Mayor's Diary - City of Newcastle](#); [Mayor's Diary 2022-24 – North Sydney Council](#)). Any publication of diary information would need to comply with the information protection principles under the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998. The principles can be viewed on the Information Protection Commissioner's website here: <https://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/information-protection-principles-ipps-agencies>.

ITEM NO: QWN 15
FILE NO: 045107.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Contractors

Please address the following:

1.
 - a. Since January 1 2022 how many staff have been employed by Liverpool City Council on contracts of 12 months or fewer for the following:
 - i. Existing positions; or
 - ii. New positions
 - b. What is the breakdown of each of the contractors referred to above per Organisation Unit?
 - c. How many staff on 12 month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 been seconded to another Organisation Unit?
 - d. How many staff on 12 month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 were subsequently employed on a permanent basis in either of the following:
 - i. Their contracted role; or
 - ii. A different role?

Responses to these questions will be provided in the 26 March 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 16
FILE NO: 045108.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Monaghan - Policy Governing Civil Litigation

Please address the following:

1.
 - a) Does Liverpool Council have a policy governing civil litigation similar to the NSW Government's Model Litigant Policy for Civil Litigation?
 - b) If not, why not?
2.
 - a) Is Liverpool Council aware of the NSW Government's Model Litigant Policy for Civil Litigation?
 - b) If not, why not?

Response (provided by Corporate Support)

Council's Legal Services Policy expressly references the NSW Government's Model Litigant Policy for Civil Litigation. Paragraph 4.9.2 of the Legal Services Policy acknowledges Council's obligation to act as a model litigant in relation to civil claims and civil litigation in accordance with the Model Litigant Policy.

ITEM NO: QWN 17
FILE NO: 057299.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Security Guards at Council Meetings

Please address the following:

1. **Cost Inquiry:** What was the total cost incurred for the security guards present at the last council meeting, and how is this cost justified during this period of fiscal pressure?
2. **Decision-Making Process:** Who was responsible for the decision to increase the number of security guards from one to six for the last meeting? What criteria were used to make this decision? Was the Mayor involved in this decision-making?
3. **Communication:** Were any community members or stakeholders consulted regarding the increase in security presence? If so, what feedback was gathered?
4. **Purpose of Increased Security:** Can you clarify the reasoning behind the increase in security personnel? Was it based on specific threats or concerns? [REDACTED]
5. **Community Impact:** How does the council perceive the impact of having six security guards on community attendance and participation at council meetings? Was there any intention to create a more intimidating environment for attendees?
6. **Future Plans:** Will there be a review of security measures for future council meetings? What steps will be taken to ensure community members feel not intimidated and welcomed?
7. **Transparency:** Can the council commit to providing more transparency in decision-making regarding security at future meetings to ensure community trust?
8. A common guideline is to have one security guard for every 100 to 150 attendees. Based on the attendance of the last Council meeting they should have only been one security guard. How was it justified to be spending ratepayers' money frivolously and engaging six security guards especially when Council is facing a deficit of more than \$11 million this financial year?
9. Did Council engage six security guards based on the precedent set in 2016 when the Council engaged six plain clothed security guards? [REDACTED]

Responses (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. **Cost Inquiry:** The cost for security at the 5 February meeting was \$1050.00. This cost covered the engagement of four security guards for a total of 5 hours from 5.30pm – 11.30pm. These hours were required to ensure safe access, participation and egress from the Council Chambers by Councillors, staff and members of the public.
2. **Decision-Making Process:** The management of the Council meetings and their safety is an operational matter and managed in line with the Code of Meeting Practice. The decision is governed by safety and security considerations. The decision on how many guards are engaged for each Council meeting is determined by the expected number of participants. This includes an assessment of the expected number of staff, members of the public and speakers or guests. Council has a responsibility to engage sufficient security personnel to ensure safety for all participants. This responsibility was the basis of the decision for the increased security presence on this occasion. Council always places the safety of the community, its Councillors and staff at the forefront of all decision making.
3. **Communication:** As noted above, the presence of security guards at Council meetings is an operational matter, which is dealt with as part of the general logistical arrangements of Council meetings. Community consultation is not common practice on such matters.
4. **Purpose of Increased Security:** Prior to the meeting on 5 February 2025, Council became aware that a higher-than-average number of community members had expressed an interest in attending the meeting through various social media platforms. In response, Council engaged four security guards to ensure sufficient ratios of security staff to community members were maintained. This is in addition to the regular security patrol stationed in the foyer of Civic Place, taking the total number of guards onsite that evening to five. This is an operational matter made by Councill Officers.

Although the expected number of participants was not reached, Council acted responsibly to ensure that sufficient security personnel were engaged to support public safety.

5. **Community Impact:** There was no intention to create an intimidating environment for community members in attendance nor was one created. The presence of security is designed to support the community to feel safe to access their Council meetings, particularly as these meetings occur at night.
6. **Future Plans:** Council will continue to engage security for Council meetings with community safety at the forefront. Council will consult with security personnel both

when booking and prior to Council meetings to ensure their presence is adequate.

7. **Transparency:** There has been no complaints or observations of community concern in regard to security guards. Council will investigate measures to ensure the community are informed of an expected security presence at Council meetings. A notification can be placed on Council's website alongside the publication of the Council meeting dates and venue to promote community awareness.
8. As noted, the decision to engage additional security for this meeting was justified by the expectation of a higher-than-average attendance. This action was taken to ensure the safety of all participants.
9. As above.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

Deputy Mayor Harle presented on shopping trolleys as follows:

It is my pleasure to report that, since the last meeting, some tough action has been taken to do something about the scourge of shopping trolleys on the City's streets.

You will recall that at the last meeting, I asked a question with notice about the issue and I thank those involved for taking steps to bring some public attention to bear.

Acting CEO Jason Breton called together a focus team bringing together representatives from the Operations, Compliance and Communications teams.

Together they organised a highly successful "trolley blitz" which took place last Friday that gained significant on line and broadcast media attention.

The city's supermarkets all received letters warning them that council was well and truly fed up and the gloves are now well and truly off.

They were also put on notice that they need to:

- review their policies regarding trolley management and enforcement;
- increase the reach and regularity of their trolley collection operations and;
- take steps to prevent trolleys from leaving the immediate area of their outlets.

It is a sad fact that, under the current legislation, council cannot immediately impound all trolleys to get them off the streets. In some cases, we need to wait up to four days before action can be taken.

Unfortunately, trolleys rarely carry contact details for the relevant outlet, making it difficult to comply with the legislation and the notification requirements are onerous and make the impounding process overly complicated.

This is leading to an unsightly buildup of abandoned trolleys on front lawns, public spaces and on roads and footpaths.

I congratulate the relevant Council staff for taking such strong action in response to my concerns. I now know measures including the impounding of dumped trolleys will be implemented.

The Council Communications team has put together some social media on the issue and I'd like to share that with you now

Shopping trolley owners that continue to show disregard for abandoned trolleys can receive fines. These can range from \$660 to \$1,320 a trolley with larger fines for clusters. At this stage, Council is not imposing fines but will do so unless the problem of abandoned trolleys is resolved. It makes sense to be lenient at first, with the threat of a severe financial penalty being held over if there is an improvement.

Most importantly, impounded trolleys that are not collected will be fed through Council's scrap metal shredder.

Our Communications team organised an exclusive story that ran on Channel Nine on Friday night and briefed me as the council spokesman on the issue.

We defined the issue in four clear points:

- Trolleys are being randomly dumped across Sydney and the owners are not doing enough to retrieve them.
- Abandoned trolleys are a massive safety issue, with the potential to cause pedestrian and motor car accidents.
- Recent state legislation has not made it easier for Councils to deal with the problem.
- The law should be changed so Councils can immediately impound any and all abandoned trolleys, removing the problem from our streets and the fines should be higher.

I'd like you to see the story – I thank Channel Nine for supporting our stance and again I thank the Comms team and those involved for getting us this awareness about the issue.

Clips

[Shopping Trolleys in Liverpool v2 1.mp4](#)

 [240224 Ch 9 - Shopping trolley crackdown.mp4](#)

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 018216.2025
SUBJECT: Budget Review and Financial Stability

Background

During the Council Term 2021-2024, a comprehensive review of the budget was conducted to deliver improved future planning. One key feature of this review was the agreement to establish a benchmark for the unrestricted cash reserve, set at \$20 million.

Recent media reports have indicated that \$25million in unrestricted cash reserves was depleted over 12 months. Councillors are required by legislation to ensure as far as possible the financial sustainability of the Council, as stated in the *Local Government Act 1993*, S223 Role of governing body (1) (c).

It is essential for Council to investigate how this depletion occurred and to implement measures to prevent it from happening again. Additionally, best practice principles should be integrated into all aspects of fiscal management and decision making.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Dr Green)

That Council:

1. A detailed breakdown of unrestricted reserve spending/allocation by quarter over the period April 2021 to June 2024 by:
 - a) The project or program stream
 - b) The authorisation of allocation and/or spending of funds; that is, by
 - i. Motion of Council
 - ii. Mayoral Minute
 - iii. Delegated authority and if so, by who; and
 - iv. Any accompanying advice that was provided indicating spend/ allocation was a favourable/unfavourable variance to the budget
2. A review of established mechanism or process in place that informs Council when unrestricted cash reserve falls below \$20million.
3. Copies of reports presented to Councillors at the Quarterly Budget Update for the 2023/2024 financial year.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 022490.2025
SUBJECT: Background and Compliance Checks for Councillors

Background

One of the many roles of being a councillor is (as per s232 of the Local Government Act), (b) to make considered and well-informed decisions as a member of the governing body. This helps ensure public trust and confidence that the decisions being made on their behalf are done so in their best interests.

As councillors, we are rightfully held to the highest standards as leaders in our community. Therefore, the implementation of mandatory background checks and compliance checks will assure that the governing body is meeting and exceeding the community's expectations.

The implementation of random drug testing, Working with Children Checks (WWCC), and criminal history checks are standard in both the private sector and public sector, including for Liverpool City Council staff.

The governing body, at a minimum, should be obliged to do the same.

This would enhance accountability and transparency, and mitigate risks associated with safety and misconduct – demonstrating our commitment to good governance.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Harte)

That Council direct the Acting CEO to:

1. Prepare a report detailing the steps and processes required to implement mandatory background and compliance checks for all councillors, which should include but not be limited to:
 - A. Random drug testing
 - B. Working With Children Checks
 - C. Criminal background checks
2. Provide recommendations with a timeline for implementation, costs, and check for compliance with any relevant legislation or Council/ OLG guidelines.

This item lapsed as there was no mover or seconder.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 022513.2025
SUBJECT: Dedication of the New Library

Background

This Council acknowledges the tremendous efforts and resilience of the hardworking members of our community who face the daily challenges of cost-of-living pressures while striving to provide for their families. In recognition of their sacrifices and dedication, we propose that the new library be dedicated to these individuals, celebrating their strength and commitment to our community.

While we understand the importance of addressing global issues, including the suffering of those in conflict zones such as Gaza, we urge this Council to adopt a more balanced and inclusive approach. Our previous decision to dedicate the library solely to those suffering in Gaza has inadvertently placed Liverpool in a complex and divisive position. It is essential that we do not take sides in such complicated conflicts, as this can lead to further division within our community.

Recent commentary from Mark Levy on 2GB has highlighted these concerns, emphasizing the need for our city leadership to promote unity and peace without inadvertently creating divisions. We believe that dedicating the library to our local community members who face daily struggles will foster a sense of togetherness and solidarity.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Dedicate the new library to the hardworking members of our community who are battling cost-of-living pressures.
2. Ensure that our initiatives promote unity and inclusivity, rather than division.
3. Reassess the previous dedication decision to reflect a more balanced perspective on global issues.

This item was withdrawn by Cllr Ristevski.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 041062.2025
SUBJECT: Motion to Engage an External Auditor for Internal Audit on Unrestricted Cash Reserves

Background

Recent financial assessments have indicated that the Council's unrestricted cash reserves have fallen below the \$25 million threshold stipulated in our loan covenants. This situation raises concerns regarding fiscal management and adherence to our financial obligations.

To ensure transparency and accountability in our financial practices, it is essential to understand the circumstances that led to these breaches. An external audit will provide an independent assessment of our financial operations, identify any contributing factors, and recommend measures to prevent similar occurrences in the future.

Objectives of the Audit:

1. To ascertain the timeline and reasons for the decline in unrestricted cash reserves.
2. To evaluate the Council's financial management practices related to cash flow and reserves.
3. To ensure compliance with loan covenants and identify any areas for improvement.
4. To enhance the Council's financial reporting and governance.

Motion:

It is recommended that:

1. Council authorise the engagement of a qualified external auditor to perform the internal audit.
2. The audit findings be presented to Council in a timely manner to facilitate informed decision-making regarding financial management strategies.

Conclusion:

Engaging an external auditor is a proactive step toward maintaining our commitment to fiscal responsibility and transparency. I urge my fellow Council members to support this motion for the benefit of our community and the integrity of our financial operations.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Authorise the engagement of a qualified external auditor to perform the internal audit.
2. Direct the Acting CEO that the audit findings be presented to Council in a timely manner to facilitate informed decision-making regarding financial management strategies.

This item was withdrawn by Cllr Ristevski.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 045111.2025
SUBJECT: Prayer at Council Meetings

Background

The Liverpool LGA is one of the most diverse and harmonious communities in Australia, and likely the world, with our residents originating from more than 140 nations. According to the 2021 Census data, approximately 92.5% of Liverpool's residents identify as having religious affiliation across many different faiths. In recognition and celebration of this, I propose:

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Adjei)

That Council invite religious leaders of all faith groups to read the Prayer of Council and bless us prior to our Council meeting, on a rotational basis.

COUNCIL DECISION

This item lapsed as there was no Mover or Seconder.

ITEM NO: NOM 09
FILE NO: 058076.2025
SUBJECT: Community Campaign for "Clean Up Liverpool Day"

Background

Inspired by initiatives such as "Clean Up Australia Day," this campaign would encourage community involvement in cleaning up public spaces, parks, and waterways across Liverpool. By fostering a sense of shared responsibility and community spirit, we can work together to address litter and environmental concerns while promoting pride in our local area.

Objectives:

- 1. Community Engagement:** Encourage residents to participate in cleaning efforts, fostering a sense of community and collaboration.
- 2. Environmental Awareness:** Raise awareness about the importance of keeping our environment clean and the impact of litter on local ecosystems.
- 3. Beautification of Public Spaces:** Improve the overall appearance of our parks, streets, and public areas, making Liverpool a more attractive place to live and visit.
- 4. Partnerships:** Collaborate with local schools, businesses, and community organisations to maximise participation and resources.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

1. Organise a designated "Clean Up Liverpool Day" with a fixed date, promoting it through local media and community channels.
2. Provide necessary supplies such as garbage bags, gloves, and refreshments for volunteers.
3. Establish a registration process for volunteers and groups to help coordinate efforts and ensure safety.
4. Recognise and reward participation through certificates or small prizes to encourage ongoing involvement.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Ristevski **Seconded:** Clr Monaghan

That the Motion of Notice be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 423956.2024
SUBJECT: Consideration of an Application for the acquisition of land on the grounds of hardship - 160 Ninth Avenue, Austral identified as Part of Lot 1900 DP 614637

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

It is resolved that Council:

1. Notes that:
 - i. Part of Lot 1900 DP 614637 (Land) is zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 - Public Recreation under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 and is reserved for future acquisition by Council;
 - ii. The owners of the Land have made a hardship application pursuant to Division 3, Part 2 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 (NSW) (Acquisition Act);
 - iii. Advice has been provided that the Owner has satisfied the requirements to establish hardship for the acquisition of the SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 Public Recreation zoned land under the Acquisition Act;
 - iv. Voluntary negotiations with the owners for the purpose of acquiring the property will commence;
 - v. If an agreement is not reached on the amount of compensation payable through the voluntary negotiations, then compensation will be determined by the Valuer General under s41 of the Acquisition Act.
2. Approve the purchase of the portions of the subject property zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 Public Recreation having a total area of approximately 4,956m² (subject to survey) for the price and terms outlined in this report if agreement can be reached with the owner prior to compulsory acquisition.
3. Proceeds with the compulsory acquisition of the Land under s186 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and in accordance with the Acquisition Act.
4. Delegates authority to, and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993* to obtain approval to acquire the property in accordance with the Acquisition Act.

5. Takes all necessary actions to proceed with and complete the compulsory acquisition of the land in accordance with the applicable legislation, including making any application or giving notice to the relevant Minister and the Governor and serving or publishing any other documentation or notice.
6. Delegates authority to and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates to enter into negotiations with the property owner and/or their representative to acquire the property by agreement and enter into any agreement reached with the Owner pursuant to s30 of the Acquisition Act without having to submit a further report to Council for approval.
7. Authorises payment of compensation as determined by the Valuer General, if accepted by the Owner, plus statutory interest in accordance with S49 of the Acquisition Act.
8. If the Owner commences proceedings in the Land and Environment Court (Court) then Council authorises:
 - i. Payment to the Owner of 90% of the compensation as determined by the Valuer-General pursuant to s68(2)(a) of the Acquisition Act, or if that payment is not accepted by the Owner, pay that amount into trust pursuant to s68(2)(b) of the Acquisition Act.
 - ii. Engage solicitors, experts and counsel, as needed, to defend Council's position in Court; and
 - iii. Payment of compensation in accordance with the Order issued by the Court.
9. Authorises its delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision; and
10. Keeps this report confidential pursuant to the provisions of Section 10(A)(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 422549.2024
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 1 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1307641 (Part Lot 1 DP 397710),
 122 Edmondson Avenue, Austral for road widening

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Ristevski**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 1 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1307641, 122 Edmondson Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report;
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 1 DP 1307641 as "Operational Land" to allow dedication as public road;
3. Upon acquisition, dedicates Lot 1 DP 1307641 as Public Road pursuant to Section 10 of the Roads Act 1993 and a Request document lodged at Land Registry Services to formally dedicate on the title of the land;
4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 017181.2025
SUBJECT: Proposed permanent Road Closure and Sale of part of the former alignment of the old Bringelly Road at Horningsea Park

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Approves the commencement of a road closure process for part of the former alignment of the old Bringelly Road, at Skyline Crescent, in Horningsea Park as outlined in this confidential report;
2. Notes that a public notification process, which will also involve the referencing of relevant service providers/authorities and relevant government departments/agencies including NSW Crown Lands, will be undertaken;
3. Approves to classify the land comprising any area of closed road as "Operational" land pursuant to Section 43 of the Roads Act 1993;
4. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or their delegated officer to execute any documents, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision;
5. Resolves that a further report be made to the Council upon completion of the consultation and valuation elements of the road closure process, prior to any sale/transfer progressing; and
6. Keep this report confidential pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Ibrahim**

1. Endorses the fees and charges in this report pending a thirty day public exhibition period.
2. Enter into a contract with Fairfield City Council and utilise existing contractual arrangement to provide immediate cost effective service upon signing of the agreement.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 February 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 26 March 2025

Chairperson

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

1. Notes that Mr Jason Breton continue as A/CEO with all delegated authority currently assigned to the position Chief Executive Officer until such time as a new permanent Chief Executive Officer is appointed and commences in the position, or until 24 April 2025, whichever comes first.
2. Undertake a competitive process of appointing a Chief Executive Officer.
3. Engage a suitable independent consultant to assist in the recruitment process.
4. Engage an independent Probity Advisor to participate in the recruitment process.
5. Establish a selection panel of an independent Chair, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Ristevski and to undertake the following tasks:
 - a. work with the appointed independent Consultant to revise and finalise a Position Description for the Chief Executive role and ensure the proposed salary range reflects the responsibilities of the position;
 - b. provide instruction to the appointed consultant on advertising and interview arrangements;
 - c. with guidance and assistance from the independent consultant, negotiate and agree on in-principle contract terms, subject to approval by Council, with the preferred candidate; and
 - d. with guidance from the appointed independent consultant, prepare a report to the Council that provides a detailed assessment of the interviewed candidates, and makes a recommendation for appointment by the Council.
6. Notes that the final decision to appoint a Chief Executive Officer, will be made by the Council, as required by S.344 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

7. Notes that once a permanent Chief Executive Officer is appointed, a separate Committee will need to be established to set and monitor key performance indicators for the new Chief Executive Officer.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Mr Jason Breton returned to the Chamber at 9.31pm.
Ms Tina Bono returned to the Chamber at 9.31pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 12
FILE NO: 049658.2025
SUBJECT: Unsolicited Proposal Project

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Notes the unsolicited proposal outlined in the confidential report authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer to examine the viability of the Project via the draft Unsolicited Proposals Policy.
2. Notes that following the assessment of the proposal under the draft unsolicited proposals policy a report back to Council will be prepared with an assessment of the Project, its benefits and financial implications to determine whether to proceed.
3. Notes that the Project proposal has been recorded in the Register of Unsolicited Proposals and has been reported to the Risk Management Team at Council for inclusion in the next Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee (ARIC) meeting.
4. Notes that the Project proposal will be assessed against the requirements of the Unsolicited Proposal Policy and Process Guide to ensure compliance with the intent of ICAC's Direct Negotiations Guidelines for Managing Risk due to the unique nature of the proposal and lack of competitive alternatives.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Rationale: Financial Responsibility: In light of current budget constraints and the need to prioritise essential services, it is imperative that we reassess our spending. By cancelling these festivals, we can allocate funds more effectively where they are needed most.

Job Creation: Redirecting these funds towards the direct employment of council staff not only addresses cleanliness but also contributes to local job creation, supporting our community during economically challenging times.

1. Council cancels all festivals funded through operational funds for the remainder of the current financial year.
2. The savings of \$414,000 from these cancellations be redirected into frontline services, specifically focusing on the direct employment of council staff to enhance and maintain the cleanliness of our city.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught had retired from the meeting.

Item numbers:

NOM 05 – Festivals;

NOM 07 - Legal fees and Expenses with regards to Public Inquiry;

NOM 08 - Cease Memberships to External Committees and Redirect Funds to Frontline Services; and

NOM 10 - Motion to Seek Advice from the Minister of Local Government Regarding the Mayor's Role as Spokesperson During Public Inquiry Period.

will be deferred to the next Council meeting being 26 March 2025.

DEPUTY MAYOR HARLE, AS THE CHAIRPERSON, CLOSED THE MEETING AT 9.33PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 26 March 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 February 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
HELD ON 26 MARCH 2025**

PRESENT:

Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr David Galpin, Acting Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures
Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting, Director Operations
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel, Manager Governance, Legal & Procurement
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Emily Tinson, Program Manager WSIG Program
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm.

Deputy Mayor Harle advised that Mayor Mannoun was an apology.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Deputy Mayor read the following:

“In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council’s Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council’s website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.”

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Bruce Hammonds from Liverpool Presbyterian Church.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

Mayor Mannoun.

CONDOLENCES

ITEM NO: COND 01

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion for the victims of the Kocani Nightclub incident

Clr Ristevski read the below condolence motion for the victims of the Kocani Nightclub Incident

Motion:

I hereby move that Liverpool City Council express its deepest condolences to the families and friends of the 59 young lives tragically lost in the recent nightclub fire incident in Kocani, Macedonia. This devastating event has profoundly affected the Macedonian community, both locally and abroad, and it is vital that we stand in solidarity with them during this time of mourning.

In recognition of this tragic loss, I propose that the Council formally write to the Premier of New South Wales, requesting that the iconic Sydney Opera House be illuminated in the colours of Macedonia. This gesture would serve as a poignant symbol of respect and compassion, acknowledging the grief experienced by the Macedonian community in Liverpool and beyond during this 40-day mourning period.

Let us come together as a Council to show our support and solidarity with the victims' families and the Macedonian community, demonstrating our collective commitment to compassion and community spirit.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Liverpool City Council expresses its condolences to the families affected by the Kocani nightclub incident.
2. Council write to the Premier of New South Wales, requesting the illumination of the Sydney Opera House in the colours of Macedonia as a mark of respect during the mourning period.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion:

Moved: Clr Ristevski

Seconded: Clr Monaghan

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

A one minute silence was then observed for the victims of the Kocani nightclub incident.

ITEM NO: COND 02

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion for (Nick) Nickola Lalich former member for Cabramatta

Read by Cllr Karnib

Nick Lalich migrated here when he was three years old.

He served a significant time serving the local people of Western Sydney, in particular being the Mayor of Fairfield City for a period of time after he was elected a councillor for a period of time, I believe it was in 1987 and then became the mayor. He was elected Member of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly for Cabramatta in 2008 where he spent a large portion of his life devoted to the people of Cabramatta, to the people of Fairfield, and for a lot of those people, at some point in time, whether they resided in Liverpool in the catchment would have come across Mr. Nick Lalich and it's a shocking loss and he will be remembered.

I pass my condolences on behalf of myself, and I hope the Council supports me in this, to his immediate family and his extended family.

An additional condolence comment was made by Deputy Mayor Harle.

A one minute silence was observed for Nick Lalich.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ammoun

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 February 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting with the exception that for item COM 04 – Mayoral Attendance at the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Conference, 7-8 May 2025 in Hong Kong all the commentary be taken out and only the voting recorded.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 05 – Liverpool Olympic

Reason: His children play for Liverpool Olympic.

Clr Adjei left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Clr Karnib declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 05 – Liverpool Olympic

Reason: His children play for a club that is referred to in NOM 05.

Clr Karnib left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Mr John Anderson** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: Moorebank Intermodal Realignment and Electricity.

A three minute extension was granted to Mr Anderson.

2. **Mr Ben Kamenjas** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: 65 Seventeenth Avenue, Austral.

3. **Mr Aldo Virtich on behalf of Mr Carmine Colalillo** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: Building next door to 136A Reilly Street, Lurnea and safety.

A three minute extension was granted to Mr Virtich.

4. **Ms Mary Casey** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: DA 348/2022- 443 Hume Highway, Casula.

A three minute extension was granted to Ms Casey.

5. **Ms Maria (Susie) Kneipp on behalf of the Casula Community Group** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: DA 348/2022 – 443 Hume Highway, Casula.

A three minute extension was granted to Ms Kneipp.

6. **Dr Criss Moore** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: DA 348/2022 – 443 Hume Highway, Casula.

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Mr Spiros Missiakos of Liverpool Olympic** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 05 – Liverpool Olympic and delivering vibrant parks, places and facilities.

2. **Mr Mohammed Azim** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: NOM 06 – Festivals.

A three minute extension was granted to Mr Azim.

3. **Mr Eric North** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: QWN 03 – Financial Information.

A three minute extension was granted to Mr North.

4. **Mr Eric North** addressed Council on the following item:

Item: OPER 02 – Road Condition.

A three minute extension was granted to Mr North.

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 6.59pm

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 7.00pm.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 7.01pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 7.02pm.

MOTION OF URGENCY

Clr Dr Green requested Deputy Mayor Harle consider a motion of urgency regarding the Public Inquiry. Clr Dr Green stated that an issue has arisen that requires urgent attention of Council at this meeting and that it cannot be dealt with at the next Ordinary Council meeting.

She stated that on the 18th March 2025, Mr Chris Rath MLC gave notice in the NSW Legislative Council of a motion calling for the release of all documents relating to the s430 investigation and the public inquiry into Liverpool Council.

Clr Dr Green read her proposed motion as follows:

That Council:

1. Condemns Chris Rath MLC for tabling Private Members' Business Item No. 1762 in the NSW Legislative Council, which seeks to:
 - a. Undermine the integrity of the ongoing investigation and inquiry into Liverpool City Council;
 - b. Risk exposing the personal details of staff and members of the public who have made Public Interest Disclosures (PIDs) and submissions regarding Liverpool City Council;
 - c. Weaken the principles of the whistleblower protections in New South Wales.
2. Reaffirms its commitment to upholding strong whistleblower protections ensuring that all individuals who provide information in the public interest can do so without fear of reprisal or intimidation.

Deputy Mayor Harle accepted the motion of urgency as urgent and as such it was dealt with as shown below:

Motion **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded Clr Monaghan**

1. Condemns Chris Rath MLC for tabling Private Members' Business Item No. 1762 in the NSW Legislative Council, which seeks to:
 - a. Undermine the integrity of the ongoing investigation and inquiry into Liverpool City Council;
 - b. Risk exposing the personal details of staff and members of the public who have made Public Interest Disclosures (PIDs) and submissions regarding Liverpool City Council;
 - c. Continue to support the principles of whistleblower protections in New South Wales.
2. Reaffirms its commitment to upholding strong whistleblower protections ensuring that all individuals who provide information in the public interest can do so without fear of reprisal or intimidation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Vote for: Cllr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Monaghan and Cllr Risteyski

Vote against:Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Note: A Notice of Rescission has since been received for MOU 02 – Public Inquiry and will be dealt with at the next Ordinary Council meeting being 23 April 2025.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

1. Receives and notes this Report.
2. Proceeds with Map Amendment 10 to the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Western Parkland City) 2021* including post-exhibition amendments.
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to liaise with the NSW Parliamentary Counsel's Office and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to finalise Map Amendment 10.
4. Notifies the Proponent and those representatives who made a submission on the Planning Proposal during the public exhibition of Council's decision.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 050922.2025

SUBJECT: Council Financial Contribution to Sydney West Academy of Sport

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Adjei

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Confirms its ongoing commitment to the South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS) for the next financial year (25/26 budget period) for \$32,674.53 ex GST; and
3. Enters into a Memorandum of Understanding with South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS) that outlines the service obligations to be provided to Liverpool resident by South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS) and the contributions, both cash and in-kind, to be provided by Liverpool City Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 071422.2025
SUBJECT: Library Collection Development Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Library Collection Development Policy;
2. Notes the support available to local authors through the library; and
3. Notes the provision of library collections in community languages that reflect the whole community.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: Moved: Clr Monaghan Seconded: Clr Karnib

1. Prepare and receive a draft Cultural Events & Advisory Board Charter; and
2. Receive an updated Charter for the Liverpool Powerhouse Arts Centre Board.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 072392.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report February 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Monaghan Seconded: Clr Karnib

That the Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 070889.2025
SUBJECT: Road Condition Information

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Adjei** **Seconded: Clr Ristevski**

That:

1. Council receives and notes this report.
2. Council seek additional funding through the:
 - Black Spot funding program
 - Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
 - Roads to Recovery program.
3. Council identify \$15m towards road renewal funding in the 2026 financial year as per the report.
4. A Councillor budget workshop be organised in the month of April.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: OPER 03
FILE NO: 075647.2025
SUBJECT: Light Horse Park Plan of Management for Adoption

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Notes the Light Horse Park Public Exhibition, Hearing and Submissions Report; and
2. Endorses the Light Horse Park Plan of Management for the purpose of adoption and implementation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act)* and *Crown Land Act*.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

- ### Point 3

- Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 March 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 23 April 2025

Chairperson

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 8:41pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 8:43pm.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 073629.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Monaghan - Contractors

Please address the following:

1.
 - a. Since January 1 2022 how many staff have been employed by Liverpool City Council on contracts of 12 months or fewer for the following:
 - i. Existing positions; or
 - ii. New positions
 - b. What is the breakdown of each of the contractors referred to above per Organisation Unit?
 - c. How many staff on 12 month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 been seconded to another Organisation Unit?
 - d. How many staff on 12 month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 were subsequently employed on a permanent basis in either of the following:
 - i. Their contracted role; or
 - ii. A different role?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1.
 - a. Since January 1 2022 how many staff have been employed by Liverpool City Council on contracts of 12 months or fewer for the following:
 - i. Existing positions; or
 - ii. New positions
 - b. What is the breakdown of each of the contractors referred to above per Organisation Unit?

Response 1 a. and 1b.

Directorate	External temporary staff appointments*
Customer Experience and Business Performance	3
City Futures	14
Community and Lifestyle	24
Corporate Support	17
Operations	9
Planning and Compliance	17
Total	84

*Split between existing and new positions, would require going through every individual employment contract.

- c. How many staff on 12-month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 been seconded to another Organisation Unit?

Response:

Eleven (11)

- d. How many staff on 12-month contracts awarded since January 1 2022 were subsequently employed on a permanent basis in either of the following:
- Their contracted role; or
 - A different role?

Response:

Directorate	Employed permanently into contracted role	Employed permanently into a different role
Customer Experience and Business Performance	1	0
City Futures	2	1
Community and Lifestyle	4	1
Corporate Support	5	4
Operations	1	2
Planning and Compliance	3	3
Total	16	11

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 065747.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Proposal to Redirect Councillor Pay to Frontline Services

Question regarding the recent council meeting where several councillors left prematurely. In light of this, I propose that the council considers a policy to dock the pay of councillors who do not fulfill their obligations during council meetings.

1. Can council implement a pay docking policy for councillors who leave meetings early without valid reason?
2. If such a policy were to be considered, would the council commit to reallocating the funds saved from these deductions directly into frontline services that benefit our community?
3. What measures would the council put in place to ensure transparency and accountability in this process?
4. Can the council provide information on how other councils have approached similar situations, and any outcomes from those decisions?

I believe that ensuring our councillors are present and engaged during meetings is vital for effective governance, and directing any funds saved into frontline services could greatly benefit our community.

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

All councillors are entitled to payment of an annual fee under s248 of the Local Government Act (LGA) 1993.

The only provisions under legislation whereby a councillor can (or must) have their annual fees reduced or withheld exist in the following circumstances.

1. A council may resolve that an annual fee will not be paid or reduced where a councillor absent, with or without leave, from an ordinary meeting or ordinary meetings of the council for any period of 3 months or less.

If a councillor is absent from ordinary meetings with or without leave, for more than 3 months, council must not pay any annual fee (or part thereof) for the period in excess of 3 months (LGA 1993 s254A).

2. A council must not at any time pay any fee or other remuneration, or any expenses, to which a councillor would otherwise be entitled as the holder of a civic office, in respect of any period during which the councillor is suspended from civic office or the councillors right to be paid is otherwise suspended unless otherwise permitted under the Act. (LGA s248A).

3. Council may resolve to not pay or reduce an annual fee where both the following conditions exist:

- (a) the payment of the annual fee adversely affects the councillor's entitlement to a pension, benefit or allowance under any legislation of the Commonwealth, a Territory or a State (including New South Wales), and
- (b) the councillor agrees to the non-payment or reduction. (s404 Local Government (General) Regulation 2021).

There is no specific provision for Council to suspend or reduce an annual fee paid to a councillor for leaving a meeting before its completion.

Accordingly, the answers to the specific questions raised in this QWN are:

- 1. No
- 2. Not applicable
- 3. Not applicable
- 4. Not applicable

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 072268.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Financial Information

Financial Information — Question With Notice 01

1. Noting file reference 043430.2022 as NOM 04 for Council Meeting 23 February 2022 (attached overleaf), specifically items (3) and (4), please advise:
 - (a) Were “quarterly performance reports outlining funds received, spent, and the balance” conducted over the past 2 years as per the resolution?

Response: Yes

- (b) Where have these reports been made available to Councillors for review?

Response:

Details of Cash Reserves is provided quarterly to Councillors and also included in the Audited Annual Financial Statements. In a chronological order, the following reports on respective Council meetings were presented to Councillors after the referenced resolution and reasons why and why not Moorebank Intermodal Reserve was included and shown.

Council Meeting Dates	Report	Included	Comments
23 Feb 22			Council resolves to create an internal reserve
10 May 22	Q3 Budget Report	No	Nil balance at 31 March 2022. Ex-gratia was paid in June 2022
26 Oct 22	Annual financial Report 2021/22	No	Balance \$316k but was not disclosed

16 Nov 22	Q1 Budget Report	No	Nil balance at 30 September 2022. Ex-gratia was paid in April 2023
01 Mar 23	Q2 Budget Report	No	Nil balance at 31 December 2022. Ex-gratia was paid in April 2023
31 May 23	Q3 Budget Report	No	Nil balance at 31 March 2023. Ex-gratia was paid in April 2023
25 Oct 23	Annual Financial Report 2022/23	Yes	Balance of \$525k
22 Nov 23	Q1 Budget Report	Yes	
28 Feb 24	Q2 Budget Report	Yes	
29 May 24	Q3 Budget Report	Yes	
16 Oct 24	Annual Financial Report 2023/24	Yes	Nil balance
20 Nov 24	Q1 Budget Report	Yes	Nil balance

NOM 04	Moorebank Intermodal Development Special Levy
Strategic Direction	Strengthening and Protecting our Environment Exercise planning controls to create high-quality, inclusive urban environments
File Ref	043430.2022
Author	Karress Rhodes - Councillor

BACKGROUND

It has been previously claimed that the Moorebank Intermodal Development Special Levy is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(d i) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

1. Note that the agreement between LCC and MICL is not commercial in confidence, as it is already in the public sphere and that the following explanation is a note to the said financial statements:

"Moorebank Intermodal Company (MIC) is a wholly owned Australian Government entity established to facilitate the development and operation of an intermodal terminal at Moorebank. MIC is exempt from paying council rates, however, under Commonwealth's competitive neutrality policy, it has entered into an agreement with Liverpool City Council to pay rates equivalent ex-gratia sum payable at commencement of every financial year. The agreement takes a retrospective effective from 1/1/17."

2. It is in Councillor and public interest the understand the details of funds received and expenditure as a part of the in lieu of rates agreement between LCC and MICL.
3. It is Council's responsibility to be open, transparent, and accountable for the Council Budget.

NOTICE OF MOTION

That Council directs the A/CEO to:

1. Establish an internally restricted reserve titled "Moorebank Intermodal Company Ltd Ex-Gratia Funds";

2. Effective from 1 July 2022, keep all funds received from MICL in this reserve and account for all expenditure incurred on agreed activities with MICL;
3. Provide quarterly performance report to Council outlining funds received, spent and the balance of funds in this reserve;
4. Make available to all Councillors under confidentiality arrangements the contents of any verbal or written agreement between Liverpool and MICL or any other authorities in relation to the ex-gratia payment; and
5. Provide a confidential report at Council's April 2022 meeting outlining all funds received and expensed under this agreement in the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2022.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

Financial Information — Question with Notice 02

- (a) From what date has the eastern site of the DNSDC come Intermodal (83ha) by SIMTA been paying rates?
 - I. From 2003 when the land was sold to Westpac or
 - II. From 2013 when the leaseback with Defence ended.
 - III. If neither, why not?
 - IV. If one, then which, and how much? Please list annual revenues for MPE.

Response

Since 2003. See table below.

Rates for privately owned Intermodal
(eastern side)

Year	Rates
2024/25	\$ 1,358,105
2023/24	\$ 1,277,488
2022/23	\$ 1,226,714
2021/22	\$ 1,202,592
2020/21	\$ 1,106,950
2019/20	\$ 1,085,000
2018/19	\$ 1,077,000
2017/18	\$ 1,052,600
2016/17	\$ 1,037,134
2015/16	\$ 1,072,120
2014/15	\$ 1,047,240
2013/14	\$ 1,012,601
2012/13	\$ 979,325
2011/12	\$ 945,540
2010/11	\$ 920,048
2009/10	\$ 884,822
2008/09	\$ 786,420
2007/08	\$ 762,120
2006/07	\$ 740,655
2005/06	\$ 715,256
2004/05	\$ 648,730
2003/04	\$ 626,792
2002/03	\$ 104,300

Part year

- (b) Given that the eastern project (per the original instrument of consent pictured here) consists in a total of 15 lots and 2 references what is its rates valuation based on?
- I. All of these lots?
 - II. Just some of these lots?
 - III. Which ones were included and or excluded from valuation? And Why?

Intermodal site: Land generally described as being located on the eastern side of Moorebank Avenue, between Anzac Road and the East Hills Passenger Line, Moorebank (Lot 1 in DP 1048263); and

Rail corridor: Land generally described as being located between the intermodal site and the East Hills Passenger Line to the south, part of the East Hills passenger Line/Commonwealth Land to the southwest, and the northern portion of the Glenfield Waste Disposal Facility to the west, comprising:

- Lot 3001 DP 1125930
- Lot 1 DP 825352
- Lot 2 DP 825348
- Lots 1 & 2 DP 1061150
- Lot 1 DP 712701
- Lots 5 – 7 in DP 833516
- Lot 51 in DP 515696
- Lot 52 DP 517310
- Lots 101 – 104 DP 1143827
- Lot 91 DP 1155962
- Lot 4 DP 1130937
- Conveyance Book 76 Number 361
- George's River, Crown Land

Response:

Rates are based on the privately owned parcels of land. The land quoted in the QWN are either old descriptions that have been superseded or Commonwealth land. The current description of the rateable land is as follows

- Lots 12 & 13 DP 1251885
- Lots 21, 22, 23 DP 1256178
- Lots 26 DP 1253673

Financial Information — Question with Notice 03

1. Noting that Moorebank Intermodal Company Ltd was registered in late 2012 and became operational sometime in 2013, and noting the Commonwealth Competitive Neutrality Policy Statement, which states:

“Competitive neutrality requires that governments should not use their legislative or fiscal powers to advantage their own businesses over the private sector.”

“As a consequence of this policy statement, competitive neutrality arrangements will be explicitly required for designated Commonwealth businesses.” Including “all Government Business Enterprises (GBEs) and their subsidiaries” such as the aforesaid National Intermodal Corporation Ltd (nee MIC Ltd) and WSA Co Limited.

“Taxation neutrality will be achieved by removing taxation exemptions from identified organisations where this can be achieved in a cost effective and administratively simple manner.”

“Regulatory neutrality will be achieved by subjecting, where appropriate, all identified organisations to the same regulatory environment as private sector businesses.”

1. Why were rates for the western site, of the SME come Intermodal (243ha) by MICL (come Qube ,come Logos ,come ESR) paid from 2019 (back paid to 2017) onwards, instead of from FY 13/14 onwards?

Response:

MIC didn't start operations on the day of its registration as an entity. This goes for effectively any business entity.

MIC started paying rate equivalent amounts its host departments from 1 January 2017. Council, through a fee for service proposal was able to get these funds re-directed.

2. Doesn't a 3-to-4-year exemption from (base) rates go against the CNPS as quoted above; as this would constitute a comparative and competitive advantage?

Response:

Agreed but Council cannot claim for funds to which it is not entitled.

3. Given that the western project (per the original instrument of consent pictured overleaf) consists in a total of 10 lots what is its rates valuation based on?
 - I. All of these lots ?
 - II. Just some of these lots?
 - III. Which ones were included and or excluded from valuation? And Why?

Financial Information – Question With Notice 03

Noting that per Council Financial Statements and email correspondence from LOGOS (attached herein), as at the end of June 2024 Liverpool City Council had collected (and earned) **\$27,707,126** in contributions, ex gratia rates, (and interest) from the Moorebank Intermodal Company come National Intermodal Company (NIC) and (SIMTA) Qube Holdings et al, with regard to the twin container terminals and intermodals.

Summarised here:

	Ex Gratia Rates	Dev Contributions	Interest	Expenses
2017	\$ -	\$ 644,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
2018	\$ -	\$ 3,578,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
2019	\$ 5,447,000.00	\$ -	\$ 108,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
2020	\$ 2,200,000.00	\$ -	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
2021	\$ 2,081,000.00	\$ 5,330,000.00	\$ 78,000.00	\$ -
2022	\$ 2,124,000.00	\$ -	\$ 76,000.00	\$ 491,000.00
2023	\$ 2,167,000.00	\$ -	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 3,271,000.00
2024	\$ 2,284,000.00	\$ 999,126.00 *	\$ 228,000.00	\$ 3,880,000.00
Totals	\$ 16,303,000.00 ^	\$ 10,551,126.00	\$ 853,000.00	\$ 7,659,000.00

* the Developer Contribution for 2024 listed by LOGOS (p.21) is not listed by LCC (pp.11–20).

^ the CFO lists total Ex Gratia Rates by 2024, at \$15,691,785, and not \$16,303,000, as per the financial statements. This is a difference of +\$543,533, even after covering the "shortfall".

- (a) Please confirm receipt of **\$16,303,000** in Ex Gratia Rates for FY16/17 to FY23/24 per statements.

Response

Confirming that Council by 30 June 2024 received an aggregate sum of \$15,691,785. The difference between this amount and the total \$16,303,000 reported in the financial statements is \$611k and not \$543,533 as stated and relates to a credit adjustment that was made in FY2020-21 due to incorrect lot # and valuation used in calculation of ex-gratia amount. As this related to previous years, the gross amount, \$2.081m, was disclosed as revenue and \$611k was shown as other expenses included under Note B3-2. From cash perspective Council only received \$1.461m in FY 2020/21.

- (b) Please confirm receipt of **\$10,551,126** in Developer Contributions for FY16/17 to FY23/24 per statements and email correspondence.

Response

Council received \$9,550,927 monetary contribution for the Moorebank Intermodal Site as a State significant development. The difference of \$999,126 is a s7.12 developer contribution towards construction of 3 warehouses on a staged development. This amount is not included in the original agreement and is collected under the Established Areas Contribution Plan 2018.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- p.11 6 x Pages from Financial Statements – **Other Revenue** 2019 – 2024
- p.17 8 x Pages from Financial Statements – **Developer Contributions** 2017 – 2024
- p.21 Email from LOGOS – **Developer Contributions** 2024

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2019

Note 3. Income from continuing operations (continued)

£'000

(d) Other revenues

	2019	2018
Ex gratia rates ⁽¹⁾	5,447	
Fines – parking	3,529	3,810
Rental income – other council properties	3,113	3,093
Adjustment: reversal of impairment of Land Under Roads	2,702	
External works	1,376	1,156
Settlement: claim against Standard & Poor's International ⁽²⁾	888	
Sales – general	573	496
Fines – other	551	701
Insurance claims recoveries	526	21
Sales – art galleries	383	263
Sales – recycling materials	315	364
Sales – energy saving certificates ⁽³⁾	313	
Compensation – easements	310	372
Diesel rebate	103	101
Animal control	102	136
Photocopy income	95	95
Legal fees recovery – other	41	215
Room hire	37	41
Sales – printing services	13	25
Long service levy commission	6	7
Other	1,301	776
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	21,724	11,672

Accounting policy for other revenue

Rental income is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Parking fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Miscellaneous sales are recognised when physical possession has transferred to the customer which is deemed to be the point of transfer of risks and rewards.

(1) Moorebank Intermodal Company (MIC) is a wholly owned Australian Government entity established to facilitate the development and operation of an intermodal terminal at Moorebank. MIC is exempt from paying council rates, however, under Commonwealth's competitive neutrality policy, it has entered into an agreement with Liverpool City Council to pay rates equivalent ex-gratia sums payable at commencement of every financial year. The agreement takes a retrospective effective from 1/1/17.

(2) Liverpool City Council participated in a class legal action against Standard & Poor's International (a credit rating agency) in relation to S&P's rating of certain synthetic collateralised debt obligations in which council is invested and suffered losses when the product defaulted. The associated legal costs were funded by external litigation firms. The sum Council received under a settlement scheme is its share of the net proceeds from settlement.

(3) Under Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC) initiative, Liverpool City Council participated in the Light Years Mead Project (stage 1) and replaced 185 residential street lights by LED. The energy savings as a result was accounted for in form of tradeable "energy saving certificates". Council sold these certificates during the financial year.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2020

Note 3. Revenue from continuing operations (continued)

\$'000

(c) Other revenues

	2019	2020	2019
Fines – parking	0000	2,427	3,520
External works	0000	2,343	1,376
Ex gratia rates ¹	1000	2,200	5,442
Fines – other	0000	645	551
Sales – general	0000	634	572
Sales – art galleries	0000	228	363
Sales – recycling materials	0000	495	319
Animal control	0000	127	100
Diesel rebate	0000	120	103
Rental income – other council properties	0000		3,113
Photocopy income	0000	77	95
Compensation – easements	0000	63	310
Legal fees recovery – other	0000	41	41
Room hire	0000	40	39
Insurance claims recoveries	0000	5	526
Long service levy commission	0000	6	8
Sales – printing services	0000	5	12
Adjustment: reversal of impairment of Land Under Roads	0000		2,702
Settlement: claim against Standard & Poor's International ¹	0000		686
Other	0000	1,980	1,301
Sales – energy saving certificates ²	0000		313
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE		11,394	21,724

Accounting policy for other revenue

Where the revenue relates to a contract with customer, the revenue is recognised when or as the performance obligation is completed and the customer receives the benefit of the goods / services being provided.

Where the revenue relates to a contract which is not enforceable or does not contain sufficiently specific performance obligations then revenue is recognised when an unconditional right to a receivable arises or the cash is received, which is earlier.

2019 accounting policy:

Council recognises revenue when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Council and specific criteria have been met for each of the Council's activities as described below. Council bases its estimates on historical results, taking into consideration the type of customer, the type of transaction and the specifics of each arrangement.

Parking fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Rental income is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Miscellaneous sales are recognised when physical possession has transferred to the customer which is deemed to be the point of transfer of risks and rewards.

Other income is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

(1) Moorebank Intermodal Company (MIC) is a wholly owned Australian Government entity established to facilitate the development and operation of an intermodal terminal at Moorebank. MIC is exempt from paying council rates, however, under Commonwealth's competitive neutrality policy, it has entered into an agreement with Liverpool City Council to pay rates equivalent ex-gratia sum payable at commencement of every financial year. The agreement takes a retrospective effect from 1/1/17.

B2-3 Other revenue

\$ '000	Timing	2021	2020
Ex gratia rates	1058	2,081	2,200
Fines – parking	1058	1,865	2,427
External works	15	1,628	2,343
Fines – other	1058	365	645
Sales – general	1058	539	634
Sales – recycling materials	1058	366	455
Sales – art galleries	1058	280	226
Animal control	1058	120	127
Diesel rebate	1058	134	120
Compensation – easements	1058	66	63
Photocopy income	1058	61	77
Legal fees recovery – other	1058	97	41
Room hire	1058	42	40
Long service levy commission	1058	4	6
Insurance claims recoveries	1058	32	5
Sales – printing services	1058	37	5
Other	1058	1,189	1,980
Total other revenue		8,906	11,394

Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue

Other revenue recognised over time (1)	–	–
Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2)	8,906	11,394
Total other revenue	8,906	11,394

Accounting policy for other revenue

Where the revenue is earned for the provision of specified goods / services under an enforceable contract, revenue is recognised when or as the obligations are satisfied.

Statutory fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment is received or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Other revenue is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

B2-3 Other revenues

\$ '000	Timing	2022	2021
Ex gratia rates	2	2,124	2,081
Fines – parking	2	1,990	1,865
External works	2	783	1,628
Fines – other	2	431	365
Sales – general	2	515	539
Sales – recycling materials	2	159	366
Sales – art galleries	2	216	280
Diesel rebate	2	103	134
Animal control	2	127	120
Compensation – easements	2	18	66
Photocopy income	2	35	61
Legal fees recovery – other	2	42	97
Room hire	2	22	42
Long service levy commission	2	3	4
Insurance claims recoveries	2	3	32
Sales – printing services	2	–	37
Other	2	1,387	1,189
Total other revenue		7,958	8,906
Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue			
Other revenue recognised over time (1)		–	–
Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2)		7,958	8,906
Total other revenue		7,958	8,906

The timing column notation (above) identifies the revenue recognition pattern for material items of Council's revenue:

- (1) indicates income recognised under AASB 15 or AASB 1058 "over time",
 (2) indicates income recognised under AASB 15 or AASB 1058 "at a point in time".

Accounting policy for other revenue

Where the revenue is earned for the provision of specified goods / services under an enforceable contract, revenue is recognised when or as the obligations are satisfied.

Statutory fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment is received or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Other revenue is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

B2-3 Other revenues

\$ '000	Timing	2023	2022
Ex gratia rates	1	2,167	2,124
Fines – parking	2	2,904	1,990
External works	2	2,389	783
Fines – other	2	402	431
Sales – general	2	760	515
Sales – art galleries	2	326	216
Animal control	2	100	127
Diesel rebate	2	114	103
Compensation – easements	2	14	18
Photocopy income	2	71	35
Legal fees recovery – other	2	260	42
Room hire	2	43	22
Insurance claims recoveries	2	31	3
Long service levy commission	2	2	3
Recycling income (non-domestic)	2	139	159
Other	2	894	1,387
Total other revenue		10,616	7,958
Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue			
Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2)		10,616	7,958
Total other revenue		10,616	7,958

The timing column notation (above) identifies the revenue recognition pattern for material items of Council's revenue:

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Accounting policy for other revenue

Where the revenue is earned for the provision of specified goods / services under an enforceable contract, revenue is recognised when or as the obligations are satisfied.

Statutory fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment is received or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Other revenue is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

B2-3 Other revenues

\$ '000	Timing	2024	2023
Ex gratia rates	2	2,284	2,167
Fines – parking	2	3,009	2,904
External works	2	2,368	2,389
Fines – other	2	397	402
Sales – general	2	841	760
Sales – art galleries	2	574	326
Animal control	2	118	100
Diesel rebate	2	142	114
Photocopy income	2	85	71
Compensation – easements	2	–	14
Legal fees recovery – other	2	297	260
Room hire	1	9	43
Insurance claims recoveries	2	145	31
Long service levy commission	2	1	2
Recycling income (non-domestic)	2	158	139
Other	2	1,280	894
Total other revenue		11,708	10,616
Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue			
Other revenue recognised over time (1)		9	–
Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2)		11,699	10,616
Total other revenue		11,708	10,616

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Material accounting policy information for other revenue

Where the revenue is earned for the provision of specified goods / services under an enforceable contract, revenue is recognised when or as the obligations are satisfied.

Statutory fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment is received or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Other revenue is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

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Note 17. Statement of developer contributions

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Council recovers contributions, raises levies and enters into planning agreements on development works that are subject to a development consent issued by Council. All contributions must be spent for the specific purpose they were levied and any interest applicable to unspent funds must be attributed to remaining funds.

The following tables detail the receipt, interest and use of the above contributions and levies and the value of all remaining funds which are 'restricted' in their future use.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEVIES

PURPOSE	Opening balance	Contributions received during the year		Fair Value and Other Adjustments	Interest earned in year	Expenditure during year	Internal borrowing (outflow)	Held as restricted asset	Cumulative internal borrowing (outflow)
		Cash	Non-cash						
Drainage	20,107	6,157	528	6	165	(2,995)	(16,477)	7,591	(16,477)
Roads & Traffic Facilities	14,235	10,346	2,002	13	432	(8,959)	(18,179)	1,890	(18,179)
Parking	3,142	1,001	-	2	82	(88)	(181)	3,958	(181)
Open space	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Community facilities	-	35	-	-	-	-	-	35	-
Local Open Space	11,231	11,669	750	17	523	(3,431)	(128)	20,631	(128)
Embellishment of Local Open Space	16,181	6,507	336	16	450	(3,433)	727	20,784	727
Community Facilities (Local)	7,534	1,411	136	9	212	(2,374)	20,787	27,215	20,787
Community Facilities (District)	(10,849)	256	-	20	547	(7)	14,478	4,448	14,478
Tree Planting Other	7,630	90	-	6	149	(11)	(1,471)	6,393	(1,471)
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	1,747	269	25	1	43	(49)	(133)	1,906	(133)
Administration Fees	20	225	11	-	1	(222)	(1,244)	(1,209)	(1,244)
Implementation	1,623	76	36	3	84	-	1,821	3,643	1,821
Other: Moorbank Intermodal	-	644	-	-	-	-	-	644	-
894 contributions - under a plan	72,604	38,686	3,824	93	2,689	(19,556)	-	98,340	-
Total 894 revenue under plans	72,604	38,686	3,824	93	2,689	(19,556)	-	98,340	-
Total contributions	72,604	38,686	3,824	93	2,689	(19,556)	-	98,340	-

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Note 25. Statement of developer contributions

\$'000

Under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

It is possible that the funds contributed may be less than the cost of this infrastructure, requiring Council to borrow or use general revenue to fund the difference.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEVIES

PURPOSE	Opening balance	Contributions received during the year		Interest earned in year	Expenditure during year	Internal borrowing (outflow)	Held as restricted asset	Cumulative internal borrowing (outflow)
		Cash	Non-cash					
Drainage	7,591	16,266	154	367	(2,029)	-	22,195	-
Parking	3,958	1,426	-	119	(3)	-	5,590	-
Open space	1	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-
Community facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roads & Traffic Facilities	1,890	10,053	939	579	(4,651)	-	7,871	-
Local Open Space	20,631	16,482	522	718	(8,308)	-	31,523	-
Embellishment of Local Open Space	20,784	8,320	71	590	(349)	-	29,345	-
Community Facilities (Local)	27,750	371	-	672	-	-	28,793	-
Community Facilities (District)	4,448	553	-	154	(149)	-	4,966	-
Tree Planting Other	6,393	46	-	154	(16)	-	6,577	-
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	1,906	241	4	48	(108)	-	2,087	-
Administration Fees	(1,209)	360	13	3	(299)	(1)	(1,146)	-
Implementation	3,643	129	-	89	-	-	3,861	-
Other: Moorbank Intermodal	644	3,516	-	96	-	-	4,256	-
87.11 contributions - under a plan	98,340	57,825	1,663	3,467	(13,910)	(2)	145,720	-
87.12 levies - under a plan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 87.11 and 87.12 revenue under plans	98,340	57,825	1,663	3,467	(13,910)	(2)	145,720	-
864 contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total contributions	98,340	57,825	1,663	3,467	(13,910)	(2)	145,720	-

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Note 23. Statement of developer contributions

Preamble

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

It is possible that the funds contributed may be less than the cost of this infrastructure, requiring Council to borrow or use general revenue to fund the difference.

Summary of contributions and levies

	as at 30/6/2018						as at 30/6/2019		
		Contributions received during the year		Interest earned in year	Expenditure during year	Internal borrowing (to/from)	Hold as restricted asset	Cumulative internal borrowings due/(payable)	
\$ '000	Opening Balance	Cash	Non-cash						
Drainage	22,105	11,161	394	645	(6,973)	-	26,938	-	
Parking	5,500	1,073	-	165	9	1	6,748	-	
Roads & Traffic Facilities	7,871	6,357	775	602	(10,382)	(3)	4,445	-	
Local Open Space	31,523	20,560	1,035	1,037	(12,341)	1	40,780	-	
Embellishment of Local Open Space	29,345	729	91	763	(1,280)	1	29,558	-	
Community Facilities (Local)	26,793	487	13	743	88	2	30,113	-	
Community Facilities (District)	4,966	235	-	130	(306)	2	5,027	-	
Tree Planting Other	6,577	10	-	168	8	-	6,763	-	
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	2,087	165	2	54	(217)	(1)	2,088	-	
Administration Fees	(1,148)	294	16	3	(343)	(3)	(1,195)	-	
Implementation	3,861	7	-	99	12	-	3,979	-	
Other: Moorebank Intermodal	4,238	-	-	108	13	-	4,359	-	
\$7.11 contributions – under a plan	145,720	41,078	2,326	4,517	(31,712)	-	159,603	-	
Total \$7.11 and \$7.12 revenue under plans	145,720	41,078	2,326	4,517	(31,712)	-	159,603	-	
Total contributions	145,720	41,078	2,326	4,517	(31,712)	-	159,603	-	

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Note 26. Statement of developer contributions

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

It is possible that the funds contributed may be less than the cost of this infrastructure, requiring Council to borrow or use general revenue to fund the difference.

Summary of contributions and levies

	as at 30/6/19						as at 30/6/20		
	Opening Balance	Contributions received during the year		Interest earned in year	Expenditure during year	Internal borrowing (dis/flow)	Hold as restricted asset	Cumulative internal borrowings due/(payable)	
\$ '000		Cash	Non-cash						
Drainage	26,938	11,871	–	485	(5,140)	–	34,154	–	
Parking	6,748	8	–	117	(656)	–	6,215	–	
Roads & Traffic Facilities	4,445	6,595	–	351	3,641	–	15,030	–	
Local Open Space	40,780	17,604	–	880	(2,162)	–	57,102	–	
Embellishment of Local Open Space	29,558	3,211	–	543	(3,746)	–	29,568	–	
Community Facilities (Local)	30,113	413	–	543	32	–	31,101	–	
Community Facilities (District)	5,027	680	–	97	8	–	5,810	–	
Tree Planting Other	6,763	42	–	121	7	–	6,933	–	
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	2,088	207	–	39	(4)	–	2,330	–	
Administration Fees	(1,195)	316	–	4	(246)	–	(1,121)	–	
Implementation	3,979	108	–	72	4	–	4,163	–	
Other: Moorebank Intermodal	4,359	–	–	78	8	–	4,441	–	
\$7.11 contributions – under a plan	159,603	41,053	–	3,330	(8,262)	–	195,724	–	
Total \$7.11 and \$7.12 revenue under plans	159,603	41,053	–	3,330	(8,262)	–	195,724	–	
Total contributions	159,603	41,053	–	3,330	(8,262)	–	195,724	–	

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G5 Statement of developer contributions as at 30 June 2021

G5-1 Summary of developer contributions

\$ '000	Opening balance at 1 July 2020	Contributions received during the year		Interest and investment income earned	Accounts expended	Internal borrowings	Total as reported at 30 June 2021	Cumulative balance of internal borrowings payable
		Cash	Non-cash					
Drainage	34,154	14,829	314	448	(8,875)	–	48,854	–
Footways	269	333	–	6	–	–	606	–
Parking	6,215	164	–	91	–	–	6,469	–
Roads & Traffic Facilities	14,751	7,313	318	283	(368)	–	21,896	–
Local Open Space	57,102	27,238	1,537	837	(4,906)	–	80,271	–
Enhancement of Local Open Space	29,566	2,532	–	379	(7,148)	–	25,329	–
Community Facilities (Local)	31,101	846	17	409	(7)	–	32,349	–
Community Facilities (District)	6,810	399	–	79	(98)	–	6,229	–
Tree Planting Other	6,933	61	–	88	–	–	7,081	–
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	2,330	171	1	32	(19)	–	2,529	–
Administration Fees	(1,121)	427	12	6	(251)	–	(91)	–
Implementation	4,183	–	–	54	–	–	4,217	–
Other, Shareable Infrastructure	6,441	5,138	–	78	–	–	9,549	–
£7.11 contributions – under a plan	105,724	59,635	1,798	2,776	(21,726)	–	238,411	–
Total £7.11 and £7.12 revenue under plans	105,724	59,635	1,798	2,776	(21,726)	–	238,411	–
Total contributions	105,724	59,635	1,799	2,778	(21,726)	–	238,411	–

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

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G5 Statement of developer contributions as at 30 June 2022

G5-1 Summary of developer contributions

\$ '000	Opening balance at 1 July 2021	Contributions received during the year		Interest and investment income earned	Amounts expended	Internal borrowings	Held as restricted asset at 30 June 2022	Cumulative balance of internal borrowings payable
		Cash	Non-cash					
Drainage	40,454	9,852	120	328	(8,368)	—	42,265	—
Roads	606	597	—	6	(8)	—	1,201	—
Parking	8,460	1,262	—	62	(57)	—	7,717	—
Roads & Traffic Facilities	21,989	6,186	13,962	220	(380)	—	28,015	—
Local Open Space	80,271	23,794	225	729	(3,656)	—	101,048	—
Embellishment of Local Open Space	25,329	6,676	21	246	(3,201)	—	28,050	—
Community Facilities (Local)	32,349	890	5	256	(304)	—	32,991	—
Community Facilities (District)	6,220	1,084	9	52	(180)	—	7,176	—
Tree Planting Other	7,084	111	—	56	(64)	—	7,187	—
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	2,528	115	5	21	(29)	—	2,635	—
Administration Fees	(945)	382	3	4	(215)	—	(774)	—
Implementation	4,217	148	8	34	(39)	—	4,361	—
Other, Movement Intermunicipal	9,642	—	—	78	(491)	—	9,434	—
S7.11 contributions – under a plan	236,411	49,808	14,378	2,080	(16,993)	—	271,306	—
Total S7.11 and S7.12 revenue under plans	236,411	49,808	14,378	2,080	(16,993)	—	271,306	—
Total contributions	236,411	49,808	14,378	2,080	(16,993)	—	271,306	—

Under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

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G5-2 Developer contributions by plan ¹ (continued)

	Opening balance at 1 July 2022	Contributions received during the year		Non-cash (Other)	Interest and dividend income earned	Adopters expenditure	Interest borrowings	Start as restricted asset at 30 June 2023	Cumulative balance of interest borrowings (if any)
		Cash	Non-cash (Land)						
CONTRIBUTION PLAN NUMBER – Moorebank Intermodal									
Other – Moorebank Intermodal	9,434	0	0	0	272	(3,271)	0	6,435	0
Total	9,434	–	–	–	272	(3,271)	–	6,435	–
CONTRIBUTION PLAN NUMBER – East Leppington									
Drainage	11,520	43	–	–	334	(38)	–	11,862	–
Roads & Traffic Facilities	2,443	–	–	–	71	4	–	2,518	–
Local Open Space	7,702	–	–	–	323	12	–	7,937	–
Establishment of Local Open Space	147	–	–	–	4	–	–	151	–
Administration Fees	133	–	–	–	4	–	–	137	–
Total	21,945	43	–	–	636	(19)	–	22,605	–
CONTRIBUTION PLAN – Established areas									
Drainage	530	340	–	–	19	1	–	890	–
Roads	1,201	868	–	–	47	2	–	2,118	–
Establishment of Local Open Space	8,639	3,188	–	–	392	(396)	–	11,725	–
Community Facilities (District)	807	365	–	–	32	(88)	–	929	–
Community Facilities (Local)	125	–	–	–	4	–	–	129	–
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	(36)	–	–	–	–	–	–	(36)	–
Administration Fees	(21)	91	–	–	–	(38)	–	(68)	–
Total	10,985	4,743	–	–	385	(396)	–	15,717	–

(1) Council refers Section 7.11 & 7.12/ 7.11 & 7.12A. Contributions upon various development across the Council area through the required Contributions Plans. As part of these Plans, Council has received funds for which it will be required to expend the monies in accordance with those Plans. As well, these Plans indicate proposed future expenditure to be undertaken by Council, which will be funded by making levies and recycling funds in future years or where a shortfall exists using Council's General Funds. These future expenses do not yet qualify as liabilities as of the Reporting Date, but represent Council's intention to spend funds in the matter and timing set out in those Plans.

G5 Statement of developer contributions

G5-1 Summary of developer contributions

\$ '000	Opening balance at 1 July 2023	Contributions received during the year		Interest and investment income earned	Amounts expended	Held as restricted asset at 30 June 2024
		Cash	Non-cash Land			
Drainage	42,693	11,143	402	2,014	(4,072)	51,778
Roads & Traffic Facilities	34,303	7,115	235	1,488	(4,681)	38,225
Parking	8,630	545	–	376	26	9,577
Open space	98,714	21,364	603	4,342	(49,406)	75,014
Embellishment of Local Open Space	33,474	5,748	–	1,682	(2,416)	38,488
Community facilities (Local)	34,761	601	17	1,463	99	36,924
Community Facilities (District)	7,881	952	–	348	(160)	9,021
Tree Planting Other	7,460	198	–	315	21	7,994
Professional & Legal Fees (Other)	2,706	71	–	115	(87)	2,805
Administration Fees	(592)	364	7	32	(340)	(536)
Implementation	4,500	–	–	187	13	4,700
Other- Moorebank Intermodal	6,433	–	–	228	(3,888)	2,773
S7.11 contributions – under a plan	280,963	48,101	1,264	12,590	(64,891)	276,763
Total S7.11 and S7.12 revenue under plans	280,963	48,101	1,264	12,590	(64,891)	276,763
Total contributions	280,963	48,101	1,264	12,590	(64,891)	276,763

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

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Dear Liverpool Intermodal Committee,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing on behalf of LOGOS regarding the 5th August Committee meeting. Unfortunately, our team members will be unable to attend due to a conference. We apologise and kindly request that the meeting be postponed to a later date.

In the meantime, please find below the LOGOS actions from the previous meeting:

Action: LOGOS to advise the number of warehouses completed in the financial year ending 30 June 2024.

- **Completed Warehouses:** Five warehouses - N1, N2, E6, E7, and the Primary Connect NDC - have all reached Practical Completion (PC) during FY24.

Action: LOGOS to confirm the amount of developer contributions paid to the Liverpool City Council for the financial year ending 30 June 2024.

- **Developer Contributions Paid:** \$999,126 was paid in June 2024 for S1, S2, and S5 Section 7.11 Contributions.

We appreciate your understanding, please let us know your availability for alternative dates.

Kind regards,

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Financial Information – Question with Notice 04

(a) Per file reference 043430.2022 at QWN 01 please itemise the expenditure of Ex Gratia Rates from MIC Ltd either:

- I. via the projects and initiatives undertaken around the intermodals; or
- II. via its allocation to general revenue with a full list of transactions

Response

Table below includes total ex-gratia payments received and expenditure by project. Notice Council had an unspent amount of \$524,796, as reported in the financial statements.

Liverpool City Council Reconciliation Ex-Gratia Rates MIC										
	FY 2016-17 Annual Actual	FY 2017-18 Annual Actual	FY 2018-19 Annual Actual	FY 2019-20 Annual Actual	FY 2020-21 Annual Actual	FY 2021-22 Annual Actual	FY 2022-23 Annual Actual	Totals FY 2016-17 to FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24 Annual Actual	Total Annual Actual
Ex-gratia Rates	(989,560)	(1,980,052)	(2,025,953)	(2,041,191)	(2,080,932)	(2,124,028)	(2,166,535)	(13,408,251)	(2,283,534)	(15,691,785)
Operating Costs:	22,331	78,823	174,370	290,365	238,444	216,983	119,064	1,140,379	264,178	1,404,557
Staffing and Support	18,791	27,493	28,239	83,863	139,563	148,683	56,599	503,231	98,226	601,457
City Economy	4,300	22,115	20,402	37,776	97,366	100,666	7,094	289,719	37,417	327,136
Marketing and Communications	9,948	790	1,105	39,874	35,960	42,358	44,575	174,611	53,758	228,369
Strategic Planning	4,543	4,588	6,732	6,212	6,237	5,659	4,930	38,901	7,051	45,952
Environmental Monitoring	3,540	51,330	146,131	206,502	98,881	68,300	62,465	637,148	165,951	803,099
Floodplain and Water Management	3,540	9,080	26,546	16,140	500	0	0	55,806	97,356	153,163
Water Quality Monitoring of Georges River		42,250	119,585	190,362	98,381	68,300	62,465	581,342	68,595	649,937
Maintenance Costs:	490,391	468,229	473,921	519,388	749,997	835,432	618,973	4,156,330	1,616,135	5,772,465
Roads Infrastructure	422,145	397,880	386,608	436,310	602,342	674,660	520,337	3,440,283	1,276,214	4,716,497
Footpath, Cycle ways and Kerb & Gutter	77,812	90,313	93,117	92,405	135,879	131,611	143,160	764,297	371,119	1,135,416
Maintenance Response – Road Assets	11,851	12,433	12,481	12,994	19,200	17,202	10,619	96,780	35,335	132,115
Roads & Road Associated Structures	332,482	295,135	281,010	330,911	447,263	525,847	366,559	2,579,206	869,759	3,448,965
Other Infrastructure	68,246	70,349	87,313	83,078	147,655	160,771	98,635	716,047	339,921	1,055,968
Bridges	246	1,348	1,581	0	1,720	1,870	0	6,765		6,765
Street Furniture	15,071	15,178	13,410	14,641	18,576	27,014	17,895	121,783	81,357	203,140
Drainage Systems	52,930	53,822	72,322	68,437	127,359	131,888	80,741	587,499	258,564	846,063
Capital Expenditure:	426,406	497,344	936,846	1,280,490	894,250	701,011	1,041,637	5,777,985	696,841	6,474,826
Installation of pollution traps				126,839	39,100	117,901	106,450	390,290	2,000	392,290
Installation of erosion protection controls					19,280		35,186	54,466	29,007	83,473
Other infrastructure	426,406	497,344	936,846	1,153,651	835,871	583,110	900,001	5,333,229	665,834	5,999,063
Other Expenses:	376,823	161,332	172,432	282,004	462,625	175,460	178,085	1,808,762	257,838	2,066,599
Wattle Grove Intermodal (RAID)	257,191	51,720	12,653	66,346	249,415	107	107	637,538	111	637,649
Administration Costs (10%)	119,632	109,612	159,779	215,659	213,211	175,353	177,978	1,171,223	257,727	1,428,950
Total Expenses	1,315,951	1,205,727	1,757,569	2,372,248	2,345,317	1,928,885	1,957,759	12,883,455	2,834,992	15,718,447
Deficit / (Surplus)	326,391	(774,324)	(268,385)	331,056	264,385	(195,142)	(208,776)	(524,796)	551,457	26,662

(b) Noting the summary table (p.7) for QWN 03 identifies there should be **\$543,533** in remainder for Ex Gratia Rates from MIC Ltd, please advise the current balance and where it is currently held.

Response

The amount \$543,533 stated above can't be substantiated, however, as can be seen from table above, council had spent all ex-gratia funds on 30 June 2024 and actually used \$26,662 of its own funds on these projects.

Financial Information – Question with Notice 05

- (a) Per financial statements provided at QWN 03 please itemise the expenditure of Developer Contributions of **\$ 7,659,000** from the **\$ 10,551,126** collected either:
- I. via the specific projects and initiatives undertaken around the intermodals in Moorebank, Wattle Grove, Hammondville and Casula; or
 - II. via the specific projects and initiatives undertaken across the LGA.

Response:

Table below itemises expenditure from \$9.551m. Notice only \$7.585m was funded from Intermodal Monetary Contribution. Council had a balance of \$2.773m at 30 June 2024 as disclosed in the financial statements.

Project Description	Consultants	Contractors	Computer Hardware	Employee Costs	Other Expenses	FY 20-21 to FY 23-24 Total Actuals	s7.11 Intermodal Contribution
GMD/New Bridge Road intersection upgrade & road reconstruction	110,641	1,621,426		81,827	200	1,814,094	\$7,659,000
Drainage Improvements - Casula Parklands	72,396	1,850		56,712		130,958	
Road Reconstruction & Resurfacing Works (various locations)		79,302				79,302	
New GPT Construction - Chauvel Park		292,158		39,548		331,706	
New GPT Construction - Homestead Park		396,939		41,468		438,407	
Ernie Smith Reserve (GPT)	20,874	169,862		61,043	6,545	258,323	
Australis Avenue - Claremont to Avondale		416,396		26,191		442,587	
Labuan Road - Bardia to Derna		144,105		10,476		154,581	
Village Way - Bardia to Australis		350,000		31,650		381,650	
Meehan Avenue - Walder to Meehan		525,165		41,783		566,948	
Stockton Avenue - Junction to Maddecks		445,800		38,413		484,213	
Delfin Drive - Wattle Grove to Anzac		336,028		25,916		361,944	
Anzac Road - Road Widening				61,111		61,111	
Roundabout - Nuwarra Road and Marshall Avenue		344,897		39,286		384,183	
CCTV - Illegal Dumping			80,909	2,770	620	84,298	
Nuwarra Road - Investigation and Design	38,727	21,867		392		60,985	
Synthetic Fields and Hammondville Oval Upgrade	164,485	2,392,708		328,187		2,885,380	
Total Expenses	407,122	7,538,502	80,909	886,773	7,365	8,920,671	7,659,000
Reconciliation of s7.11 Intermodal Contributions							
s7.11 Contributions Intermodal from Qube Property Management Services							9,551,126
Add Interest							8,000
Less project funding							7,585,000
Balance s7.11 Intermodal Contribution 30 June 2024							2,773,000

Financial Information – Question with Notice 06

- (a) When was the last time Council reviewed the Contributions Plan with regard to the twin container terminals and intermodals?
- (b) Separate to any legal implications, noting that LOGOS and DPHI are quoting traffic generation figures at near double (10,798 HV, 9337 LV) the heavy vehicles assessed and approved (5,639 HV, 8,664 LV) in 2014 – 2016 does this not render any Contributions Plan from that time a nullity?
- (c) In light of a near doubling of the impact on Liverpool what steps has Council taken to ensure:
 - I. The Contributions Plan is updated and fit for purpose?
 - II. An amendment to the default rate (1% CIV) can be pursued to cater for these non-standard, non-residential developments; the biggest of their kind anywhere in the country?

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

The *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 – Established Areas* covers the Moorebank Intermodal Terminal (MIT), as well as land immediately surrounding the MIT.

The *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 – Established Areas* was adopted by Council in December 2018 and last updated in June 2020.

At the Governance Committee Meeting in July 2024, Council endorsed the reform of Council's Contributions Planning Framework. Analysis has shown that a portion of the existing Framework no longer aligns with Council's infrastructure priorities. Furthermore, the development yields and/or trends that informed the Plans at the time of their preparation are either no longer applicable or have shifted to such an extent that the contributions being collected are not sufficient to deliver the identified Plan initiatives.

To address this issue, City Planning will commence work on a program to transform Council's Contributions Planning Framework to ensure consistency with industry best practice, effectively meets the infrastructure and services needs of our growing communities, and provides the financial stability required to fund the essential infrastructure and services.

Reform of the Framework will be phased over multiple years, with the initial focus (Phase 1) being on the review and reform of the Liverpool Contributions Plan 2009, Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 –

Established Areas, and Liverpool *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 – Liverpool City Centre*. As part of the reform, Council will consider the change in infrastructure needs for each Contributions Plan triggered by changes in population, new and proposed development, and demand for essential services.

Financial Information – Question with Notice 07

- (a) Noting cl7.36 of the LLEP requires “satisfactory arrangements” for infrastructure what steps has Council taken to execution of these arrangements and concomitant road infrastructure promised by the MITRA Strategy (2016/17) and VPA (2018/19, specifically:
- I. Upgrades to Moorebank Ave & Heathcote Rd and Heathcote Rd & Newbridge Rd, which have operated at LoS F since 2012 and were required by CoCs by 2020, only to be pushed by to 2026 for design only (which is now horrendously complicated by Moore Point).
 - II. Upgrades of West and Eastbound Weave / Merge Areas on the M5 Georges River Bridge, which is now four plus years behind the MITRA Timetable; and or
 - III. In absence of an Eastbound M5 Weave Upgrade, the acceleration of the West Liverpool Brickmakers Creek Bypass (with full merge lanes added to the M5) which is due sometime between 2024 and 2030 according to the MITRA Timetable.
 - IV. Grade Separation of Hume Hwy and Hoxton Park Rd
- (b) Particularly as these road upgrades and corridor protection need to be pinned down prior to any progress with Moore Point and Woodward Park.

Response

State Roads under the jurisdiction of Transport for NSW (TfNSW) on behalf of the NSW Government. There is no Council “VPA” – rather the Proponent entered into a State Voluntary Planning Agreement (SVPA) with TfNSW on behalf of the NSW Government. A copy of the SVPA can be viewed at the following link:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/svpa/executed/moorebank-intermodal-simta>

The SVPA committed to a monetary contribution for Regional Road Upgrade Works and upgrades to State Road infrastructure surrounding the MIT – given Council was not a signatory to the SVPA, nor responsible for the administration of the SVPA or the State Road network (a TfNSW responsibility), Council has no visibility of the current status of this Agreement. Council has no responsibility for the

SVPA or the delivery of the items listed in the SVPA given we're not signatories to the Agreement and the infrastructure committed will be assets for TfNSW rather than Council, it is unclear what this QWN is actually asking.

Planning & Legal Implications – Question with Notice 08

- (a) Noting cl7.36 of the LLEP requires “satisfactory arrangements” for infrastructure and that this is based on the “form and scale” of the concept assessed and approved in 2014 – 2016 (SSD 5066). Further noting that with the advent of the SEPP introduced by DPHI and LOGOS and that each is now quoting traffic generation figures at near double the heavy vehicles; and GFA at double (600,000 sqm to 1,220,000 sqm) and HOB at double to triple that assessed 3(2 – 40m) and approved in 2014 – 2016, what steps has Council undertaken to ascertain if breaches of CoCs have already, and or will occur, and concomitantly what steps has Council undertaken to ascertain if Civil Enforcement is now required in view of our duty under the Local Government Act to work in the best interests of our residents and ratepayers?
- (b) Specifically, what steps has Council undertaken to ascertain if the 2022 SEPP was the appropriate pathway to so significantly modify existing approvals and conditions or instead constitutes a contravention and thus breach of CoCs (and or the decision of the LEC Court, in proceedings Council provided funds to)?
- (c) Furthermore, given the NSW Government (T Corp) became part owner in 2021 – 22, what steps has Council undertaken to ascertain if the 2022 SEPP and DPHI's further proposed Amendment (EIE) 2024 is consistent with relevant legislation and the state's own competitive neutrality policy, given the obvious impression that the state is now self-dealing by rendering a project it now partly owns exempt from all environmental assessment?
 - I. Particularly in light of the fact that the 2021 – 22 SEPP offered no EIS or REF for uprating warehousing from 600,000sqm to 850.000sqm or 40% of 'Area A' to HOB of 40m or the claim to 10,798 HV, 9337 LV at +5159 HV over 5,639 HV, 8,664 LV.
 - II. And in light of the fact that the proposed 2024 EIE Amendment of the SEPP offered no EIS or REF for uprating warehousing from the assumed 850,000sqm to 1,220.000sqm or uprating all of the remaining unbuild warehouses to HOB of 32 – 40m and claiming 'significant beneficial efficiencies' while not explaining how all of the above would not increase traffic generation due to 370,000sqm of extra warehousing.

Response

The planning approval pathway for the Terminal was via an SSDA with the then Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) the Consent Authority on behalf of the NSW Government, not Council.

Council's website makes it clear that "Council has limited power to influence or control operations at the site".

<https://www.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/development/major-projects/moorebank-intermodal>

Planning and Legal Implications – Question with Notice 09

- (a) Noting QWN 03 & 04 regarding the appropriate amount and timeframe for paying rates or ex gratia payments in lieu of rates, and that additional lots may need to be added and valued for base rates, and or additional years ought to be added from FY13/14 (3.5) rendering a minimum +\$ 7mil to be pursued, has Council ever:
- I. Consulted and corresponded with the Federal Minister of Finance to query if MIC Ltd has appropriately applied the letter and intent of the CNPS?
 - II. Consulted and corresponded with the Productivity Commission regarding the making of a complaint due to MIC Ltd not appropriately applying the letter and intent of the CNPS?

Response:

There are no outstanding ex gratia payment to be pursued.

Planning and Legal Implications – Question with Notice 10

- (a) Noting QWN 06 & 07, and noting 2024 NSW guidance on “local infrastructure” what steps and processes need to be undertaken for Council to undertake an amendment application for the intermodal contributions plan with IPART?

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

As noted in the response to QWN 06, City Planning is reforming Council’s Contributions Planning Framework to ensure consistency with industry best practice, effectively meets the infrastructure and services needs of our growing communities, and provides the financial stability required to fund the essential infrastructure and services.

Phase 1 of the Reform Project will include the review and reform of the *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 – Established Areas* which covers the Moorebank Intermodal Terminal (MIT), as well as land immediately surrounding the MIT.

Although Council is not considering preparation of a site-specific Contributions Plan for the MIT, the review and reform of the *Liverpool Contributions Plan 2018 – Established Areas* will consider the change in infrastructure needs of the land where the Contributions Plan applies. Changes in infrastructure needs are generally triggered by changes in population, existing (like the MIT) and proposed development, and demand for essential services.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 065737.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Dedication of the New Library

Please address the following:

1. Will the Council consider dedicating the new library to the hardworking members of our community who are facing cost-of-living pressures?
2. How does the Council plan to ensure that its initiatives promote unity and inclusivity within our community, rather than division that was reported in the Australian newspaper regarding the library dedication?
3. Is the Council willing to reassess its previous decision regarding the library's dedication in order to reflect a more balanced perspective on global issues?

Responses (provided by Community & Lifestyle)

- 1. Will the Council consider dedicating the new library to the hardworking members of our community who are facing cost-of-living pressures?**

The current dedication of Yellamundie Library and Gallery was passed as a Council resolution, following a Mayoral Minute at the Council Meeting 25 October 2023.

The Mayoral minute requested:

“Yellamundie be dedicated to the innocent children of the world who are killed in conflict”.

The Mayoral Minute covered issues of international conflict and the need to protect children, but in inclusive terms with no specific nation or conflict named. The Mayoral Minute and council resolution is attached for reference.

In celebration of the 1-year anniversary of Yellamundie Library and Gallery in December 2024 Council held an exhibition and launch event acknowledging the October 2023 resolution to dedicate the library to the innocent children of the world who are killed in conflict.

Portraits and oral histories of community members were commissioned as an initiative of the dedication. These have become part of the local history archive and were the basis an exhibition in Yellamundie gallery.

The exhibition “Faces of Liverpool – Stories of hope, home and friendship” told stories of a diverse range of Liverpool’s community, who are building successful lives and families in Liverpool.

2. 'How does the Council plan to ensure that its initiatives promote unity and inclusivity within our community, rather than division that was reported in the Australian newspaper regarding the library dedication?'

Council's Library & Museum Service is considered a best practice service in delivery of services and programs that support inclusion for our multicultural community.

Council delivers among the largest collection of materials in community languages in NSW. In February this year Council hosted the NSW Multicultural Librarian's network workshop in partnership with the State Library of NSW and Macquarie University on research to improve CALD services in NSW in 2024.

The library's recurrent program includes:

- Tech Savy Seniors – teaching seniors basic computer skills in a range of community languages;
- Social Boards games – where people with different cultural backgrounds meet to play games and practice their conversational English;
- Conversation Café – conversational English classes led by volunteer teachers;
- Vote Talk – in partnership with Ethnic Communities Council of NSW and Australian Electoral Commission. Information sessions in Arabic and Hindi on federal election voting processes;
- Community led group exhibitions in the Yellamundie preview gallery, for Filipino & Serbian cultural groups;
- Aboriginal art workshop for children and youth in school holiday programs;
- Multicultural Playgroup delivered in partnership with Liverpool Migrant resource centre. Bringing families from diverse backgrounds together to form friendships through play.

In addition, the Liverpool Regional Museum presents community partnered exhibitions, providing community cultural groups a place to share stories and understanding with the wider Liverpool Community.

Examples include:

- Turbans for Australia - Our South West Sikhs. Which is now touring at Griffith Museum and Gallery.
- Exilio (Exhiled) Chile to South-West Sydney. Award winner at the Museum & Galleries NSW IMAGEine awards in 2024.

3. Is the Council willing to reassess its previous decision regarding the library's dedication in order to reflect a more balanced perspective on global issues?

Should the above Notice of Motion be resolved, Council will:

1. Pass a new resolution on the dedication of Yellamundie Library and Gallery.
2. Specify whether the previous dedication should continue or cease.
3. Outline the program and activities required to action the new dedication. To facilitate development of a budget to deliver.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 080011.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - Infrastructure Grants

Please address the following:

1. Has Liverpool City Council returned any money to either the NSW State Government or the Federal Government that it received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021?
 - a. If so, how has this occurred?
 - b. If so, why has this occurred?
 - c. If so, what is the exact dollar figure of infrastructure grants that Liverpool Council has applied for and received from both State and Federal Governments?
 - i. From this sum, what is the exact dollar figure that Liverpool Council has returned to:
 - ii. NSW State Government
 - iii. Federal Government
 - d. If this has occurred, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA have not been able to commence or complete as a result of this?
2. If not, does Liverpool City Council intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal governments?
 - a. If so, why?
 - b. If so, what are the financial implications for Liverpool City Council?
 - c. If so, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA that had grant funding approved are now not able to commence?
 - d. If so, why has the funding grants received for infrastructure not been returned already?

Response (provided by Operations)

Consultation occurred with Council's Project Delivery, WSIG, Grants and Partnership and Development Engineering teams.

1. Council has not returned any money received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021.
2. Council does not intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal government.

These Questions with Notice will be resubmitted to the 23 April 2025 Council meeting with additional information to be provided. The wording “money” to be referred to as “funds” and to clarify grants being the grants that Council has had approved and subsequently returned.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 081630.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Dr Green - Outstanding Voluntary Planning Agreements

Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) refer to common legal agreements between developers and planning authorities e.g. Councils which can fund or deliver community infrastructure.

Could Council please provide a detailed list of outstanding VPAs of agreed works between developers and Council that are yet to be completed including:

1. The location of agreed VPA negotiated works.
2. The year the VPA was made.
3. The details of the works the VPA included.
4. The date and year the VPA was agreed for commencement.
5. Identified VPAs where the agreed works has not been commenced or completed and reasons why

Response (provided by Planning and Compliance)

The Voluntary Planning Agreements Quarterly report was tabled at the Governance Committee held Tuesday 18th March 2025, during which a response to QWN 06 - Question with Notice - Cllr Dr Green - Outstanding Voluntary Planning Agreements was provided.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 080578.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Deputy Mayor Harle - Rangers for Extended Hours

Council trialled Rangers and Compliance Staff working after hours to address relevant issues of illegal parking and anti-social behaviour in problem areas.

Please address the following:

1. Could Council provide the previous reports that evaluated Rangers and Compliance staff working after normal hours and the results of the trial and any recommendations?

Responses (provided by Planning and Compliance)

Background

At its meeting of 26 February 2020, Council resolved:

That Council:

1. *Provide a costing report to the March 2020 Council Meeting for providing on the ground services by compliance officers during, and between 7am – 9am and 4pm – 10pm seven days a week each year.*
2. *Consider:*
 - a. *Cost to employ directly such officers under stipulated agreement to the hours needed by Council and not subject to overtime rates; and / or*
 - b. *Cost in overtime to utilise existing compliance officers on a rotation basis to service the out of hours requirements of Council; and / or*
 - c. *Contractual agreement through a local business with payment on invoice to Council for services supplied in responding to incidences within the outlined times.*

Following this resolution, on 25 November 2020, Council resolved to trial an after-hours on-call compliance service to assess its effectiveness. The service commenced in April 2021, operating on a 24-hour on-call roster. However, due to COVID-19 lockdowns, the service was suspended from July to October 2021. It resumed in November 2021 and continued until February 2022.

Findings from the Trial

During the trial period, Council received an average of six complaints per month over the last five months. The majority of complaints related to illegal parking, building work outside approved hours, heavy vehicle parking, and occasional animal-related incidents.

The cost of operating the on-call service was balanced by revenue generated through fines issued, with a significant portion of fines being paid. This ensured that the service remained financially sustainable without requiring additional funding.

Council recommended that Council receive and note the findings and determine whether the service should continue.

Council resolved to continue the after-hours compliance service. The motion was moved by Councillor Hadid, seconded by Councillor Rhodes, and carried at the meeting.

Current After-Hours Compliance Operation

The on-call roster remains in place; however, due to workplace health and safety requirements, it can only be staffed when a full complement of officers is available. Currently, rangers prioritise roaming dog incidents and are rostered after hours specifically to respond to these calls.

In the meantime, after-hours compliance requests are being managed through a structured rostering system operating twice per week. This approach allows rangers to address multiple complaints received throughout the week, rather than responding to isolated incidents as they arise. The structured system also enables proactive patrols targeting heavy vehicle compliance, proving to be more effective and cost-efficient compared to the on-call roster, which only responds to one request at a time.

Previous Reports

Previous Council reports on this matter are attached:

1. Council Report - 29 April 2020 - EGROW 09 Out of Office Hours Compliance Officers
2. Confidential Report – 25 November 2020 — CONF 01 – Report Back – Out of Office Hours Compliance Officers
3. Confidential Report – 30 March 2022 – CONF 02 – Report Back – Out of Hours Compliance Officers

ITEM NO: CTTE 04
FILE NO: 064308.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 18 March 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 18 March 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

Clr Ibrahim had the pleasure of recently attending and supporting the Mama Africa Women's Group event on International Women's Day at the Whitlam Leisure Centre.

Mama Africa Women Group requested Clr Ibrahim share their message of appreciation for the support they have received from Liverpool City Council as follows.

"On behalf of Multicultural African Communities Network and Mama Africa women group in Liverpool, I thank you for your presence at our International Women's Day at Whitlam leisure centre and of course for the encouraging and supportive speech you delivered to us.

Liverpool is a home to Africa Australians that face diverse challenges related to migration, integration as other communities in similar situation and we couldn't find true words to express the thanksgiving to Liverpool City Council that provided us with a grant to implement the mama Africa sewing program that help, especially Sally the new arrival refugees and seniors women and men.

With that grant we were able to celebrate that milestone that brought the participants from isolation, risk of mental health deterioration while learning new skills and getting so needed information about different services available, health system navigation and parenting style in their new home Australia.

Your presence showed us again that Liverpool embraced for ever conclusion, cohesion and supports community based initiatives such as Mama Africa program!

I thank you again and hope you will share our thanks and call for more support to/from Liverpool City Council."

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01

FILE NO: 065756.2025

SUBJECT: Establish a 30-Day Response Time for Councillor Requests

BACKGROUND

Councillors play a critical role in representing the concerns and needs of our constituents. However, the prolonged response time to requests undermines our ability to address issues promptly and effectively.

Establishing a standard response time of 30 days will:

- Enhance accountability within the Council.
- Improve communication and transparency with constituents.
- Ensure that urgent matters are prioritised and resolved in a timely manner.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That all requests made by Councillors be actioned and responded to within 30 days of submission. It is unacceptable for these requests to remain outstanding for longer than this period, as timely responses are essential for effective governance and service delivery.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That:

1. All requests made by Councillors be substantively responded to within 30 days of submission.
2. Every email sent to an external stakeholder should include a copy to the relevant Councillor.
3. Council agree:
 - i. Risk assessments of the workload of the Councillor Support Team be conducted to ensure psychosocial injuries are unlikely to occur.
 - ii. The Acting CEO review the workload of the Councillor Support Team to ensure the workload does not have the possibility of causing a psychosocial injury.
 - iii. The Acting CEO review the current structure of the Councillor Support Team.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 075798.2025
SUBJECT: Cease Memberships to External Committees and Redirect Funds to Frontline Services

BACKGROUND

Rationale: Liverpool City Council is currently facing some financial challenges, which necessitates a careful reassessment of our budget priorities. In these challenging times, it is imperative that we allocate our financial resources towards essential services that directly benefit our community.

The memberships to the aforementioned organisations, while potentially valuable, do not provide immediate or tangible benefits to our residents, particularly in the context of the current economic climate. The funds expended on these memberships could be more effectively utilised in enhancing our frontline services, especially in the critical area of city cleanliness.

Investing in directly employed council staff to maintain and enhance the cleanliness of our city will not only improve the quality of life for our residents but also foster a sense of pride in our community. Clean and well-maintained public spaces are essential for resident well-being and can also contribute to attracting visitors and businesses to our area.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Ceases its membership to the following internal and external organisations:
 - i. Committee for Liverpool
 - ii. Business Western Sydney
 - iii. Liverpool Chamber of Commerce
 - iv. Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue

2. Redirect the annual savings of \$163,392 from these memberships into frontline services by directly employing council staff, with a particular focus on maintaining and enhancing the cleanliness of our city.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 075799.2025
SUBJECT: Motion to Seek Advice from the Minister of Local Government Regarding the Mayor's Role as Spokesperson During Public Inquiry Period

BACKGROUND

As the Council navigates this critical Public Inquiry period, it is imperative that our communications are clear, effective, and reflective of the community's concerns. [REDACTED]

This ongoing negative sentiment poses potential challenges to the Council's ability to engage constructively with the public and could hinder the overall perception of the Council during this sensitive time.

Rationale:

Community Trust: It is crucial to maintain the community's trust and confidence in the Council's leadership. Given the current atmosphere, it may be prudent to assess whether a different spokesperson would better serve this purpose.

Strategic Communication: Seeking the Minister's advice will ensure that the Council is aligned with best practices in communication, especially during a period that requires transparency and accountability.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council seeks advice from the Minister of Local Government on whether the Mayor should continue to serve as the spokesperson for the Council during the current Public Inquiry period. [REDACTED]

Cllr Ristevski withdrew this item.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 075800.2025
SUBJECT: Legal fees and Expenses with regards to Public Inquiry

BACKGROUND

With Liverpool Council having just generated a \$11 million loss in its recent audited financial statements and current unrestricted cash reserves sitting at near zero, as Councillors we have a fiduciary duty to ensure that ratepayers money is used to its maximum benefit for the community.

The recent court case against the New South Wales government to prevent the public inquiry into Liverpool Council has not been the best usage of ratepayers' money and as such I propose the following:-

NOTICE OF MOTION (Submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council agree:

1. A report be given at the earliest possible Council meeting so that ratepayers are aware of the total legal fees and expenses and staff time in terms of dollars. The same report to also include the NSW Government legal fees that ratepayers will need to pay for losing the case.
2. Council's legal team seek advice whether these legal fees can be recovered personally from the Councillors that voted in favour of taking legal action against the New South Wales Government. This report to be tabled at the earliest possible Council meeting.

Cllr Ristevski withdrew this item.

BACKGROUND

Significantly, the club has grown in female representation to 177 players. Liverpool Olympic now have the highest female participation rate in terms of aggregate numbers of any soccer club in Liverpool.

To accommodate the growth in membership the club has undertaken significant renovations to the Clubhouse. These changes are intended to provide a more child-friendly environment and to ensure that the facilities provided met the needs of its growing participation base. The Club has undertaken these works at its own expense, however, was relying on the contribution of \$50,000 for female friendly changeroom upgrades contained in the urgency motion moved by the Councillor Harle and Seconded by Councill Macnaught in July 2025. ([Minutes of Ordinary Meeting - Thursday, 25 July 2024](#)).

These funds were deferred by Council in December 2024 to the 2025/26 budget. Given that the Club has already undertaken these works, this motion proposes to bring forward the contribution of \$50,000 to Liverpool Olympic as a contribution for the works undertaken.

That Council contributes an amount of \$50,000 to Liverpool Olympic for the capital works undertaken at Hoxton Park Road to improve amenities to its female participation base. That amount be made available through general revenue.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Harte **Seconded:** Clr Ristevski

That Council thanks Liverpool Olympic for their cooperation through this process and congratulates them on the capital works they have undertaken.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clrs Adjei and Karnib returned to the Chamber at 9:18pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 075797.2025
SUBJECT: Festivals

Background Rationale:

Financial Responsibility: Considering current budget constraints and the need to prioritise essential services, it is imperative that we reassess our spending. By cancelling these festivals, we can allocate funds more effectively where they are needed most.

Enhanced Cleanliness: The cleanliness of our city significantly impacts the quality of life for our residents and the overall attractiveness for visitors. Investing in frontline services will allow us to maintain and enhance our community's cleanliness, ensuring a healthier and more pleasant environment.

Job Creation: Redirecting these funds towards the direct employment of council staff not only addresses cleanliness but also contributes to local job creation, supporting our community during economically challenging times.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That:

1. Council to cancel all festivals funded through operational funds for the 2025/2026 financial year that are not self-funded except for Family Fun Days, Australia Day, Liverpool's birthday, Anzac Day, Christmas, and New Year's Eve celebrations;
2. All remaining festivals to be reconsidered once Council reaches its unrestricted cash reserve target of \$25m; and
3. The savings from cancelling those festivals to be redirected into frontline services specifically focusing on the direct employment of council staff to enhance and maintain the cleanliness of our city.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chamber at 9.34pm

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 056629.2025

SUBJECT: Carnes Hill investigation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Dr Green

Seconded: Cnr Ibrahim

That Council notes the contents of the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Harte **Seconded:** Clr Adjei

1. Approves the purchase Lot 785 DP 2475, 75 Eleventh Ave Austral being land identified for contribution items; Local Park LP59 and stormwater Detention Basin B23 for the price and terms outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classifies the subject land as operational in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.
3. Authorises the CEO or their delegate to execute any document, under power of Attorney necessary to give effect to this decision.
4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information could if disclosed give a commercial advantage to a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business with.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

1. Approves, for the purposes of the tendering requirements under s.55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, the engagement of Jemena Gas Networks (NSW) Ltd to undertake remediation and relocation of their assets as a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - Jemena Gas Networks (NSW) Ltd is the sole owner of their assets;
 - Only Jemena Gas can approve modification, remediation and relocation works of their assets.
2. Authorise the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 083523.2025
SUBJECT: Civic Place Developer Works

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 075796.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski

Questions with Notice were responded and provided to the Mayor and Councillors via Confidential Book

ITEM NO: CONF 08
FILE NO: 080979.2025
SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding - National Intermodal Company Ltd

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

That Council receives and notes the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion: **Moved Cllr Harte** **Seconded Cllr Macnaught**

That Council move into Closed Session pursuant to s10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION:

The gallery left the Chamber. Council moved into Closed Session at 9.48pm.

OPEN SESSION:

Motion: **Moved Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded Cllr Harte**

That Council move into Open Session.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Council moved into Open Session at 9.51pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 079719.2025
SUBJECT: Project 26: CT Lewis

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Agrees not to sell the asset.
2. Direct the Acting CEO to prepare a report to engage students from the local TAFE NSW through its apprenticeship programs with an aim to revitalising the asset. The report to include the funding source.
3. Direct the Acting CEO to prepare a report as to the cost of revitalising the asset for the purpose of considering alternative public use infrastructure such as for e.g. halls or rooms for lease for community groups.
4. Take immediate action to secure and make safe the premises with funding to come from general funds.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Monaghan) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed Motion (moved by Clr Harte) therefore lapsed.

Division (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the recommendation in the Confidential Book be adopted.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.06pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 23 April 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 March 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 15 APRIL 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
 Deputy Mayor Harle
 Councillor Adjei
 Councillor Ammoun
 Councillor Dr Green
 Councillor Ibrahim
 Councillor Karnib
 Councillor Macnaught
 Councillor Monaghan
 Councillor Ristevski
 Mr Jason Breton, Acting Chief Executive Officer
 Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
 Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
 Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
 Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
 Mr David Galpin, General Counsel, Legal Services & Government
 Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
 Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
 Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

OPENING

6.02pm.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION TO BE READ BY

The prayer of the Council was read by Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

Clr Karnib declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Appointment of the CEO

Reason: Clr Karnib has known an applicant since his commencement of Council in and around October 2024 and similarly in the same declaration he made as being part of the panel, is aware of the applicant's brother in terms of his capacity as a judicial officer, and in his experience he has encountered him as a legal practitioner fronting the NSW courts since on and around late 2018.

Clr Karnib remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Clr Ristevski declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Appointment of the CEO

Reason: Councillor Ristevski has worked with an applicant.

Clr Ristevski remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Clr Ammoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Appointment of the CEO

Reason: Clr Ammoun knows an applicant.

Clr Ammoun remained in the Chamber for the duration of this item.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 130326.2025
SUBJECT: Appointment of CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Mayoral Minute and the Recruitment Panel's recommendation regarding the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer.
2. Offer the role of Chief Executive Officer to the successful candidate and delegate to the Mayor, with advice from the Recruitment Consultant, the authority to negotiate the final terms, including:
 - A five (5) year performance-based contract;
 - A confidential total remuneration package;
 - Standard employment contract in line with OLG requirements;
 - Schedule A entitlements as per Council Policy;
 - A mutually agreed commencement date.
3. Defer public announcement of the successful candidate until written acceptance is received.
4. Authorise that if the preferred candidate declines the offer, the position be offered to the second-preferred candidate on the same terms.
5. Execute the contract under the Council's Common Seal.
6. Appoint the CEO Performance Review Panel consisting of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor a councillor appointed by the Council, and a councillor appointed by the successful incumbent.
7. Invite the CEO to nominate one Councillor to the Performance Review Panel.
8. Delegate to the Performance Review Panel the management of the CEO's performance, including the establishment of a Performance Agreement within three months of commencement.
9. Engage an independent facilitator to assist with performance management of the CEO and to provide support to the Performance Review Panel.
10. Seek three quotes for an ongoing independent facilitator, with appointment delegated to the Performance Review Panel.
11. Undertake performance reviews at the six-month mark and every six months thereafter.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.21pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 23 April 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15 April 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 23 APRIL 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
Ms Julie Scott, Acting Director City Futures
Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, Public Inquiry Lead
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6.03pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

“In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council’s

Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council will be read by Pastor Steve Riethmuller from Cartwright Gospel Chapel.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem will be played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONDOLENCES

Former Mayor Gary Lucas
His Holiness Pope Francis

ITEM NO: COND 01
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion for the Late Former Mayor Gary Lucas (read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with great regret that I announce the death of former Mayor Gary Lucas.

A passionate Chipping Norton resident, Gary used his larakin spirit to help make the community better - whether in Council or out in the community.

Gary truly believed in Liverpool and its people and spent his life fighting for us. In 2008, Deputy Mayor Peter Harle, Gary, and I got elected to Council together right after the Administrator finished up. None had a clue what to do as we were first time Councillors and Gary was the only person who had experience as a Councillor.

His experience was invaluable to us and he taught us many important lessons that have never left me. In particular, he said to us "if you want to make change then put up your hand, use your bloody hand".

He taught us that we had the power because the community gave it to us on election day and to make sure that we use it for them.

He was also an active and engaged member of the wider community. Mr Lucas was a founding member of both the Chipping Norton Sports Club and the Liverpool Action Group. He held leadership positions with the Liverpool Sub-Branch of the RSL and the Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre Board, and contributed to local sport through his involvement in cricket and soccer clubs. He also played a key role in initiating graffiti removal teams in the city—another example of his practical and lasting contributions to our community.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Berryl and the rest of his family.

He will be missed.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our heartfelt condolences to Mr Lucas's family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing or working with him. He will be fondly remembered for his unwavering commitment to public service and the Liverpool community.

Deputy Mayor Harle also read a condolence motion for Former Mayor Gary Lucas

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Accepts this condolence motion
2. At the appropriate time, acknowledge Former Mayor Gary Lucas's contributions with a suitable memorial.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COND 02
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion for the Late His Holiness Pope Francis (read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with great regret that tonight we pause to mourn the death of His Holiness Pope Francis.

The death of Pope Francis is a profound loss to the Catholic Church and to humanity at large. His time as Pope marked a turning point in a move away from grandeur, and embracing modesty, humility, and closeness to the people. By deliberately setting aside the power and prestige of the role, Pope Francis demonstrated that greatness is found through humility and service.

Francis broke with tradition. He rejected the luxurious papal apartments for a modest room in the Vatican guesthouse. He wore simple white vestments and took more trips in his humble Ford Focus than in the papal limousine. These choices were not mere gestures; they were declarations of his vision for the Church—a Church of the poor, for the poor.

Francis lived the Gospel with quiet authenticity. His embrace of the disabled, his outreach to prisoners, his heartfelt concern for refugees and migrants—all spoke louder than sermons. He led not with authority but with empathy, walking with those on the margins and challenging the Church to be less institutional and more pastoral.

Unlike many of his predecessors, Francis did not seek to rule from above but to accompany from within. His focus was on mercy over doctrine, compassion over condemnation. In his teachings, he encouraged the Church to listen more than it spoke, and to act with courage in the face of injustice.

As we mourn Pope Francis, we celebrate a legacy that will continue to shape the heart of the Church for generations. He demonstrated a leadership that relied on the power of humility, the strength of compassion, and the enduring truth that the greatest among us must be the servant of all. May his soul rest in the peace he so faithfully preached.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

Accept the condolence motion.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

A one minute silence was then observed for His Holiness Pope Francis and Former Mayor Gary Lucas.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 March 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 133621.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 15 April 2025

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 15 April 2025; and
2. Endorse the Minutes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Macnaught **Seconded:** Clr Harle

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: PLAN 01 – Planning Proposal – 1411 The Northern road, Bringelly

Reason: Clr Harte knows one of the directors of the applicant in a professional capacity.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following

Item: PLAN 01 – Planning Proposal – 1411 The Northern road, Bringelly

Reason: I know the Director who is also President of the World Lebanese Cultural Union and a director of EG Property Group and have engaged with him in both capacities.

Mayor Mannoun remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Director Corporate Support, Mr Portelli declared a non-pecuniary less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 04 – Legal Affairs Report

Reason: Mr Portelli's name is mentioned in the Confidential report and the Legal Affairs report.

Mr Portelli remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 6.21pm due to technical difficulties with livestreaming.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open session at 6.51pm with all Councillors present.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Ms Ellen Russell** addressed Council on the following item:
Endorsing the Mayoral Roundtable Statement on Social Cohesion.

2. **Mr Michael Andjelkovic** addressed Council on the following item:
Community Drop In Sessions.

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Dr Shane Geha** to address Council on the following item:
Item: PLAN 01 – Planning Proposal – 1411 The northern Road, Bringelly

Dr Geha reserved his right to speak.

MAYORAL MINUTES

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Partnership with Unity Grammar - Model Global Parliament
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun
DATE: 23 April 2025

Tonight, I propose that we provide our support to a unique and exciting opportunity to partner with Unity Grammar on their *Model Global Parliament* - an initiative that speaks to the very heart of civic learning, youth leadership, and community engagement.

Each year, Unity Grammar, in collaboration with the Institute for Global Peace and Sustainable Governance, hosts this educational event, which brings together local students to debate pressing global issues in a simulated parliamentary setting. This year, they have approached the Council to co-host the event right here, in our very own Chambers.

The opportunity before us is more than symbolic. It provides our young people with the tools, platform, and confidence to engage with global challenges, to learn the mechanics of diplomacy and governance, and to see themselves as future leaders—not only of Liverpool, but of the world.

As part of this partnership, I propose that Council assist in promoting the event to local schools, encouraging broad participation, and providing in-kind support valued at \$2,500 which will include the waiving of the Council Chambers hire fee and the promotion of the event as co-hosts.

This project aligns perfectly with our ongoing commitment to inclusive education, community partnerships and the development of the next generation of leaders. It will empower students with a deeper understanding of civic responsibility. It will build stronger relationships between Council, local schools, and the wider community.

I express thanks to Unity Grammar for their initiative, and I encourage my fellow Councilors to support this partnership, so that together we can help bring this wonderful opportunity to life in Liverpool.

I commend this Mayoral Minute to the chamber.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorses a partnership with Unity Grammar to co-host the 2025 Model Global Parliament (MGP) at the Liverpool Council Chambers;

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 23 April 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 21 May 2025

Chairperson

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Recognition of Superintendent Danny Doherty APM on his Retirement
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun
DATE: 23 April 2025

I move that Liverpool City Council formally acknowledges and congratulates Superintendent Danny Doherty APM on his retirement from the New South Wales Police Force after 40 years of distinguished service.

Superintendent Doherty commenced his policing career in January 1985, following three years of service in the Australian Army. Throughout his tenure, he held various roles across the state, culminating in his leadership of the Homicide Squad at State Crime Command. His dedication to justice and commitment to community safety have left an indelible mark on law enforcement in New South Wales.

While Superintendent Doherty's career encompassed numerous assignments, his connection to Liverpool is particularly noteworthy. His early years in the force included service at the Liverpool Police Station, where he worked closely with our community and contributed to local policing initiatives.

Superintendent Doherty's career intersected with our own CEO's career as they worked together in the late 80's at 32 Division (Auburn) and later as detectives in the South West Major Crime Squad.

His experiences in Liverpool helped shape his approach to policing, emphasizing community engagement and proactive crime prevention.

Superintendent Doherty's exemplary service has been recognized with the awarding of the Australian Police Medal, reflecting his outstanding contributions to law enforcement. His leadership, integrity, and commitment to public safety have set a standard for officers across the state.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council and our community, I extend our deepest gratitude to Superintendent Danny Doherty for his unwavering dedication and service. We wish him all the best in his retirement and future endeavours.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 03
SUBJECT: Incorporating NSW Government Planning Circular Guidelines into Council Assessment Procedures
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Background

On 7 April 2025, the NSW Government issued a planning circular in response to a persistent issue delaying the delivery of housing across the state: avoidable errors and inconsistencies in development approvals—often as simple as typos or unclear consent conditions—have been triggering unnecessary modification requests, delaying construction and diverting council resources.

The circular introduces a new procedural step requiring councils to provide draft conditions of consent to applicants of residential developments. This allows applicants a seven-day period to review and suggest corrections before a determination is issued. This collaborative, pre-consent review is intended to reduce delays caused by post-approval modifications that stem from minor administrative or technical oversights, thereby improving efficiency and certainty in the planning system.

This issue is particularly relevant to **Liverpool City Council**. As one of the fastest-growing areas in New South Wales and a major contributor to the state's housing supply pipeline, we are regularly tasked with assessing and determining complex and high-volume development applications.

The scale and pace of growth in Liverpool demand a planning system that is not only robust but also agile and responsive. Adopting a practical, applicant-inclusive step like the one outlined in the circular aligns with our commitment to being a modern, pro-housing, pro-community council.

While the state circular applies to developments with 30 or more dwellings, the principles behind it—collaboration, clarity, and pre-emptive resolution of minor issues—are equally valuable across all development types. Extending this approach to **all** DAs, regardless of size, will further streamline Liverpool's assessment processes and foster improved relationships with applicants, builders, and the wider community.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the NSW Government's planning circular issued on 7 April 2025, aimed at reducing delays in the DA process by introducing a pre-consent draft condition review for large developments.
2. Endorses the incorporation of the process outlined in the circular into Liverpool City Council's internal planning procedures for **all** development applications, not just those involving 30 or more dwellings.
3. Requests the CEO to update Council's DA assessment procedures to reflect this change, including a standard practice of issuing draft conditions of consent for a seven-day applicant review and feedback period prior to final determination.
4. Requests a briefing to Council within six months on the implementation of this procedure and its effectiveness in reducing delays and improving assessment outcomes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

1. Notes the NSW Government's planning circular issued on 7 April 2025, aimed at reducing delays in the DA process by introducing a pre-consent draft condition review for large developments.
2. Endorses the incorporation of the process outlined in the circular into Liverpool City Council's internal planning procedures for **all** development applications, not just those involving 30 or more dwellings.
3. Requests the CEO to update Council's DA assessment procedures to reflect this change, including a standard practice of issuing draft conditions of consent for a seven-day applicant review and feedback period prior to final determination.
4. Requests a briefing to Council within six months on the implementation of this procedure and its effectiveness in reducing delays and improving assessment outcomes.
5. Receive a briefing at the next Governance Meeting prior to the implementation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Harte left the Chamber at 7:15pm.

Clr Harle returned to the Chamber at 7.17pm

PLANNING & COMPLIANCE REPORTS

ITEM NO: PLAN 01

FILE NO: 043970.2025

SUBJECT: Planning Proposal - 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion:

Moved: Clr Harle

Seconded: Clr Macnaught

1. Notes the advice of the Liverpool Local Planning Panel;
2. Endorses “in principle” the Planning Proposal request to amend Schedule 1 of the *Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 (LLEP 2008)* to permit the use with development consent to facilitate the future development of a ‘service station’ at Lot 6 DP1217784, 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly;
3. Forwards the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI), pursuant to Section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* seeking Gateway Determination;
4. Subject to a Gateway Determination, undertakes public exhibition and community consultation in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway Determination and the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2022;
5. Subject to a Gateway Determination, endorses the public exhibition of the Draft Planning Agreement (**Attachment 4**) for a minimum of 28 days concurrently with the Planning Proposal pursuant to Clause 204 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021* and Section 7.5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*;
6. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report on the outcomes of the public exhibition period for both the Planning Proposal and Draft Planning Agreement; and
7. Delegates to the CEO (or delegate) to amend the draft Planning Proposal and attachments for any typographical and other minor errors / amendments if required.

That the recommendation be adopted.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Harle **Seconded:** Clr Adjei

- Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

1. Adopt the Draft Complaints and Compliments Management Policy.
2. Authorise the CEO to make minor amendments and updates to the Policy, including the preparation of any operational procedures on the basis that they do not materially change the intention of the Policy.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 116282.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report March 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That the Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

- Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 123275.2025
SUBJECT: Repairs to Macquarie Mall Water Feature

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council defer this item.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 7:52pm..
Clr Harte returned to the Chamber at 7:53pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01
FILE NO: 111349.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee held 4 March 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council receives and noted the Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee held on 4 March 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 122183.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Karnib - Infrastructure Grants

Please address the following:

1. Has Liverpool City Council returned any money to either the NSW State Government or the Federal Government that it received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021?
 - a. If so, how has this occurred?
 - b. If so, why has this occurred?
 - c. If so, what is the exact dollar figure of infrastructure grants that Liverpool Council has applied for and received from both State and Federal Governments?
 - i. From this sum, what is the exact dollar figure that Liverpool Council has returned to:
 - ii. NSW State Government
 - iii. Federal Government
 - d. If this has occurred, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA have not been able to commence or complete as a result of this?
2. If not, does Liverpool City Council intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal governments?
 - a. If so, why?
 - b. If so, what are the financial implications for Liverpool City Council?
 - c. If so, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA that had grant funding approved are now not able to commence?
 - d. If so, why has the funding grants received for infrastructure not been returned already?

Response from Operations

Consultation occurred with Council's Project Delivery, WSIG, Grants and Partnership and Development Engineering teams.

1. Council has not returned any money received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021.

2. Council does not intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal government.

Note: An updated response will be provided to the 21 May 2025 Council meeting as per memo dated 23rd April 2025.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 125651.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Approved Limits for Moorebank Intermodals

Question

1. Can Council collate and summarise the cumulative operational parameters and limits set under the relevant concept and staged approvals for the dual Moorebank Intermodals?

Response from Planning and Compliance

Council was not the consent authority for the Moorebank Intermodal Terminal. The application was assessed by the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) who are part of the Department of Planning and Environment (DPHI). Therefore, any queries regarding the parameters considered during the assessment should be directed to the DPHI who are the Consent Authority.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 125751.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Road Maintenance Modelling for Liverpool

Noting representation made in the Public Forum on 26 March 2025 regarding OPER 02 and Road Condition. Noting the forward projects of \$100mil plus and the backlog of \$52mil plus. Noting references to a "pavement management system software (SMEC PMS) and rating system".

Please address the following:

- (a) Can Operations list the date inputs for its pavement management and rating system?
 - i. Identifying them as desktop (digital) or surveyed (inspected & counted) inputs.
- (b) Can Operations advise if forecasting in this system and thus road condition assumptions and analysis are based on strategic models provided by state agencies; or hard traffic counts and pattern recognition?
- (c) If strategic models (SSTM and similar) provided by state agencies are not representative of much higher traffic growth in Liverpool, could that augment the pavement management and rating system, such that real world road condition is worse than the software assumes?
- (d) How often does Council undertake hard traffic counts?
- (e) Can Operations list all hard traffic counts from 2018 to the present by date location?

Response (provided by Operations and Planning and Compliance)

(a) Can Operations list the date inputs for its pavement management and rating system?

From 1993, Liverpool City Council has been using SMEC Pavement Management System (PMS) software for managing its road pavement network assets and rating system. Currently, National Transport Research Organisation (NTRO) is the new owner and sole supplier of the software in Australia. From this point in time LCC then input updated condition data and information relating to its road network on a cadence of 4-5 years. Each year LCC undertakes condition reports on 25% of its road network and therefore 100% of the road network is completed over a 4-year cycle.

i. Identifying them as desktop (digital) or surveyed (inspected & counted) inputs.

Council adopts a combination of desktop and survey methodology to the

management of its 991 km road network. As part of this approach, the Council also conducts regular physical site condition surveys of the entire road network once in 4-5 years cycle. Collected data is uploaded, analysed in the Pavement Management System (SMEC PMS) to generate long term works program based on various budgetary scenarios and operational constraints.

(b) Can Operations advise if forecasting in this system and thus road condition assumptions and analysis are based on strategic models provided by state agencies; or hard traffic counts and pattern recognition?

The International Study of Highway Development and Management (ISOHDM) is an internationally funded and executed project managed by the ISOHDM Project Secretariat based in Paris. ISOHDM developed a new suite of engineering/economic analysis software known as HDM-4. SMEC-PMS employs the HDM-4 tool to model, analyse, and predict future road deterioration patterns based on various road distress parameters such as structural cracking, rutting, and roughness etc. Council implemented the Pavement Management System (SMEC PMS), which is an integrated and formalised set of procedures, standards, and data for planning, implementing, and performance monitoring road network. This system provides a long-term, holistic view of whole life cycle road management by considering preventative maintenance and timely renewals/rehabilitations to ensure value for money. In addition, hard traffic counts are also conducted to understand traffic volumes that impact road condition.

(c) If strategic models (SSTM and similar) provided by state agencies are not representative of much higher traffic growth in Liverpool, could that augment the pavement management and rating system, such that real world road condition is worse than the software assumes?

As outlined above LCC uses both desktop and surveys to determine road conditions. This includes traffic counts to consider the uniqueness of Liverpool LGA.

(d) How often does Council undertake hard traffic counts?

Council undertakes hard traffic counts on demand based on the data request from internal stakeholders such as traffic and transport planning unit.

(e) Can Operations list all hard traffic counts from 2018 to the present by date location?

Following list outlines all hard traffic counts undertaken internally by Council from 2018 to the present by date location:

1. Ash Rd 2018/12/14
2. Bathurst St 2018/11/30

3. Festival St 2018/02/19
4. Jedda Rd 2018/12/14
5. Moore St 2018/11/30
6. St Johns St 2018/02/19
7. William Buckly Dr 2018/05/09
8. Memorial Ave 2018/12/05
9. Brain Avenue 2020/10/22
10. Casula Power House 2019/10/10
11. Christie St 2019/10/10
12. Feodore Dr 2020/10/22
13. Flynn Ave 2020/10/22
14. Hall Cct 2020/10/22
15. North of Powerhouse Rd 2019/10/10
16. Powerhouse Rd 2019/02/04
17. Regentville Dd 2020/10/22
18. Sixteenth Ave 2020/10/22
19. Weir Cres 2020/10/22
20. Cartwright Ave 2022/09/16
21. Greendale Rd 2020/10/22
22. Kingsford Smith 2020/10/22
23. Railway Serviceway 2022/09/16
24. Western Rd 2022/09/16
25. Kurrajong Rd various locations 2021/06/23
26. Martin Rd various locations 2021/09/22
27. Balanada St 2022/09/09
28. Green Valley Rd various locations 2022/07/25
29. Mannow Ave 2022/12/05
30. Margaret Dawson Dr 2022/12/05
31. Pacific Palm Cct 2022/12/05
32. Stanwell Cres 2022/02/23
33. George St(From Elizabeth St to Campbell St)Outside Church 2024/07/03
34. George St(From Elizabeth St to Campbell St)Outside Westfield 2024/07/03

35. George St(From Moore to Elizabeth St) 2024/07/02

36. George St(From Scott St to Railway St) 2024/07/03

37. George Street(from Railway to Moore) 2024/07/02

38. Kennedy St 2024/12/17

39. Macquarie St various locations 2024/06/17

40. Moore St from George to Bigge St 2024/07/03

41. Moore St from Moore St to Northumberland St Outside 98A 2024/07/03

Moreover, Council's Traffic and Transport team also collects Traffic data by engaging external consultants for reporting purposes.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 125902.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Traffic Modelling for Moore Point

Noting Council undertook Public Exhibition of RZ-6/2015 late last year, and that NSW DPHI has now taken over the assessment of this Planning Proposal under its newly established State Significant Rezoning pathway.

Please address the following:

- (a) Can Planning and Compliance advise if Council retained copies of all application and assessment materials?
- (b) Will Planning and Compliance be undertaking a post exhibition report to Council?
- (c) Can Planning and Compliance advise if DPHI will undertake its own exhibition under its new process; or if DPHI will merely undertake its assessment based solely on the submissions lodged with LCC via email and or its eplanning portal?
- (d) Can Planning and Compliance advise if it has thus made a submission to DPHI regarding RZ-6/215 under its newly established State Significant Rezoning pathway?
- (e) Have all necessary Directorates had sufficient time to review all the technical material; particularly for Flooding and Traffic? Has Council retained copies of:
 - Moore Point – Stage 2 Transport Infrastructure Assessment & TMAP (Aurecon)
 - Moore Point – TIWG – Minutes August 2021
 - Moore Point - Transport Infrastructure Staging (TfNSW Briefing) - 13 July 2022 Final
 - Any and All SIDRA modelling sitting behind RZ-6/2015

See Flood advisory panel recommendations- Moore Point_PP-2022-1602 (pp.26 – 28 of 28) RZ-6/2015 Appendix 21 (pp.22 & 25 of 30) and Appendix 19 (pp.25 – 26 & 65 of 85)

- (f) Has Council reviewed and assessed the above Stage 1 and Stage 2 Assessments?
- (g) Does Council have the necessary internal staff and expertise to access files and understand the SIDRA and AIMSUN Traffic Models for Moore Point and their implications?
- (h) Is Council aware that the intersection upgrades as presented are not fit for purpose and represent a decrease of existing capacity which is already operating at LoS F (failing)?

Responses to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 21 May 2025 Council agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 126072.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Biobanked Land in Liverpool LGA

Noting Council rating standards are set by IPART NSW except as relates to 'biobanked land'. Noting that Commonwealth Land is exempt from Council rates except where competitive neutrality arrangements, such as "taxation neutrality" and "regulatory neutrality" are "explicitly required for designated Commonwealth Businesses" under the CCNPS (1996). For example, Moorebank Intermodal Company Ltd, now National Intermodal Corporation Ltd and Western Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd.

Please address the following:

- (a) Can Council confirm if land set aside for biodiversity credits or 'bio banked land' is liable to pay local government rates (say based on unimproved value or similar) or are such lots and parcels exempt?
- (b) If exempt, please cite and supply the relevant legislation.
- (c) If not exempt, does Council maintain a registry of such parcels?
- (d) Can Council prepare a list of parcels of 'bio banked land' and the rate applied for each?
- (e) Has Council maintained a list of the specific 'bio banked' parcels created for the purpose of biodiversity offsets by MIC Ltd and WSA Co Ltd necessary to obtain approval for their respective projects?
 - I. Please provide said list and itemise the rates collected for each since their creation.

Responses to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 21 May 2025 Council agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 126131.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ibrahim - Park Cleaning Schedule and Safety Concerns

Can the Council provide details on how often the parks in Liverpool, are cleaned and maintained? Specifically:

1. What is the current cleaning schedule for parks?
2. How often are rubbish bins emptied, and general maintenance carried out?
3. Are there any plans to increase the frequency of cleaning or improve park maintenance in response to community concerns?
4. What measures are currently in place to address syringe disposal in parks?
5. Are there any plans to improve safety and implement additional measures, such as more regular inspections or disposal units?

Responses to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 21 May 2025 Council agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 126143.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ibrahim - Street Rubbish and Cleanliness in Liverpool

Please address the following:

1. Can the council outline the current street cleaning schedule for Liverpool, including residential areas, commercial precincts, and high traffic zones?
2. What measures are currently in place to address the growing issue of litter on our streets?
3. How many reports or complaints has the council received in the past 12 months regarding rubbish and illegal dumping?
4. What actions is the council taking to enforce anti littering laws, and how many fines or penalties have been issued in the past year?
5. Are there any plans to increase rubbish collection services, install additional bins in problem areas, or introduce more community education programs to reduce littering?
6. What measures is the council taking to address illegal dumping, and how effective have these measures been in reducing waste on our streets?
7. Are there plans to improve lighting in Liverpool's parks and public spaces to enhance community safety, particularly at night?

Responses to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 21 May 2025 Council agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 126137.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harle - Council's Strategic Plan

Council's Community Strategic Plan (CSP) sets out the key priorities and long-term aspirations for Liverpool. As is the case when a new council is elected, the next iteration of the CSP is currently being developed to ensure it meets the needs and aspirations of Council and the Liverpool community.

In addition to the CSP, Council holds several other strategies and plans which align with and are complimentary to the CSP. Many of these plans focus on target groups or areas which support Council in its planning and delivery of the many facets of Council operations.

With several new Councillors elected in this current term, and considering the raft of strategies and plans in place, it would be beneficial for Councillors to receive a listing of all the current plans and strategies which complement the CSP. This will allow our Council to be well-informed of the full suite of strategies and plans under which Council operates, and highlight the connection to Council's broader strategic position, key priorities, and long-term aspirations.

Please address the following:

1. Please provide a list of all relevant strategies and/or plans that complement the CSP, including the name, a brief description of their purpose, and validity dates of each.

Response (provided by City Futures)

A CSP workshop will be held on 13 May 2025 and a list of the strategies as requested will be provided at this workshop.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
 FILE NO: 113154.2025
 SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski

1. **Has there been a significant rise in negative sentiment towards the Council across various social media channels?**

Response (City Futures): Council measures the performance and sentiment of our social media and website platforms. This process gives valuable insights into how various issues and posts perform and helps Council's team communicate more effectively. For the past six months, the average of negative sentiment towards Council has been 20%. Some months record a higher percentage, and this can be easily attributed. For example, January had 44% negative sentiment, and this is attributed to the confusion over the second yellow recycling bin pick-up in the holiday period. Negative sentiment in February was 37% and was attributed to the negative perceptions about dumped shopping trolleys (even though Council was cleaning them up). In March, it returned to 23%, aligning with the average.

2. **Have posts relating to the Council on the Council's official social media pages had the comments disabled due to the negative nature of the feedback from the community?**

Response (City Futures): Most posts on Council's social media leave comments and responses open. Only a small number of official posts are closed to comments based on industry best practice. The social media guidelines are on Council's website and reproduced below for information:

Social Media Guidelines

Liverpool City Council's social media channels are designed to provide communication about Council services, initiatives, events, programs and news.

Council's primary communication is via Facebook and Instagram with select communications published through LinkedIn, YouTube and Tik Tok.

For a full list of Council's communication channels, [please](#) click here.

We've summarised below what you can expect from us and what we expect from you in the use of Council's social media channels.

What to expect from us

- *Social media monitoring: Monday to Friday from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm (excluding public holidays).*
- *Outside of these business hours, our staff do not moderate comments or respond to enquiries.*
- *Enquiries or requests of Council should be directed to our Customer Service*

Team through the following channels:

Phone: 1300 36 2170

Email: lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au

[Online](#)

Enquiries via social media

While we try to assist with simple questions or issues, many matters can't be resolved via social media.

You should contact Council online, by phone or in writing if you:

- have an enquiry
- need to request a service
- would like to give us official feedback
- wish to make a complaint
- want to understand more about our [Customer Service and Communication Policy](#).

For urgent issues or potential hazards, please call 1300 36 2170 (24/7).

Moderation of public comments

- Social media posts and comments must also adhere to that platforms' own community guidelines, user agreements and policies.
- Liverpool City Council does not accept responsibility for community comments – they are not representative of the opinions of the Council, nor do we make any warranty to their accuracy.
- Official communications such as those related to media releases, election information and announcements, public exhibitions and draft policies will be shared on Council's social media channels with comments turned off. If you wish to share your feedback about these communications, we ask that you do this through our Customer Service channels.
- Our team may hide or remove comments if they are considered to breach privacy or the guidelines listed under What we expect from you.
- We don't participate in Facebook groups or respond to any tagging within these groups.

What we expect from you

We support the Terms of Service and related policies of the social media platforms we participate in and request that visitors to our social media pages do the same.

Council's social media channels should be a safe space for everyone.

We encourage open discussion, and in order to create a positive and engaging environment for the community we ask all users to treat each other and our social media moderators with respect.

Users may disagree with an idea or a person's viewpoint; however, we ask you remain respectful when conveying that point of view.

Posts on Liverpool City Council's social media pages may be deleted or hidden as determined at Council's absolute discretion if they contain:

- violent, obscene, offensive, profane, hateful, derogatory, racist, homophobic or sexist language, links or images
- insults, threats or harassment of other users
- information that may compromise the safety or security of the public
- any discussion or promotion of behaviour that is unlawful
- comments that threaten or defame any person or organisation
- solicitations, advertisements, endorsements or spam
- off-topic posts by a single user
- repetitive posts copied and pasted or duplicated by single or multiple users
- any other inappropriate content or comments as determined by the Council.

When interacting with our social pages Council requests you:

- exercise courtesy
- are respectful to others at all times
- do not post personal addresses or phone numbers
- acknowledge that the Council cannot check the accuracy of every comment and does not take any responsibility for reliance on comments

Users who do not comply with these social media community guidelines will be **blocked** from the page at the absolute discretion of the Council.

Recordkeeping

Council may record information posted to any of its social media channels for Council purposes. This includes your public social networking account name.

Disclaimer

Although we take care in producing the content for social media, we do not guarantee that the information is accurate, complete or current, and that the data is free from defects.

We do not endorse or take responsibility for content posted by third parties. This is also the case if we like or follow a page. Commenting may be turned off on content shared from third parties.

3. Could Council's credibility and effectiveness in communicating essential information be affected during the Public Inquiry?

Response (Corporate Support):

This is unlikely to occur.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

4. Does Council measure its integrity with its ratepayers? If so, how is this measured? If not, why isn't this measured?

Response (Corporate Support):

As noted in answer to questions 1 and 2, positive sentiment is monitored.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 130557.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Clarification to responses for item QWN 03 - Financial Information from 26 March 2025 Council Meeting

Responses to these Questions with Notice will be provided in the 21 May 2025 Council agenda.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

- On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.
Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 8.21pm

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in Open Session at 8.40pm with all Councillors present.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

NIL.

MOTION OF URGENCY

Item: MOU 01

Subject: Continuous improvement of governance and processes

Clr Harte requested Mayor Mannoun accept a Motion of Urgency with regards to the continuous improvement of governance and processes. He stated it was urgent since the CEO has been recently appointed and would like to take this opportunity to set a better standard. Clr Harte stated that Council should always look at ways to improve Governance and processes and should also look at leading the way wherever possible.

In accordance with Clause 9.3 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, Mayor Mannoun ruled the above matter as urgent and was dealt with as shown below:

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion:

Moved: Clr Harte

Seconded: Clr Ammoun

That Council direct the new CEO to provide a list for recommendations to improve governance at the next council meeting or as soon as practicable.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Harte)

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Harte, Clr Macnaught and Clr Ammoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Karnib.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 092793.2025
SUBJECT: Motion to Standardise Representation in Council Advertisements

Background

Council advertisements have prominently featured the Mayor's image while neglecting to acknowledge the contributions of other councillors. This practice creates a perception that the Mayor operates independently of the Council, undermining our collective responsibility and teamwork.

Councillors are elected representatives of the community, and it is essential that constituents see the Council as a united body, rather than a hierarchy. By adopting this motion, we will ensure that all councillors receive equal recognition in all Council communications, reinforcing our commitment to transparency and collaboration.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That:

1. Council resolves to implement a policy regarding the use of photographs in Council advertisements and communications. Specifically:
 - (a) All advertisements and official communications featuring images of councillors must either include photographs of all serving councillors or refrain from including any photographs altogether.
 - (b) The inclusion of the Mayor's image in promotional materials should not dominate, as the Mayor does not possess presidential powers and should not be portrayed as the sole representative of the Council.
 - (c) This policy aims to ensure equitable representation of all councillors and to maintain the integrity of our collective governance, acknowledging that decisions and achievements are the result of collaborative efforts.
2. Council to review existing advertising practices and make necessary adjustments within two months of the adoption of this motion.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in this matter NOM 01 as this relates to his role as the Mayor of the City of Liverpool and is directly targeted in my role to be able to do his job and has a debt to the mover of the motion.

Mayor Mannoun will remain in the Chambers for the duration of this item and voting.

Motion of Dissent

On the ruling that point 1 is operational.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Ristevski)

Vote for: Clr Monaghan, Clr Ristevski, Clr Dr Green, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Harle

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei, Clr Harte and Clr Ammoun

Clr Macnaught called a Point of Order against Part 1(b)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Resolves to implement a policy regarding the use of photographs in Council advertisements and communications. Specifically:
 - (a) All collateral, promotional material, featuring images of councillors must either include photographs of all serving councillors or refrain from including any photographs altogether.
2. Review existing advertising practices and make necessary adjustments within two months of the adoption of this motion.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Ristevski)

Vote for: Clr Monaghan, Clr Ristevski, Clr Dr Green, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Harle

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei, Clr Harte and Clr Ammoun

Note: Mayor Mannoun states that he believes the motion is unworkable in its wording.

Foreshadowed motion: Moved: Cllr Adjei Seconded: Cllr Macnaught

That this matter be deferred for a workshop and thereafter brought back to a future Council meeting when the Media policy is tabled to Council for endorsement.

This motion is put forward in response to the expressed desires of our residents for increased transparency and accessibility in local governance.

Live streaming the public inquiry hearings would not only enhance transparency but also encourage civic engagement, allowing those who cannot attend in person to participate in the democratic process. This aligns with our commitment to fostering an open and accountable local government.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Ristevski **Seconded:** Clr Karnib

1. Writes to the Commissioner, Mr Ross Glover, requesting that the public inquiry hearings be live-streamed.
2. Reaffirm the commitment to accommodate as best as possible to ensure that the Council Chamber consisting of technology available to ensure that the inquiry can be live-streamed if permitted and appropriate.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Cost Efficiency: Current contractor rates for security services have proven to be significantly higher than the costs associated with employing security personnel directly. This motion seeks to analyse the financial impact and identify potential savings.

Community Engagement: Directly employed security personnel can foster better relationships with the community, enhancing the overall effectiveness of security measures and promoting public trust.

Flexibility and Responsiveness: Having a directly employed security team enables the Council to respond more swiftly to emerging security needs and to tailor services to specific local requirements.

By adopting this motion, Council will take a proactive step towards improving security services while ensuring responsible financial management for the betterment of our community.

That Council direct the Acting CEO that a report come back to the next Council meeting to explore the feasibility of employing security personnel directly, rather than continuing to contract security services at premium rates.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council direct the CEO that a report come back to the next budget meeting to explore the budget implications of employing security personnel directly, rather than continuing to contract security services.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED

Vote for: Clr Ristevski, Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun and Clr Ammoun

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 9.46pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 9.48pm

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 113309.2025
SUBJECT: Motion for Restructuring of the Illegal Waste Rangers Division

Background

Council acknowledges the ongoing challenges related to waste management and illegal dumping within our city. Despite the efforts of our current Illegal Waste Rangers Division, the persistent rubbish issues in Liverpool indicate that a fundamental change in approach is necessary to effectively address these concerns.

Ineffectiveness of Current Structure: The current model, which places the Illegal Waste Rangers in an office-based role focused on investigations and fines, has proven inadequate. The increasing volume of litter and illegal dumping suggests that enforcement alone is insufficient to change behaviours or improve overall waste management.

Community Impact: The visible presence of waste in our neighbourhoods not only affects the aesthetic of our city but also has negative implications for public health, the environment, and local businesses. Residents have expressed frustration regarding the lack of effective action against littering and illegal dumping.

Need for Proactive Measures: To create a cleaner Liverpool, we must shift our focus from solely reactive enforcement to proactive waste management strategies. This requires reassigning the Illegal Waste Rangers to work more closely with waste management services, allowing them to engage directly with the community, educate residents on proper waste disposal, and encourage responsible behaviours.

Field-Based Operations:** Deploying Rangers to actively patrol areas prone to illegal dumping, allowing them to address issues in real time and engage with the community.

By restructuring the Illegal Waste Rangers Division and integrating them into the Waste Management Department, we can create a more effective and holistic approach to tackling the rubbish issues plaguing Liverpool. This motion aims to foster a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable environment for all residents.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council agree:

1. That an audit be conducted to show the fines issued by the illegal waste rangers over the following periods:
 - a. 1st June 2018 to 1st March 2019.
 - b. 1st June 2024 to 1st March 2025.

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Ristevski **Seconded:** Clr Karnib

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 119205.2025
SUBJECT: Reducing Abandoned Shopping Trolleys through a Subsidised Personal Trolley Trial

Background

Abandoned shopping trolleys are a persistent environmental and amenity concern across the Liverpool Local Government Area (LGA). They contribute to visual pollution, obstruct public spaces and footpaths, block stormwater drains, and are often dumped in bushland and waterways. Despite regulatory compliance and trolley retrieval programs in partnership with retailers, the issue remains widespread and resource-intensive to manage.

In addition to traditional compliance efforts, a practical and socially responsive solution is proposed, providing residents with their own personal two wheeled shopping trolleys. Many residents, particularly pensioners and those without access to private transport, rely on supermarket trolleys to carry groceries home, leading to the unintended consequence of trolleys being taken off-site and later abandoned.

By enabling and encouraging the use of personal two-wheel shopping trolleys, Council can reduce the environmental impacts of abandoned trolleys, improve the local streetscape, and promote responsible behaviour in a supportive and proactive way.

Proposed Program Framework:

The initiative proposes that Council:

- Investigate and develop a trial program to supply up to 500 personal two-wheeler shopping trolleys to eligible residents at a subsidised rate, with a focus on pensioners and individuals without access to private transport.
- Consider funding options for this initiative, including:
 - A potential amendment to the charter of Council's Environment Levy to enable funding of this environmental program;
 - External funding sources such as applicable grants from the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) or other relevant State programs.
- Ensure the trolleys are of durable quality, including features such as:
 - Lightweight aluminium frames;
 - Rubber-tired metal wheels;
 - Canvas body;
 - Self-supporting upright design.
- Incorporate branding and messaging on the trolleys to reflect Council's support, including the Liverpool City Council logo and a message such as *"Your Environmental Levy at Work."*
- Prepare a report for Council outlining:
 - Implementation strategy for the trial including eligibility criteria, distribution

- method, and storage/handling;
- Estimated costs, funding sources and revenue from one-off user contributions;
- Community benefits and program evaluation criteria to assess effectiveness and potential for future expansion.

Review of the Environmental Levy Program

The Environmental Levy has been in place for approximately 25 years and has played an important role in funding bush regeneration and environmental restoration works within the Liverpool Local Government Area. As a restricted fund, the Levy must be used solely for the purposes for which it is collected, with a historical focus on bushland management.

While the Levy has delivered significant environmental benefits, a review is now timely to ensure that its objectives remain aligned with the evolving environmental and social needs of the community. Over the past two decades, the nature of environmental challenges facing local governments has broadened. Issues such as illegal dumping in waterways, biodiversity protection in urban settings, and community participation in sustainability have become increasingly prominent.

A review of the Environmental Levy would provide an opportunity to:

- Assess whether the current scope of the Levy meets contemporary environmental priorities;
- Consider expanding the scope to allow innovative and preventative environmental programs, such as initiatives to reduce urban waterways or promote behaviour change;
- Ensure the Levy reflects the changing environmental expectations of residents, including support for vulnerable groups to participate in sustainability;
- Enhance transparency and alignment with Council's broader strategic environmental objectives, including the Community Strategic Plan and Sustainability Action Plan;
- Maintain compliance with relevant legislative and financial governance requirements for restricted funds.

This review would ensure that the Levy continues to deliver meaningful environmental outcomes and remains responsive to the community's current and future needs.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Harle)

That Council:

1. Undertake a comprehensive review of Council's Environmental Levy to expand its uses for the greater benefit of the environment.
2. Investigate providing a suitable two-wheel shopping trollies for residents such as pensioners and those who have no easy economical means of taking their shopping home.

3. Provide a report to the May 2025 Governance Committee meeting on the cost-benefit analysis of implementing this proposal, including charging a suitable one-off fee for each trolley.
4. Utilise funds available from the Environmental Levy to implement the scheme, subject to any required amendments to the levy charter.
5. Investigate alternate funding sources such as the State Government and relevant grant programs from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
6. Write to local State Members of Parliament seeking support and potential for subsidising a similar scheme for Councils across New South Wales.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harle

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That the recommendation be adopted.

1. Undertake a comprehensive review of Council's Environmental Levy to expand its uses for the greater benefit of the environment.
2. Investigate providing a suitable two-wheel shopping trollies for residents such as pensioners and those who have no easy economical means of taking their shopping home.
3. Provide a report to the May 2025 Governance Committee meeting on the cost-benefit analysis of implementing this proposal, including charging a suitable one-off fee for each trolley.
4. Utilise funds available from the Environmental Levy to implement the scheme, subject to any required amendments to the levy charter.
5. Investigate alternate funding sources such as the State Government and relevant grant programs from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
6. Write to local State Members of Parliament seeking support and potential for subsidising a similar scheme for Councils across New South Wales.
7. Should this be enacted that after twelve months after the program that we reassess to make sure that we have achieved the goals that we set out to do.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 119364.2025
SUBJECT: Legal Fees and Expenses With Regards to Public Inquiry

Background

With Liverpool Council having just generated a \$11 million loss in its recent audited financial statements and current unrestricted cash reserves sitting at near zero, as Councillors we have a fiduciary duty to ensure that ratepayers money is used to its maximum benefit for the community.

The recent court case against the New South Wales government to prevent the public inquiry into Liverpool Council has not been the best usage of ratepayers' money and as such I propose the following:-

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council agree:

1. A report be given at the earliest possible Council meeting so that ratepayers are aware of the total legal fees and expenses and staff time in terms of dollars. The same report to also include the NSW Government legal fees that ratepayers will need to pay for losing the case.
2. Council's legal team seek advice whether these legal fees can be recovered personally from the Councillors that voted in favour of taking legal action against the New South Wales Government. This report to be tabled at the earliest possible Council meeting.

This item lapsed as there was no mover or seconder.

ITEM NO: NOM 07
FILE NO: 122788.2025
SUBJECT: Proposal to Show Waste Management Education Video Before Citizenship Ceremonies

Background

Community Awareness: As new citizens are welcomed into our community, it is crucial to instil a sense of responsibility towards maintaining a clean environment. An educational video can effectively communicate the importance of proper waste disposal and recycling practices.

Reinforcing Values: Integrating this video into citizenship ceremonies emphasizes the values of sustainability and civic responsibility that are central to our community ethos. It reinforces the idea that every citizen plays a role in preserving our local environment.

Educational Impact: A concise, engaging video can inform new citizens about local waste management services, recycling protocols, and initiatives aimed at reducing litter. Providing this information at the outset will empower citizens to contribute positively to our community.

Visual Engagement: Utilizing visual media will enhance understanding and retention of information, making it more likely that new citizens will adopt responsible waste management practices.

Positive Community Involvement: This initiative aligns with Liverpool Council's goals of promoting community involvement and environmental sustainability. It presents an opportunity to engage new citizens in discussions about local initiatives and encourage them to participate actively in keeping Liverpool clean.

Implementation:

The video should be approximately 5-7 minutes in length, suitable for viewing within the schedule of citizenship ceremonies. Collaboration with the local waste management authority to develop content that is relevant and informative.

Conclusion:

By adopting this motion, Council will take a proactive step towards fostering a culture of environmental responsibility among new citizens. This initiative will not only educate but also inspire a collective effort towards keeping Liverpool clean and vibrant.

ITEM NO: NOM 08
FILE NO: 125993.2025
SUBJECT: Search Dogs Sydney

Background

When a person is reported missing, every moment counts. The ability for search and rescue agencies to access relevant information swiftly is critical to the success of their efforts. One key resource in such investigations is CCTV footage, which may provide vital clues to a person's last known movements. By working to remove barriers to accessing this footage, particularly when held by Council, we can help support timely and effective responses to missing persons cases.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Macnaught)

That Council work with Search Dogs Sydney to understand their operational requirements for accessing Council-acquired CCTV footage in missing persons cases, and bring back a report to Council at the earliest opportunity outlining how this access could be facilitated and any associated costs.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Review the CCTV Policy and table to a future Governance Meeting; and
2. Work with Search Dogs Sydney to understand their operational requirements for accessing Council-acquired CCTV footage in missing persons cases.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division called: (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Harle, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei

Vote against: Clr Harle, Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Dr Green, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Karnib

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council review the Public Safety Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Policy and table to a future Governance Meeting.

Division called (for the foreshadowed motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 09
FILE NO: 130931.2025
SUBJECT: Restriction of Donations Outside Liverpool Local Government Area

Background

Considering the recent decision to allocate a \$20,000 donation to Lebanon, which has sparked considerable discontent among ratepayers, it is imperative that we address the priorities of our community. The previous urgency motion brought forth by Liberal Councillor Rachid Ammoun has highlighted the concerns of many residents who feel that their contributions should directly benefit the local area rather than be sent abroad.

Community Sentiment:** Recent feedback from ratepayers indicates a strong preference for funds to be utilised within the Liverpool LGA. Many residents feel that their rates should be invested in local projects that enhance community welfare, support local businesses, and address pressing issues within our own neighbourhoods.

Financial Accountability:** Allocating council funds to overseas donations raises questions about financial responsibility and prioritisation. The council has a duty to ensure that ratepayers dollars are spent where they can have the most direct and beneficial impact on the community.

Local Needs:** Liverpool is home to diverse challenges, including infrastructure issues, rubbish dumping concerns, and community development needs. By focusing our resources locally, we can address these challenges more effectively and foster a stronger, more resilient community.

Transparency and Trust:** Committing to local donations will enhance transparency in council decision-making and rebuild trust with ratepayers who feel their voices have been overlooked in recent decisions.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That:

1. Council prohibits any future donations from council funds to overseas entities or causes;
2. Council ensure that all donations are directed exclusively within the Liverpool Local Government Area (LGA) to support local community initiatives, charities, and organisations; and
3. The \$20,000 be returned from the following Councillors for missing Council meetings:

Mayor Mannoun	\$13,908.50	February half meeting and March full meeting
Councillor Adjei	\$1,408.50	February half meeting
Councillor Ammoun	\$1,408.50	February half meeting
Councillor Harte	\$1,408.50	February half meeting
Councillor Macnaught	\$1,408.50	February half meeting

4. Prepare a Councillor Workshop to inform the development of a policy responding to donations related to disaster/s

Mayor Mannoun declared a pecuniary and significant interest in the following item:

Reason: He is named in the motion and the consideration of pay docking or return of money for absences applies to him.

Clr Macnaught declared a pecuniary and significant interest in the following item:

Reason: She is named in the motion and the consideration of pay docking or return of money for absences applies to her.

Clr Harte declared a pecuniary and significant interest in the following item:

Reason: He is named in the motion and the consideration of pay docking or return of money for absences applies to him.

Clr Ammoun declared a pecuniary and significant interest in the following item:

Reason: He is named in the motion and the consideration of pay docking or return of money for absences applies to him.

Clr Adjei declared a pecuniary and significant interest in the following item:

Reason: He is named in the motion and the consideration of pay docking or return of money for absences applies to him.

Mayor Mannoun, Clr Harte Clr Ammoun Clr Adjei left the chamber at 10.33pm

Clr Harle as the Deputy Mayor became the Chairperson at 10.33pm.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 10.41pm and resumed as Chairperson.

Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei returned to the Chamber at 10.41pm

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

1. Informs the community of all similar overseas donations made previously and the circumstances they were made; and
2. Direct the CEO for a workshop to consider a Donations Policy.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 125857.2025
SUBJECT: Proposed dedication as Public Road of strips of Council land to provide access to Lot 101 DP 1213451 (1895 Camden Valley Way, Horningsea Park)
 DA-707/2022

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following:

Reason: Is a friend of the owner.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 10.57pm

Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor assumed the Chairperson.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.58PM BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 10.58pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 21 May 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 April 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Mannoun
 Deputy Mayor Harle
 Councillor Adjei
 Councillor Ammoun
 Councillor Dr Green
 Councillor Harte
 Councillor Ibrahim
 Councillor Karnib
 Councillor Macnaught
 Councillor Monaghan
 Councillor Ristevski
 Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
 Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
 Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
 Mr Tony Hadchiti, Commercial and Strategic Delivery Manager
 Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
 Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures
 Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
 Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel
 Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
 Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
 Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
 Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

OPENING

6.00pm

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

"In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and

(b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.”

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council was read by Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager, Civic and Executive Services.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONDOLENCES

NIL.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NIL.

2. Receives a further report at the June 2025 Council meeting to review public submissions and any associated changes.

The Foreshadowed motion lapsed as there was no seconder.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.40pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 21 May 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13 May 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 21 MAY 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr George Hampouris, Acting Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
Mr Shayne Mallard, Director City Futures
Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, Public Inquiry Lead
Mr Alex Nord, Senior Project Manager, WSIG Program
Ms Emily Tinson, Program Manager, WSIG Program
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Acknowledgement of Country, Prayer and Affirmation was read by Reverend Bruce Hammonds from Liverpool Presbyterian Church.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung by Ms Kelsey Newsome.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONDOLENCES

NIL.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harle

Seconded: Cllr Harte

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 April 2025 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 13 May 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting subject to the following amendment to the 23 April 2025 minutes:

- For the public forum section of the minutes held on 23 April 2025, amend the minutes to state that Dr Geha reserved his right to speak rather than he withdrew the item from the agenda.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following:

Item: CONF 05 - ST3371 - Legal Services Panel Tender.

Reason: One of the firms in the report is heavily involved in the Public Inquiry that Council is involved in.

Cllr Macnaught left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Cllr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following :

Item: CONF 05 - ST3371 - Legal Services Panel Tender.

Reason: One of the firms in the report is heavily involved in the Public Inquiry that Council is involved in.

Cllr Harte will left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Cllr Ammoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following :

Item: CONF 05 - ST3371 - Legal Services Panel Tender.

Reason: One of the firms in the report is heavily involved in the Public Inquiry that Council is involved in.

Cllr Ammoun will left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following :

Item: CONF 05 - ST3371 - Legal Services Panel Tender.

Reason: One of the firms in the report is heavily involved in the Public Inquiry into Liverpool City Council and is also major political donor.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber for the duration of this item.

Clr Ristevski declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 05 - ST3371 - Legal Services Panel Tender.

Reason: Clr Ristevski uses one of the proposed panel firms listed in the report.

Clr Ristevski left the Chamber for the duration of the item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Mr Carmine Colalillo** addressed Council on the following item:

Reilly Street and Webster Road Lurnea, damage to cars and accidents.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time to Mr Colalillo.

2. **Mr Sean Tubridy** addressed Council on the following item:

Council rate rise.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Congratulations to the new Pope, His Holiness Pope Leo XIV
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

I take this opportunity to formally acknowledge and congratulate His Holiness **Pope Leo XIV** on his recent election as the 267th occupant of the throne of St Peter as the new Pope and spiritual leader of the Roman Catholic Church.

This is a historic moment for Catholics around the world, including here in the City of Liverpool. Our city is proud to be home to a rich tapestry of faiths and cultures, and among them, the Roman Catholic community represents the largest religious affiliation in Liverpool.

According to the 2021 Census, **29.5% of Liverpool residents identified as Roman Catholic** — a clear reflection of the significant role the Catholic faith continues to play in the spiritual, cultural, and social life of our community.

From parish churches to local schools, Catholic institutions have contributed meaningfully to the life of our city for generations. The election of a new Pope is a deeply significant event for Catholics.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council and the residents of our great city, I extend our sincere congratulations to **Pope Leo XIV** and offer our prayers and best wishes for his pontificate.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Notes the election of the new Pope, His Holiness **Pope Leo XIV**;
2. Acknowledges the significance of this event for Liverpool's Catholic community; and
3. Sends formal congratulations to the Vatican on behalf of Liverpool City Council and the people of Liverpool, and extends an invitation to His Holiness to visit the City of Liverpool should he travel to Australia in the future.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

PLANNING & COMPLIANCE REPORTS

ITEM NO: PLAN 01

FILE NO: 155163.2025

SUBJECT: Report Back to Council: 2168 Children's Parliament - Funding Options

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Continue to identify funding sources recommended in the report; and
3. As per the report, item 2. II - Increase speed humps around shopping centres, to be funded from the festivals budget by reducing it by \$400,000 in the 25/26 financial year and allocating it towards this project.

The motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) lapsed due to no seconder. Therefore the amendment (moved by Clr Macnaught) became the motion and on being put to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

Amendment: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Continue to identify funding sources recommended in the report;
3. Direct the CEO to determine at the 3 or 6 month interval post implementation of the budget, that a report come back Council if there is an available funding source, in line with the reporting of the 2168 Children's Parliament; and
4. Formally advise the 2168 Children's Parliament of the resolution endorsed and the rationale applied.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

- Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 146562.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report April 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That the Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE**ITEM NO:** QWN 01**FILE NO:** 150166.2025**SUBJECT:** Question with Notice - Clr Karnib - Infrastructure Grants**Please address the following:**

1. **Has Liverpool City Council returned any money to either the NSW State Government or the Federal Government that it received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021?**
 - a. **If so, how has this occurred?**
 - b. **If so, why has this occurred?**
 - c. **If so, what is the exact dollar figure of infrastructure grants that Liverpool Council has applied for and received from both State and Federal Governments?**
 - i. **From this sum, what is the exact dollar figure that Liverpool Council has returned to:**
 - ii. **NSW State Government**
 - iii. **Federal Government**
 - d. **If this has occurred, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA have not been able to commence or complete as a result of this?**

Response

Council has not returned any money received from infrastructure grants since 1 July 2021.

In May 2024, Council withdrew its funding application to the NSW Road Safety Program due to uncertainty regarding delivery costs.

In July 2024, funding was offered for six projects under the Federal Black Spot Program. Council accepted funding for five projects, but initially did not accept the funding for works on Devonshire Road due to a significant shortfall. Since then, the Operations Directorate has engaged with TfNSW Program Managers and has now accepted the funding as originally offered. TfNSW has advised Council to submit a variation request to address the shortfall, which will be considered subject to Ministerial approval. TfNSW has also verbally confirmed its intention to provide additional funding to cover the gap.

Council's grants team has implemented new processes for the submission and management of grants, which includes a mandate for accurate project costings prior to a bid being made for a grant. Council's Delivery Management Framework (DMF) is

now the mandated framework for developing project costs.

2. **If not, does Liverpool City Council intend to return back any infrastructure funding from either state or federal governments?**
 - a. **If so, why?**
 - b. **If so, what are the financial implications for Liverpool City Council?**
 - c. **If so, what specific projects by title and area in the Liverpool LGA that had grant funding approved are now not able to commence?**
 - d. **If so, why has the funding grants received for infrastructure not been returned already?**

Response

Refer to response to Q1 - Not applicable.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 150519.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Traffic Modelling for Moore Point

Noting Council undertook Public Exhibition of RZ-6/2015 late last year, and that NSW DPHI has now taken over the assessment of this Planning Proposal under its newly established State Significant Rezoning pathway.

Please address the following:

- (a) Can Planning and Compliance advise if Council retained copies of all application and assessment materials?
- (b) Will Planning and Compliance be undertaking a post exhibition report to Council?
- (c) Can Planning and Compliance advise if DPHI will undertake its own exhibition under its new process; or if DPHI will merely undertake its assessment based solely on the submissions lodged with LCC via email and or its eplanning portal?
- (d) Can Planning and Compliance advise if it has thus made a submission to DPHI regarding RZ-6/215 under its newly established State Significant Rezoning pathway?
- (e) Have all necessary Directorates had sufficient time to review all the technical material; particularly for Flooding and Traffic? Has Council retained copies of:
 - Moore Point – Stage 2 Transport Infrastructure Assessment & TMAP (Aurecon)
 - Moore Point – TIWG – Minutes August 2021
 - Moore Point - Transport Infrastructure Staging (TfNSW Briefing) - 13 July 2022 Final
 - Any and All SIDRA modelling sitting behind RZ-6/2015

See Flood advisory panel recommendations- Moore Point_PP-2022-1602 (pp.26 – 28 of 28) RZ-6/2015 Appendix 21 (pp.22 & 25 of 30) and Appendix 19 (pp.25 – 26 & 65 of 85)

- (f) Has Council reviewed and assessed the above Stage 1 and Stage 2 Assessments?
- (g) Does Council have the necessary internal staff and expertise to access files and understand the SIDRA and AIMSUN Traffic Models for Moore Point and their implications?
- (h) Is Council aware that the intersection upgrades as presented are not fit for purpose and represent a decrease of existing capacity which is already operating at LoS F (failing)?

Responses (provided by Planning and Compliance)

(a) Can Planning and Compliance advise if Council retained copies of all application and assessment materials?

Councils e-Planning portal includes all publicly available documents for the updated Planning Proposal for Moore Point. Please refer to the below link:

<https://eplanning.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/Pages/XC.Track/SearchApplication.aspx?id=301284>

(b) Will Planning and Compliance be undertaking a post exhibition report to Council?

In December 2024, Council received correspondence from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) that the Planning Proposal for Moore Point had been approved to progress as a State-assessed Rezoning Proposal under the NSW Government's State Significant Rezoning Policy. In short, this means the DPHI will lead assessment and subsequent determination of the Planning Proposal rather than Council.

Given that the DPHI will now lead the assessment and subsequent determination of the Planning Proposal for Moore Point, Planning and Compliance will no longer be preparing a Post-Exhibition Report for Council consideration.

Planning and Compliance will however continue to provide updates to the Mayor and Councillors on the DPHI assessment of the Moore Point Planning Proposal as required.

(c) Can Planning and Compliance advise if DPHI will undertake its own exhibition under its new process; or if DPHI will merely undertake its assessment based solely on the submissions lodged with LCC via email and or its eplanning portal?

As the designated Consent Authority for the Moore Point Planning Proposal, DPHI will determine how the post-exhibition assessment of the Planning Proposal will proceed.

(d) Can Planning and Compliance advise if it has thus made a submission to DPHI regarding RZ-6/215 under its newly established State Significant Rezoning pathway?

The DPHI invited Liverpool City Council to make a Post-Exhibition submission on the Moore Point Planning Proposal.

Planning and Compliance subsequently submitted a Post-Exhibition submission on the Moore Point Planning Proposal to DPHI for their consideration on 11 April 2025. Submission is attached to the Council report in the Agenda for your information.

- (e) **Have all necessary Directorates had sufficient time to review all the technical material; particularly for Flooding and Traffic? Has Council retained copies of:**
- Moore Point – Stage 2 Transport Infrastructure Assessment & TMAP (Aurecon)
 - Moore Point – TIWG – Minutes August 2021
 - Moore Point - Transport Infrastructure Staging (TfNSW Briefing) - 13 July 2022 Final
 - Any and All SIDRA modelling sitting behind RZ-6/2015

Council continues to work collaboratively with the NSW Government and the Joint Landowners Group on the provision of infrastructure and contributions funding for the Precinct. There are also several other aspects of the Planning Proposal which are yet to be fully resolved, including flooding and evacuation, transport and infrastructure, open space provision and urban design refinements.

- (f) **Has Council reviewed and assessed the above Stage 1 and Stage 2 Assessments?**

Yes, Council has reviewed these assessments.

- (g) **Does Council have the necessary internal staff and expertise to access files and understand the SIDRA and AIMSUN Traffic Models for Moore Point and their implications?**

This is an operational matter. Generally, when Council does not have the necessary staff and in-house expertise for a component of the assessment, an external expert will be engaged to carry out the assessment.

- (h) **Is Council aware that the intersection upgrades as presented are not fit for purpose and represent a decrease of existing capacity which is already operating at LoS F (failing)?**

Council is aware that current intersection layouts and previously tested designs operate at LoS F. Revised designs are currently being prepared and will be tested using a revised base model.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 150547.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Biobanked Land in Liverpool LGA

Noting Council rating standards are set by IPART NSW except as relates to 'biobanked land'. Noting that Commonwealth Land is exempt from Council rates except where competitive neutrality arrangements, such as "taxation neutrality" and "regulatory neutrality" are "explicitly required for designated Commonwealth Businesses" under the CCNPS (1996). For example, Moorebank Intermodal Company Ltd, now National Intermodal Corporation Ltd and Western Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd.

Please address the following:

- (a) Can Council confirm if land set aside for biodiversity credits or 'bio banked land' is liable to pay local government rates (say based on unimproved value or similar) or are such lots and parcels exempt?
- (b) If exempt, please cite and supply the relevant legislation.
- (c) If not exempt, does Council maintain a registry of such parcels?
- (d) Can Council prepare a list of parcels of 'bio banked land' and the rate applied for each?
- (e) Has Council maintained a list of the specific 'bio banked' parcels created for the purpose of biodiversity offsets by MIC Ltd and WSA Co Ltd necessary to obtain approval for their respective projects?
 - I. Please provide said list and itemise the rates collected for each since their creation.

Response (provided by Operations)

Stewardship sites (previously referred to as biobank sites) are shown in the map available from [Biodiversity Stewardship Agreement Public Map](#). The stewardship sites in the Liverpool LGA are:

- M7 West, 31.22 hectares,
- Kemps Creek Biobanking Agreement, 19.37 hectares,
- Cecil Park South East & Chandos West, 23.20 hectares,
- Moorebank Intermodal Terminal Biobanking Agreement, 111 hectares,
- Middleton Grange, 91 hectares.

All the land identified above is owned by the Crown (NSW State Government) or the Commonwealth (Federal Government). Council has no legal ability to levy rates under the Local Government Act 1993 on either the Crown or the Commonwealth unless the land has a lease for private purposes. These properties are all vacant.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 150598.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ibrahim - Park Cleaning Schedule and Safety Concerns

Can the Council provide details on how often the parks in Liverpool, are cleaned and maintained? Specifically:

1. What is the current cleaning schedule for parks?
2. How often are rubbish bins emptied, and general maintenance carried out?
3. Are there any plans to increase the frequency of cleaning or improve park maintenance in response to community concerns?
4. What measures are currently in place to address syringe disposal in parks?
5. Are there any plans to improve safety and implement additional measures, such as more regular inspections or disposal units?

Response (provided by Operations Directorate)

1. What is the current cleaning schedule for parks?

Council's Parks teams litter pick when servicing parks and open space assets as part of servicing. Council's Parks teams are working in line with our Red Book Program where higher and larger use assets are serviced more frequently than lower and smaller use assets.

For example:

- Chipping Norton Lakes would be cleaned 2 times per week across all parks and amenities.
- Casula Parklands would be cleaned once per week.
- Cirrillo Reserve and Stante Water Park would be cleaned 2 times per week across all parks and amenities.
- Hammondville Oval would be once every 3 weeks.
- Ida Kennedy Park would be once per week.
- Miller Park would be twice per week.
- Durak Park would be once per week.
- Durrant Oval would be twice per week.
- Cecil Hills Lake would be once every 3 weeks.
- Cameron Park would be once per week.

Council notes that litter pick does not include rubbish bins being emptied, as these have a higher frequency. Secondly, this does not consider any additional servicing based on specific community, cultural or sporting special events, nor any customer service requests.

2. How often are rubbish bins emptied, and general maintenance carried out?

Council Waste team is responsible for emptying of rubbish bins at parks. The frequency varies and is based on usage. Council's Parks & Facilities team conducts playground inspections and responds to customer requests for maintenance.

For example:

- Chipping Norton Lakes bins are serviced Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Wednesday.
- Casula Parklands bins are serviced Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday
- Cirrillo Reserve and Stante Water Park bins are serviced Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Wednesday.
- Hammondville Oval bins are serviced Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday.
- Ida Kennedy Park bins are serviced Wednesday and Sunday.
- Miller Park bins are serviced Saturday and Sunday.
- Durak Park bins are serviced Tuesday.
- Durrant Oval bins are serviced Wednesday.
- Cecil Hills Lake bins are serviced Saturday, Sunday and Thursday.
- Wattle Grove Lake bins are serviced Wednesday, Friday and Monday.

3. Are there any plans to increase the frequency of cleaning or improve park maintenance in response to community concerns?

Yes. Additional capacity commenced 4 weeks ago with the introduction of the Edmondson Park Crew. The plan for FY25/26 is to add another Crew (1 team leader + 3 operatives) and 2 Agile Crew Operatives and 2 Weed Management Operative Positions with commensurate plant and equipment. The work pattern for these crews will be different to increase coverage across a 7-day week and to utilise plant and equipment from different work pattern crews. This will increase asset utilisation and reduce CapEx requirements.

4. What measures are currently in place to address syringe disposal in parks?

Sharps containers are installed in parks and public spaces on an as-needs basis, informed by maintenance crews reports of needles being left behind.

However, there are known challenges with permanent installations of sharps disposal units. In some locations, these containers have unfortunately attracted drug use rather than reducing it. There have also been safety concerns, particularly when containers are not emptied daily. In some instances, units have been torn from walls by individuals attempting to access small amounts of residual substances left in the syringes, which poses further risk to public safety and Council workers.

5. Are there any plans to improve safety and implement additional measures, such as more regular inspections or disposal units?

To address these challenges, Council continues to explore a combination of targeted placement, increased monitoring, and collaboration with NSW Police and health and outreach services to ensure community safety is balanced with responsible harm minimisation.

Additional CCTV, lighting and removal of coverage in locations continues to occur.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 150641.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ibrahim - Street Rubbish and Cleanliness in Liverpool

Please address the following:

1. Can the council outline the current street cleaning schedule for Liverpool, including residential areas, commercial precincts, and high traffic zones?
2. What measures are currently in place to address the growing issue of litter on our streets?
3. How many reports or complaints has the council received in the past 12 months regarding rubbish and illegal dumping?
4. What actions is the council taking to enforce anti littering laws, and how many fines or penalties have been issued in the past year?
5. Are there any plans to increase rubbish collection services, install additional bins in problem areas, or introduce more community education programs to reduce littering?
6. What measures is the council taking to address illegal dumping, and how effective have these measures been in reducing waste on our streets?
7. Are there plans to improve lighting in Liverpool's parks and public spaces to enhance community safety, particularly at night?

Response (provided by Operations Directorate)

- 1. Can the council outline the current street cleaning schedule for Liverpool, including residential areas, commercial precincts, and high traffic zones?**

Please refer to the details outlined in April Council Report – OPER 01 – Review of Street Sweeping Program.

- 2. What measures are currently in place to address the growing issue of litter on our streets?**

Currently waste have the following litter crews, removing the growing amount of dumped rubbish and litter on the street

Please refer to the details outlined in April Council Report – OPER 01 – Review of Street Sweeping Program.

3. How many reports or complaints has the council received in the past 12 months regarding rubbish and illegal dumping?

Council has received 4131 requests in 2024 and 1422 complaints from January 1, 2025.

4. What actions is the council taking to enforce anti littering laws, and how many fines or penalties have been issued in the past year?

No fines have been issued for litter, as the person must be filmed and caught in the act of littering. Fines have been issued for Illegal dumping due to footage from residents and the collection of required evidence.

5. Are there any plans to increase rubbish collection services, install additional bins in problem areas, or introduce more community education programs to reduce littering?

Currently Waste operations are working towards lifting kerbside collections to 245 per day. Also, the waste service delivery unit have increased bins collections through the addition of an extra crew on weekends to service higher frequented and larger areas and parks.

Council's Waste Education team continues to educate primary and secondary school age children, as part of our existing schools education program. This program focusses on behaviours such as the importance of making sure that waste is disposed of correctly i.e., in the correct bin, and the reduction of littering, generally. Illegal Waste Rangers also undertake patrols, talk to the community and provide education paraphernalia for areas that are known for public littering. Furthermore, Council can confirm that we are in the process of developing series of presentations and short films to inform residents of obligations around litter.

6. What measures is the council taking to address illegal dumping, and how effective have these measures been in reducing waste on our streets?

To address illegal waste and improper household waste collection practices, Council employs two Illegal Waste Rangers. These officers proactively patrol the LGA engage with residents to address non-compliant household collections and take enforcement actions when necessary to deter illegal dumping. This requires the collection of evidence and is part of our broader strategy to reduce waste-related issues and promote cleaner streets.

7. Are there plans to improve lighting in Liverpool's parks and public spaces to enhance community safety, particularly at night?

Council continues to explore options of lighting and CCTV to improve community safety. This will be part of ongoing CapEx within each financial year.

Clr Ammoun left the Chamber at 7:12pm.

ITEM NO: QWN 06

FILE NO: 151162.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Dr Green - Election Campaign Materials and Cost to Council

Background

Throughout the recent Federal Election the level of resident complaints of illegally placed political signage on public and Council property, screwed or nailed into trees, placed on roundabouts and other locations which risked driver distraction markedly increased.

Various state and federal legislation and regulations, including government agencies such as transport are widely available to enable candidates in any election to display their posters.

Can Council please advise:

1. The number of printed political signs placed illegally Council removed over the election period.
2. The locations illegal signs were removed from.
3. The cost to Council to remove the illegal signs including
 - a. the number of days/occasions allocated to illegal sign removal
 - b. Staff cost
 - c. Council truck/vehicle cost and
 - d. The front-line service to residents, the truck and staff were re-deployed from to collect illegally placed signs.
 - e. Cost of disposal of illegally placed signs.
4. The number of fines issued and, if not why.

Responses (provided by Planning and Compliance and Operations)

- 1. The number of printed political signs placed illegally Council removed over the election period.**

Council estimates 600 to 800 posters were collected over two to three weeks during the election period.

- 2. The locations illegal signs were removed from.**

Council advises these signs were collected across the LGA from public assets owned by Council such as roundabouts, verges, parks, bridges and open spaces.

3. The cost to Council to remove the illegal signs including

a. the number of days/occasions allocated to illegal sign removal

Council collected signs over two to three weeks prior to the election.

b. Staff cost

Staff conducted morning sweeps of reported areas but still performed their normal duties.

c. Council truck/vehicle cost and

Staff utilised vehicles that are used as part of their normal duties.

d. The front-line service to residents, the truck and staff were re-deployed from to collect illegally placed signs.

Teams came from Facilities Management. They included on call staff and trades staff.

e. Cost of disposal of illegally placed signs.

Council has stored the signs. Parties have collected these periodically. No cost has been incurred in disposal at this point in time.

4. The number of fines issued and, if not why.

Council did not issue fines for vehicles or trailers displaying election signs. These matters were managed under the *Public Spaces (Unattended Property) Act 2021*.

Unattended vehicles and trailers displaying election signs had not yet reached the required notification period before a fine could be lawfully issued under the legislation.

Council did not issue fines for other election signs.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 151851.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - Code of Conduct Complaints

CORP 01 from the 26 March 2025 Council meeting revealed that there were 67 code of conduct complaints outstanding.

Can the following please be addressed:

1. Can an update please be provided on the status of each code of conduct complaint?
2. When can Council expect each code of conduct complaint be presented to us for consideration?
3. Given this is an emerging governance issue, what measures have been undertaken to improve the quality and speed of the investigations?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1. The Code of Conduct Procedures specify the steps to be followed when dealing with Code of Conduct complaints; they identify who should be updated on individual complaints, by whom and at what stage. It is not consistent with the Code of Conduct Procedures to provide interim updates to Council's governing body on the status of each complaint.
2. Council's governing body is given a role under clauses 7.46 to 7.61 of the Code of Conduct Procedures. This stage is only reached where a complaint proceeds to investigation and the investigator produces a final investigation report which identifies a breach of the Code of Conduct and recommends, in the case of a breach by a councillor, censure or censure and referral to OLG. It is not appropriate to prejudge the outcome of the complaints process by predicting whether individual complaints will result in that stage being reached.
3. On 7 May 2025, Council had received 92 complaints in the reporting period. Council is dealing with the volume of complaints efficiently in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Conduct Procedures and within available resources. Council has established a panel of conduct reviewers to carry out preliminary assessments and investigations under the Code of Conduct Procedures. Council can also access conduct reviewers through a State Government panel. Council is engaging firms as needed to respond to complaints in accordance with the Code of Conduct Procedures.

ITEM NO: MOU 01

SUBJECT: Election Campaign Materials and Costs to Council

Clr Dr Green stated it was urgent as it's important moving forward that Council deal with the issue swiftly and robustly and for public safety.

In accordance with Clause 9.3 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, the Chairperson, Mayor Mannoun, on the issue of safety ruled the item as urgent and as such it was dealt with as shown below:

Motion:

Moved: Clr Dr Green

Seconded Clr Adjei

That Council:

1. Issuing Council's existing Advertising and Signage Policy to address any/all identified gaps in the current Policy related to:
 - (a) Placement of advertising and election materials including corflutes, banners or other paraphernalia on Council property;
 - (b) Any re-placement of advertising and election materials where Council has removed the offending materials with a 24-36 hour timeframe;
 - (c) Prohibition of screwing and/or nailing signage to trees;
 - (d) Prohibition of any signage or election material that is secured by wooden stakes; in the ground, on grass verges and nature strips; and
 - (e) Placement of signage at intersections and roundabouts which contribute to driver distraction and risk safety of other road users and pedestrians.
2. Policy mandate the immediate issuing of allowable fines for breaches of the policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7.31pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, resumed the meeting at 7.49pm in open session with all Councillors present except Mayor Mannoun.

ITEM NO: CORP 04
FILE NO: 151329.2025
SUBJECT: FY 2024/25 - Quarter 3, Budget Review

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council approves the identified budget variations in accordance with this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CTTE 07
FILE NO: 159775.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 13 May 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That this item be deferred to the end of the meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

This item was dealt with at the end of the meeting.

PRESENTATION BY COUNCILLORS

Presentation by Cllr Ristevski was deferred to the end of the meeting.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 136376.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion to Endorse a Single Minimum Lot Width of 20 Metres for Dual Occupancies in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone

Background

The rapid growth and development within the Liverpool area have led to significant challenges for our community. While we recognise the need for housing and increased density, the current regulations have contributed to overdevelopment, resulting in:

Increased Parking Issues: The rise in dual occupancies has led to insufficient parking availability, causing congestion on our streets and reducing the overall liveability of our neighbourhoods.

Reduced Quality of Life: Many residents feel that the high density of developments has turned our community into an overcrowded environment, where homes are built too close together. This has led to concerns about privacy, noise, and the overall aesthetic of our suburbs.

Community Safety and Wellbeing: The perception of living in an "open prison" has grown among residents, highlighting the need for more open space and less dense living conditions to foster community cohesion and well-being.

Having a minimum lot width of 20 metres will provide better separation between dwellings, enhancing privacy, reducing noise and will create more space for adequate parking solutions, alleviating current congestion. It will also support a more sustainable and balanced approach to residential development that aligns with community expectations and needs.

This motion will ensure that our residential areas remain liveable, safe, and community oriented. This change will help preserve the character of our suburbs while accommodating necessary growth in a responsible manner.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council adopts a minimum lot width of 20 metres for dual occupancies in the R2 Low Density Residential Zone.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

Due to no Secunder the motion lapsed.

A proactive approach is necessary to preserve the visual and environmental integrity of Liverpool.

1. Recognises the community concerns and frustrations regarding the visual pollution caused by election posters on public property, as well as the damage to natural vegetation resulting from their placement.
2. Notes that election posters often contribute to visual clutter, detracting from the aesthetic appeal of our city and impacting the natural environment.
3. Supports the development and implementation of a policy ahead of future election campaigns to prohibit the placement of election posters on all public property within Liverpool LGA, including roadsides, parks and other council-managed land.
4. Communicate this policy to all political parties, candidates, and relevant stakeholders prior to upcoming elections.
5. Further resolves to review and monitor the effectiveness of this policy post-implementation and to consider community feedback for ongoing improvements.

Motion: **Moved:** **Seconded:**

Clr Ristevski withdrew this item as a similar motion was dealt with earlier in the meeting as a Motion of Urgency.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 151069.2025
SUBJECT: Council Membership of and Participation on the Local Government
 Multicultural Anti Racism Network

Background

Networking and cooperation are fundamental principles essential to achieving better outcomes in policy areas where cross portfolio work is required and where the engagement of multiple levels of government, community-based services and stakeholders working in collaboration is enlisted in tackling difficult or complex policy and social problems.

A crucial element of collaborative work is the knowledge and expertise of those working on the ground, at the grass-roots level. Knowing how the system works, what doesn't, where the gaps are, where the system is broken and what impact this may have on people's lived experience is critical in responding to and addressing system barriers and challenges.

This practice knowledge can make significant contributions to government policies and services.

Local Government Multicultural Network is an independent network made up of community development multicultural workers from NSW Councils. Membership includes Council staff, Local Government NSW and other State Government stakeholders.

Liverpool LGA comprises of up to 140 cultural groups. Council community development staff are highly experienced in working with diverse communities and in knowing the gaps in policy and services delivery that can create barriers to better access for people and families of the support and assistance they need.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Dr Green)

That Council resume membership of Local Government Multicultural Network and contribute Council's community development worker knowledge and expertise in the networks collaborative efforts in advocacy, policy development to improve best practice in services and support to Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities and stakeholders in NSW.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 8.07pm and resumed as Chairperson.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 120538.2025

SUBJECT: Governor Macquarie Drive and Hume Highway Intersection Upgrade Works

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Dr Green

That Council:

1. Approves, for the purposes of the tendering requirements under s.55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, the engagement of Jemena Gas Networks (NSW) Ltd to undertake remediation and relocation of their assets as a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - Jemena Gas Networks (NSW) Ltd is the owner of their assets.
 - Jemena Gas will need to approve the modification, remediation and relocation works of their assets, and
 - it would be impractical for Council to procure a supplier and then seek Jemena's approval for the works.
2. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 150057.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 28 April 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council notes the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 28 April 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

1. Approve creation of a 6m wide drainage easement within Lot 1 DP 1257931, 62 Kelly Street, Austral on the terms outlined in this report.
2. Confirms that it has no objection to the compulsory acquisition by agreement of a 6m wide drainage easement by Sydney Water within Lot 1 DP 1257931, 62 Kelly Street, Austral under Section 30 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991
3. Upon receipt of compensation funds from Sydney Water transfer the amount of \$93,000 plus GST and disturbance costs to the S7.11 Contributions Plan Austral / Leppington precinct for the future embellishment of Local Sports Field No. 1 which Lot 1 DP 1257931 forms part of.
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute any documents necessary to give effect to these decisions.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 136187.2025
SUBJECT: Tender Report - WT3372 Lighthorse Park Early Works (Carpark Construction)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender from The Civil Experts Pty Ltd T/as TCE Contracting for WT3372 - Lighthorse Park - Early Works Civil and Car Park Construction Works at the GST inclusive price of \$5,371,264.83.
2. Makes public its decision regarding tender WT3372 - Lighthorse Park Early Works (Civil and Construction).
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.
4. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

5. Notes that this report has been brought to Council because the Chief Executive Officer's instrument of delegation, approved by Council in accordance with the current provisions of section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993, only permits the Chief Executive Officer to approve (and not to reject) tenders up to a value of \$2 million. Therefore, subclauses 178(3) and 178(4) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2021 require a decision not to accept any of the tenders for a proposed contract to be made by way of a Council resolution.
6. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
7. Authorises the CEO or delegate to take any action necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Ristevski were not in the Chamber when the item was voted on.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 8:24pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 8:24pm.

Clr Ristevski returned to the Chambers at 8:24pm.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chamber at 8.24pm and resumed as the Chairperson.

ITEM NO: CONF 06

FILE NO: 152781.2025

SUBJECT: Holsworthy Pool Redevelopment Response

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Clr Dr Green **Seconded:** Clr Adjei

That Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 8.26pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed in open session at 8.40pm with all Councillors present

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 13 May 2025.
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes with the exception to the Committee recommendation to item 2 – Revised Media Policy, point 4 placing the Media Policy for 28 days on public exhibition.

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harle, Clr Harte and Clr Macnaught.

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Chairperson

Mayor Mannoun left the Chamber at 8.56pm and Clr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, became the Chairperson.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

Clr Ristevski made a presentation on his recent trip to Hong Kong for the 5th Annual Aerotropolis Conference on the 7th and 8th May 2025.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.00PM BY DEPUTY MAYOR HARLE.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 18 June 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21 May 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green (online)
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Ms Michelle Mcilvenny, Director Customer Experience & Business Performance
Ms Hiba Soueid, Manager City Strategy and Performance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, Public Inquiry Lead
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Mr Mark Hannan, Manager City Planning
Mr Michael Zengovski, Manager Environment
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.34 of Council's
Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the
persons attending this meeting that:

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Chairperson

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Acknowledgement of Country,
Affirmation of Council and prayer was read
by Father Anthony Morgan from St George
and Prince Tadros Coptic Orthodox Church.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Michaela Ann Ellington from Miller Technology High School performed the Australian National Anthem.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTE

Clr Dr Green has requested permission to attend this meeting via MS Teams.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Clr Dr Green be granted permission to attend the meeting via MS Team.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

APOLOGIES

NIL

CONDOLENCES

NIL.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Tribute to Professor Les Bokey AM
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Liverpool aspires to be a centre of innovation, and Liverpool City Council is proud to be a founding member of the Liverpool Innovation Precinct. Among the other visionaries who helped establish the Precinct is Professor Les Bokey AM - a passionate advocate for a world-class health, research, and education hub that would serve not only the communities of Liverpool and South West Sydney but also make an impact globally.

Professor Bokey has been instrumental in turning that vision into reality. As the Founding Director of the South Western Institute for Robotics and Automation in Health (SWIRAH), he brought international expertise in rectal cancer surgery and a research focus on early diagnosis of bowel cancer, surgical outcomes, inflammatory bowel disease, and the integration of robotics and automation into healthcare.

Before his work with the Ingham Institute and Liverpool Hospital, Professor Bokey held key positions at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in London, Sahlgrenska University Hospital in Gothenburg, and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. He later served as Head of Surgery and Associate Dean of Surgical Sciences at the University of Sydney's Faculty of Medicine before joining Western Sydney University.

In recognition of his extraordinary service to medicine—as a colorectal surgeon, educator, researcher, and administrator—Professor Bokey was awarded the Order of Australia Medal. He has also received honorary degrees from several international universities and professional societies.

Professor Bokey recently announced his retirement and will step down from the Ingham Institute at the end of June. For over a decade, he has been a staunch advocate for Liverpool, always willing to share his knowledge, mentor the next generation, and help shape the future of healthcare and education in our city.

His infectious passion for innovation, his unwavering dedication, and, of course, his trademark bow ties will leave an enduring legacy—not only in Liverpool but in the wider world of medical research and global health advancement.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Professor Max Lu AO Appointed as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Wollongong
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

I would like to acknowledge the recent appointment of Professor Max Lu AO as the sixth Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of Wollongong (UOW), coinciding with the University's 50th anniversary.

Professor Lu is an internationally respected academic leader and chemical engineer with over 35 years of experience in higher education and research. His leadership at the University of Surrey in the United Kingdom, and now at UOW, reflects a strong commitment to innovation, inclusion and community engagement.

Liverpool has been proud to host a UOW campus in our city centre, offering world-class education and strengthening the economic and social fabric of our region. We welcome Professor Lu's appointment as an opportunity to deepen this relationship and work together to ensure Western Sydney students continue to access quality higher education close to home.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our congratulations to Professor Lu and look forward to working with him to advance education, research and innovation in our city.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Notes the appointment of Professor Max Lu AO as the new Vice-Chancellor and President of the University of Wollongong;
2. Congratulates Professor Lu on behalf of the City of Liverpool; and
3. Writes to Professor Lu to welcome him to his new role and express Council's continued commitment to collaboration with the University of Wollongong.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 03
SUBJECT: Congratulations to Sonja Vujanic – Finalist in the 2025 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

I wish to formally acknowledge and extend heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Sonja Vujanic of Liverpool, who has been recognised as a finalist in the 2025 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards for New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, an event that was attended by our Deputy Mayor Cllr Harle on behalf of Council.

Ms. Vujanic's dedication to youth advocacy and community empowerment is truly commendable. As an executive member of Teach Learn Grow, she played a pivotal role in expanding the program's reach into New South Wales, significantly increasing volunteer participation and enhancing educational support for students in need.

In addition to her work with Teach Learn Grow, Ms. Vujanic led the NSW Youth Advisory Council's mental health initiative, providing valuable insights and advice to government leaders on critical youth issues.

Ms. Vujanic embodies the spirit of leadership and service that enriches our community. Her commitment to education, mental health advocacy, and youth empowerment serves as an inspiration to all.

RECOMMENDATION:

I move that Council:

1. Formally congratulate Ms. Sonja Vujanic on her recognition as a finalist in the 2025 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards;
2. Acknowledge her significant contributions to youth advocacy, education, and community service within Liverpool and beyond; and
3. That a certificate of recognition be presented to Ms. Vujanic, by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor Cllr Harle in appreciation of her service to the Liverpool community.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 04
SUBJECT: Celebrating 60 Years of Service by Hoxton Industries
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

It is with great pride that I bring to the Council's attention a significant milestone in our community. This year marks the 60th anniversary of Hoxton Industries, a cornerstone of Hoxton Park and the broader Liverpool region.

Established in 1969, Hoxton Industries has grown into a leading provider of packaging, warehousing, and recycling solutions. Their services encompass co-packing, shrink wrapping, palletising, and de-palletising, among others. Beyond their commercial success, Hoxton Industries stands out for its unwavering commitment to social responsibility. As a registered charity and Australian Disability Enterprise, they have been instrumental in providing employment opportunities for people with disabilities and others facing barriers to mainstream employment.

Over the past six decades, Hoxton Industries has not only contributed to our local economy but has also fostered an inclusive community where every individual is valued and empowered. Their dedication to ethical practices and community engagement sets a benchmark for businesses across the region.

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend that Council:

1. Formally acknowledges and congratulates Hoxton Industries on their 60th anniversary; and
2. Recognises their outstanding contributions to employment inclusivity, environmental sustainability, and community development.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 05
SUBJECT: Congratulations to King's Birthday Honours Recipients – Jennifer Westacott AO and Kathleen Margaret Smith OAM
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

I take this opportunity to acknowledge and congratulate three outstanding Australians who have been recognised in the 2025 King's Birthday Honours for their exceptional contributions to our nation.

Professor Jennifer Westacott AO has been appointed a Companion of the Order of Australia (AC) – the highest level of the Order - for distinguished service to public administration, business, and policy reform. Professor Westacott's decades of leadership in both the public and private sectors have shaped national conversations on economic development, social inclusion, and infrastructure.

Professor Westacott's contributions have been particularly significant for Liverpool. As a key figure in the establishment of Bradfield – the new high-tech city being developed near the Western Sydney International Airport – she has played a vital role in shaping one of the most transformative infrastructure and innovation projects in our nation's history.

Her leadership as Chancellor of Western Sydney University continues to drive positive outcomes for education, research and economic participation across our region.

Ms Kathleen Margaret Smith OAM has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for her dedicated service to the Liverpool community. Ms Smith's long-standing involvement in local community organisations, particularly in the fields of education and aged care, exemplifies the spirit of service and compassion. Her tireless advocacy has improved the lives of countless residents and embodies the values we hold dear in Liverpool.

These honours serve as a powerful reminder of the impact individuals can have when they dedicate themselves to serving others. On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our heartfelt congratulations and appreciation to both Professor Westacott and Ms Smith. Their achievements are a source of great pride for our community and our country.

Mr Robert Fleeton OAM has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in recognition of his exceptional service to sports administration and the Moorebank community. Bob, as he was more affectionately known, was a foundational figure in Liverpool's sporting landscape. He co-founded the Moorebank Rams Junior Rugby League Club in the early 1990s and served as its president from 1975 to 1994. His leadership extended to the Moorebank Sports Club, where he was the driving force behind its construction in 1994 and served as president from 1995 to 2019, and again from 2020 to 2021.

Bob's passing in August 2024 was a profound loss to our community. This national recognition serves as a testament to his unwavering commitment and the lasting impact of his contributions.

I move that Council writes to both recipients to formally acknowledge and congratulate them on their well-deserved recognition and hold a small civic reception to be funded from the Civic programs Budget.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 06
SUBJECT: Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of the Srebrenica Genocide
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Background:

Council has received a formal request from the Consulate of Bosnia and Herzegovina seeking support to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide.

This anniversary remains a deeply significant and painful milestone for the Bosnian community both globally and here in Liverpool. Many families in our local area continue to carry the trauma of these events, and it is fitting that Council supports their efforts to remember, reflect, and educate.

Proposal:

Council proposes to provide in-kind support for a commemorative event to be held at Liverpool Powerhouse (formerly Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre) on 5 July 2025 (or other date in July). The event will include a visual display, light entertainment, and a film screening, and will be open to the broader community in the spirit of remembrance, reflection, and solidarity.

The estimated value of Council's in-kind contribution, which includes waiving venue hire fees and providing staff resources, is approximately \$5,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1 Endorses its support for the commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide to be held at Liverpool Powerhouse on 5 July 2025 or other date in July.
- 2 Provides in-kind assistance to the value of approximately \$5,000, covering venue hire and staffing resources.
- 3 Acknowledges the ongoing trauma experienced by members of the Bosnian community and reaffirms its commitment to supporting multicultural communities through events that promote education, remembrance, and unity.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Mayor Mannoun) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Karnib) therefore lapsed and was not voted on.

Division called:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Dr Green, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Macnaught and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski.

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Clr Karnib** **Seconded: Clr Ristevski**

That this item be deferred until the budgetary items in this agenda are dealt with.

ITEM NO: PLAN 02
FILE NO: 143626.2024
SUBJECT: Liverpool Community Participation Plan - Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Endorses the draft Community Participation Plan 2025 (**Attachment 5**) for public exhibition, without making changes to the Waste or resource management facility, freight transport facility, heavy industry, transport and truck depot, vehicle body repair workshop, crematorium, flood mitigation works and helipad notifications;
3. Publicly exhibits the draft Community Participation Plan 2025 for a minimum period of 28 days;
4. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report detailing the outcomes of the public exhibition period; and
5. Delegates to the CEO (or delegate) authority to amend the Community Participation Plan 2025 for any typographical and minor amendments as required.

Amendment: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Endorses the draft Community Participation Plan 2025 (**Attachment 5**) for public exhibition;
3. Publicly exhibits the draft Community Participation Plan 2025 for a minimum period of 28 days;
4. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report detailing the outcomes of the public exhibition period; and
5. Delegates to the CEO (or delegate) authority to amend the Community Participation Plan 2025 for any typographical and minor amendments as required.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Proceeds with the amendment to include Lot 17 Leacocks Lane, Casula (“Mt Omei”) under Schedule 5 of the *Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008*;
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or their delegate) to forward the Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure as the Plan-making Authority for this Planning Proposal; and
4. Notifies those representatives who made a submission on the Planning Proposal during the public exhibition of Council’s decision; and
5. Writes to the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service to inform the Agency of Council’s decision.

Councillors voted unanimously for the motion.

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Receives and notes the advice of the Liverpool Local Planning Panel;
3. Endorses “in principle” the Proponent-initiated Planning Proposal subject to the following amendments:
 - a. Amending the proposed local provision to only apply to the eastern portion of the site zoned Agribusiness; and
 - b. Introducing a cap on the maximum Gross Floor Area of 23,000m² for the proposed additional permitted use of a hotel and motel accommodation.
4. Forwards the amended Proponent-initiated Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure pursuant to Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* seeking a Gateway Determination;
5. Subject to Gateway Determination, undertakes public exhibition and community consultation on the amended Planning Proposal in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway Determination and Council’s Community Participation Plan; and
6. Receives a Post-Exhibition Report on the outcomes of public exhibition and community consultation.

Councillors voted unanimously for the motion.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 179617.2025

SUBJECT: Report back to Council: Dissolution of the Liverpool Access Committee - member consultation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Adjei

That Council:

1. Dissolve the Liverpool Access Committee and its Charter in its current form; and
2. Establishes a Disability Consultation Register.
3. Direct the CEO that a report come back to Council in three months as to any feedback that comes back from the stakeholders to determine if the implementation of the new Disability Consultation Register is fit for purpose.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 182421.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved: Clr Monaghan **Seconded:** Clr Ammoun

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$10,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Sustainable Environment Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
St Francis Catholic College	The St Francis Greenhouse	\$5,000
Wattle Grove Public School	Our Backyard - Phase 2	\$5,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 183478.2025
SUBJECT: Review of the Aboriginal Consultative Committee Structure and Charter

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Dr Green** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council endorse the revised Aboriginal Consultative Committee Charter.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 191717.2025
SUBJECT: Policy Review - Councillor and Staff Interaction Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That this item be deferred.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7.34pm.

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting at 7.50pm in Open Council with all Councillors present except Cllr Macnaught.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

1. Purchase Lot 675 DP 2475, 220 Thirteenth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 675 DP 2475 as “Operational Land” to allow for future road and drainage works.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 18 June 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 23 July 2025

Chairperson

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 192851.2025
SUBJECT: Fines issued by Illegal Waste Rangers

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council receive and note this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 04
FILE NO: 187550.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee held on 20 May 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 20 May 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 177063.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Legal Fees

Please address the following:

1. Which Councillors have their legal expenses covered by the ratepayers for the Public Inquiry?
2. How much are the legal fees for each Councillors for the Public Inquiry?
3. Will Council's insurance premiums increase because of this?
4. Is there an excess on the legal fees' insurance claim for Councillors for the Public Inquiry and if so who is paying for this?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1. It is not expected that any councillors will have their legal expenses covered by ratepayers for the public inquiry. Councillors and employees of Liverpool City Council are covered under the applicable insurance policy as Insured Persons. Therefore, should any councillor, or employee, attend or participate in the Public Inquiry, the associated legal costs will be met by the insurer, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy.
2. While each Councillor is covered under the relevant insurance policy, with respect to the Public Inquiry, the extent of their individual involvement will ultimately determine the amount of legal fees incurred.
3. Council insures through a mutual arrangement involving 27 councils (Civic Risk Mutual). The cost of management liability insurance will be negotiated in October, so any increase is not known at this time. The following matters can be stated:
 - (a) claims will contribute to the claims history of Civic Risk Mutual and may impact the cost of Management Liability insurance,
 - (b) insurance costs are shared between the 27 members of Civic Risk Mutual,
 - (c) contributions for management liability insurance are based on council size,
 - (d) there is no factor included for the claim experience of individual councils, so Liverpool will not have any loading added for these claims.
4. Council is awaiting confirmation from the insurers about this. In some circumstances there may be an applicable excess in respect of claims for cover by councillors for the Public Inquiry. To the extent this is applied, this is met by Council.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 184593.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - Payouts

Please address the following:

1. Since 2018, how many staff (excluding the executive level) have received a redundancy, or separation payment, or ex-gratia arrangement, or any other confidential settlement that exceeded one year's gross salary?
2. For each occasion, without identifying each former employee:
 - (a) Can the gross amount of payment be provided?
 - (b) Who authorised the payment?
 - (c) Was legal advice obtained?
 - (d) Were such arrangements reported to Council?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1. Since 2018, how many staff (excluding the executive level) have received a redundancy, or separation payment, or ex-gratia arrangement, or any other confidential settlement that exceeded one year's gross salary?

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2. For each occasion, without identifying each former employee:
 - (a) Can the gross amount of payment be provided?
 - (b) Who authorised the payment?
 - (c) Was legal advice obtained?
 - (d) Were such arrangements reported to Council?

Person A

- (a) Can the gross amount of payment be provided? *No, confidential under a deed*
- (b) Who authorised the payment? *CEO, Dr Eddie Jackson*
- (c) Was legal advice obtained? *Yes, legal advice was obtained.*
- (d) Were such arrangements reported to Council? *No, operational issue.*

Person B

- (a) Can the gross amount of payment be provided? *No, confidential under a deed*
- (b) Who authorised the payment? *CEO, John Ajaka*
- (c) Was legal advice obtained? *Yes, legal advice was obtained.*
- (d) Were such arrangements reported to Council? *No, operational issue.*

Mayor Mannoun then tabled a previous Mayoral Minute, item no: MAYOR 01 - The Office of Local Government's Review of the Councillor Conduct Framework from the 20 November 2024 Council meeting which was LOST at that meeting.

The Mayoral Minute was dealt with as shown below:

Clr Macnaught left the Chamber at 8:40pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chamber at 8:41pm.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 07
SUBJECT: The Office of Local Government's Review of the Councillor Conduct Framework
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

The Office of Local Government (OLG) is completing a comprehensive review of the Councillor Conduct Framework, proposing updates to promote accountability, transparency, and integrity across New South Wales councils. These recommendations cover critical areas, including clearer behavioural standards, a refined dispute resolution and penalty framework, and measures to restore professionalism in council meetings. Liverpool City Council's endorsement of these changes reflects our commitment to governance, excellence and public trust.

Key Recommendations being considered:

1. **Changes to the Code of Conduct and Oath of Office:**
 - Enhanced Code of Conduct Requirements: The OLG proposes aligning councillor conduct with parliamentary standards, establishing clearer behavioural expectations. Updates to the Oath of Office will further reinforce councillors' commitment to ethical public service.
2. **Changes to the Definitions and Assessment of Councillor Behaviour:**
 - Clearer Behavioural Definitions: Revised definitions are proposed to better address significant conduct issues and reduce minor complaints, focusing the complaints process on substantive matters.
 - Stricter Regulations for Property Developers and Real Estate Agents: The OLG recommends stricter standards for councillors with ties to property development or real estate to address potential conflicts of interest, ensuring impartial decision-making.
 - Addressing Inappropriate Lobbying: The OLG proposes guidelines to address inappropriate lobbying, ensuring councillors engage with stakeholders transparently and avoid undue influence that could impact council decisions.

3. Changes to Dispute Resolution and Penalty Framework:

- State-Wide Peer Panel for Behavioural Issues: A state-wide panel of experienced councillors would handle behaviour-related complaints, providing a fair and peer-reviewed oversight mechanism.
- Centralized Conflict of Interest Management: The OLG recommends managing significant conflicts of interest at a state level, applying a structured penalty system to ensure consistency across councils.
- Referral of Significant Sanctions: For serious breaches, the OLG proposes that significant sanctions be referred to an appropriate independent tribunal or body, ensuring that higher-level penalties are reviewed and administered by an impartial authority.

4. Restoring Dignity to Council Meetings:

- Increased Transparency and Order in Meetings: The OLG recommends empowering mayors to address disruptions by imposing sanctions to ensure respect and order within council proceedings.
- Banning Closed-Door Councillor Sessions: To improve transparency, the OLG suggests banning private councillor briefings, ensuring all council deliberations remain accessible to the public and fostering community trust.

These recommendations represent essential reforms aimed at upholding integrity, transparency, and accountability in local councils across New South Wales. By supporting these changes, Liverpool City Council demonstrates its commitment to the highest standards of governance and professional conduct in serving our community.

¹RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Formally endorses each recommendation in the OLG's review of the Councillor Conduct Framework, recognising these changes as essential for maintaining and enhancing public trust in local government.
2. Makes a submission to the OLG outlining its formal endorsement in support of the proposed framework.
3. In its submission, advocates for the NSW Government to consider adopting a similar conduct framework at the state level, ensuring consistency and reinforcing public confidence in governance across all tiers.
4. Directs the Acting CEO to submit Liverpool City Council's endorsement by the OLG's specified deadline.
5. Immediately implement open door Briefing Sessions.
6. Write to the Minister expressing our support.

¹ **Note: the Recommendation is from the 20 November 2024 meeting.**

²COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

1. Adopts the revised Meeting schedule effective July 2025;
2. Notes the July – December meeting dates;
3. Supports in principle each recommendation in the OLG's review of the Councillor Conduct Framework, recognising these changes as essential for maintaining and enhancing public trust in local government;
4. Write to the OLG outlining Council's in principle support of the proposed framework;
5. Support in principle, subject to the report, open door Briefing Sessions and all Governance and Committee meetings; and
6. Receive a report on points 3, 4 and 5 prior to implementation. The report to also cover costs and implementation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 8:49pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:51pm.

² **Note: Council Decision resolved at the 18 June 2025 Council meeting.**

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

1. Endorse the temporary suspension of the AFZ within Bigge Park, for the EuroFest operating hours of 5pm – 10pm on the weekend of Friday 25-27 July in order to facilitate a pop-up bar at the event; and
2. Note that the AFZ will be suspended within a demarcated area, allowing Police to continue to enforce the AFZ outside this area.

Chairperson

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 03

FILE NO: 164067.2025

SUBJECT: Floodplain and Stormwater Management Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That this item be deferred to a Governance Committee meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: OPER 04
FILE NO: 192908.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Waste Committee Charter

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That this item be deferred to a Governance Committee meeting for further discussion.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**ITEM NO:** CTTE 05**FILE NO:** 183422.2025**SUBJECT:** Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 10 June 2025**COUNCIL DECISION****Motion:** **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That this item be deferred in order to ensure procedural correctness.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 8.58pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Cllr Harle, as the Deputy Mayor, became the Chairperson as Mayor Mannoun left the meeting during the recess. Deputy Mayor Harle resumed the meeting in Open Council at 9.11pm.

Cllr Ammoun was not present when the meeting resumed.

Cllr Dr Green retired from the meeting during the recess.

Mayor Mannoun left the meeting during the recess due to family reasons.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chamber at 9.12pm.

PRESENTATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

NIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 163409.2025
SUBJECT: Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That:

1. Council receive a report showing expenditure on Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre including:
 - a) Maintenance
 - b) Management of contract
 - c) Capital works
2. The CEO advises when the contract to manage the Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre is due for renewal.
3. The CEO prepare a report of all metropolitan councils identifying aquatic and leisure centres and identifying if they are operated by council or under a contract.
4. A report be prepared that reviews the viability of bringing the operation of the Michael Wenden Aquatic Leisure Centre in-house including:
 - a) Potential staff costs
 - b) Maintenance of the centre
 - c) Capital works

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 167062.2025
SUBJECT: Support for Local Businesses through Tender Loadings in Liverpool LGA

Background

This motion aims to support our local economy, create jobs, and ensure that Liverpool's community benefits directly from the Council's procurement activities.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Recognises the significant economic challenges facing our community, with Liverpool having one of the highest unemployment rates in the country, and the importance of supporting local businesses to foster economic growth and community resilience.
2. Notes the benefits of prioritising local businesses in Council tenders, including:
 - i. Stimulating local job creation and employment opportunities.
 - ii. Boosting the local economy through increased spending and investment.
 - iii. Strengthening the sustainability and resilience of Liverpool's business community.
3. Resolves to implement a local business loading or weighting system in the tendering process, which provides additional points or considerations for businesses that are based within the Liverpool LGA when bidding for Council contracts.
4. Further resolves to:
 - i. Develop clear criteria and guidelines to ensure transparency and fairness in the tender process.
 - ii. Engage with local businesses and stakeholders to promote awareness and participation.
 - iii. Monitor and report annually on the outcomes of this initiative, including the proportion of council contracts awarded to local businesses and related economic impacts.
5. Calls on the relevant department within Council to commence work immediately to incorporate these considerations into future tenders and to report back to Council within three months on the implementation plan.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 167102.2025
SUBJECT: Inclusion of Councillors' Political Affiliations on the Council's Website

Background

Transparency in local government is fundamental to fostering community trust and ensuring that residents have access to pertinent information regarding their elected representatives. Publishing councillors' political affiliations aligns with best practices in governance transparency and supports an open, accountable local democracy.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That:

1. The Council's official website, under the "Councillors" tab, include a clear indication of each Councillor's political affiliation.
2. Council further resolves that the Council's Communications Department be tasked with implementing this update promptly and that ongoing reviews be conducted to ensure the accuracy and currency of this information.
3. Council notes that this initiative promotes transparency and accountability by providing residents with accessible information about their representatives' political alignments.
4. Council recognises that such transparency can:
 - i. Enhance community trust in local governance.
 - ii. Enable residents to make more informed decisions when engaging with their representatives.
 - iii. Foster a greater understanding of the political landscape within the Council.
 - iv. Support informed debate and civic participation.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 176764.2025
SUBJECT: Provision of Food and Snacks for Public Attendees at Liverpool Council Meetings

Background

Community engagement is a cornerstone of effective local governance. By providing food and snacks at council meetings, we can remove barriers to attendance, such as time constraints or lack of refreshments, and demonstrate our commitment to fostering an inclusive and welcoming environment for all residents.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council resolves to:

1. Implement the provision of light refreshments, including food and snacks, for members of the public attending council meetings to promote greater community engagement and ensure accessibility for all residents;
2. Allocate the necessary funds for this initiative from the existing budget designated for dinner provisions for councillors attending evening meetings. This reallocation will ensure the initiative is cost-effective and sustainable without requiring additional expenditure;
3. Recognise that offering food and refreshments during meetings encourages increased attendance, participation, and a sense of welcome among community members, thereby strengthening democratic processes within our city; and
4. Establish a process to ensure that the provision of food and snacks is managed efficiently, hygienically, and in accordance with health and safety standards.

Non-attendance at official events, despite acceptance of tickets, can reflect poorly on the Council's reputation and undermine public trust. To uphold transparency, accountability, and professionalism, it is essential to establish clear expectations and consequences regarding attendance at such events.

I propose the following motion as such actions are necessary to maintain the integrity and reputation of Council and to prevent bring the Council into disrepute.

That Council:

1. Implement a policy whereby any councillor who RSVP's to attend an event and Council subsequently purchases a ticket on their behalf to attend the event but does not attend the event without valid reason, they shall be responsible for reimbursing the full cost of the ticket to Council;
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to develop and implement guidelines and procedures to ensure compliance with this Policy;
3. Request the CEO to communicate this Policy to all Councillors; and
4. Require that the councillor formally apologises to the hosting organisation for their non-attendance and gets reported at the next scheduled Council meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted and that it is incorporated in the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 9:39pm.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 125983.2025

SUBJECT: ST3360 Request for Tender - Vet Services and Animal Boarding

This item was dealt with later in the meeting in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(d i) of the *Local Government Act 1993* because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it

ITEM NO: CONF 02

FILE NO: 185643.2025

SUBJECT: Liverpool Youth Council Member Nominations 2025 - 2027

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

1. That Council endorse the proposed members of the Liverpool Youth Council 2025 – 2027:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Suburb:</u>
Fariha Dean	Green Valley
Faiza Alhaboub	Edmondson Park
Shaila Narayan	Wattle Grove
Emily Organa	West Hoxton
Danielle Amosa	Mt Pritchard
Caroline Nguyen	Horningsea Park
Anjani Prakash	Liverpool
Rafeef Al-Majidi	Miller
Ahmad Walid Dabboussi	Leppington
Yousef Al Masri	Busby
Aaryan Khan	Casula
Mohammed Alhadi	Casula

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 9:43pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 182457.2025
SUBJECT: RCL3259 Provision of Security Guard Services for Liverpool City Council's Buildings and Facilities

This item was dealt with later in the meeting in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 185899.2025
SUBJECT: Consideration of an Application for the acquisition of land on the grounds of hardship - 26 Derwent Avenue, Bradfield identified as Part of Lot 82 DP 864799

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

It is resolved that Council:

1. Notes that:
 - i. Part of Lot 82 DP 8864799 (Land) is zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 - Public Recreation under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City – Western Sydney Aerotropolis) 2021 and is reserved for future acquisition by Council;
 - ii. The owners of the Land have made a hardship application pursuant to Division 3, Part 2 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 (NSW) (Acquisition Act);
 - iii. Advice has been provided that the Owners have satisfied the requirements to establish hardship for the acquisition of the SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 Public Recreation zoned land under the Acquisition Act;
 - iv. Subject to Council adopting a resolution to proceed to compulsory acquisition on hardship provisions, a Plan of Acquisition will be prepared and a valuation will be obtained and a “without prejudice” offer made to the owners.
 - v. If the owners accept Council's offer a further report will be submitted to Council seeking approval to purchase prior to compulsory acquisition;
 - vi. If an agreement is not reached on the amount of compensation payable through the voluntary negotiations, then compensation will be determined by the Valuer General under s41 of the Acquisition Act.

2. Notes that the purchase of the portions of the subject property zoned SP2 Infrastructure (Local Drainage) and RE1 Public Recreation have a total area of approximately 8,144m² (subject to survey).
3. Proceeds with the compulsory acquisition of the Land under S186 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and in accordance with the Acquisition Act.
4. Delegates authority to, and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993* to obtain approval to acquire the property in accordance with the Acquisition Act;
5. Takes all necessary actions to proceed with and complete the compulsory acquisition of the land in accordance with the applicable legislation, including making any application or giving notice to the relevant Minister and the Governor and serving or publishing any other documentation or notice.
6. Delegates authority to and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates to enter into negotiations with the property owner and/or their representative to acquire the property by agreement and enter into any agreement reached with the Owner pursuant to S30 of the Acquisition Act without having to submit a further report to Council for approval.
7. Authorises payment of compensation as determined by the Valuer General, if accepted by the Owner, plus statutory interest in accordance with S49 of the Acquisition Act;
8. If the Owner commences proceedings in the Land and Environment Court (Court), authorises:
 - i. Payment to the Owner of 90% of the compensation as determined by the Valuer-General pursuant to s68(2)(a) of the Acquisition Act, or if that payment is not accepted by the Owner, pay that amount into trust pursuant to s68(2)(b) of the Acquisition Act.
 - ii. Engage solicitors, experts and counsel, as needed, to defend Council's position in Court; and
 - iii. Payment of compensation in accordance with the Order issued by the Court.
9. Authorises its delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision; and
10. Keeps this report confidential pursuant to the provisions of Section 10(A)(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

1. Approves proceeding with the dedication of Lot 1417 DP 882409 as public road based on court approved DA-707/2022 consent conditions.
2. Approves to proceed with the gazettal of Lot 1417 DP 882409 to be lodged at land registry Services for registration and formal dedication as public road based on the court approved DA-707/2022 consent conditions.
3. Notes that all costs of registration and construction of the missing link section of road at this location are to be at the developers cost
4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 189567.2025
SUBJECT: Installation of flags on Council buildings

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Explores options for financing and installation of flagpoles including ongoing costs.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded Clr Macnaught**

That Council move into Closed Session to deal with the following items:

Item No: CONF 01 - ST3360 Request for Tender - Vet Services and Animal Boarding is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(d i) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

Item No: CONF 03 - RCL3259 Provision of Security Guard Services for Liverpool City Council's Buildings and Facilities and **Item No: CONF 07 - Opportunity with UNSW on Microrecycling Research and Future Microfactory Development** are confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because they contain information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

The public left the Chamber. The meeting moved into Closed Session at 9.56pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 125983.2025
SUBJECT: ST3360 Request for Tender - Vet Services and Animal Boarding

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Declines to accept the tender submission, in accordance with section 178(1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.
2. Declines to accept fresh tender submissions or applications for the following reasons:
 - a. the poor response to the request for tenders, and
 - b. the known shortage of animal shelter providers as highlighted in the Report of the NSW Legislative Inquiry into Pounds in NSW published on 18 October 2024.
3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to negotiate with the one and only tenderer as identified in the body of this report for the following reasons.
 - a. The Tenderer has submitted an offer to perform the services but cannot be accepted by Council in its current form.
 - b. The submitted Schedule of Rates is considered generally competitive and reflects a reasonable cost for the scope of services required.
 - c. The Tenderer is Council's current service provider and has demonstrated satisfactory performance in the delivery of animal shelter and veterinary services to date.
 - d. The Tenderer is the only known provider currently able to meet Council's full-service requirements, including the necessary infrastructure, capacity, and proximity to deliver animal shelter and veterinary care within the required parameters.
4. Authorises the CEO to enter into a contract with the tenderer or to report back to Council should a satisfactory agreement not be reached.
5. Makes public its decision regarding tender ST3360 – Animal Shelter and Veterinary Services.
6. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution, and

7. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submission received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 182457.2025
SUBJECT: RCL3259 Provision of Security Guard Services for Liverpool City Council's Buildings and Facilities

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Accept the Tenders from the below listed contractors for tender RCL3259 Provision of Security Guard Services (for the shortlisted portions) for an initial three (3) year contract term with the option of extending two (2) x 12 months on a schedule of rates;
 - Allied Integrated Management Group Pty Ltd
 - Business Security & Management Solutions Pty Ltd
 - ECS International Security
 - National Integrated Services Pty Ltd
 - Vibrant Services Pty Ltd
2. Makes public its decision regarding tender **RCL3259** – Provision of Security Guard Services for Liverpool City Council's Buildings and Facilities;
3. Agrees that Council should issue letters of award to the successful tenderers and enter into formal instruments of agreement pursuant to which work will be placed to panel members;
4. Notes that this report has been brought to Council because the Chief Executive Officer's instrument of delegation, approved by Council in accordance with the current provisions of section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993, only permits the Chief Executive Officer to approve (and not to reject) tenders up to a value of \$2 million. Therefore, subclauses 178(3) and 178(4) of the Local Government (General Regulation) 2021 require a decision not to accept any of the tenders for a proposed contract to be made by way of a Council resolution;
5. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it;
6. Authorises the CEO or delegate to take any action necessary to give effect to these resolutions; and

7. Direct that an agenda item for the next Governance Committee meeting be tabled to explore direct employment of security services in certain situations.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 199298.2025
SUBJECT: Opportunity with UNSW on Microrecycling Research and Future Microfactory Development

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Agrees to participate in the proposed research project with UNSW and to provide a letter in support of an application by UNSW to the Australian Research Council;
2. Approve a financial contribution of \$200,000 over 18 months from the Domestic Waste Reserve to UNSW to support the implementation of the project;
3. Agrees to grant access to the operations at 600 Cowpasture Road, Liverpool's Circular Economy Centre, to UNSW for the purposes of research, data collection and collaboration in the development of microrecycling applications; and
4. Agrees to the contribution of staff time to the research project.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

OPEN SESSION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded Cllr Adjei**

That Council move into Open Session.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Deputy Mayor Harle then read the resolutions for the following items that were passed in Closed Session:

- CONF 01 - ST3360 Request for Tender - Vet Services and Animal Boarding;
- CONF 03 - RCL3259 Provision of Security Guard Services for Liverpool City Council's Buildings and Facilities; and
- CONF 07 - Opportunity with UNSW on Microrecycling Research and Future Microfactory Development that were resolved in Closed Session.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.31pm by Deputy Mayor Harle.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 23 July 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 June 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 23 JULY 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Acting Director Operations
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel
Ms Mirandah Shields, Acting Deputy General Counsel
Mr Mark Hannan, Manager City Planning
Mr John Hanlon, Chief Information Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Susan Ranieri, Coordinator Council and Executive Services
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6.05pm.

(a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and

(b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

The Acknowledgement of Country,
Affirmation of Council and Prayer was read
by Pastor Dennis Monteleone from Living
Grace Christian Church.

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

ITEM NO: COND 01

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion – Vale Former Councillor and Deputy Mayor Ali Karnib
(read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with deep sorrow that I acknowledge the passing of former Councillor Ali Karnib, a pillar of our community and one of the longest-serving public representatives in Liverpool's history.

Ali Karnib served the people of Liverpool for nearly three decades, first elected in 1999 and continuing through to 2024. During that time, he held the role of Deputy Mayor on three occasions — in 2016–17, 2018–19, and 2019–20 — and served on numerous committees, always with a focus on fairness, compassion, and community wellbeing.

But beyond the titles and the roles, Ali was a man of deep integrity and humble service. Born in Lebanon, Ali migrated to Australia in 1984, making his home in Green Valley. Like so many who have chosen Liverpool as their place to start anew, he brought with him hope for a better future and a fierce determination to give back. A former maths and science teacher, he never stopped believing in the power of education and civic participation to uplift communities.

Ali was a passionate advocate for multiculturalism and social inclusion. As President of the Lebanese Community Council of NSW, he worked tirelessly to promote unity, respect, and understanding among the many cultures that make up our diverse city. He was a voice for those who often went unheard — always ready to listen, always ready to help.

Ali believed in people. He believed in serving his community with quiet strength and genuine compassion. He wasn't interested in grandstanding or headlines. He did the work. He knocked on doors. He answered the late-night calls. He showed up — again and again — for the residents of Liverpool.

His contributions were felt not only here in Liverpool, but across our region. He served as Chair of the Hawkesbury River County Council and was a Board Member of the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC), helping to shape policy and drive collaboration across western Sydney.

Ali's legacy lives on — not only in the decisions he helped make or the projects he championed — but through the values he lived by: integrity, humility, and service.

His love for this city continues through his son, Councillor Sam Karnib, who now follows in his father's footsteps on this very Council. It is a powerful reminder that public service is not just a duty — it is a calling passed from one generation to the next.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I, Mayor Ned Mannoun, extend our heartfelt condolences to Ali's beloved family — especially to his wife, his children, and to Councillor Sam Karnib.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Express its profound sorrow at the passing of former Councillor and Deputy Mayor Ali Karnib;
2. Acknowledge with gratitude his extraordinary 29 years of service to the Liverpool community;
3. Conduct a Civic Ceremony at the Liverpool Powerhouse honouring his life and civic service with funds from the Civic program;
4. Request the CEO to prepare a report for Council's consideration on an appropriate and enduring public tribute to honour Councillor Karnib's legacy.

COUNCIL DECISION

In the name of God, the most gracious, the most merciful. All praise is due to God, Lord and master of the World's. Master of the Day of Judgement. The one that we seek for guidance, and the one that we seek for help. God, please put us all on the right path. The path of the righteous that you love and bestow favours upon. Not the path of the wicked and the weak. We stray from the path.

One minute silence was then observed for Ali Karnib.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 6.35pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting at 6.51pm in open session with all councillors present.

ITEM NO: COND 02

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Charles Casuscelli (Read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with great sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Mr Charles Casuscelli RFD, Chief Executive Officer of the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC).

Since his appointment in 2015, Mr Casuscelli served with distinction as a strong and principled advocate for Western Sydney. In his role at WSROC, he championed regional collaboration, investment, and infrastructure planning—ensuring that the unique needs of our region, including those of Liverpool, were clearly articulated to all levels of government.

His leadership significantly contributed to advancing many of the shared priorities of Western Sydney councils, particularly in areas such as sustainability, resilience, emergency preparedness, and equitable service delivery. Liverpool City benefited directly from his tireless advocacy, strategic thinking, and ability to bring councils together around common goals.

Mr Casuscelli brought a wealth of experience to the role from a distinguished career in public life. As a former Member of the NSW Legislative Assembly for Strathfield (2011–2015), he chaired the Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure and contributed to law and safety reforms. His earlier career included service as an officer in the Australian Army Reserve, for which he was awarded the Reserve Forces Decoration. He also held key leadership positions in transport management and logistics, including at the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority and NRMA.

Charles was immensely proud of his Italian heritage and equally proud of his deep connection to the people and places of Western Sydney. He was respected across the political and local government spectrum for his integrity, intellect, and unwavering dedication to the region's future.

Liverpool City Council acknowledges the positive impact Mr Casuscelli had on our city through his leadership at WSROC, and we express our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Express our profound sorrow at the passing of Mr Charles Casuscelli and acknowledge his significant contribution to Liverpool City and the broader Western Sydney region; and
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Casuscelli's family and to the President and Board of WSROC, expressing Council's sympathies and appreciation of his legacy.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COND 03

SUBJECT: Vale Margaret Parker (Read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with profound sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Mrs Margaret Parker, a cherished member of our Liverpool community who left us on 13 June 2025, with her memorial service held yesterday.

Margaret was a shining example of selflessness and dedication. A proud long-term resident of Heckenberg, she was the recipient of the prestigious Macquarie Award in 2021, recognising her extraordinary service and generosity to our city. Her commitment to others went far beyond this accolade.

She was a founding director of ANZAC Village Preschool, shaping the educational experiences of countless young children, and a founding member of the Education Union of NSW, reflecting her unwavering belief in the power of teaching.

For 27 years, she volunteered on the board of South West Child Adolescent and Family Services, tirelessly supporting families and young people in need

As an active leader in the Over-50s network, she kept her local community connected, supported, and well-informed.

Margaret's door was always open - helping to make the 2168 area, particularly Green Valley, a kinder, better place to call home.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our deepest condolences to Margaret's family—her loved ones, friends, and the many residents she touched through her life's work.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Express our profound sorrow at the passing of Mrs Margaret Parker;
2. Acknowledge with the deepest gratitude her extraordinary service—27 years of volunteering, educational leadership, and community engagement;
3. Extend heartfelt sympathies to her family and friends, and all those who benefited from her kindness and advocacy.

Trevor was widely known and loved in our community as one of Liverpool's most passionate and knowledgeable local historians. For many years, he was considered the city's unofficial custodian of historical memory — someone who seemed to know every detail about what stood where, who lived there, and what events shaped the Liverpool of today.

Originally a butcher by trade, Trevor's true vocation was storytelling — not in fiction, but in faithfully preserving the stories of real people and places across generations. His long-time home, Stephenville, a heritage-listed property on Atkinson Street built in 1917 for a war widow, was itself a living part of Liverpool's history. Trevor lived there for most of his life, cherishing and protecting its legacy until health concerns forced him into aged care in his later years.

Trevor was an active member of the Liverpool Historical Society and Genealogy Society, and his dedication to documenting and sharing the past left a lasting mark on Council's local collections. Through his generous contributions, Liverpool's rich history has been recorded with care, accuracy, and heart.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I, Mayor Ned Mannoun, extend our sincere condolences to Trevor's family and friends. His passing is a loss not just to those close to him, but to the broader community who benefited from his knowledge, passion, and generosity.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Record its sadness at the passing of Mr Trevor Powell and acknowledge his extraordinary contribution to preserving Liverpool's local history;
2. Extend heartfelt sympathies to his family, friends, and members of the local historical community.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

A minute of silence was then observed for Charles Casuscelli, Margaret Parker and Trevor Powell.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Harte remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Ms Bono remained in the Chambers, as she is a non-voting member.

PUBLIC FORUM

Presentation – items not on agenda

1. **Mr Daniel Kneipp** addressed Council on the following item:

Development in Casula

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That a three minute extension of time be given to Mr Kneipp.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

MAYORAL MINUTES

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Acknowledging RFS Award Winners
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

Over the weekend, I had the distinct pleasure of attending the NSW Rural Fire Service Awards ceremony, where outstanding members of our emergency services were honoured for their courage, professionalism, and dedication. It was an uplifting and inspiring occasion, filled with moving moments and a powerful sense of community.

I was particularly proud to see the following Liverpool-based RFS members receive awards:

Middleton Grange RFS Long service awards

Rodney Fenech - 30 years
 Daria Hayes - 30 years
 David Cervelli - 20 years
 Christopher McGraw - 10 years
 Brad Conole - 10 years
 Paul Trama - 10 years
 Konrad Janson - 10 years

Bringelly RFS Long service awards

Grace Buda - 40 years
 Russell Hoppitt - 30 years
 Kerry Sweeney - 10 Years
 Samantha Bell - 10 years

Bringelly RFS National Medal

Anthony Schultz - 40 years

Casula RFS Long service awards

Xavier Cerbelli- 10 years
 Bradley Dwyer- 10 years
 Rebecca Fitzgibbins- 10 years
 Richard Goncalves- 10 years

My apologies if I have missed any other award recipients. These awards speak volumes about their personal commitment and the exceptional calibre of service delivered by our Liverpool brigades. Their dedication not only enhances public safety during crises—such as bushfires and storm events—but also strengthens our community through skill development, mentorship, and resilience-building.

In light of Liverpool's proud contribution to the RFS and to honour their achievements, I propose that Liverpool City Council formally express its interest in hosting a future NSW Rural Fire Service Awards ceremony here in Liverpool.

Holding the event in our city would:

- Celebrate and showcase the exceptional service of our local RFS volunteers;
- Promote greater community awareness and support for emergency services;
- Deliver economic and hospitality benefits through increased visitation; and
- Cement Liverpool's role as a city that honours civic responsibility and community spirit.

Liverpool has the venues, infrastructure, and enthusiasm to be an outstanding host, and I invite Council to support this significant initiative.

Mr. Joel Daniels, a long-serving employee of Liverpool City Council's Operations team, was acknowledged for receiving an award for his research into the Black Sunday fires. Although he does not live in Liverpool, Mr. Daniels has contributed to the organisation for nearly 20 years. His dedication and recent recognition were noted with appreciation.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Formally congratulates the award recipients at the NSW RFS ceremony;
2. Write to the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service to:
 - Extend Council's congratulations to all Liverpool-based awardees; and
 - Express Council's interest in hosting the next NSW RFS Awards ceremony in Liverpool; and
3. Prepares a report for Council within two months outlining suitable venues, logistics, and community engagement strategies to support Liverpool's bid to host the event as well as budget if required.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Congratulatory Motion for Michael Rose AM election as the new Chancellor of the University of Technology Sydney (UTS).
REPORT OF: Mayor Ned Mannoun

It gives me great pleasure to acknowledge and congratulate Mr Michael Rose AM on his recent election as the new Chancellor of the University of Technology Sydney (UTS), with his term commencing on 1 December 2025.

Mr Rose is a highly respected leader who brings to this role a wealth of experience across law, public policy, urban governance, Indigenous reconciliation, arts and culture, and medical research. His extensive record of service includes Chair of Greater Sydney Parklands, President of the Art Gallery of New South Wales, Chair of the Committee for Sydney, Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia, and senior executive roles in the legal profession.

Importantly for Liverpool, Mr Rose has long been an ally and advocate for the growth and success of our city. During his time as Chair of the Committee for Sydney, he was a strong and consistent supporter of Western Sydney and recognised Liverpool's potential as a thriving metropolitan centre. He played an important role in elevating Liverpool's voice within broader city-shaping conversations, championing our role in innovation, infrastructure, urban transformation, and civic leadership.

As Liverpool continues to grow as a regional hub for innovation, skills and knowledge, we look forward to the opportunities this appointment presents for stronger collaboration between UTS and our city—particularly in supporting education pathways, social equity, research partnerships and civic engagement in Western Sydney.

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I extend our warmest congratulations to Mr Michael Rose AM and wish him every success in his new role as Chancellor of UTS.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Formally congratulates Mr Michael Rose AM on his appointment as Chancellor of the University of Technology Sydney;
2. Notes his longstanding support for Liverpool through his previous leadership of the Committee for Sydney and his understanding of our city's growing significance in the Greater Sydney landscape;
3. Writes a letter of congratulations acknowledging Mr Rose's appointment and his advocacy for Liverpool; and
4. Welcomes Mr Rose's continued interest in Liverpool as Sydney's only University City and extends an invitation for him to tour the city, meet with Council and local university partners, and share his vision on how Liverpool can continue to thrive as a centre of innovation, learning and opportunity.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: Moved Mayor Mannoun

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**ITEM NO:** CEO 01**FILE NO:** 200136.2025**SUBJECT:** Funding the Maintenance of Assets in Bradfield**COUNCIL DECISION****Motion:** **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Receive and note this Report;
2. Authorise the CEO to undertake financial modelling to better understand the options and expenses, and how they could be deployed based on specific variables applicable to LCC and Bradfield to better understand the best possible financial option for LCC to pursue; and
3. Authorise the CEO to progress the wider funding options for the maintenance of Assets in Bradfield to determine and arrive at an optimum funding model.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 172677.2025
SUBJECT: Public Art Policy - Proposed Amendments

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and
2. Notes the Policy review, and keeps the Policy unchanged.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

During discussion, Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following matter and remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 222098.2025
SUBJECT: New Liverpool LEP Gateway Determination - Next Steps

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Defer this item subsequent to receiving the additional information that the Mayor suggested Councillors would be provided with, and answers to the questions in relation to the planning proposal.
2. Write to the Secretary of the Department requesting a 42-day extension, specifying our proposed timeline that Councillors will have a briefing session during the week commencing 28 July, followed by a decision at the next Council meeting in August. If an extension is not granted, Council will reconvene as soon as practicable after the briefing session for an Extraordinary Council meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib, Clr Macnaught, Clr Monaghan and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Deputy Mayor Harle.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 8:03pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:05pm.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 194136.2025
SUBJECT: Revocation of City Activation Strategy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council revokes the City Activation Strategy, noting that relevant recommendations and actions will be included in the draft Visitor Economy Strategy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 196296.2025

SUBJECT: Policy Review - Code of Meeting Practice Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Clr Karnib

Seconded: Clr Monaghan

That Council endorse the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 203887.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
UNSW Founders	Digital Makers	\$15,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$20,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
The Business Concierge LTD	Survivor Life Skills	\$10,000
Miracle Babies Foundation	NICU Survival Packs for families of premature and sick babies	\$10,000

3. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$30,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship Program** for the following project

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Vedic Festival Incorporated	Festival of Chariots 2025	\$10,000
Friends Of India Australia Incorporated	Ganeshotsava 2025	\$10,000
Thomas Hassall Anglican College	South West Festival 2025	\$10,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 226954.2025
SUBJECT: Community Facilities Hire Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and
2. Endorse the recommended Community Facilities Hire Policy and the Fee Reduction Policy attached to this report, which will supersede the following;
 - Commercial Businesses Short-term Hire Procedures (Terms and Conditions)
 - Community Facilities Management Casual Hire (Terms and Conditions)
 - Community Venues Permanent Hire Procedures (Terms and Conditions)
 - Community Facilities 3-year Licence Agreement
 - Change/Cancellation of Permanent Facility Hiring.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

1. That Council receive and note this report; and
2. That Council nominate a preferred option, as outlined in this report, for appropriately honouring the contributions of Mr Gary Lucas.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

1. Receive and note this report; and
2. Identify an appropriate park or other substantial landmark in consultation with Mr Lucas' family to be named in honour of Mr Gary Lucas as an acknowledgement of his contribution to the City of Liverpool.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Mayor Mannoun requested that it be noted that in discussion with Mrs Lucas, it was expressed that the family would appreciate this acknowledgement taking place in Chipping Norton, particularly in the land maintained by the Liverpool Action Group.

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 196577.2025
SUBJECT: Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

1. Consider the outcome of the review and proposed changes to the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy;
2. Agree to place the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
3. Authorise the CEO or delegate to adopt the revised Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy if no representations are received during the public exhibition period.
4. Note that a further report will be provided in relation to any representations received during the public exhibition period.

Car parking provision for Councillors when performing their duties as Councillors.

6. Remove the last sentence from item j) of the proposed section 4.5.1, so that it reads:

Councillors may access Council's community facilities for the purpose of conducting their civic duties. A booking request must be made to the CEO or delegate. Access will be based on availability and subject to the terms and conditions contained within Council's Community Facilities Hire Policy.

a. Note the following sentence be added to item j) of the proposed section as shown below:

Twelve months out from a Council election and three months out from a State Election, access will not be granted.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion lapsed.

Councillors voted unanimously for this motion.

Foreshadowed motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. Consider the outcome of the review and proposed changes to the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy;
2. Agree to place the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
3. Authorise the CEO or delegate to adopt the revised Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy if no representations are received during the public exhibition period.
4. Note that a further report will be provided in relation to any representations received during the public exhibition period.
5. Include the OLG suggested 10.2 template as shown below:
10.2. The mayor must keep a logbook setting out the date, distance and purpose of all travel. This must include any travel for private benefit. The log book must be submitted to council on a monthly basis.
6. Remove the words "33 Moore Street, Liverpool" from item i) of the proposed section 4.5.1 on page 518 of the Attachment Book, so that it reads:
Car parking provision for Councillors when performing their duties as Councillors.
7. Remove item j) from the proposed section 4.5.1.

The Foreshadowed motion lapsed as there was no seconder.

Cllr Ammoun left the Chambers at 8:27pm.
Cllr Ammoun rejoined the meeting online at 8:30pm.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Cllr Ammoun be granted permission to attend the meeting via MS teams.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Karnib left the Chambers at 8:34pm.
Cllr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 8:35pm.

Cllr Monaghan left the Chambers at 8:35pm.
Cllr Monaghan returned to the Chamber at 8:38pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 8.56pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting at 9:21pm in open session with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 223384.2025
SUBJECT: Confirmation of Creation of Policy and Procedures for the Recruitment, Appointment, Performance Review and Management and Separation of the Chief Executive Officer by Council

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Note the benefits of having a clearly defined Policy and relevant procedures in regard to the recruitment, appointment, management, performance review and separation of the CEO; and
2. Adopt and implement the attached policy and procedures for the ongoing supervision and management of the Chief Executive Officer by the Mayor and Council.
3. Replace the word 'should' with 'shall' throughout the policy wording.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 224237.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That the Council receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01

FILE NO: 220523.2025

SUBJECT: FOGO - Kitchen Caddy Distribution Success (SUD's and Rural Properties)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Notes the successful completion of the FOGO kitchen caddy distribution program (SUD's and Rural Properties), with over 65,000 households reached and a 99% delivery success rate; and
2. Continues to support the next phase of implementation as the weekly FOGO service begins on 7 July 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 225561.2025

SUBJECT: Meeting Notes of the Liverpool Youth Council meeting held Tuesday 10 June 2025.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool youth Council Meeting held on 10 June 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 4 June 2025;
2. Recognises and thanks Sports Committee members for volunteering to participate in the Liverpool Sports Committee; and
3. Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to disburse the Sporting Grants and Donations in accordance with the recommendations of the Liverpool Sports Committee.

Chairperson

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 215471.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Code of Conducts

Please address the following:

1. How many code of conducts have been submitted during this new Council term. What is the cost to the ratepayers for these code of conducts in terms of external costs and staff time?
2. Why aren't Councillors given internal counselling to coach them and to educate them on a code of conduct that has been lodged against them rather than blindly submitting it to an external consultant for assessment?
3. What is Council's position on the article in the Daily Telegraph on 14. June 2025 where the State Government is cracking down on trivial complaints and the weaponisation of code of conducts by Councillors which have the undesigned effect of costing ratepayers millions of dollars?

Responses (provided by Corporate Support)

1. The number of councillor code of conduct complaints and the associated costs were reported to the Council meeting of 18 June 2025. A further update report can be provided in due course.
2. Training has been provided to all councillors on the Code of Conduct. Council is required to deal with Code of Conduct complaints in accordance with the Code of Conduct Procedures. The table below identifies procedural steps provided in the Code of Conduct Procedures for the assessment and investigation of code of conduct complaints. As outlined in the report to the Council meeting of 18 June 2025, some complaints have not proceeded past the initial assessment stage. Where matters have been referred to a conduct reviewer, they have predominantly then proceeded to investigation.

Procedural step	Potential outcomes
Initial consideration of complaint by CEO	• Refer to external agency • Decline complaint • Resolve by alternative strategies • Refer to conduct reviewer
Preliminary assessment by conduct reviewer	• Take no action • Resolve by alternative strategies • Refer back to CEO for resolution • Refer to external agency • Investigate
Investigation	• Resolve by alternative strategies • Refer back to CEO for resolution • Refer to external agency • Final investigation report

3. Council is not named in the Daily Telegraph article and has not expressed a position on it. OLG is reviewing the councillor conduct framework, but there has not yet been any legislative change. In the meantime, Council continues to apply the councillor conduct framework which applies under the Local Government Act 1993, the Code of Conduct and the Code of Conduct Procedures.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 218839.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Rate Rise

At the last council meeting the Mayor came out and stated that there were 249,000 residents that were happy with the 6% rate rise.

Please address the following:

1. Can I please get some clarification in terms of evidence of how this number was determined?
2. If there is no evidence to support this fact can a councillor request that this mayor apologise for making a false statement in Council chambers?

Response (provided by CEO)

In reference to question 1 above, the number quoted by the Mayor when he commented that *"...there are 249,000 people in our community who are happy to progress (the budget) and did not see fit to go out there and do that ..."* ('that' referring to the partaking in Councillor Ristevski's State of Origin competition).

Note parenthesis added.

The estimated resident population of the Liverpool local government area in 2024 is 254,905 (figure extracted from Council website at [Home | Liverpool City Council | Community profile](#)).

Given only about 200 people made submissions as a result of the competition incentive, the actual number that did not is actually in excess of 254,000.

As there is clear evidence for the statement made by the mayor as per response to question 1, question 2 becomes irrelevant.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 218868.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Public Inquiry Legal Expenses

Please address the following:

1. Which Councillors have presented their legal expenses to be covered by the Council's insurer for the Public Inquiry and the dollar amounts for each Councillors.

(Response provided by Corporate Support)

Under Council's policy of insurance (Policy), the Council is the Insured Entity and councillors are Insured Persons. Applications for cover under the Policy are presented to the insurer for decision. The applications and decisions in relation to cover would constitute personal information within the meaning of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) and the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth). It is unclear how the details of any Insured Person's cover under the policy is required either for councillors to discharge their roles under section 232 of the Local Government Act 1993 or for the governing body to discharge its role under section 223 of the Act.

Council has been provided with the cost to Council of its legal representation for the public inquiry, which is the amount of the deductible under the Policy. If there is any change in the cost to Council, then an update can be provided.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 219758.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Roundabout (Diamondabout) at the Intersection of Twenty-Eighth Avenue and Fifteenth Avenue in Austral

Please address the following:

1. Who approved the installation of the roundabout at the above location?
2. How much did it cost as the Mayor made a recent announcement that the cost was \$600,000?
3. How much did it cost to have it removed and replaced and where did the funds come from? Will any funds be removed from frontline services?
4. How much will it cost to replace the roundabout for the second time?
5. Why was it left up to the CEO to rectify the issue on social media when 99% of the time it's the Mayor speaking on behalf of the council? Is this a matter of the Mayor is only there to give good news and leaves the bad news to the CEO?
6. Why did the Mayor blame the State Member for Leppington for the roundabout in the Sydney Morning Herald article on 27 June 2025 when he had nothing to do with it? Has he put Council in disrepute and as a result subject to a code of conduct?
7. Who designed the roundabouts?
8. Who constructed the roundabouts?
9. Were the roundabouts built as per the approved designs?
10. Was the same contractor used for all 5 roundabouts?
11. Has the Contractor been paid for the work yet?
12. Have all the roundabouts been assessed after construction?
13. Are ALL the roundabouts compliant with construction design and construction codes?
14. Can trucks and buses navigate around every roundabout?

Responses to these questions will be provided in an in-depth report to be tabled to the 27 August 2025 Council meeting.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 230765.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Civic Place

Now that Civic Place has been completed, could you please provide answers to the following questions:

1. What is the total cost of Civic Place?
2. What was the projected cost vs the actual cost?
3. What have been the interest costs (during construction and after practical completion)?
4. When was income projected to be received?
5. How much has been used from general reserves to fund civic place?
6. Any other financial implications or learnings from the project?

Responses provided by Corporate Support and Office of the CEO)

1. What is the total cost of Civic Place?
 Construction costs = \$218,563,053
 Capitalised interest on loan = \$7,854,206
 Total costs (as per asset register) = **\$226,417,259**
2. What was the projected cost vs the actual cost?
 Projected costs (total approved budget) = (\$195,500,000 + \$23,000,000)
\$218,500,000
 Actual costs = **\$218,563,053**
3. What have been the interest costs (during construction and after practical completion)?
 Interest on loan during construction = **\$7,854,206**
 Interest costs after practical completion = \$63,603,674 (Total interest payable \$71,457,880 less capitalised interest \$7,854,206)

4. When was income projected to be received?

Rental income was projected to commence in **January 2025**.

Civic Tower was expected to be fully tenanted by July 2024 with 6 months rent free incentive.

5. How much has been used from general reserves to fund civic place?

In total **\$7,799,553** was used from general reserves towards the construction costs which includes \$1,000,000 still owed by Built developer.

Principal and interest loan repayment is paid from general reserves.

6. Any other financial implications or learnings from the project?

Council was able to lock in its borrowing costs at very favourable interest rates.

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 214583.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 10 June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council receives and notes the minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 180082.2025
SUBJECT: Establishment of an Internal Independent Ombudsman to Handle Code of Conduct and Public Complaints

Background

Recent concerns about the misuse of code of conduct complaints to suppress criticism underscore the need for an impartial mechanism within the council's internal structure. An appointed internal independent ombudsman would serve to strengthen trust in the council's governance processes and safeguard democratic accountability.

Furthermore, the escalation of code of conduct complaints could cost ratepayers nearly \$1 million.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Recognises the importance of maintaining integrity, transparency, and fairness in the handling of code of conduct complaints and public grievances.
2. Notes that the current process, whereby complaints and allegations concerning councillors and council staff are managed solely by the council's governance team, presents a potential conflict of interest and risks being weaponised to silence legitimate criticism.
3. Appoint an internal independent ombudsman, to be appointed by Council, who will be responsible for overseeing and investigating code of conduct issues and complaints submitted by members of the public.
4. Further resolves that the internal independent ombudsman shall:
 - (i). Operate independently of the governance team to ensure impartiality.
 - (ii). Receive, investigate, and make recommendations on complaints related to conduct and public grievances.
 - (iii). Be accessible to members of the public, providing an impartial avenue for complaint resolution.
5. Develop and implement a framework for the appointment, powers, and responsibilities of the internal independent ombudsman.
6. Amend existing governance procedures to incorporate this role, ensuring greater transparency, accountability, and public confidence.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

1. Direct the CEO to provide a report on alternate methods to deal with Code of Conduct complaints, including internal or external ombudsman's, and report back to a future Council meeting.
2. Acknowledge that the public inquiry is likely to provide recommendations on this matter, and that the Minister and the Office of Local Government are also considering reforms to the Code of Conduct Process.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 23 July 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 27 August 2025

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Chairperson

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01

FILE NO: 212788.2025

SUBJECT: Tourism and CBD Committee - New Community Representatives

That the following item be deferred to the end of the meeting.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

1. Rescind Resolution 2 of CORP 01 (Single Source Software Solution for Council - Proposed Procurement Process) made on 11 December 2019 on the basis that, due to unavailability of competitive tenderers, a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders for the provision of an Enterprise Resource Planning system as outlined in the findings of the market scan report;
2. Note that there is an exemption from the tendering requirements under section 55(3)(g) of the *Local Government Act 1993* for a contract for purchase of services, including information technology services, using a NSW Government procurement scheme;
3. Endorse the Chief Executive Officer (or their delegate) to enter into direct negotiations with the preferred vendors identified through the Enterprise Resource Planning market scan report on an offer for services using a NSW Government procurement scheme;
4. Note that a final offer, including negotiated pricing and scope of implementation, will be brought to Council for formal consideration and approval;
5. Note that the Enterprise Resource Planning initiative is a foundational component of the upcoming 10-year Technology Strategy and Long-Term Financial Plan.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 10:21pm.
Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 10:21pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 224707.2025
SUBJECT: Legal Affairs

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council notes the contents of the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 228115.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Powerhouse Board

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council appoint the recommended two (2) community representatives on the Liverpool Powerhouse Board for the current Council term.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 230263.2025
SUBJECT: Commercial Property Report - June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council receives and notes the contents of this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 228994.2025
SUBJECT: Organisational Structure Review - Staged Update

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

1. Notes that under Section 333 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the organisational structure must be reviewed within 12 months of the new Council's election.
2. Notes that the last structure was adopted by Council on 30 August 2023, and that a new review is due by September 2025.
3. Notes that the CEO provided councillors with an overview of the restructure process at the 16 April 2025 Councillor Budget Induction and Briefing session.
4. Notes that Tranche 1 of the restructure was endorsed by the Joint Consultative Committee (JCC) in July 2025.
5. Notes that Tranche 2 is currently under development and will be presented to Council at the August 2025 Council meeting for consideration and determination.
6. Notes the financial implications of Tranche 1, including gross annual savings of \$1.55 million and expected one-off redundancy costs of about half that amount in 2024/2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

During discussion, Ms Tina Bono declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following matter and remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 212788.2025
SUBJECT: Tourism and CBD Committee - New Community Representatives

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council defer this item to the next Governance Committee Meeting for further discussion of the policy, with the provision of a scoring matrix if available. The item is then to be brought back to the next Council meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mayor Mannoun vacated the Chair at 10:37pm, and Councillor Harle as the Deputy Mayor, became the Chairperson.

DEPUTY MAYOR HARLE CLOSED MEETING CLOSED AT 10:42PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 27 August 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 July 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 27 AUGUST 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Terry Bilal, Acting Director Operations
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Fareena Wood, Coordinator Facilities Contract and Building Services
Alyssa Reyel, Building Services Specialist
Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer

The meeting commenced at 6:00pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor reminded everyone that in accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the conduct of council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via livestream on council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Acknowledgement of Country, Affirmation of Council and Prayer was read by Pastor Paul Mosiejczuk from Liverpool Baptist Church.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

COUNCILLORS ATTENDING REMOTELY

NIL.

APOLOGIES

NIL.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Deputy Mayor Harle**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 July 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Karnib declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 01 – Beautification of George Street, Liverpool.

Reason: Has recently leased an office on George Street, Liverpool, and has a contractual obligation with its owner.

Clr Karnib will leave the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Ibrahim declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item/s: NOM 01 – Beautification of George Street, Liverpool.

Reason: Resides locally to the streets referenced in the report.

Clr Ibrahim will leave the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Ibrahim declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item/s: CONF 03 – Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals.

Reason: Owns an investment property on the streets referenced in the report.

Clr Ibrahim will leave the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Ristevski declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – ST3381 Provision of Cleaning Services for Council's Buildings, Facilities, and Amenities.

Reason: One of the unsuccessful tenderers was a former client.

Clr Ristevski will remain in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Mayor's Vehicle Use – Logbook Non-Compliance, Governance Failures and Breach of Taxation Obligations.

Reason: The subject matter directly pertains to his role as Mayor and to his vehicle.

Mayor Mannoun will leave the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 04 – LGNSW Annual Conference – Penrith 2025.

Reason: He is a Director on the LGNSW Board, responsible for the organisation of the conference.

Mayor Mannoun will remain in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

NIL.

PETITIONS

NIL.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Condolence Motion – Former Councillor Pat Murray

Condolence Motion – Father Chris Riley

Condolence Motion – Constantinos (Dino) Chrissimos

ITEM NO: COND 01
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Vale Former Councillor Mr Pat Murray
 (Read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with deep sorrow that I acknowledge the passing of former Councillor Pat Murray. Pat was a highly regarded businessman and a fierce advocate for Liverpool, passionately committed to protecting its heritage and preserving its stories.

Born on 10 September 1937, Pat Murray grew up in Liverpool, where his father had established Murray's Pharmacy in 1933 at 277 Macquarie Street. From an early age, Pat was determined to follow in his father's footsteps and become a pharmacist. After completing his studies at the University of Sydney, he joined his father in the pharmacy, which had become a well-known local landmark.

Pat continued to work in the shop until he sold the pharmacy in 1996, when it was relocated across the road. Pat stayed in the shop looking after its speciality areas, until retiring 10 years later in 2006 having worked 52 years in the one shop.

Pat maintained a strong interest in local issues from an early age, growing up alongside several neighbours who served as aldermen on Council. He first stood for election in 1965, though was unsuccessful. Undeterred, he ran again in December 1968 at the age of 31, standing with Frank Oliveri for North Ward, and was elected.

He took great pride in his work as an independent Councillor, particularly in his efforts to preserve Liverpool's heritage. Pat often reflected on his role in helping to save Collingwood House in 1971, when Council was considering its demolition following severe vandalism. He worked closely with Olive Havard and the Liverpool Historical Society, actively supporting their campaign to secure Council's commitment to restore and preserve this nationally significant heritage home.

Around the same time, Pat also campaigned to save Rosebank in Speed Street, which was under threat of demolition. He played a key role in bringing both sides of Council together to reach agreement on preserving the heritage-listed home. Pat was re-elected to Council in 1971 but resigned the following year, choosing to devote more time to his young family.

An early member of the Liverpool Historical Society, which he joined in 1960, Pat maintained a lifelong connection with the organisation. He was passionate about capturing Liverpool's history, taking thousands of photographs and film recordings of the area. Much of this remarkable archive has been donated to Liverpool Council's Heritage Collection and has featured in numerous exhibitions and publications over the years.

Beyond his heritage work, Pat was also an active contributor to civic life through his long involvement with the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce and the Liverpool West Rotary Club.

Liverpool City Council acknowledges with gratitude the enduring impact of Pat Murray's service and dedication to the community.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Express our profound sorrow at the passing of Mr Pat Murray and acknowledge his significant contribution to Liverpool City.
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Murray's family, expressing Council's sympathies and appreciation of his legacy.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COND 02
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Vale Father Chris Riley
 (Read by Mayor Mannoun)

The City of Liverpool mourns the loss of Father Chris Riley, a beloved Salesian priest (SDB) and a Member of the Order of Australia (AM), who dedicated his life to serving the most vulnerable and disadvantaged young people across Australia.

Through his founding of *Youth Off The Streets* in 1991, what began as a single food van in Sydney's Kings Cross evolved into a national network offering crisis accommodation, education, counselling, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, and Aboriginal cultural support. Born Christopher Keith Riley on 24 November 1954 in Echuca, Victoria, he was ordained a Salesian priest in 1982.

His approach was founded on the steadfast belief that "there is no child born bad," only circumstances to overcome.

He received numerous accolades, including Member of the Order of Australia (2006), Human Rights Medal (2006), an honorary doctorate from the University of Western Sydney (2010), and was the NSW Australian of the Year in 2012.

He stepped down from the board of *Youth Off The Streets* in 2022 due to ill-health and passed on 31 July 2025 at the age of 70.

On Monday 18 August 2025, a public memorial service was held at The William Inglis Hotel in Warwick Farm, Sydney, chosen by Father Riley over a state funeral.

The event featured stories from past students, friends, public figures, and even a video performance of "Working Class Man" by Jimmy Barnes, fulfilling one of Father Riley's personal requests.

His legacy of compassion, resilience, and unwavering commitment to young people will continue to inspire generations, and the City of Liverpool honours his remarkable contribution to our community and our nation.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Extends its deepest sympathy and respect to the family of Father Chris Riley, his colleagues at *Youth Off The Streets*, and the countless young people whose lives he transformed;

2. We honour and celebrate his extraordinary life, his compassion, and his tireless advocacy; because in serving the most disadvantaged, he served all of Australia; and
3. That a copy of this motion be forwarded to the board of Youth Off The Streets as a mark of gratitude and remembrance.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded:** **Clr Ammoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COND 03

SUBJECT: Condolence Motion – Vale Constantinos (Dino) Chrissimos, Liverpool Olympic Football Club
(Read by Mayor Mannoun)

It is with deep sorrow that we acknowledge the passing of Liverpool Olympic Football Club Life Member, friend, and devoted volunteer, Constantinos (Dino) Chrissimos. For more than three decades, Dino dedicated himself wholeheartedly to Liverpool Olympic, giving his time, energy, and passion to support the growth and success of our club.

During Dino's association with Liverpool Olympic he became an irreplaceable part of the fabric of the club. Dino gave his heart and soul to Liverpool Olympic, dedicating countless hours to ensure the smooth running of our teams, facilities, and events.

A familiar and welcoming face at Hoxton Park Reserve, Dino's contribution went far beyond what could ever be measured. From opening the clubhouse at dawn, preparing facilities, and supporting coaches and players, to ensuring every detail (big or small) was taken care of, he worked tirelessly behind the scenes.

Dino's true gift was not just in what he did, but in how he did it. He embodied the spirit of community sport: generous with his time, passionate about helping others, and deeply committed to the growth and success of the club he loved. He cared for every player, every volunteer, and every family who walked through the club doors. Dino believed in creating an environment where everyone felt welcome, supported, and part of something bigger than themselves.

Over the years, Dino played a vital role in shaping the identity and culture of Liverpool Olympic. His dedication helped build the strong sense of community and belonging that our club is so proud of today. He celebrated our victories, supported us through challenges, and never hesitated to put the needs of the club and its people ahead of his own.

Dino will be remembered not only for his unwavering commitment and hard work, but also for his warmth, kindness, and generosity of spirit. He had a rare ability to connect with people, to make them feel valued, and to bring out the best in those around him.

Liverpool City Council extends its deepest and heartfelt condolences to Dino's loved ones during this difficult time. We share in their grief and stand together in remembering and honouring a remarkable man whose impact on our club and community will be felt for many years to come.

Councillor Karnib and Councillor Adjei also expressed their condolences, reflecting on their time knowing Dino and their association with the Liverpool Olympic Football Club.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Express its profound sorrow at the passing of Mr Constantinos (Dino) Chrissimos and acknowledge his outstanding contribution to the Liverpool community and the Liverpool Olympic Football Club; and
2. Send a letter of condolence to Mr Chrissimos' family and the Board of Liverpool Olympic, expressing Council's deepest sympathies and appreciation of his enduring legacy.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded:** **Clr Karnib**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

A minute of silence was then observed for Former Councillor Pat Murray, Father Chris Riley and Dino Chrissimos.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 237863.2025
SUBJECT: Beautification of George Street, Liverpool

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Seek funding from both federal and state governments to support the upgrade and beautification of George Street, with the aim of enhancing its functionality and appeal as a vibrant nighttime economy precinct;
2. Establish a dedicated task force comprising three Councillors — Councillors Ristevski, Karnib, and Harle — along with a representative from Little India Liverpool. This task force will be responsible for coordinating and driving the funding application process and project planning to ensure that the upgrade and beautification works can commence within the 2026/27 financial year; and
3. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to provide administrative support to the task force and to report back to Council on progress and funding outcomes at the earliest opportunity.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded:** **Cllr Ristevski**

1. Provide a report back to Council of a CBD precinct approach, setting the vision, and alignment to placemaking and positioning as a world class precinct.
2. Provide a report back on the potential use of the City Development Fund, noting WestInvest funding, or other opportunities for funding for upgrades on George Street, Liverpool.
3. Note the City Development Fund currently defines CBD precincts and should be incorporated on the approach to the report.
4. Consult with the relevant stakeholders across the Liverpool CBD precincts.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr Karnib left the Chambers at 6:24 pm in accordance with their Declarations of Interest.

Clr Ibrahim and Clr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 6:34pm.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers at 6:35pm in accordance with the Declaration of Interest, and Deputy Mayor Harle assumed the Chair.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 260872.2025
SUBJECT: Mayor's Vehicle Use – Logbook Non-Compliance, Governance Failures and Breach of Taxation Obligations

Background

At the July 2025 Council meeting, councillors were provided with a report (Item CORP01) referring to Template 10.2 of the Office of Local Government's guidelines for the payment of expenses and provision of facilities for Mayors and Councillors. This template explicitly states that a logbook must be maintained by the Mayor and submitted monthly to Council to ensure transparent and appropriate use of ratepayer-funded vehicles.

Liverpool City Council currently does not enforce this basic and essential requirement within its own policies. This is a serious governance failure that leaves the Council – and ratepayers – exposed to misuse of public funds.

The Mayor has publicly admitted he does not keep a logbook, raising significant questions about the potential private use of a ratepayer-funded vehicle, and whether fuel and other vehicle-related expenses are being claimed on a non-Council vehicle. This is particularly concerning under the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986, which requires logbooks to be maintained to comply with ATO standards. Failure to do so is a potential breach of federal tax law.

It is unacceptable that such a basic control – essential for transparency, accountability, and compliance with state and federal law – is being ignored by the mayor. This failure not only violates public trust, but also potentially exposes Council to penalties, liabilities, and reputational damage.

Rationale:

This motion seeks to ensure that proper governance is enforced in line with community expectations, legal obligations, and the principles of public accountability. The Mayor is not above the rules – in fact, the Mayor should lead by example. The failure to maintain a logbook for a ratepayer-funded vehicle is an indefensible failure of duty and responsibility. Council must act decisively to protect public funds and restore community confidence in its leadership.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Clr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Immediately update its Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy to incorporate the requirements of Template 10.2 of the Office of Local Government regarding mayoral vehicle using, specifically mandating:
 - i. The maintenance of a logbook by the Mayor;
 - ii. Monthly submission of the logbook to Council for review;
 - iii. Quarterly publication of summary usage data for public transparency.
2. Commission an independent audit of the Mayor's vehicle use, specifically examining:
 - i. The absence of a logbook;
 - ii. Any irregularities or inconsistencies in fuel or maintenance claims;
 - iii. Whether fuel purchased using Council funds was used in a non-Council vehicle;
 - iv. Whether this failure has resulted in a breach of the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986.
3. Write to the Office of Local Government, the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), and the Australian Taxation Office, outlining the Mayor's public admission and Council's findings, and requesting formal investigation and advice on potential breaches and remedies.
4. That the CEO report back to Council within 30 days on implementation of the new policy, findings of the audit, and correspondence with relevant authorities.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. Immediately update its Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy to incorporate the requirements of Template 10.2 of the Office of Local Government regarding mayoral vehicle using, specifically mandating:
 - i. The maintenance of a logbook by the Mayor;
 - ii. Monthly submission of the logbook to Council for review;
 - iii. Quarterly publication of summary usage data for public transparency.
2. Commission an independent audit of the Mayor's vehicle use, specifically examining:
 - i. The absence of a logbook;
 - ii. Any irregularities or inconsistencies in fuel or maintenance claims;
 - iii. Whether fuel purchased using Council funds was used in a non-Council vehicle;
 - iv. Whether this failure has resulted in a breach of the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986.

3. That the CEO report back to Council within 30 days on implementation of the new policy, findings of the audit, and correspondence with relevant authorities.

There was no seconder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chambers at 6:37pm and resumed Chair.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 268786.2025
SUBJECT: Relocation of Opioid Treatment Programs from Liverpool CBD

Background

Liverpool City Council has for decades carried a disproportionate share of the burden in accommodating drug injection and related facilities. While other Local Government Areas (LGAs) have resisted such facilities, Liverpool has consistently hosted them — resulting in significant impacts on our CBD amenity, public perception, and the safety and comfort of residents, businesses, and visitors.

There is growing concern from residents and local business owners regarding the visible increase of drug-affected individuals in the Liverpool CBD. These individuals often loiter, interrupt patrons at outdoor dining areas, and contribute to a perception of the Liverpool CBD as unsafe — with our city being unfairly labelled as the “junkie capital” of Sydney.

Liverpool has done its fair share. It is time that other LGAs take responsibility, and for Council to investigate alternative locations for these facilities that do not undermine the revitalization and livability of our CBD.

A practical first step is to remove drug injection rooms from the Liverpool CBD and consider relocating them to Council-owned facilities, such as the C.T. Lewis complex, where the State Government can lease the premises, providing Council with a revenue stream and ensuring underutilised assets are put to productive use.

Rationale:

Liverpool’s CBD should be a clean, safe, and vibrant hub for residents, businesses, and visitors — not an epicenter for drug-related activity. This motion seeks to take the first step in restoring public confidence in our city centre while ensuring Council assets are utilised effectively and fairly.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledge that Liverpool has hosted drug injection facilities for many decades, and that the ongoing location of these facilities in the CBD contributes to negative public perception, public safety concerns, and reduced amenity for residents, workers, and visitors.

2. Investigate the feasibility of relocating drug injection rooms from the Liverpool CBD to alternative locations, including but not limited to Council-owned facilities such as the C.T. Lewis site.
3. Prepare a report within three (3) months outlining:
 - a) Potential relocation sites within Liverpool LGA;
 - b) The feasibility of leasing Council-owned property to the State Government for this purpose;
 - c) Revenue opportunities to offset ratepayer costs; and
 - d) A communications plan to advocate for a fairer distribution of such facilities across other LGAs.
4. Advocate to the NSW State Government that Liverpool has carried this responsibility for too long and that other LGAs must now share the burden.
5. Engage with local residents, businesses, and key stakeholders to ensure that any future location is designed to minimise community impact.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. Acknowledge that Liverpool has hosted opioid treatment program for many decades, and that the ongoing location of these facilities in the CBD contributes to negative public perception, public safety concerns, and reduced amenity for residents, workers, and visitors.
2. Advocate to the NSW State Government that Liverpool has carried this responsibility for too long and that other LGAs must now share the burden.
3. Engage with local residents, businesses, and key stakeholders to ensure that any future location is designed to minimise community impact.

There was no seconder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

During discussion, Clr Ristevski adjusted the NOM throughout, substituting the term drug injection to opioid treatment programs.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 269081.2025
SUBJECT: Establishment of a “Liverpool City HQ” to Support Small Business, Start-ups and Innovation

Background

Fairfield City HQ has been an outstanding success story for Western Sydney. It has become a hub for entrepreneurs, start-ups, and small business owners, offering them access to mentoring, workshops, networking opportunities, co-working spaces, and direct council support. This initiative has strengthened Fairfield's local economy, diversified its business base, and attracted investment.

Liverpool, with its strategic location, diverse community, and the forthcoming Western Sydney International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport and Bradfield City Centre – a future hub for advanced manufacturing and innovation – is perfectly placed to replicate and improve on this model.

Currently, Liverpool's CBD is too often associated with the “tobacco capital” label, which does not reflect the city's full potential. By creating a Liverpool City HQ, we can reposition our city as the home of innovation, start-ups, and emerging industries. This will help attract and retain talent, create jobs, and give our small businesses the tools they need to succeed.

Rationale

Liverpool City HQ will:

- Encourage small business growth and entrepreneurship.
- Create a professional space for collaboration and innovation.
- Support economic diversification away from low-growth retail sectors.
- Leverage Liverpool's position as a gateway to Bradfield City and the new airport.
- Help rebrand Liverpool as a vibrant, forward-thinking city that is open for business.

By supporting this motion, councillors will be making a direct investment in Liverpool's economic future, creating opportunities for our residents, and ensuring we are ready to compete for investment and talent in the new Western Sydney economy.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Commit to establishing a “Liverpool City HQ” – a centralised small business and start up hub, modelled on the successful Fairfield City HQ, but tailored to Liverpool's unique opportunities and needs.
2. Identify and allocate an existing Council-owned property in the Liverpool CBD that can be repurposed to house the Liverpool City HQ, ensuring ease of access for entrepreneurs, small business owners, and potential investors.

3. Develop a program of services and facilities for the Liverpool City HQ to include:
 - a) Co-working and shared office spaces for start-ups and micro-businesses.
 - b) Business mentoring, training, and networking programs.
 - c) Support in navigating Council approvals and compliance.
 - d) Access to funding and grant application assistance.
 - e) Industry-specific programs that align with Bradfield City's advanced manufacturing vision and the opportunities arising from the new airport.
4. Engage with key stakeholders – including the Western Sydney Airport Corporation, universities, TAFE NSW, business chambers, and local entrepreneurs – to form partnerships that will help resource and promote the Liverpool City HQ.
5. Determine an appropriate budget and identify a funding source for the establishment and operation of the Liverpool City HQ.
6. Provide a report back to Council within three months detailing:
 - a) The identified CBD site.
 - b) The proposed scope of services and facilities.
 - c) The budget and funding sources
 - d) A recommended implementation timeline.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:** **Clr Monaghan**

1. Provide a report back to Council within four months detailing the points listed below:
 - a) Establishing a “Liverpool City HQ” – a centralised small business and start-up hub, modelled on the successful Fairfield City HQ, but tailored to Liverpool's unique opportunities and needs.
 - b) Identify and allocate an existing Council-owned property in the Liverpool CBD that can be repurposed to house the Liverpool City HQ, ensuring ease of access for entrepreneurs, small business owners, and potential investors.
 - c) Develop a program of services and facilities for the Liverpool City HQ to include:
 - Co-working and shared office spaces for start-ups and micro-businesses.
 - Business mentoring, training, and networking programs.
 - Support in navigating Council approvals and compliance.
 - Access to funding and grant application assistance.
 - Industry-specific programs that align with Bradfield City's advanced manufacturing vision and the opportunities arising from the new airport.
 - d) Engage with key stakeholders – including the Western Sydney Airport Corporation, universities, TAFE NSW, business chambers, and local entrepreneurs – to form partnerships that will help resource and promote the Liverpool City HQ.

- e) Determine an appropriate budget and identify a funding source for the establishment and operation of the Liverpool City HQ.
- f) The report back to Council should include:
 - The identified CBD site.
 - The proposed scope of services and facilities.
 - The budget and funding sources
 - A recommended implementation timeline.

Division called:

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Vote against: Cllr Ammoun and Cllr Harte.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 274729.2025
SUBJECT: Enhanced Standards for Councillors

Background

According to Section 232 of the Local Government Act (1993), which describes the role of a Councillor in NSW, Councillors are accountable to the local community. As part of that undertaking, Councillors are rightly held to the highest of standards as leaders within the community.

Given the recent media surrounding working with children checks, it is the perfect time to stand with our award winning workforce at Liverpool City Council and submit ourselves, the elected body, to the same scrutiny we expect of our staff.

The undertaking of Working with Children Checks (WWCC), random drug and alcohol testing, and national criminal history checks are standard in both the private and public sectors, including for Liverpool City Council staff.

The implementation of these mandatory background and compliance checks for Councillors will ensure that the governing body is meeting and exceeding the community's expectations.

This would enhance accountability and transparency, and mitigate risks associated with safety and misconduct – demonstrating our commitment to good governance.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Macnaught)

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to prepare a report detailing the steps and processes required to implement mandatory background and compliance checks for all current and future Councillors, which should include but not be limited to
 - a) Working with Children Checks
 - b) Random Drug and Alcohol testing
 - c) National Criminal History Checks
2. Providing recommendations with
 - a) consideration of frequency, privacy, consent and legal aspects of the recommendation
 - b) timeline for implementation
 - c) costs associated with the recommendation
3. Including benchmarking against practices in other NSW local government areas and public sector agencies.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Direct the CEO to prepare a report detailing the steps and processes required to implement mandatory background and compliance checks for all current and future Councillors, which should include but not be limited to
 - a) Working with Children Checks
 - b) Random Drug and Alcohol testing
 - c) National Criminal History Checks
 - d) Bankruptcy/Financial Checks
2. Providing recommendations with
 - a) consideration of frequency, privacy, consent and legal aspects of the recommendation
 - b) timeline for implementation
 - c) costs associated with the recommendation
3. Including benchmarking against practices in other NSW local government areas and public sector agencies.
4. Liaise with Local Government NSW to understand their experiences in this field.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Karnib) therefore lapsed and was not voted on.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Dr Green, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Karnib** **Seconded:** **Clr Monaghan**

1. Direct the CEO to write to the Office of Local Government to determine the feasibility, appropriateness, implementation and/or execution of Liverpool City Council conducting the following of its elected Councillors:
 - a) Working with Children Checks
 - b) Random Drug and Alcohol testing
 - c) National Criminal History Checks
 - d) Bankruptcy/Financial Checks
2. Liaise with Local Government NSW to understand their experiences in this field.

ITEM NO: QWN 01
FILE NO: 261137.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Attendance and Expenditure Concerns - Councillors and Mayoral RSVPs to Public Events

Please address the following:

1. Local Government Conference (Canberra, June 2025)
 - a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers in total (including conference registration, accommodation, travel, and associated costs) for the Mayor to RSVP to the Local Government Conference held in Canberra in June 2025 but ultimately not attend?
 - b) Has the Mayor returned any or all of the associated funds to Council?
 - c) If the funds have not been returned, what powers does Council have to compel reimbursement?
 - d) Is the Mayor's failure to attend despite confirming his participation, and not refunding the expenditure, a potential breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

2. Child Protection Foundation Event (Date 23 May 2025)
 - a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers for Councillor Harte to RSVP to the Child Protection Foundation event and subsequently fail to attend?
 - b) Has Councillor Harte returned any funds associated with this non-attendance?
 - c) If not, can Council compel the return of those funds?
 - d) Given that the Councillor's name was publicly mentioned as being in attendance during the event and no formal apology has been issued to the organisers, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct or misrepresentation of the Council?

3. Liverpool Business Awards (Warwick Farm, Date 27 May 2025)
 - a) What was the total cost incurred by Liverpool City ratepayers in relation to Councillor Green RSVPing to the Liverpool Business Awards at Warwick Farm and not attending?
 - b) Has Councillor Green refunded any of the associated expenses?
 - c) If the expenses have not been reimbursed, is there a process by which Council can recover these funds?
 - d) Given that her name was read out at the event as an attendee and she failed to appear or offer a public explanation or apology, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

Rationale:

Public trust in Council is fundamental. These questions seek transparency regarding the use of public funds and accountability in cases where Councillors or the Mayor commit to attend public events but fail to do so without explanation or restitution. This also raises concerns about adherence to ethical obligations under the NSW Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) 2020, particularly clauses related to misuse of Council resources, honesty and integrity (3.1, 3.2, and 6.2), and conduct that could bring the Council into disrepute.

A response to these questions will be provided in the 24 September 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 271941.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Civic Place Expansion

Please address the following:

1. When was it decided to expand Civic Place, what business case or adopted council plans were used to inform the decision (before it was resolved by council to do so)? Can you please provide copies of them.
2. When the scope was changed significantly increasing the size of the works and total value, what part of the local government act was used to justify not going back out to an open market process? Please provide the section of the act.
3. How was an assessment conducted to demonstrate that fair value was achieved without going back out to open market?
4. What was the original contract/PDA value from the open market process vs the amended contract/PDA?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 24 September 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 274206.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harte - Councillor Access Passes and 2021 Depot Reports

Please address the following:

Councillor Access Passes

1. Since January 2022, has there been any reported instances where Councillors have accessed areas within Council buildings that they are not permitted to?
2. If yes, what remedial action was undertaken?

2021 Depot Reports

3. Can Council advise whether the recommendations in the WorkLogic Report & Norman Turkington Report into the Depot have been implemented?
4. If not, why not?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 24 September 2025 Council Agenda.

Note: Cllr Harte has requested that the existing QWN 03 and QWN 04 be split into four individual QWN items for next month. Responses will be provided separately for each heading listed.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 274214.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - IRC Matters, Payouts and Union Grievances

Please address the following:

IRC Matters and Payouts

1. By month, since January 2022, the number of industrial matters referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?
2. By month, since January 2022, the number of former employees who received a payout before IRC hearings commenced?
3. The quantum of payouts since January 2022 from matters that were referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?

Union Grievances

4. Can Council please advise by month, the number of Union grievances received since January 2025?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 24 September 2025 Council Agenda.

Note: Clr Harte has requested that the existing QWN 03 and QWN 04 be split into four individual QWN items for next month. Responses will be provided separately for each heading listed.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 7:24pm.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 7:25pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 7:26pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 7:28pm.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

NIL.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 214132.2025
SUBJECT: Revocation of the 2013 Community Engagement Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Revoke the Community Engagement Policy, noting that the Community Engagement Strategy 2024, which supersedes the Policy, meets all legislative requirements and aligns with contemporary best practice.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7.30pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 7:49pm with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: CEO 02
FILE NO: 238556.2025
SUBJECT: Review of Roundabout Construction - 15th and 28th Avenues, Austral, NSW

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Note this report and its satisfaction of QWN 04 from Councillor Ristevski.
2. Acknowledge that the CEO has forecast (as described in this report) an adequate and appropriate operational response, in finalisation of this issue.
3. Receive a report to Council, to be provided by the CEO, to determine whether Council has any legal recourse to recoup, part or in full of the sum of \$139,937, and advice on where fault may lie.
4. Understand the process and criteria for the removal of a contractor from a preferred suppliers list.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CEO 03
FILE NO: 240801.2025
SUBJECT: Biannual Progress Report - June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Notes and receives the Biannual Progress Report January to June 2025 which outlines the progress of Principal Activities detailed in the Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2024-2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORT

ITEM NO: PD 01

FILE NO: 245560.2025

SUBJECT: Liverpool Heritage Advisory Committee - Updated Charter and Committee Membership

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Dr Green** **Seconded:** **Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.
2. Endorses the updated Charter (**Attachment 2**) of the Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee.
3. Endorses the commencement of an open Expression of Interest process to seek membership applications for the next term of the Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee.
4. Receives a further report on the outcomes of the Expression of Interest process at a future Ordinary Meeting of Council.
5. Amend the draft Charter with the following changes;
 - a. Page 140 - Membership term is the term of Council; and
 - b. Section 8.3.1 of the Charter to 'a member must notify the Chairperson in writing of their absence from a Committee meeting as soon as practical'.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 8:18pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 8:19pm.

Clr Monaghan left the Chambers at 8:21pm.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 256802.2025
SUBJECT: New Liverpool LEP Gateway Determination - Next Steps

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Notes the Gateway Determination issued by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (**Attachment 1**);
3. Notes the Gateway Extension granted by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for the Principal Planning Proposal for a new Liverpool Local Environmental Plan until 31 August 2025 (**Attachment 3**); and
4. Endorses the progression of the Principal Planning Proposal for the new Liverpool Local Environmental Plan through two separate stages, comprising of
 - a) Stage 1 which will broadly progress changes to industrial, infrastructure, environmental and recreational zoned land, as well as other relevant miscellaneous changes / identified errors. Stage 1 will also include Build-to-Rent and additional bonus provisions in the Liverpool City Centre, Gateway Sites and Schedule 1 Clause 9 changes; and
 - b) Stage 2 which will progress other residential and commercial land changes.
5. Inform the community of the outcomes set in this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council, in the best interests of Liverpool residents and ratepayers, resolves to:

1. Reject any planning pathway that forces increased density without the delivery of essential infrastructure (schools, hospitals, transport, and roads).
2. Write to the NSW Premier and Minister for Planning to demand that any additional housing density imposed on Liverpool must be matched by binding commitments for

new infrastructure and services.

3. Pursue **Option 2 – a Gateway Review**, to challenge the refusal of sensible downzonings and height controls that protect community character and liveability.

There was no seconder for the Foreshadowed motion and therefore this item lapsed.

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Dr Green, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Karnib and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski.

Clr Monaghan returned to the Chambers at 8:28pm.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 216212.2025
SUBJECT: Street Naming - Recognition of Serbian Community in Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Supports the list of future street names – namely Golubac, Nusic, Obilic, Studenica, Tesla, Uvac and Vlasina – to be used to inform development of new subdivisions proposed for Edmondson Park;
3. Publicly exhibits the names in accordance with Council's Naming Convention Policy, for a period of 28 days;
4. Following public exhibition, forwards the proposed street names to the NSW Geographical Names Board seeking formal approval;
5. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to undertake the process of gazettal, if there are no objections received during public exhibition.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 8:39pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 8:45pm.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 233422.2025
SUBJECT: Special Purpose Hire Rate

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Endorse the introduction of a 'Higher Education Venue Hire Rate' set at 50% of the standard hire rate for accredited tertiary institutions for Public Exhibition;
2. Endorse the introduction of an 'Emergency Services Hire Rate' set at 50% of the standard hire rate recognising Council's long-standing collaboration with local emergency services, for Public Exhibition.
3. Endorse the introduction of a new fee-for-service for the use of the Board Room at Civic Place, ensuring equitable access, appropriate cost recovery, and effective facility management, for Public Exhibition;
4. Endorse the application of the 'Higher Education Venue Hire Rate' to long-term hire arrangements (minimum six-month term) and qualifying educational events aligned with the City's strategic goals; and
5. Note that these initiatives align with Council's economic development objectives, strengthen community partnerships, and encourage activation of the Liverpool City Centre as a leading education hub.
6. Acknowledge that full paying entities should take precedence for room bookings over fee reduction entities.
7. Report back to Council in 12 months on the outcome and/or benefits of points 1-6.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:** **Clr Karnib**

1. Notes the report proposing the introduction of new hire rates for tertiary institutions, emergency services, and the Civic Place Boardroom set at 50% of the standard hire rate.
2. Defers endorsement of the proposed “Higher Education Venue Hire Rate” until a full cost-benefit analysis is presented demonstrating measurable economic or community benefit that outweighs the lost revenue.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 8:49pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:50pm.

ITEM NO: COM 02

FILE NO: 235556.2025

SUBJECT: Review of Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy and Councillor Briefing Procedure.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Councillor Induction and Professional Development Policy noting that the date for review will be 1 August 2028;
2. Endorses the updated Councillor Briefing Procedure, noting the changes listed in this report and the following amendments:
 - a) 8.3 Update quorum requirements from three Councillors to five Councillors;
 - b) 8.5 Remove reference to the specific application used to stream meetings, and replace with the term ‘electronic means’;
 - c) The date on Page 203 to reflect endorsed in 2025, not 2028; and;
 - d) 12.2 on Page 202 show the Review Date as 1 August 2028.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers at 9:02pm.

Clr Adjei returned to the Chambers at 9:03pm.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 239140.2025
SUBJECT: Report back to Council: Implementation of Open Door Briefing, Governance and Committee Meetings

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Note that the Office of Local Government (OLG) is currently leading a review of the NSW Councillor Conduct Framework, in which the discussion paper socialises the proposed concept of open-door briefings and committee meetings of Council;
2. Note that submissions for the OLG have now closed, and a review is currently being conducted to determine the path forward for NSW Council;
3. Await determination of OLG to complete the review and advise Councils advice on the path forward for facilitation of open-door briefings and committee meetings of Council;
4. Note that once OLG determination has been received by Council, advice will be enacted as required; and
5. Reaffirms its commitment to governance excellence, accountability, transparency, integrity and public trust.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Harle, Clr Dr Green, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:** **Clr Monaghan**

1. Endorses the immediate adoption of an open-door policy for Councillor Briefing Sessions and Governance Committee meetings, except where matters are legally required to be confidential (e.g. staff matters, legal privilege, or commercial-in-confidence).

2. Directs the CEO to implement the policy, including livestreaming and/or public gallery attendance, with minimal additional cost.
3. Writes to the Office of Local Government (OLG) advising of Council's proactive adoption of open-door briefings and requesting that Liverpool be considered a pilot council for state-wide best practice in transparency.
4. Reaffirms that this initiative strengthens Council's commitment to accountability, transparency, integrity and public trust, ensuring residents are fully informed of the issues being discussed by their elected representatives.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 9:06pm.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 9:11pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 9:28pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 9:44pm with all Councillors present.

During discussion, Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item and remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 251440.2025
SUBJECT: LGNSW Annual Conference - Penrith 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Deputy Mayor Harle **Seconded:** Cllr Macnaught

That Council:

1. Delegate to the CEO to determine the attendees for the LGNSW Conference at Panthers Penrith and Western Sydney Conference Centre from Sunday 23 November to Tuesday 25 November 2025 to the CEO on a 'first in, best dressed' basis by 31 August 2025;
2. Determines its voting delegates for voting on motions at the conference, noting that Liverpool City Council is entitled to 10 voting delegates for voting on motions; and
3. Confirm any motions they wish to submit to the Conference post-discussion at the next Governance Committee meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 264073.2025
SUBJECT: Amendments to Grant and Community Sponsorship Policy- Donations

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Deputy Mayor Harle **Seconded:** Cllr Macnaught

1. Receives and notes this Report; with corrected spelling of aid in section 7.8;
2. Endorses the amended Draft Grants Donations Sponsorship Policy;
3. Directs the CEO to place the amended Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days; and
4. If no feedback is received, direct the CEO to adopt the amended Policy on behalf of Council, and if feedback is received, a report will be brought back to Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Deputy Mayor Harle) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Deputy Mayor Harle)

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Harle, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Karnib and Cllr Ibrahim.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** Cllr Ristevski **Seconded:** Mayor Mannoun

1. Notes the Draft Donations section 7.8 of the Grants and Community Sponsorship Policy.
2. Amends the Draft Policy to explicitly prohibit overseas donations, ensuring that all ratepayer-funded donations are limited to beneficiaries within the Liverpool Local Government Area.
3. Affirms that while Liverpool respects its multicultural community's international connections, ratepayer funds must remain focused on local needs first.

The Foreshadowed motion was not seconded at the time it was moved and therefore lapsed.

ITEM NO: COM 06
FILE NO: 265314.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$10,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Sustainable Environment Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Miller Public School	Miller PS Community Garden	\$5,000
The Parents and Citizens Association of Holsworthy Public School	Native Food Forest Garden	\$5,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Preston Hornets Cricket Club	WV Scott Memorial Park – Nets Upgrade	\$15,000

3. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$33,850** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
SHER Foundation LTD	Foundations: Employability Skills for Young CALD Men	\$8,400
NSW Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS)	Youth.Start Liverpool: After-Hours Youth Program	\$10,000

Lifeline Macarthur and Western Sydney	Free Mental Health Training Programs	\$10,000
Macarthur Region Nepalese Community	2025 Teej Celebration	\$5,450

4. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$51,380** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship Program** for the following project

Applicant	Project	Recommended
United Multicultural Association Austral	Leppington Ganesh Chaturthi 2025	\$7,380
SEWA Australia Inc	Eco-Friendly Immersion - Environment Protection Event	\$10,000
Multicultural Association of Asia & Pacific Incorporated	Fiji Day Australia 2025	\$10,000
Ladies Like to Lunch Ltd	2025 Ladies Like to Lunch Pink Ribbon Luncheon	\$10,000
Georges River Life Care	Care for a Walk 2025	\$5,000
Australian Arab Cultural Forum	Prevention Violence in Multicultural Societies in Australia - with Arab Focus in South Western Sydney NSW	\$9,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 07
FILE NO: 265583.2025
SUBJECT: Policy Review - Civic Advisory Committee Charter

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Dr Green** **Seconded:** **Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Endorse the Civic Advisory Committee Charter.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 264065.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report July 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Deputy Mayor Harle** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 219731.2025
SUBJECT: Litter Prevention and Education Project

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report.
2. Should grant funding not be successful for the NSW EPA Litter Prevention Grants Program, a report will come back to Council for funding and recommendation.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Ristevski** **Seconded:** **Clr Monaghan**

1. Notes the report on the Litter Prevention and Education Project.
2. Endorses an application to the NSW EPA Litter Prevention Grants Program for funding of the proposed project.
3. Confirms that if the grant application is unsuccessful, no ratepayer funds will be allocated to this project without a separate report and resolution of Council.
4. Directs the CEO to provide a report back to Council with low-cost, practical alternatives to reduce litter — including additional bins in hotspots, increased enforcement patrols, improved waste collection scheduling, and stronger penalties for illegal dumping.
5. Reaffirms Council's priority is to deliver direct, visible services to ratepayers in keeping Liverpool clean, safe, and liveable.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 254018.2025
SUBJECT: Review of the Climate Change Policy and Climate Action Plan

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Re-adopts the revised Climate Change Policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: OPER 03
FILE NO: 260462.2025
SUBJECT: 2024 -25 Capital Works Carryover of Projects

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Approves the carryover of works and services listed in Attachment 1, with a remaining budget of \$8,797,920, from the 2024–25 Program Year to the 2025–26 Program Year.
2. Approves the allocation of \$265,000 from the General Fund for New Initiative projects.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: OPER 04
FILE NO: 263936.2025
SUBJECT: Litter Prevention Strategy for Georges River Catchment

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Georges River Litter Prevention Strategy;
2. Continues to work with Georges Riverkeeper to support the implementation of Georges River Litter Prevention Strategy and Roadmap; and
3. Investigates opportunities to develop and improve litter prevention practices in the Liverpool LGA.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: OPER 05
FILE NO: 266465.2025
SUBJECT: Chain of Responsibility Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Deputy Mayor Harle **Seconded:** Cllr Harte

That Council:

1. Adopts the Chain of Responsibility Policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 245467.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of Liverpool Local Traffic Committee held on 16 July 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** Cllr Macnaught **Seconded:** Deputy Mayor Harle

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on 16 July 2025.
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 255615.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 20 August 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 20 August 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**ITEM NO:** CONF 01**FILE NO:** 245015.2025**SUBJECT:** ST3381 Provision of Cleaning Services for Council's Buildings, Facilities, and Amenities**COUNCIL DECISION****Motion:** **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Accept the tenders from the below listed contractors for Tender ST3381 Provision of Cleaning Services for Liverpool City Council's buildings, facilities and amenities services for an initial three (3) year contract term with the option of extending two (2) x 12 months on a schedule of rates;
 - Fast Facilities Services Pty Ltd
 - NDI Cleaning Services Pty Ltd
 - Solo Services Group Australia Pty Ltd
 - Storm International Pty Ltd
2. Makes public its decision regarding tender ST3381 Provision of Cleaning Services for Liverpool City Council's buildings, facilities and amenities services;
3. This report has been brought to Council because the Chief Executive Officer's instrument of delegation, approved by Council in accordance with the current provisions of section 377 of the Local Government Act 1993, only permits the Chief Executive Officer to approve (and not to reject) tenders up to a value of \$2 million.
4. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; and
5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to take any action necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 256588.2025
SUBJECT: Tourism and CBD Committee - New Community Representatives

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

1. Appoint ten (10) community representatives to join the Tourism and CBD Committee for a two-year term.

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: A memo was circulated to Councillors on 22 August 2025 confirming this report was redundant, as the matter had been resolved at the Governance Committee Meeting on 20 August 2025.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 10:27pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.
Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 10:28pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 258326.2025
SUBJECT: Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Dr Green** **Seconded:** **Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. In relation to 57-61 Bathurst Street Liverpool:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 1,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies at 57-61 Bathurst Street Liverpool.

2. In relation to 57-59 Lachlan Street Warwick Farm:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 2,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies at 57-59 Lachlan Street Warwick Farm.

3. In relation to 222 Edmondson Avenue Austral (Also known as Tobruk Village, 120 Tenth Avenue Austral):
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 3,
 - b) do not exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies at 222 Edmondson Avenue Austral. Instead, a corrective action letter will be issued to address the deficiencies identified to the fire hydrant system.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 262268.2025
SUBJECT: Consideration of an Application for the acquisition of land on the grounds of hardship - Lot 892 DP 2475, 185 Ninth Avenue, Austral.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Deputy Mayor Harle**

It is resolved that Council:

1. Notes that:
 - i. Lot 892 DP 2475 (Land) is zoned RE1 - Public Recreation under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts - Western Parkland City) 2021 and is reserved for future acquisition by Council;
 - ii. The owner of the Land has made a hardship application pursuant to Division 3, Part 2 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 (NSW) (Acquisition Act);
 - iii. Advice has been provided that the Owner has satisfied the requirements to establish hardship for the acquisition of the RE1 Public Recreation zoned land under the Acquisition Act;
 - iv. Subject to Council adopting a resolution to proceed to compulsory acquisition on hardship provisions a valuation will be obtained and a “without prejudice” offer made to the owners.
 - v. If an agreement is not reached on the amount of compensation payable through the voluntary negotiations, then compensation will be determined by the Valuer General under s41 of the Acquisition Act.
2. Proceeds with the compulsory acquisition of the Land under s186 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and in accordance with the Acquisition Act.
3. Delegates authority to, and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates, to proceed with making the necessary application to the Minister for Local Government and the Governor in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993* to obtain approval to acquire the property in accordance with the Acquisition Act;
4. Takes all necessary actions to proceed with and complete the compulsory acquisition of the land in accordance with the applicable legislation, including making any application or giving notice to the relevant Minister and the Governor and serving or publishing any other documentation or notice.

5. Delegates authority to and directs the Chief Executive Officer and his delegates to enter into negotiations with the property owner and/or their representative to acquire the property by agreement and enter into any agreement reached with the Owner pursuant to s30 of the Acquisition Act without having to submit a further report to Council for approval.
6. Authorises payment of compensation as determined by the Valuer General, if accepted by the Owner, plus statutory interest in accordance with s49 of the Acquisition Act;
7. If the Owner commences proceedings in the Land and Environment Court (Court) then Council authorises:
 - i. Payment to the Owner of 90% of the compensation as determined by the Valuer-General pursuant to s68(2)(a) of the Acquisition Act, or if that payment is not accepted by the Owner, pay that amount into trust pursuant to s68(2)(b) of the Acquisition Act.
 - ii. Engage solicitors, experts and counsel, as needed, to defend Council's position in Court; and
 - iii. Payment of compensation in accordance with the Order issued by the Court.
8. Authorises its delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision; and
9. Keeps this report confidential pursuant to the provisions of Section 10(A)(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act, 1993* as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 262823.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 129 in a Subdivision of Lot 15 DP 30409, 310 Fourteenth Ave
 Austral for Drainage Purposes

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 129 in a subdivision of Lot 15 DP 30409, 310 Fourteenth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classify Lot 129 in a subdivision of Lot 15 DP 30409 as "Operational Land".
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises its delegated officer to execute any documents, under Power of Attorney necessary to give effect to this decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 263010.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 9 July 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Harte** **Seconded:** **Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 9 July 2025 and the amended extract from ARIC 28 April 2025 Minutes – Item 7.2.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 269131.2025
SUBJECT: SBS RFP Commercial in Confidence

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Dr Green**

That Council move into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(d ii) (d iii) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council; AND commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed reveal a trade secret.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 10:30pm.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Macnaught** **Seconded:** **Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Notes that Council's EOI for 33 Moore Street, Liverpool has been shortlisted.
2. Notes that at this stage the focus is on ensuring Moore Street is presented as a realistic option for the Hub and if the site is selected, detailed analysis will be undertaken that confirms or otherwise the financial viability of refurbishment and return on investment of the building to meet specifications.
3. Notes that Council can withdraw its proposition if not financially favourable.
4. Notes that Council's current long-term financial plan assumes sale of 33 Moore Street Property in FY 2027-28 to repay interest only loan with TCorp.
5. Notes that a potential commercial long-term tenancy is expected to uplift value of the property.

6. Delegates to the CEO the submission of a Request for Proposal by the August 29, 2025, deadline noting that there is no ability to defer submission and that there is no obligation for either party to proceed with the project at this stage.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

OPEN SESSION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council move into Open Session.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

The meeting moved into Open Session at 10:34pm.

Mayor Mannoun then read the resolution for CONF 07 – SBS RFP Commercial in Confidence that was resolved in Closed Session.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:38pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 24 September 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 August 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Services
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Design
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:00pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT/S, PRAYER OF
COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION**

The prayer of the Council was read by Reverend Tim Booker from St Luke's Anglican Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung by Qamar Jabr and Courtney Mallia from 2168 Children's Parliament.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY
AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Dr Green

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 August 2025 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Ibrahim declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 03 – Revocation of Language Aide Policy.

Reason: Works with and is a creditor for NAATI.

Clr Ibrahim remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: the Council meeting was adjourned before this item was debated and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Ammoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Harle declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Harle left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Harte declared non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Has been issued a summons to provide evidence in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council, which may include matters relating to the contents of the motion.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

Clr Dr Green declared non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Dr Green left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

At the adjourned meeting of Council, a supplementary conflict of interest declaration was made by Clr Dr Green, changing the classification from less than significant to significant when the item was considered.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum during this item and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

At the adjourned meeting of Council, Mayor Mannoun withdrew his conflict of interest declaration when the item was considered, as noted in the minutes.

Mr Finian Simes declared a pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 08 – Audio Visual Production Tender.

Reason: Is an employee of one of the tenderers included in the report.

Mr Finian Simes will be leaving Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: the Council meeting was adjourned before this item was debated and was therefore dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 25 September 2025.

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That item COM 05 – Election of Deputy Mayor be brought forward and dealt with now.

On being put to the meeting the Motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 300303.2025
SUBJECT: Election of Deputy Mayor

Nominations

Nominations were called for the position of Deputy Mayor by the Chief Executive Officer as the Returning Officer.

The Returning Officer advised that two nominations had been received, being for Cllr Dr Green and Cllr Harle.

The following votes were recorded:

Councillor	Cllr Dr Green	Cllr Harle
Mayor Mannoun	X	
Cllr Adjei	X	
Cllr Ammoun	X	
Cllr Dr Green	X	
Cllr Harle		X
Cllr Harte	X	
Cllr Ibrahim		X
Cllr Karnib		X
Cllr Macnaught	X	
Cllr Monaghan		X
Cllr Ristevski		X

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That:

1. The method of voting to be used for the election of Deputy Mayor is voting by show of hands.
2. Cllr Dr Green be declared the Deputy Mayor of Liverpool City Council for the term 1 October 2025 to September 2026; and
3. Council's register of delegations be amended accordingly.

Mayor Mannoun thanked the outgoing Deputy Mayor, Cllr Harle for his service to the role.

PUBLIC FORUM

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Arsofan Alkuheli, Qamar Jabr, Courtney Mallia and Zakaria Assaad of 2168 Children’s Parliament** addressed Council on the following item:

Item – COM 04 – 2168 Children’s Parliament Presentation from the Parliament Sitting 18 June 2025.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time to Zakaria Assaad.

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That item COM 04 – 2168 Children’s Parliament be brought forward and dealt with now.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 297554.2025
SUBJECT: 2168 Children's Parliament Presentation From The Parliament Sitting 18 June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ammoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receive and notes this report.
2. Receive a report on items discussed during the public forum component to the February Council meeting.
3. The report to include:
 - a. The relevant partnerships and stakeholders to be consulted collaboratively to ensure issues and funding streams are identified and delivered within a reasonable timeframe; and
 - b. The actual number of students at the school compared to the approved student capacity of the school.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Vale Mr Andy Snook
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

On behalf of Liverpool City Council, I rise to extend our deepest condolences on the passing of Mr Andy Snook – a man whose quiet dedication and generosity left an indelible mark on our community.

For more than four decades, Andy made it his personal mission to reunite lost pets with their owners across Liverpool, Fairfield, and Canterbury-Bankstown. He became the first name people turned to when a dog was found roaming the streets – always ready with his microchip scanner and his boundless compassion.

Though he never sought recognition, Andy's efforts touched countless lives. He gave comfort to families, joy to children, and safety to animals who could not speak for themselves. He was, in every sense, a quiet hero of southwest Sydney.

Andy's life reminds us of the extraordinary impact that one individual can have when guided by selflessness and compassion. With modesty and humility, he showed that a single person's determination and kindness can ripple through an entire community, leaving a legacy far greater than themselves.

In 2022, it was my honour to present him with an Order of Liverpool Award – a fitting tribute to a man who asked for nothing but gave so much. Yet his truest legacy lies in the lives he touched and the example he set for all of us across Southwestern Sydney.

We acknowledge Andy's passing at the age of 70 following a brief illness, and we extend our heartfelt sympathies to his beloved wife Daphne, his family, and his many friends – especially all those families whom he re- united with their furry friends.

Liverpool mourns the loss of Andy Snook, but we also celebrate his life and the extraordinary contribution he made. His memory will live on in every reunion between a lost pet and its family, and in the gratitude of a community that will ever remember him.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. Expresses its sadness at the sudden passing of Andy Snook; and
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Snook's family, together with a copy of this motion as a mark of gratitude for the extraordinary contribution Mr Snook made to our Liverpool community.

3. At an appropriate time, work with Mr Snook's family to acknowledge his contributions with a suitable memorial.

COUNCIL DECISION:

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That Council:

1. Expresses its sadness at the sudden passing of Andy Snook; and
2. Sends a letter of condolence to Mr Snook's family, together with a copy of this motion as a mark of gratitude for the extraordinary contribution Mr Snook made to our Liverpool community.
3. At an appropriate time, work with Mr Snook's family to acknowledge his contributions with a suitable memorial, considering options such as:
 - Establishing the "Andy Snook Animal Welfare Award", presented annually at the Order of Liverpool Awards to recognise outstanding community service in animal welfare.
 - Naming a Council facility, park, or animal-related service after Andy Snook (e.g. "The Andy Snook Animal Care Facility" or "The Andy Snook Dog Park").
 - Planting a commemorative tree or garden in Andy's honour in a public reserve, with a plaque acknowledging his contribution.
 - Creating an annual "Lost Pets Awareness Week" in Liverpool in his name, promoting responsible pet ownership and community care for animals.
 - Partnering with local animal welfare groups to establish a small grant or sponsorship fund in Andy's name, supporting local pet rescue and rehoming initiatives.
4. Receive a report back on the feasibility of the memorial options listed above.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 297973.2025
SUBJECT: Illegal Dumping along Heathcote Road

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the ongoing illegal dumping problem along Heathcote Road and notes that residents have raised repeated concerns regarding this issue;
2. Writes to the Minister for Roads, the Minister for the Environment, and relevant State Government representatives requesting immediate and coordinated action to address illegal dumping along Heathcote Road;
3. Invites State Government representatives to attend a Council meeting to provide an update to Liverpool residents on actions taken to address these concerns;
4. Publishes on Council's website and social media channels a summary of Council's advocacy efforts on this matter so residents are informed of ongoing initiatives and responsibilities.
5. Requests quarterly updates from State agencies on progress toward a permanent solution, including enforcement and clean-up programs; and
6. Explores opportunities for joint operations with NSW Police, Transport for NSW, and the NSW Environment Protection Authority to target known "hotspots" for illegal dumping along Heathcote Road.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the challenge associated with illegal dumping across the LGA;
2. Direct the CEO to produce a report detailing the number of complaints regarding illegal dumping on Heathcote Road between Newbridge Road and Deadmans Creek;
3. Explores opportunities for collaboration between NSW State Agencies including but

not limited to NSW Police, TFNSW and the NSW EPA to identify and target known dumping hotspots across the LGA; and

4. Hold a workshop inviting the State Government and local Land Council representatives to attend, to provide an update to Liverpool residents on actions taken to address these concerns.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harle, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Harte and Cllr Ammoun left the Chambers at 6:49pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

ITEM NO: NOM 02

FILE NO: 301800.2025

SUBJECT: Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the findings of the public inquiry hearings which highlighted uncertainty and inconsistency in how the Liverpool City Council Facebook page is managed, particularly regarding councillors' representation;
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a clear and transparent policy that ensures:
 - a) Councillors attending official events on behalf of Council are recognised and reported on through the Council's Facebook page.
 - b) Representation of Council at official functions, delegations, and community events is acknowledged in a fair and non-partisan manner.
 - c) Staff are not placed in a position where they are directed into political interference, including altering photographs, excluding councillors, or withholding information from the community; and
3. Ensure that where councillors attend official functions or delegations in their capacity as elected representatives, their role is acknowledged and given appropriate recognition on Council's Facebook page.

COUNCIL DECISION

Cllr Monaghan then cited clauses 5.11 (c) and 5.12 (b) of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, which states:

5.11 A meeting of the council must be adjourned if a quorum is not present:

(a) at the commencement of the meeting where the number of apologies received for the meeting indicates that there will not be a quorum for the meeting, or

(b) within half an hour after the time designated for the holding of the meeting, or

(c) at any time during the meeting.

5.12 In either case, the meeting must be adjourned to a time, date and place fixed:
 (a) by the chairperson, or
(b) in the chairperson's absence, by the majority of the councillors present, or
 (c) failing that, by the CEO.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded: Cllr Ristevski**

That the meeting be adjourned due to the absence of a quorum and reconvened on Thursday 25 September 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers, Level 1, 50 Scott Street, Liverpool.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item (Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr Karnib).

Note: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harle, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Dr Green, Cllr Harte, and Cllr Ammoun were not in the Chambers when this motion was voted on.

Following the decision, the Chief Executive Officer left the Chambers to notify the Councillors who were not in attendance.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:51PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 October 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 September 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Services
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 9:30pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and

(b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

MOTION TO NOTE PRIOR OPENING OF MEETING FORMALITIES

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Adjei

That Council does not repeat the opening formalities of Acknowledgement/s, Prayer of Council, and the Australian National Anthem, as these were already conducted at the earlier Ordinary Meeting of Council held 24 September 2025 at 6:00pm.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT/S, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

Nil.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

Nil.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning and Design.

Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, and in accordance with legal advice received, will not participate in discussions related.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Ammoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Dr Green declared non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, and in accordance with legal advice received from two separate sources, will not participate in discussions related.

Clr Dr Green left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Does not wish to involve in the discussion due to the ongoing investigation with the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council of which he is a participant, and in accordance with legal advice received from two separate sources, will not participate in discussions related.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Harte declared non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Has been issued a summons to provide evidence in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council, which may include matters relating to this motion, and in accordance with the two sources of legal advice provided to all Councillors.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Harle declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Item being considered conflicts with obligations of the public inquiry, will not participate in discussion related to the investigation.

Clr Harle remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Mr Jason Breton declared a pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Is a witness in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council, and the motion directly concerns him.

Mr Jason Breton remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: The nature of the matter directly relates to the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council. A summons has been issued, and in accordance with two sources of legal advice, discussion on this matter is not considered appropriate

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Ms Tina Bono declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 01 – Staff Matter.

Reason: Has been mentioned in the proposed NOM.

Ms Tina Bono left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Extraordinary Council meeting was adjourned to 26 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item. On 25 September 2025, the adjourned meeting was subsequently cancelled in accordance with 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

Clr Macnaught, Clr Ammoun, Clr Dr Green, Clr Adjei, Clr Harte, Mayor Mannoun and Ms Tina Bono left the Chambers at 9:36pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 319645.2025
SUBJECT: Staff Matter

COUNCIL DECISION

Clr Monaghan then cited clauses 5.11 (c) and 5.12 (b) of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, which states:

5.11 A meeting of the council must be adjourned if a quorum is not present:

(a) at the commencement of the meeting where the number of apologies received for the meeting indicates that there will not be a quorum for the meeting, or

(b) within half an hour after the time designated for the holding of the meeting, or

(c) at any time during the meeting.

5.12 In either case, the meeting must be adjourned to a time, date and place fixed:

(a) by the chairperson, or

(b) in the chairperson's absence, by the majority of the councillors present, or

(c) failing that, by the CEO.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That the meeting be adjourned due to the absence of a quorum and reconvened on Friday 26 September 2025, at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers, Level 1, 50 Scott Street, Liverpool.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item (Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Ristevski).

Note: Clr Macnaught, Clr Ammoun, Clr Dr Green, Clr Adjei, Clr Harte, Mayor Mannoun and Ms Tina Bono were not in the Chambers when this motion was voted on.

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:37PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 October 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 24 September 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING
HELD ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2025
(PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2025)**

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Services
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Design
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:01pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

- (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and
- (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Acknowledgements and Prayer of Council were not read at the meeting due to this meeting being adjourned from Wednesday 24 September 2025.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was not played at the meeting due to this meeting being adjourned from Wednesday 24 September 2025.

MOTION TO CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That all Notices of Motion be deferred to the end of the meeting, with NOM 02 being the last item of business conducted, and OPER 01 and CEO 01 to be brought forward and dealt with.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY
AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Nil.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Dr Green declared non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

Reason: Currently under subpoena in the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council and under oath with evidence yet to be completed, the matter still relates to issues discussed in closed session.

Clr Dr Green left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Note: The Council meeting was adjourned from 24 September 2025 due to lack of quorum during this item.

At the adjourned meeting of Council, a supplementary conflict of interest declaration was made by Clr Dr Green, changing the classification from less than significant to significant when the item was considered.

Mayor Mannoun, during discussion, withdrew his conflict of interest declaration in the following item due to amendments to the recommendation.

Item: NOM 02 – Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil.

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL
OPERATIONS REPORTS**

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 130380.2025
SUBJECT: Carnes Hill Aquatic and Recreation Centre - Draft Plan of Management

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Approve the Draft Plan of Management for the purpose of placing it on public exhibition, including a public hearing regarding the proposed categorisation of community land, in accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act) for a minimum period of 42 days from the date of public notice.
2. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to make any necessary minor amendments to the Draft Plan of Management, prior to exhibition.
3. Acknowledges that Council will receive a further report following the public exhibition period that will outline the public comments received in relation to the Draft Plan of Management.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 01

FILE NO: 308824.2025

SUBJECT: Extension of Dr Sheridan Dudley- Independent Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee member

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges Dr Dudley's significant contributions on Council's ARIC since her appointment in 2022.
2. Having considered the feedback and questionnaire data outcomes, Council considers Dr Dudley eligible for reappointment to ARIC.
3. Approves the extension of Dr Sheridan Dudley's appointment as an Independent Member of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee for a further three year term, expiring in September 2028.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 357443.2024

SUBJECT: Appointment of Councillors to Committees and Affiliated Bodies

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Appoints Councillors as representatives to the following Committees for the period to September 2026, or appoint Councillors where there are exceptions to any of the Committees:
 - a) Aboriginal Consultative Committee
 - b) Audit Risk and Improvement Committee
 - c) Community & Safety Prevention Committee
 - d) Environment Advisory Committee
 - e) Intermodal Precinct Committee
 - f) Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee
 - g) Liverpool Powerhouse Board
 - h) Liverpool Sports Committee
 - i) Tourism & CBD Committee
 - j) Youth Council
2. Determines whether a “non-voting” Councillor member be included on the Audit, Risk, and Improvement Committee (ARIC) membership;
3. If Council chooses to include a Councillor representative on the ARIC, nominate a Councillor representative as a “non-voting member”;
4. Endorses the current practice of all Councillors being members of the Civic Advisory Committee and Governance Committee; and
5. Appoints Councillors as representatives to the following community committees and affiliated bodies and notifies them of their representatives for the period to September 2026, or appoint Councillors where there are exceptions:
 - a) Georges River Combined Councils Committee
 - b) Macarthur Bushfire Management Committee
 - c) NSW Public Libraries Association (NSW PLA)
 - d) Sydney Western City Planning Panel
 - e) South West Sydney Academy of Sport (SWSAS)
 - f) Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC).

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That:

1. Councillors remain on the committees and affiliated bodies of which they are currently members for the next 12-month period.

Note: Cllr Monaghan does not wish to accept nominations for any of the committees listed in Point 1 of the recommendation, except where membership is compulsory.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 275376.2025
SUBJECT: Review and Amendments to the Liverpool Youth Council Charter 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the recommended changes to the Liverpool Youth Council Charter; and
2. Delegates authority to the CEO to endorse minor changes as required periodically and on review of Councils General Legal Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 294169.2025
SUBJECT: Revocation of Language Aide Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Revoke the 2022 Language Aide Policy and instead rely on the NAATI accredited third-party translation services where applicable and required.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COM 06
FILE NO: 302988.2025
SUBJECT: Suspension of AFZ Macquarie Mall for Primavera Latin American Festival

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Endorse the temporary suspension of the AFZ within Macquarie Mall, for Primavera Latin American Festival operating hours of 5pm – 10pm on the weekend of 17-19 October in order to facilitate a pop-up bar at the event; and
2. Note that the AFZ will be suspended within a demarcated area, allowing Police to continue to enforce the AFZ outside this area.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COM 07
FILE NO: 303400.2025
SUBJECT: Office of Local Government - Model Code of Meeting Practice for local Council in NSW (Changes)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Notes the OLG Council Circular 2025 Model Meeting Code issued 29 August 2025;
2. Notes the OLG has advised a new Model Meeting Code must be adopted by 31 December 2025 that incorporates the mandatory provisions;
3. Notes that, following endorsement, the draft Code will be placed on public exhibition, per section 361 of the Local Government Act 1993, to achieve the December deadline, while concurrently commencing and conducting consultation with Councillors; and
4. Notes, a report and draft policy will come back to Council following consultation for final endorsement prior to the 31 December deadline.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadow motioned (moved by Clr Monaghan) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Clr Adjei, Clr Macnaught, Clr Dr Green, Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Notes the OLG Council Circular 2025 Model Meeting Code issued 29 August 2025;
2. Notes the OLG has advised a new Model Meeting Code must be adopted by 31 December 2025 that incorporates the mandatory provisions;

3. Notes that, following endorsement, the draft Code will be placed on public exhibition, per section 361 of the Local Government Act 1993, to achieve the December deadline, while concurrently commencing and conducting consultation with Councillors;
4. Amend the draft Code of Meeting Practice to opt for Clause 15.16 instead of Clause 15.15; and
5. Notes, a report and draft policy will come back to Council following consultation for final endorsement prior to the 31 December deadline.

ITEM NO: COM 08
FILE NO: 305162.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$4,900** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
UniSocial Australia (Universal Church of the Kingdom of God Limited)	3v3 Liverpool Basketball Tournament & Lunch	\$4,900

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$10,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grants Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
St George and Prince Theodore Coptic Orthodox Church	St George Community Open Day	\$10,000

3. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Made in the West CREATIVE	Made in the West Film Festival 2025	\$10,000
Walking Football NSW	FREE Introduction and Development of WalkSoccer for Seniors, including those withdrawn, lonely, or isolated	\$5,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: COM 09
FILE NO: 306829.2025
SUBJECT: Child Safe Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Endorses the amended Draft Child Safe Policy;
3. Directs the CEO to place the amended Policy on public exhibition for a period of 28 days; and
4. If no significant feedback is received, direct the CEO to adopt the amended Policy on behalf of Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

ITEM NO: CORP 01

FILE NO: 297108.2025

SUBJECT: NSW Grants Commission - Financial Assistance Grants Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Harle

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report; and
2. Advocate to the Federal Government for consideration of parity in the pensioner rebate allowance.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 298201.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report August 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 299213.2025
SUBJECT: Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Adopt the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, noting the correction on page 16, Point 4.16.2 (d), to align the reimbursement claim period to six months.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadow motioned (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Dr Green, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Monaghan.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

1. Adopt the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, noting the correction on page 16, Point 4.16.2 (d), to align the reimbursement claim period to six months; and
2. Include that all Councillors in possession of a Council vehicle are required to maintain a logbook.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 302986.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Powerhouse Board Meeting held on 12 August 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Powerhouse Board Meeting held on 12 August 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 305127.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 June 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 June 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 302650.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 17 September 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 17 September 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**ITEM NO:** CONF 01**FILE NO:** 187446.2025**SUBJECT:** Construction of Raingarden D1 within Lot 180 DP 1147508, Sunday Circuit, Edmondson Park**COUNCIL DECISION****Motion:****Moved: Cllr Macnaught****Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Resolves, for the purposes of the tendering requirements under s.55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders to undertake decommissioning of the temporary raingarden within Lots 421 & 422 DP 1147511, Sunday Circuit, Edmondson Park and construction of Raingarden Basin D1 within Lot 180 DP 1147508, Sunday Circuit, Edmondson Park because of the following extenuating circumstances:
 - The costs to construct Raingarden Basin D1 are estimated to be well in excess of what is allocated in the Liverpool Contributions Plan 2008 – Edmondson Park.
 - There is currently no timeframe for Council to construct Raingarden Basin D1 which is delaying release of land for residential development. The construction of Raingarden Basin D1 by the Proponents will provide certainty at a reduced cost and risk to Council.
 - The offer by the Proponents to construct Raingarden Basin D1 on Council Land represents the most cost-efficient and timely way for Council to provide the infrastructure.
2. Endorses the Chief Executive Officer (or their delegate) to enter into direct negotiations with the Proponents for the provision of the infrastructure.
3. Approves entering into a contract with the Proponents for the construction of Raingarden Basin D1 on Council Land on the terms outlined in this report.
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7:00pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 7:23pm with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 291288.2025
SUBJECT: Granting of an Easement to Drain Water over Council's Public Reserve
located at 93 Box Road corner Hume Highway, Casula.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That this item be deferred to a subsequent Council meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 291717.2025
SUBJECT: Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Dr Green** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. In relation to 80-82 Lucas Avenue, Moorebank:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 2,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies at 80-82 Lucas Avenue, Moorebank.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 291811.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 20 DP 1238828, Air League Avenue, Leppington for RE1
 Public Recreation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 20 DP 1238828, Air League Avenue, Leppington for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 20 DP 1238828 as "Community Land" to allow for open space.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business;
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions; and
5. As soon as the land is reclassified, it is to be made available to be used as public space.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 295664.2025
SUBJECT: Proposed Acquisition and/or Dedication of Part Lot 1125 DP 2475 and Part Lot 2 DP 1257931, 280 Fifth Avenue and Part 62 Kelly St, Austral for road purposes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Approves the acquisition and/or dedication of Pt of Lot 1125 in DP 2475 & Pt of Lot 2 in DP 1257931 being land identified for part of Contributions Item CR17 and C16 for the terms as outlined in this report.
2. Resolves to classify Pt of Lot 1125 in DP 2475 & Pt of Lot 2 in DP 1257931, as "Operational" land in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993;
3. Dedicates Pt of Lot 1125 in DP 2475 & Pt of Lot 2 in DP 1257931 (being Collector Road CR17 & CR16) as Public Road pursuant to Section 10 of the Roads Act 1993 if required;
4. Authorises the CEO or his delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision;
5. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 299484.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 1 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1308569 (Part Lot 1 DP 1203670), 140 Fifth Avenue, Austral for road widening

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 1 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1308569, 140 Fifth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report;
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 1 DP 1308569 as “Operational Land” to allow dedication as public road;
3. Upon acquisition, dedicates Lot 1 DP 1308569 as Public Road pursuant to Section 10 of the Roads Act 1993 and a Request document lodged at Land Registry Services to formally dedicate on the title of the land;
4. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 311351.2025
SUBJECT: Proposed New Suburb of Cabrogal - Post Consultation Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That this item be deferred for further community consultation.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Dr Green**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Recognises and acknowledges the position adopted by Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council, in respect to the naming of the Badgerys Creek as Cabrogal; and
3. Supports continued dialogue between Geographical Names Board and Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council to identify a name in an appropriate first nations dialect for further consideration by Council.

Mr Finian Simes left the Chambers at 7:40pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

ITEM NO: CONF 08
FILE NO: 305047.2025
SUBJECT: Audio Visual Production Tender

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Accept the Tender from Crystal Productions Australia for Tender ST3341 – Events & Key Venues Audio Visual and Production Services for an initial Three (3) Year contract term with the option of extending One (1) Year on a Schedule of Rates.
2. Makes public its decision regarding tender ST3341 – Events & Key Venues Audio Visual and Production Services.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.
4. Keeps confidential the details supplied in this report containing information on the submissions received, pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993 as it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed, prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mr Finian Simes returned to the Chambers at 7:44pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 7:47pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting at 8:03pm.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01
FILE NO: 277558.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Attendance and Expenditure Concerns - Councillors and Mayoral RSVPs to Public Events

Please address the following:

1. Local Government Conference (Canberra, June 2025)

- a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers in total (including conference registration, accommodation, travel, and associated costs) for the Mayor to RSVP to the Local Government Conference held in Canberra in June 2025 but ultimately not attend?
- b) Has the Mayor returned any or all of the associated funds to Council?
- c) If the funds have not been returned, what powers does Council have to compel reimbursement?
- d) Is the Mayor's failure to attend despite confirming his participation, and not refunding the expenditure, a potential breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

2. Child Protection Foundation Event (Date 23 May 2025)

- a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers for Councillor Harte to RSVP to the Child Protection Foundation event and subsequently fail to attend?
- b) Has Councillor Harte returned any funds associated with this non-attendance?
- c) If not, can Council compel the return of those funds?
- d) Given that the Councillor's name was publicly mentioned as being in attendance during the event and no formal apology has been issued to the organisers, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct or misrepresentation of the Council?

3. Liverpool Business Awards (Warwick Farm, Date 27 May 2025)

- a) What was the total cost incurred by Liverpool City ratepayers in relation to Councillor Green RSVPing to the Liverpool Business Awards at Warwick Farm and not attending?
- b) Has Councillor Green refunded any of the associated expenses?
- c) If the expenses have not been reimbursed, is there a process by which Council can recover these funds?
- d) Given that her name was read out at the event as an attendee and she failed to appear or offer a public explanation or apology, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

Rationale:

Public trust in Council is fundamental. These questions seek transparency regarding the use

of public funds and accountability in cases where Councillors or the Mayor commit to attend public events but fail to do so without explanation or restitution. This also raises concerns about adherence to ethical obligations under the NSW Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) 2020, particularly clauses related to misuse of Council resources, honesty and integrity (3.1, 3.2, and 6.2), and conduct that could bring the Council into disrepute.

Response (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. Local Government Conference (Canberra, June 2025)

a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers in total (including conference registration, accommodation, travel, and associated costs) for the Mayor to RSVP to the Local Government Conference held in Canberra in June 2025 but ultimately not attend?

The total costs were \$2215.00.

a) Has the Mayor returned any or all of the associated funds to Council?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy does not include any provision for the recovery of costs related to non-attendance. Clause 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, which is scheduled for consideration at the Council meeting on 23 September 2025, introduces provisions for non-attendance, apologies, and repayment. However, these cannot be applied retrospectively. Accordingly, no funds have been repaid.

b) If the funds have not been returned, what powers does Council have to compel reimbursement?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy makes no provision to recover costs of non-attendance. 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy being reported to the Council of 23 September 2025 meeting does include a section on non-attendance, apology and repayment, however even if it is adopted, it cannot be applied retrospectively.

c) Is the Mayor's failure to attend despite confirming his participation, and not refunding the expenditure, a potential breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

A QWN is not the appropriate forum to raise or infer a breach of the Code of Conduct. Any such complaints should be referred directly to the CEO, in line with the appropriate processes. While notification of the absence was received late, the organisers were informed promptly once it was confirmed.

2. Child Protection Foundation Event (Date 23 May 2025)

a) How much did it cost Liverpool City ratepayers for Councillor Harte to RSVP to the Child Protection Foundation event and subsequently fail to attend?

The ticket cost was \$150.00.

- b) Has Councillor Harte returned any funds associated with this non-attendance?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy does not include any provision for the recovery of costs related to non-attendance. Clause 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, which is scheduled for consideration at the Council meeting on 23 September 2025, introduces provisions for non-attendance, apologies, and repayment. However, these cannot be applied retrospectively. Accordingly, no funds have been repaid.

- c) If not, can Council compel the return of those funds?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy makes no provision to recover costs of non-attendance. 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy being reported to the Council of 23 September 2025 meeting does include a section on non-attendance, apology and repayment, however even if it is adopted, it cannot be applied retrospectively.

- d) Given that the Councillor's name was publicly mentioned as being in attendance during the event and no formal apology has been issued to the organisers, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct or misrepresentation of the Council?

A QWN is not the appropriate forum to raise or infer a breach of the Code of Conduct. Any such complaints should be referred directly to the CEO, in line with the appropriate processes.

3. Liverpool Business Awards (Warwick Farm, Date 27 May 2025)

- a) What was the total cost incurred by Liverpool City ratepayers in relation to Councillor Green RSVPing to the Liverpool Business Awards at Warwick Farm and not attending?

No additional costs were incurred, as Council holds a sponsorship that includes a corporate table.

- b) Has Councillor Green refunded any of the associated expenses?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy does not include any provision for the recovery of costs related to non-attendance. Clause 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, which is scheduled for consideration at the Council meeting on 23 September 2025, introduces provisions for non-attendance, apologies, and repayment. However, these cannot be applied retrospectively. Accordingly, no funds have been repaid.

- c) If the expenses have not been reimbursed, is there a process by which Council can recover these funds?

Council's current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy makes no provision to recover costs of non-attendance. 4.9 of the Draft Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy being reported to the Council of 23 September 2025 meeting does include a section on non-attendance, apology and repayment, however even if it is adopted, it cannot be applied retrospectively.

- d) Given that her name was read out at the event as an attendee and she failed to appear or offer a public explanation or apology, does this constitute a breach of the Councillor Code of Conduct?

A QWN is not the appropriate forum to raise or infer a breach of the Code of Conduct. Any such complaints should be referred directly to the CEO, in line with the appropriate processes. It is noted that Councillor Dr Green was listed as a tentative RSVP

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 297951.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Installation of Mayoral Office Distress Button

Please address the following:

1. Does the office of the Mayor currently have a distress button installed?
2. What has been the total cost to ratepayers for the installation of this device, and what are the ongoing maintenance or servicing costs attached to it?
3. What is the stated purpose of the distress button being installed in the Mayor's office? Specifically, is it intended for protection against constituents visiting Council, or for some other purpose?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. Yes, a distress button is installed in the Mayor's office.
2. The duress button was part of the initial build of the facility. As such, the exact cost attributed to the installation of the duress button in the Mayor's office is not itemised separately from the overall construction or setup costs. There is a recurring monitoring cost of \$55 per month, however this is associated with monitoring a total of 36 buttons across the Liverpool Civic Place building.
3. There is no specific intent documented for the installation of the duress button in the Mayor's office. Typically, duress buttons in such settings could be for emergency situations, however without explicit intent stated, the specific application or target protection scenario is not confirmed.

ITEM NO: QWN 03
FILE NO: 298037.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Mayor's Vehicle Use - Fuel Expenses, Audit Provisions and Accountability, and Best Practice

Please address the following:

Fuel Expenses

1. Can Council confirm whether the Mayor's fuel expenses are funded by Liverpool City Council and therefore borne by ratepayers, pursuant to Section 335 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) which governs the functions of the General Manager and the allocation of Council resources?

Audit Provisions & Accountability

2. Given the Mayor has publicly admitted that he does not maintain a vehicle logbook, what audit and compliance provisions are in place to ensure that fuel purchased at the expense of Council is used exclusively for the designated Mayoral vehicle and not for any other private vehicle?

Best Practice & Ministerial Recommendation

3. The Minister for Local Government has issued guidance that all Mayors should maintain a logbook for their use of Council vehicles. In light of this:
 - a) Does Council consider it best practice for the Mayor not to maintain such a logbook?
 - b) If Council does consider this to be acceptable, what justification is provided for this departure from ministerial best practice recommendations, particularly given Section 23A of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) requires councils to "consider" the guidelines issued by the Department when exercising their functions?.

Response (provided by Operations)

1. The Mayor's fuel expenses are funded by Liverpool City Council. Extracts of the relevant sections of the Fleet Management Policy and Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy are extracted below.

Fleet Management Policy

5.2 Allocation Criteria

5.2.2 Group 3 (Mayoral Vehicle)

The Mayor is provided with a vehicle subject to the provisions of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

5.13 Private Use of Leaseback Vehicles

5.13.2 Subject to compliance with mileage allocations, Council employees are entitled to full private use, and Council is responsible for all costs – registration, insurance, maintenance, fuel or any other expenditure approved by Council, subject to Fair Wear and Tear guidelines and mileage allocations being met.

Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy

4.4 Support to Mayor

4.4.2 Council will provide to the Mayor at its cost:

a) A dedicated vehicle of a type deemed suitable to the position of Mayor of Liverpool, which will be equivalent to the range of vehicles to which Council directors are entitled under Council's Fleet Management Policy:

i. The vehicle provided for the Mayor is for use on official duties and functions of the Office of Mayor and for private use in accordance with Council's Fleet Management Policy;

ii. Council shall meet the fortnightly cost of cleaning (wash and vacuum) the Mayoral vehicle;

iii. Council shall supply and meet the usage costs associated with an electronic tag in the Mayoral vehicle;

2. Council's Manager Operational Support receives a report as part of a quarterly planning meeting from Council's leaseback provider. One report identifies fuel exceptions which include incorrect odometer readings, exceeding tank capacity, invalid odometer readings and nil fuel card usage. Any anomalies identified in this report would be addressed as per Council's Fleet Management Policy.
3. a. Maintaining an accurate vehicle logbook is recognised as best practice as it strengthens accountability, supports financial compliance, and informs effective asset management.

Council's Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy, adopted by resolution, provides for the allocation of a dedicated vehicle to the Mayor and explicitly authorises its private use. In addition, Council's Fleet Management Policy does not impose an obligation on the Mayor to maintain a logbook.

Under the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986, the Mayor is not considered an employee of Council but rather an elected official under the Local Government Act 1993. Mayoral allowances are paid as fees for service, not as salary or wages. Accordingly, fringe benefits tax (FBT) generally applies only in circumstances where an employer– employee relationship exists. Benefits provided to the Mayor in his capacity as an elected official are typically exempt from FBT because:

- he is not an employee; and
- the benefits may qualify as a work-related item exemption.

However, where Council by resolution authorises the private use of a benefit outside official duties, the Australian Taxation Office may treat the Mayor as an office holder for FBT purposes. This could give rise to an FBT liability, which is the position under the current Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy.

In this context, it is considered prudent and in Council's interest for the Mayor to maintain a log of all business-related vehicle use, as this may assist in substantiating business travel and reducing Council's FBT liability.

b. Not applicable.

ITEM NO: QWN 04
FILE NO: 298073.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Liverpool Library

Please address the following:

1. Was community consultation conducted in relation to the change of name of the Liverpool Library?
2. If so, was the community consultation period advertised for 28 days, consistent with other community consultation periods undertaken by Council?
3. If community consultation was not conducted:
 - a. What was the reason for not undertaking consultation?
 - b. Who within Council made the decision to proceed without community consultation?

Response (provided Community and Lifestyle - Library and Museum Services)

Background

Liverpool City Library has been dual-named Yellamundie, rather than renamed. Signage reflects both names, with “Liverpool City Library” displayed prominently at the top and the dual name Yellamundie in smaller font underneath. The building is commonly referred to by both names.

Yellamundie is the Dharug word for “Storyteller.” Community feedback has been overwhelmingly positive, with many residents welcoming the recognition of local Aboriginal culture through the dual naming of the library.

Dual naming aligns with the NSW Government’s dual naming policy, in place since 2001, which seeks to celebrate shared history and strengthen Aboriginal culture and identity.

The Development Application for Liverpool Civic Place included two conditions of consent related to signage and naming: the creation of a Signage Strategy and a detailed design package. The Signage Strategy, endorsed by the then CEO in 2022, mandates the inclusion of dual signage across Liverpool Civic Place.

Condition 6 of DA836/2020 required the Applicant Built Development Group (BDG) to develop a wayfinding strategy, to be endorsed by the Manager of City Design and Public Domain. While the Signage Strategy required the inclusion of Aboriginal dual names and specified the locations and extent of naming, the selection of specific Aboriginal dual names was determined during consultation for the detailed design fit-out stage.

1. Was community consultation conducted in relation to the change of name of the Liverpool Library?

Extensive community consultation with Liverpool's First Nations community was undertaken to select the dual names for use across the Civic Place precinct.

Key elements of this consultation included:

- a. On 14 February 2023, the Manager City Design and Public Domain and Council's Community Development Worker – First Nations organised a publicly advertised First Nations Dual Naming Workshop. Of the 17 attendees, five were Council or Built representatives, with the remainder being local Aboriginal community members.
- b. Following the workshop, dual names were proposed by Built's consultant, Strategic Spaces, reflecting the two dominant Aboriginal languages in the LGA (Dharawal and Dharug). These proposals were presented to the Council's Aboriginal Consultative Committee on 1 June 2023.
- c. The Committee supported the overall strategy but recommended that all names be translated into Dharug, as the building is located on Dharug land. Three words and the six Seasons, originally in Dharawal, were therefore translated to Dharug.
- d. It was further recommended by the Committee and the Community Development Worker – First Nations that the team seek final endorsement from local Elders, facilitated by respected senior community member Emma Eldridge.
- e. Emma Eldridge then worked with the Elders and the signage consultant to develop a range of translations approved by the Elders in June 2023. These were incorporated into the Site-Wide Signage Strategy.
- f. The library's original dual name, Yurangai – meaning "Black Duck" – was found not to be associated with this area of Liverpool. The name was changed to Yellamundie – meaning "Storyteller" – during this consultation process.
- g. Following this process, the final Signage Strategy was approved by the Manager of City Design and Public Domain, in accordance with the DA requirements, and was also presented to and endorsed by the Civic Place Project Control Group in September 2023.

2. If so, was the community consultation period advertised for 28 days, consistent with other community consultation periods undertaken by Council?

The community consultation process for selecting the dual name of Liverpool Library did not follow the standard 28-day advertised consultation period. This approach reflected the highly targeted nature of the consultation. Initial workshops were publicly advertised and promoted

through community networks to reach the intended audience, with multiple opportunities provided over several months for engagement with the targeted community.

3. If community consultation was not conducted:

a. What was the reason for not undertaking consultation?

b. Who within Council made the decision to proceed without community consultation?

Consultation and approval processes for the Civic Place project were guided by the Development Application (DA) consent requirements. All decisions were overseen by a Project Control Group comprising ELT members, internal subject matter experts, and external project management consultants.

ITEM NO: QWN 05
FILE NO: 298095.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harte - IRC Matters and Payouts

Please address the following:

1. By month, since January 2022, the number of industrial matters referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?
2. By month, since January 2022, the number of former employees who received a payout before IRC hearings commenced?
3. The quantum of payouts since January 2022 from matters that were referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. By month, since January 2022, the number of industrial matters referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?
 - 2022 – data missing as poor records kept by previous HR departmental team
 - 2023 – One matter listed November 2023
 - 2024 – see table below
 - 2025 – Nil

Month 2024	Number of IRC Matters
May	3
June	2
July	1
October	1
November	1

2. By month, since January 2022, the number of former employees who received a payout before IRC hearings commenced? •
 - 2022 – data missing as poor records kept by previous HR departmental team
 - 2023 – 6
 - 2024 – 2
 - 2025 – Nil
3. The quantum of payouts since January 2022 from matters that were referred to the Industrial Relations Commission?
 - 2022 – data missing as poor records kept by previous HR departmental team
 - 2023 – \$151K (1 ex-staff)
 - 2024 – \$121K (3 ex-staff)
 - 2025 – Nil (excludes matter relating to ex-CEO John Ajaka)

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 298111.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harte - Union Grievances

Please address the following:

1. Can Council please advise by month, the number of Union grievances received since January 2025?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

Month 2025	Number of Grievances
January	4
February	1
March	0
April	2
June	5
July	1
August	1

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 298126.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harte - Councillor Access Passes

Please address the following:

1. Since January 2022, has there been any reported instances where Councillors have accessed areas within Council buildings that they are not permitted to?
2. If yes, what remedial action was undertaken?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

An audit of Councillor access has been undertaken in the physical access control system. This review uncovered 2 misconfigurations in the access levels provided to Councillors. One was access to a former Councillor area at Moore St that has since been converted into a staff work area and the second was access to a staff area misconfigured during the initial set up of Civic Place. Both sets of access were removed once identified.

Further to this, access history reports were run for the identified areas to determine if these areas had been accessed by Councillors at times that access should not have been permitted. This report identified one instance of a Councillor entering these areas.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 298138.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Harte - 2021 Depot Reports

Please address the following:

1. Can Council advise whether the recommendations in the WorkLogic Report & Norman Turkington Report into the Depot have been implemented?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. Can Council advise whether the recommendations in the WorkLogic Report & Norman Turkington Report into the Depot have been implemented?

WorkLogic Report February 2021

The WorkLogic investigation was managed by the Internal Ombudsman office. There were some recommendations which came from this report. To assist with the implementation of the recommendations, Mr Norm Turkington was then engaged.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 305258.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Dr Green - Koala Management Plan Update

Please address the following:

Council has endorsed to develop a Koala Management Plan to ensure better protect and improve the habitat of Koala colonies of the Liverpool Local Government, including the essential corridors koalas use in locating feed trees.

1. What is the status of the current preparatory work and progress, including the completed steps in the early processes of establishing of the Koala Management Plan?
2. Has Council investigated the funding options available contained in the NSW Koala Strategy including funds that support the initial scoping and also funds for bush regeneration to improve feed trees and corridors.

Response (provided by Operations)

1. Council has contacted various specialist consultants that can undertake the Koala Management Plan and is considering funding sources for this work. Potential for using the Environment Levy is being investigated as part of the review of the levy currently taking place.
2. Council received funding under the NSW Koala Strategy to purchase a variable message sign (VMS) trailer which is currently in use on Heathcote Road, and Vehicle Activated Signs that were recently installed on Cambridge Avenue. No further funding has been made available to Council under the NSW Koala Strategy.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 277545.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Civic Place Expansion

Please address the following:

1. When was it decided to expand Civic Place, what business case or adopted council plans were used to inform the decision (before it was resolved by council to do so)? Can you please provide copies of them.
2. When the scope was changed significantly increasing the size of the works and total value, what part of the local government act was used to justify not going back out to an open market process? Please provide the section of the act.
3. How was an assessment conducted to demonstrate that fair value was achieved without going back out to open market?
4. What was the original contract/PDA value from the open market process vs the amended contract/PDA?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. A search of the project files uncovered the attached (confidential) relevant business case.
2. Council resolution of 29 October 2018 states "Confirms the engagement of Built Holdings Pty Ltd to progress the project in accordance with the proposed project scope, subject to the provisions of Section 55(3) of the Local Government Act 1993".
3. The Council report of 29 October 2018 addresses this question.
4. A response to this question will be provided in the 29 October 2025 Council Agenda.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ITEM NO: NOM 03

FILE NO: 302047.2025

SUBJECT: Inclusion of the Australian National Flag in Development Applications for Public Spaces and Commercial Establishments

Background

1. Promotion of National Identity and Pride

- The Australian National Flag is one of the most important unifying symbols of our nation. Its daily presence in civic spaces reminds residents and visitors alike of our shared history, identity, and values.
- Displaying the national flag in visible commercial locations would strengthen civic pride and community cohesion.

2. Community Visibility

- Major commercial establishments such as shopping centres and large hardware warehouses (“Bunnings-type” developments) attract high volumes of visitors and are natural sites for flag display, further embedding national identity in daily life.

3. Consistency Across Developments

- At present, inclusion of flagpoles in new developments is inconsistent and left to the discretion of developers. By making flagpoles a mandatory requirement at the DA stage, councils can ensure uniformity and respect for our national symbols across the built environment.

4. Precedent in Other Sectors

- Schools: All Australian schools are required under federal guidelines to display the Australian National Flag during school hours, with the Commonwealth Government even providing free flags to educational institutions.
- Government Buildings: The Commonwealth Flag Network and the NSW Government require the Australian flag to be flown at all official government buildings, including local, state, and federal offices, as well as courthouses and police stations.
- Civic Events: The display of the national flag is already mandated at ANZAC Day, Australia Day, and other official commemorations, reinforcing its role as a civic unifier.
- This motion seeks to extend this existing precedent into the planning system for public and commercial developments, ensuring consistency with long-established protocols.

5. Limitation to the National Flag Only

- To avoid unnecessary controversy and to maintain a uniform standard, this proposal

relates solely to the Australian National Flag.

Recommendation

That Council endorse this motion and advocate to the NSW Government for legislative or regulatory reform to mandate the inclusion of flagpoles displaying the Australian National Flag in Development Applications for:

- Major commercial establishments (shopping centres, hardware warehouses, and other large retail developments).

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Write to the NSW Government, and to the NSW Local Government Association, requesting that Development Applications (DA's) for major commercial establishments (including shopping centres, hardware warehouses, and similar large-scale retail premises) be required to include provision for a flagpole displaying the Australian National Flag.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

There was no seconder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 303854.2025
SUBJECT: Rectification of False and Misleading Claims regarding a Drug Injection Room at the CT Lewis Centre

Background

Council has recently been made aware of external communications circulating in the community which:

1. Claim that a drug injection room will be located at the CT Lewis Centre in Liverpool – a statement that is untrue.
2. Include video content shared on social media repeating the same false claims, filmed on CT Lewis Centre grounds without authorisation.
3. Promote a misleading and baseless narrative that has caused unnecessary fear, confusion, and reputational harm to Liverpool Council and the local community.

Such actions are unacceptable as they undermine the integrity of government communications, mislead residents, and place unnecessary strain on Council resources when we are required to counter misinformation with facts.

Liverpool Council has a duty to its ratepayers to set the record straight and ensure that residents receive accurate information about decisions and services that affect their community.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Formally note that the claim of a drug injection room being established at the CT Lewis Centre is not supported by Council;
2. Express concern over the unauthorised filming and distribution of misleading material on Council-owned property;
3. Acknowledge that misleading correspondence has been circulated to residents across the community at taxpayer expense;
4. Direct the CEO to immediately issue a corrective letter to all affected residents, making clear that:
 - No drug injection room is being proposed, considered, or planned for the CT Lewis Centre or anywhere in the Liverpool LGA.
 - The claims made in the correspondence and social media video are false and misleading.

- Liverpool Council strongly rejects the spreading of misinformation that undermines trust in local institutions;
5. Publish a public statement on Liverpool City Council's official website and Facebook page correcting the record and reassuring residents;
 6. Investigate and pursue any potential breaches of law or regulation regarding the unauthorised use of Council-owned property and the dissemination of false and misleading information to the public; and
 7. Write to the NSW Premier and relevant Ministers highlighting this matter as an example of irresponsible and misleading public communication and request an assurance that future taxpayer-funded communications provided to residents are accurate and fact-checked.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Monaghan

That Council:

1. Formally note that the claim of a drug injection room being established at the CT Lewis Centre is not supported by Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 303895.2025
SUBJECT: Restoring Pride and Dignity in Liverpool's War Memorials

Background

Liverpool has always been a military town. Generations of young men and women from our city have worn the uniform and defended our country, from Gallipoli and the Western Front, through Kokoda, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan. Yet today, our memorials are scattered, neglected, and in some cases hidden away in storage. It is a pathetic mishmash, unworthy of their sacrifice.

This motion is about restoring pride, unity, and respect. It is about giving Liverpool a world-class War Memorial Precinct that future generations can look to with reverence. If tiny country towns can build memorials that inspire, then surely the proud City of Liverpool can do better.

Let us put Liverpool FIRST – by honouring those who gave us the freedom to stand here today.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Liverpool City Council:

1. Acknowledge that Liverpool, a proud military town with one of the deepest Anzac traditions in Australia, currently has a scattered and disjointed presentation of its war memorials. Unlike even the smallest country towns across our nation, Liverpool lacks a unified, dignified, and commanding War Memorial worthy of the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women.
2. Direct the CEO to prepare a report on creating a Central Liverpool War Memorial Precinct, where the Boer War Memorial, the Edmondson Clock, the WWI Honour Boards, the lost memorial plaques, the WWI trophy gun, and the RSL Honour Boards currently in storage are brought together in one solemn, permanent, and grand location.
3. Investigate opportunities for funding this precinct through:
 - Federal and State Government veteran and heritage grants.
 - Public donations and sponsorship from the private sector.
 - Council contributions, with a focus on reallocating wasteful spending to projects that honour our heroes.
4. Engage with veterans' groups, RSLs, and community organisations to design a memorial that is bigger, better, and more inspiring than anything in Western Sydney

– a place where schoolchildren, families, and future generations can truly understand the price of our freedom.

5. Incorporate into the design:

- A Remembrance Cross or central monument of national significance.
- Proper lighting, flagpoles, and ceremonial space for Anzac Day and Remembrance Day services.
- A digital roll of honour where residents can look up relatives who served in all wars and conflicts.
- A dedicated space for the Edmondson legacy, recognising Australia's first Victoria Cross recipient from WWII, Sergeant John Hurst Edmondson, born right here in Liverpool.

6. Launch a community campaign, "Liverpool Remembers," to rally residents, schools, and local groups to contribute ideas, raise funds, and make Liverpool's memorial precinct something we can all be proud of.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded:

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

There was no seconder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 306127.2025
SUBJECT: Honouring the Life and Legacy of Andy Snook

Background

The Liverpool community is deeply saddened by the sudden passing of Mr. Andy Snook, a dedicated community member and animal welfare advocate.

Andy was widely recognised for his tireless efforts in pet rescue, reuniting lost animals with their families, and providing support to the community at all hours. His work brought comfort and relief to countless Liverpool residents and saved hundreds of animals.

In 2022, Liverpool City Council honoured Andy with the Order of Liverpool Award, acknowledging his outstanding service to our city. Andy's legacy is one of compassion, dedication, and community spirit that Liverpool should continue to celebrate.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Formally acknowledges and records in the Council minutes the extraordinary contribution of Mr. Andy Snook to the Liverpool community.
2. Writes a letter of condolence to Andy's family on behalf of the Councillors, recognising his service to Liverpool.
3. Undertakes a permanent and substantial tribute to honour Andy's legacy, such as one or more of the following:
 - Establishing the "Andy Snook Animal Welfare Award", presented annually at the Order of Liverpool Awards to recognise outstanding community service in animal welfare.
 - Naming a Council facility, park, or animal-related service after Andy Snook (e.g. "The Andy Snook Animal Care Facility" or "The Andy Snook Dog Park").
 - Planting a commemorative tree or garden in Andy's honour in a public reserve, with a plaque acknowledging his contribution.
 - Creating an annual "Lost Pets Awareness Week" in Liverpool in his name, promoting responsible pet ownership and community care for animals.
 - Partnering with local animal welfare groups to establish a small grant or sponsorship fund in Andy's name, supporting local pet rescue and rehoming initiatives.
4. Ensures that Council communicates this tribute widely to the Liverpool community through its social media, newsletters, and website, emphasising Andy's legacy as a champion for animals and community spirit.

COUNCIL DECISION**Motion:****Moved:****Seconded:**

Clr Ristevski withdrew this item, as a similar motion was dealt with earlier in the meeting through a Mayoral Minute, which incorporated points of this motion.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 301800.2025
SUBJECT: Transparency and Fairness in the Use of the Council Facebook Page

Background

Recent public hearings into Liverpool City Council governance have highlighted concerns about the transparency and management of the Council's official Facebook page. Evidence has shown:

- Decisions about the inclusion or exclusion of councillors in official posts have not always reflected fairness or equal recognition of elected representatives.
- Uncertainty exists over who ultimately controls Council's communications, creating confusion and the risk of politicisation of what should remain a neutral platform.
- When councillors attend events, functions, or delegations in an official capacity, recognition of their role and contribution is not consistently communicated to the community.

The Council's Facebook page is a public asset, funded by ratepayers, and it must operate in a way that reflects transparency, fairness, and the collective representation of the elected body, rather than the discretion of any one officeholder.

Councillors are elected by the people to represent them, and the community has a right to be informed of their participation in official Council activities.

Rationale

This motion aligns with the NSW Local Government Act 1993, which requires:

- Councillors to represent the interests of the community as a whole (s.232).
- Councils to act fairly, responsibly, and without political bias in the exercise of their functions (s.8A).

It is the duty of all councillors to ensure transparency, accountability, and fairness in how Council communicates with its residents.

This motion seeks to restore trust, guarantee fair representation of all councillors, and prevent the politicisation of a platform that should serve to inform and unite the Liverpool community.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the findings of the public inquiry hearings which highlighted uncertainty and inconsistency in how the Liverpool City Council Facebook page is managed, particularly regarding councillors' representation;

2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a clear and transparent policy that ensures:
 - a) Councillors attending official events on behalf of Council are recognised and reported on through the Council's Facebook page.
 - b) Representation of Council at official functions, delegations, and community events is acknowledged in a fair and non-partisan manner.
 - c) Staff are not placed in a position where they are directed into political interference, including altering photographs, excluding councillors, or withholding information from the community; and
3. Ensure that where councillors attend official functions or delegations in their capacity as elected representatives, their role is acknowledged and given appropriate recognition on Council's Facebook page.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a clear and transparent policy that ensures:
 - a) Councillors attending official events on behalf of Council are recognised and reported on through the Council's Facebook page.
 - b) Representation of Council at official functions, delegations, and community events is acknowledged in a fair and non-partisan manner.
 - c) Staff are not placed in a position where they are directed into political interference, including altering photographs, excluding councillors, or withholding information from the community; and
2. Ensure that where councillors attend official functions or delegations in their capacity as elected representatives, their role is acknowledged and given appropriate recognition on Council's Facebook page.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Cllr Ristevski)

Vote for: Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Harle,
Cllr Ristevski and Cllr Monaghan.

Vote against: Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Note: Cllr Dr Green and Cllr Harte were not in the Chambers at the time of voting.

During discussion, Mayor Mannoun advised that he no longer declared a conflict of interest in NOM 02, following the amendment to the recommendation.

During discussion, Cllr Dr Green declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in this item and left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Cllr Dr Green left the Chambers at 8:20pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Harte left the Chambers at 8:23pm in accordance with the Declarations of Interest.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:29PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 October 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 September 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 14 OCTOBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Deputy Mayor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Dr Green
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Ms Anna Rizos, Acting Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Deputy General Counsel
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 7:06pm.

**STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING
OF MEETING**

The Mayor read the following:

In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:

(a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council's website, and

(b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements."

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council's webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.

Mayor Mannoun then read that in compliance with Clause 3.2 of the Code of Meeting Practice, this Extraordinary Meeting was called on the 13th day following receipt of the request and therefore did not meet the minimum three days' notice period. It was explained that the delay in issuing the notice resulted from the time required to obtain legal advice on whether an Extraordinary Meeting must be called if based on an unlawful motion. Upon receiving this advice on Monday 13 October 2025, the meeting was called at the earliest practicable opportunity.

In accordance with Clause 3.9, Mayor Mannoun noted that an Extraordinary Meeting may be called on less than three days' notice in an emergency. Given the timing of the receipt of advice and the 14 day requirement under Clause 3.2, the meeting was called on an emergency basis.

Mayor Mannoun further stated that all Councillors had received legal advice confirming the proposed motion to be unlawful, and therefore declared there was no lawful motion or business before Council for consideration at this meeting, unless a motion was considered pursuant to Clause 3.29. However, pursuant to Clause 10.7, Mayor Mannoun allowed the mover(s) of the motion an opportunity to clarify or amend it, noting that this opportunity had previously been provided by email and that no response had been received to date.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY,
PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND
AFFIRMATION**

The Acknowledgements and Affirmation of Council were read by Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the meeting.

Clr Ibrahim arrived in the Chambers at 7:09pm.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY
AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 345532.2025
SUBJECT: Personnel Matters

Mayor Mannoun invited the mover(s) of the motion to clarify or amend the motion outlined in CONF 01.

Clr Monaghan requested that the motion be put to the meeting without amendment.

Mayor Mannoun ruled the motion to be unlawful, therefore not considered.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan**

On the ruling that CONF 01 be moved as submitted, as it is lawful, on the grounds that the motion relates to standard contractual employment provisions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Ristevski.

Vote against: Mayor Mannoun, Clr Adjei, Clr Macnaught, Deputy Mayor Dr Green, Clr Ammoun, Clr Harte and Clr Harle.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM NO: MOU 01
SUBJECT: Personnel Matters

Clr Macnaught requested that Mayor Mannoun permit a motion of urgency in accordance with Clause 3.29 of the Code of Meeting Practice, concerning the personnel matters referenced in CONF 01.

Clr Macnaught stated that the matter was urgent, as it is important to reassure staff and the community of fairness, natural justice, and stability within the organisation, noting that prolonged uncertainty may negatively impact psychosocial wellbeing.

In accordance with Clause 3.29, a motion to consider urgent business at the Extraordinary Meeting was moved by Clr Macnaught.

MOTION TO CONSIDER URGENT BUSINESS

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That the motion of urgency be considered as business in accordance with Clause 3.29.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Dr Green, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei, Mayor Mannoun, Clr Harle, Clr Harte and Clr Ammoun.

Vote against: Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim and Clr Ristevski.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM NO: MOU 01
SUBJECT: Personnel Matters

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Affirms the importance of allowing the Public Inquiry into Liverpool City Council to take its natural course, ensuring procedural fairness for all witnesses, officers, and stakeholders, and maintaining the integrity of the process in the public interest.
2. Resolves that Council will await the findings and recommendations of the Commissioner arising from the Public Inquiry, and the final determination by the Minister and defer making any further consideration or action by Council on matters related to witnesses before the Inquiry should only occur after obtaining independent legal advice confirming that such action:
 - a) is both lawful and appropriate; and
 - b) does not give rise to or contribute to any psychosocial hazard or risk under applicable work health and safety obligations.
3. Allocate any expenditure associated with obtaining independent legal advice from the General Funds.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Cllr Macnaught)

Vote for: Deputy Mayor Dr Green, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harle, Cllr Harte and Cllr Ammoun.

Vote against: Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr Ristevski.

Cllr Monaghan sought to move a foreshadowed motion in accordance with Clause 10.17. Mayor Mannoun ruled it could only be considered as an urgency motion in accordance with the provisions for extraordinary meetings.

Cllr Monaghan then requested that this item be dealt with as a Motion of Urgency.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM NO: MOU 02

Subject: Personnel Matters

Cllr Monaghan stated that the matter was urgent as Council had debated the issue earlier in the meeting, where he intended to move a foreshadowed motion in the middle of another item, in compliance with Clause 10.17 of the Code of Meeting Practice. He further noted that, had this process been followed at that time, a separate motion of urgency would not have been required.

Motion: **Moved:** Cllr Monaghan **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. Obtains independent legal advice confirming that the following is both lawful and appropriate, and does not give rise or contribute to any psychosocial hazard or risk under applicable work health and safety obligations:
 - a) Affirms the importance of allowing the Public Inquiry into Liverpool City Council to take its natural course, ensuring procedural fairness for all witnesses, officers, and stakeholders, and maintaining the integrity of the process in the public interest.
 - b) Resolves that Council will await the findings and recommendations of the Commissioner arising from the Public Inquiry, and the final determination by the Minister and defer making any further consideration or action by Council on matters related to witnesses before the Inquiry should only occur after obtaining independent legal advice confirming that such action:
 - is both lawful and appropriate; and
 - does not give rise to or contribute to any psychosocial hazard or risk under applicable work health and safety obligations.
2. Notes that the following is action by Council on matters related to witnesses before the Inquiry and should only occur after obtaining advice referred to in Point 1.
3. Notes that the motion of urgency was unaccompanied by independent legal advice confirming that such action is lawful and appropriate, and does not give rise or contribute to any psychosocial hazard or risk under applicable work health and safety obligations.
4. Notes that this item was moved in accordance with clause 10.17 of the Code of Meeting Practice as a foreshadowed motion that was rejected.

Mayor Mannoun declared the motion unlawful, and ruled that the item would not be considered as motion of urgency.

Note: Mayor Mannoun ruled the motion unlawful, therefore it was not voted on and no seconder was recorded.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:20PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 29 October 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 October 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

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Chairperson



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 29 OCTOBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Ms Suzanne Kendall, Acting General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Mr Mark Hannan, Manager City Planning
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

EXTERNAL GUESTS

Min Lee, Director, Audit Office of New South Wales
Craig Thomason, Audit Partner, PWC

The meeting commenced at 6:03pm.

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this meeting.”

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT/S, PRAYER OF
COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION**

The acknowledgements and prayer of the
Council were read by Reverend Bruce
Hammonds from Liverpool Presbyterian
Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played at the
meeting.

Clr Macnaught and Clr Ammoun arrived to the Chambers at 6:05pm.

**APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY
AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS**

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Deputy Mayor Dr Green be noted as an apology for this meeting and that a leave of
absence be granted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24 September 2025, Extraordinary Meeting held on 24 September 2025, Adjourned Ordinary Meeting held on 25 September 2025 and Extraordinary Meeting held on 14 October 2025 be confirmed as a true record of those meetings.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr Jason Breton declared a pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 09 – CEO Secondary Employment (Coaching).

Reason: Honorarium received for coaching children and supporting coaching activities, in reimbursement of expenses.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: PD 05 – Post-Exhibition Report - 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly.

Reason: Has a professional relationship with the Managing Director of an applicant.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: PD 05 – Post-Exhibition Report - 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly.

Reason: Knows the President of the World Lebanese Cultural Union, who is associated with EGS.

Mayor Mannoun remained in the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mr Jason Breton declared a pecuniary interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 07 – Legal Affairs.

Reason: Precautionary approach as the matter arose before his involvement with Council and remains before the 438.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 07 – Legal Affairs.

Reason: Has provided evidence for the public inquiry into Liverpool City Council relating to an organisation mentioned in the report.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Nil.

PETITIONS

Nil.

Clr Harte arrived to the Chambers at 6:13pm.

MOTION TO BRING ITEM FORWARD

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council bring item CORP 04 forward as the first item of business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Young Achiever Award
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

Today, I would like to warmly congratulate a rising star, Ceyda Nalbantoglu, who has been named Young Achiever of the Year at the 2025 Women in Local Government Awards. As Council's Digital Assistant, Ceyda played an instrumental role in bringing Liverpool's stories to life. Her creativity and digital expertise transformed the way we connect with our community, from major infrastructure announcements to grassroots community led activities. Ceyda's work didn't just inform, it inspired. Through her storytelling, she helped elevate Liverpool's voice across Western Sydney and beyond.

During her time at Liverpool City Council, Ceyda:

- Produced dynamic video content showcasing Council initiatives, infrastructure projects, and major community events.
- Led innovative social media campaigns that significantly boosted community engagement.
- Championed inclusive storytelling that celebrated Liverpool's cultural diversity, youth voice, and civic spirit.

Her award recognises excellence, leadership, and outstanding contributions by young women in local government across New South Wales.

Ceyda is a shining example of how local government can empower young people to build skills, gain experience, and grow in confidence. Her success reflects not only her remarkable talent and drive but also the opportunities councils like Liverpool provide for local people to thrive professionally and creatively.

By embracing every opportunity, Ceyda used her creativity to tell Liverpool's story and help our community feel seen and connected. Her achievement reminds us that councils are more than service providers we are places where careers are launched and futures are shaped.

Ceyda received her award from the NSW Minister for Women, Jodie Harrison, and the Minister for Local Government, Ron Hoenig. Her achievement is a proud moment for all of us — she has brought a shining light to Liverpool City Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Acknowledge Ms Nalbantoglu's award and send congratulations on behalf of all Councillors.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: CORP 04
FILE NO: 334532.2025
SUBJECT: Annual Financial Reports 2024-25

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and endorses the 2024-25 audited annual financial statements.
2. Authorises the Mayor, Councillor Peter Harle, Chief Executive Officer and the Responsible Accounting Officer (Chief Financial Officer) to sign the prescribed statement that will form part of the financial reports.
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - a) forward a copy of the financial reports together with the auditor's report to the Office of Local Government in accordance with Section 417(5) of the Local Government Act 1993.
 - b) issue a public notice containing a summary of financial results and put the financial statements on exhibition for 7 days to seek public submissions.
4. Note that the financial statements and a summary of public submissions received will be presented to Council at its next meeting for consideration and adoption.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Min Lee (Audit Office of NSW) and Craig Thomason (PWC) were invited to address questions on Council's 2024–25 Annual Financial Reports.

MOTION TO CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That NOM 03 be the next item considered, followed by Operations reports, Reports to council, Reports of committees, Confidential matters, and thereafter all remaining Notices of Motion and Questions with Notice.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Following the motion to change the order of business, Mr Jason Breton declared a pecuniary, less than significant interest in CONF 09 and left the Chambers during its consideration.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 328964.2025
SUBJECT: Overdevelopment and Failure to Defend Community Interests – 25 Simone Crescent Casula

Background

Council records confirm that 34 written objections were lodged against this development. Residents raised concerns about traffic, overshadowing, privacy, social impact, noise, and the clear risk of overdevelopment.

Despite these objections, the development was approved in a form that:

- Allocates only eight car spaces for 39 units, well below the practical requirement of at least one space per dwelling.
- Ignores the 6-metre privacy setback for adjoining neighbours.
- Places an unsustainable parking and traffic burden on a street never designed to handle such density.

The community deserves full transparency on why their legitimate concerns were effectively dismissed and why Council abandoned the opportunity for proper judicial scrutiny.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Investigate and report on the reasons Council conceded and did not progress the recent development matter (39-unit co-living proposal) to be heard in the Land and Environment Court.
2. Explain and justify how approval was granted for a 39-unit development providing only eight (8) car spaces, despite:
 - The street being physically incapable of accommodating overflow parking.
 - The nearest train station being almost 4 km away, which makes private vehicle use a necessity for residents.
3. Provide detailed clarification as to why the required 6-metre side setbacks—essential to protect the privacy of neighbouring properties—were not applied or enforced.
4. Report on the use of Section 7.11 developer contributions and explain why these funds were not directed to traffic management, road widening, or parking improvements in the affected street to alleviate the inevitable congestion.
5. Present this report to Council and the community within 30 days and include clear recommendations for strengthening planning controls so that similar overdevelopment proposals cannot bypass community expectations in the future.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Monaghan

That Council:

1. Investigate and report on the reasons Council conceded and did not progress the recent development matter (39-unit co-living proposal) to be heard in the Land and Environment Court.
2. Explain and justify how approval was granted for a 39-unit development providing only eight (8) car spaces, despite:
 - The street being physically incapable of accommodating overflow parking.
 - The nearest train station being almost 4 km away, which makes private vehicle use a necessity for residents.
3. Provide detailed clarification as to why the required 6-metre side setbacks—essential to protect the privacy of neighbouring properties—were not applied or enforced.
4. Report on the use of Section 7.11 developer contributions and explain why these funds were not directed to traffic management, road widening, or parking improvements in the affected street to alleviate the inevitable congestion.
5. Present this report to Council and the community within 30 days and include clear recommendations for strengthening planning controls so that similar overdevelopment proposals cannot bypass community expectations in the future.
6. Vote on an advocacy piece to be written by Council officers, to the State Government advocating for more specific parking provisions in restricted localities.
7. Send a memo or briefing note to all affected residents and objectors outlining the steps Council took, the outcome of mediation, and the actions implemented to resolve the matter.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01
FILE NO: 290392.2025
SUBJECT: Asset Management Policy Re-adoption

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Re-adopts the Asset Management Policy, with minor updates.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 321063.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Waste Committee Charter

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That this item be deferred to the end of the meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Cllr Macnaught left the Chambers at 7:08pm.

Cllr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 7:10pm.

ITEM NO: OPER 03
FILE NO: 323838.2025
SUBJECT: Livcom Awards Invitation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the significance of the LivCom Award nomination and congratulates staff on their achievements.
2. Declines to commit Councillors to international travel at ratepayer expense at this event.
3. Any councillor can attend however their travel costs are borne by them individually.
4. Continues supporting circular economy projects, and continues to prioritise local ratepayer value, financial responsibility, and transparency.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Ristevski)

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Harte, Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Ammoun and Mayor Mannoun.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.

ITEM NO: OPER 04
FILE NO: 324838.2025
SUBJECT: Floodplain and Water Management Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Adopts the updated Floodplain and Water Management Policy.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 7:26pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 7:50pm with all Councillors present.

PLANNING & DESIGN REPORTS

ITEM NO: PD 01

FILE NO: 289203.2025

SUBJECT: Draft Planning Agreement - Edmondson Park Town Centre (South) - VPA-39

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report
2. Endorses the public exhibition of the Draft Planning Agreement (**Attachment 1**) and Draft Explanatory Notes (**Attachment 2**) for Edmondson Park Town Centre (South) for a minimum of 28 days in accordance with Section 7.5(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*
3. Should Council receive submissions during the exhibition period, receives a Post-Exhibition Report at a future Ordinary Meeting of Council for Council consideration
4. Should Council receive no submissions during the exhibition period, delegates to the CEO to execute the Planning Agreement for Edmondson Park Town Centre (South) on behalf of Council in the form that it was publicly exhibited or with minor administrative amendments.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 297119.2025
SUBJECT: Planning Proposal - Lot 2 Newbridge Road, Moorebank - Options Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harte** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Notes the Gateway Assessment Advice Letter received from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure dated 10 September 2025 (**Attachment 4**);
3. Directs staff to recommend to the landowner to commission any further technical studies, and shares all previous studies commissioned by Council with the landowner required to address Option 2 of the DPHI Gateway Assessment Advice Letter (**Attachment 4**) and upon completion, submit to Council a new Proponent-led Planning Proposal that is consistent with the current Planning Proposal;
4. Directs staff to forward the new Proponent-led Planning Proposal to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure pursuant to Section 3.34 of *the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, seeking a Gateway Determination, with a request that the Gateway Determination be conditioned requiring a site-specific Development Control Plan (DCP) to be prepared and a Planning Agreement negotiated prior to public exhibition;
5. Subject to Gateway Determination, undertake community consultation for the Planning Proposal in accordance with the conditions of the Gateway Determination and the Liverpool Community Participation Plan;
6. Receives a further report on the outcomes of public exhibition and community consultation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Mayor Mannoun, Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Macnaught.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 299247.2025
SUBJECT: Post-Exhibition Report - Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025 (**Attachment 2**);
2. Notes the submissions received during the public exhibition period (**Attachment 4**);
3. Forwards the endorsed Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025 to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for uploading onto the NSW Planning Portal;
4. Writes to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure requesting greater community consultation under the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008* for Complying Development Applications; and
5. Delegates authority to the CEO (or delegate) to make minor or typographical changes to the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025 as required.

On being put to the meeting the motion (Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Vote for: Cllr Harle, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Ristevski and Cllr Monaghan.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Notes the updated Community Participation Plan (CPP) and the limited public submissions received.
2. Defers endorsement of the CPP until:
 - a. A second round of public consultation is undertaken, with direct notification to resident groups, chambers of commerce, and community associations.
 - b. A report is provided to Council outlining:

- How many residents made complaints in the past 24 months about not being notified of development applications;
 - The impact of Complying Development Certificates on community notification and transparency;
 - Options to increase the minimum notification radius to 100 metres in urban zones and 200 metres in rural zones for developments with significant impact.
3. Writes to the Minister for Planning requesting:
 - a. Mandatory neighbour notification for all Complying Development Certificates (CDCs) within 50 metres in urban areas and 100 metres in rural areas;
 - b. That Councils regain the right to require neighbour consultation where significant community impact is likely.
 4. Ensures any future CPP changes are reported back to Council and not determined solely under CEO delegation.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 305072.2025
SUBJECT: Post Exhibition Report - Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 Amendment 87 at Lot 1 of 146 Newbridge Road, Moorebank - Georges Cove Village

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Gateway determination dated 31 July 2024, for Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 (Amendment 87), the advice received from State Agencies and submissions received from members of the public;
2. Proceed with Amendment 87 to the Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008 which seeks to permit a shop on Lot 1 of 146 Newbridge Road, Moorebank with a maximum gross floor area of 4,000sqm;
3. Finalise the draft amendment to Part 2.10:Moorebank East (Benedict Sands) of the Liverpool DCP 2008;
4. Delegates authority to the CEO (or delegate) to make minor or typographical changes to the draft amendment to Part 2.10: Moorebank East (Benedict Sands) of the Liverpool DCP 2008; and
5. Notifies the submitters of Council's decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Vote for: Cllr Harle, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Vote against: Cllr Ristevski.

During discussion, Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item and left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 8:08pm in accordance with the Declaration of Interest.

During discussion, Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item, and remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

ITEM NO: PD 05

FILE NO: 335600.2025

SUBJECT: Post-Exhibition Report - 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught**

Seconded: Clr Harte

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Proceeds with Amendment 102 to the *Liverpool Local Environmental Plan 2008* including any post-exhibition amendments;
3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to execute the Planning Agreement for 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly (Attachment 6) on behalf of Council in the form that the Agreement was publicly exhibited or with minor administrative changes;
4. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to liaise with the NSW Parliamentary Counsel's Office and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to finalise Amendment 102;
5. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to make minor or typographical changes arising from the finalisation process of Amendment 102;
6. Notifies the Proponent and any representatives of Council's decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ammoun, Mayor Mannoun, Clr Monaghan, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Harte was not present in the Chambers when the item was voted on.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:11pm.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01
FILE NO: 308975.2025
SUBJECT: Flag and Banner Policy

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Endorses the Flag and Banner Policy 2025 noting that the date for review will be in October 2027.
2. Receive a report by December 2025 regarding the capability of the current configuration of flagpoles identified in 6.1 of the policy to meet the requirement that the Australian National Flag shall be flown at all Council-owned flagpoles on:
 - a. ANZAC Day (25 April) from dawn until sunset;
 - b. Australia Day (26 January) from sunrise until sunset; and
 - c. Remembrance Day (11 November).

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Monaghan left the Chambers at 8:14pm.

Cllr Monaghan returned to the Chambers at 8:18pm.

Cllr Adjei left the Chambers at 8:16pm.

Cllr Adjei returned to the Chambers at 8:21pm.

Cllr Karnib left the Chambers at 8:18pm.

Cllr Karnib returned to the Chambers 8:20pm.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 346498.2025
SUBJECT: Suspension of AFZ Bigge Park for NYE 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorse the temporary suspension of the AFZ within Bigge Park, for New Years Eve operating hours of 4pm – 10pm on the evening of 31 December in order to facilitate a pop-up bar at the event; and
2. Note that the AFZ will be suspended within a demarcated area, allowing Police to continue to enforce the AFZ outside this area.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: COM 03
FILE NO: 341194.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$38,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
CORE Community Services	Connecting Communities in the 2168 area	\$10,000
Sunnyfield	Heroes with Ability	\$10,000
Heroes With Ability Sports Activities	2025 International Day of People with Disability & Varying Abilities Schools Gala Day	\$10,000
Grand Pacific Health Limited (Headspace Edmondson Park)	Ed Park Social Groups and Events	\$8,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$6,072** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Navodaya Sydney Inc	Arangu 2025 (Navodaya Australia National Conference 2025)	\$6,072

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 01

FILE NO: 318181.2025

SUBJECT: Electricity easement within Lot 403 DP 40085, Whitlam Leisure Centre, 90A Memorial Avenue, Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harle

Seconded: Cllr Macnaught

That Council:

1. Approve creation of an easement for padmount substation 3.35m wide, restriction on the use of the land and easement for underground cables 3m wide within Lot 403 DP 40085, Whitlam Leisure Centre, 90A Memorial Avenue, Liverpool on the terms outlined in this report.
2. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute any documents necessary to give effect to this decision.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 320533.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report September 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 332428.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Complaints

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Councillor Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Mayor Mannoun and Clr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Formally acknowledge the release of the *Free Speech in Local Government Guidelines* by the Office of Local Government in June 2025.
2. Request the Chief Executive Officer to organise compulsory training for all councillors and relevant senior staff on these Guidelines within 30 days, with emphasis on:
 - Councillors' rights to lawful political communication under the Australian Constitution,
 - The distinction between misconduct and legitimate political debate,
 - Proper and improper use of the Code of Conduct process.
3. Request the CEO to prepare a report to Council within 60 days outlining:
 - Recommendations to prevent the misuse of the Code of Conduct framework.
4. Write to the Minister for Local Government and the Office of Local Government, calling for reforms to:
 - Prevent the political weaponisation of Code of Conduct complaints.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 255611.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held 22 July 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught**

Seconded: Cllr Harle

That Council:

1. Receive and notes the Minutes of Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held 22 July 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: The recommendation recorded in the minutes as above was inadvertently omitted from the agenda report.

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 337288.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 15 October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 15 October 2025.
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: CONF 01 and CONF 02 were moved to the end of the Confidential matters to align with the earlier motion to change the order of business, as they are Questions with Notice.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NO: CONF 03

FILE NO: 325179.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held 3 September 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught**

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Sports Committee meeting held on 3 September 2025;
2. Recognises and thanks Sports Committee members for volunteering to participate in the Liverpool Sports Committee; and
3. Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to disburse the Sporting Grants and Donations in accordance with the recommendations of the Liverpool Sports Committee.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 327562.2025
SUBJECT: Acquisition of Lots 101 and 102 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1317056, Pt 50
 Gurner Avenue, Austral for Open Space and Road purposes.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Approves the acquisition of Lots 101 and 102 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1317056, Part 50 Gurner Avenue, Austral within the terms outlined in this confidential Report.
2. Resolves to classify Lots 101 and 102 in Plan of Acquisition DP 1317056 as 'Operational' land in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993 upon settlement.
3. Keeps confidential this Report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 328510.2025
SUBJECT: Acquisition of a Drainage Easement over 40 Sixteenth Avenue, Austral for Basin 29

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Approves the acquisition of a 4m wide drainage easement over Lot 300 DP 2475, 40 Sixteenth Avenue, Austral within the terms outlined in this confidential report;
2. Keeps confidential the information contained in this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
3. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 348267.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 43 DP 739281, 100 Fifth Avenue, Austral for SP2 Local Drainage & proposed RE1 Public Recreation

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 43 DP 739281, 100 Fifth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report.
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 43 DP 739281 as "Operational Land" to provide flexibility for the future use of the land.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Macnaught left the Chambers at 8:55pm.

Cllr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 8:57pm.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers at 8:57pm in accordance with the Declaration of Interest.

During discussion, Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item and left the Chambers for the duration of its consideration.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 9:00pm in accordance with the Declaration of Interest.

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 334173.2025
SUBJECT: Legal Affairs

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Notes the contents of the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 9:01pm.

Mr Jason Breton returned to the Chambers at 9:01pm.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 9:03pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 08
FILE NO: 327194.2025
SUBJECT: State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA) Civil Penalty

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Notes the contents of the Report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers at 9:04pm in accordance with the Declaration of Interest.

ITEM NO: CONF 09
FILE NO: 349849.2025
SUBJECT: CEO Secondary Employment (Coaching)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Acknowledge and approve the secondary employment application at Attachment 1.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Vote for: Cllr Harle, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Karnib and Cllr Ibrahim.

Cllr Harte returned to the Chambers at 9:06pm.

Mr Jason Breton returned to the Chambers at 9:07pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of meeting at 9:07pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 9:26pm with all Councillors present.

ITEM NO: CONF 10
FILE NO: 349365.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8)

Note: Councillors were advised on Friday 24 October 2025 that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda and would not be considered at this meeting.

ITEM NO: CONF 11
FILE NO: 349366.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW)

Note: Councillors were advised on Friday 24 October 2025 that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda and would not be considered at this meeting.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01
FILE NO: 328425.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Leads Western Sydney in Small Business Month 2026

Background

Liverpool is home to thousands of small businesses employing tens of thousands of residents. Adjoining councils such as Fairfield, Campbelltown, and Canterbury-Bankstown are already doing strong programs for Small Business Month 2025. Liverpool must match and exceed these efforts next as we didn't participate this year to remain a hub for enterprise and innovation. This motion ensures Council sends a clear message: we back our local small businesses and will deliver the most vibrant Small Business Month in Western Sydney.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the consistent and ongoing work of the City Economy team in supporting small businesses across the LGA and beyond.
2. Recognises October as NSW Small Business Month and acknowledges the vital role local small businesses play in driving Liverpool's economy, creating jobs, and strengthening community life.
3. Commits to delivering the most dynamic and supportive Small Business Month program in Western Sydney during October 2026.
4. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to immediately develop and deliver a Liverpool Small Business Month Program in consultation with local chambers of commerce, industry groups, business owners, and the City Economy team considering but not limited to the following initiatives:
 - Liverpool Small Business Expo 2026: A flagship event showcasing local enterprises, with free exhibition spaces for Liverpool-based businesses, live demonstrations, and networking lounges.
 - Startup & Innovation Pitch Nights: Partner with Western Sydney University and local incubators to spotlight emerging entrepreneurs, offering prize grants and mentoring packages.
 - "Buy Local, Win Local" Campaign: A month-long marketing push with a digital loyalty card encouraging residents to shop locally, with prize draws for customers who support Liverpool businesses.
 - Practical Masterclasses: Free or low-cost workshops on digital marketing, e-commerce, tax, and financial planning, delivered by leading experts.
 - Council Red-Tape Hackathon: A roundtable with small business owners to identify

- and remove unnecessary council barriers and fast-track approvals.
- Pop-Up Business Hubs: Temporary workspaces and mobile advice desks across the LGA offering on-the-spot guidance on grants, licensing, and growth strategies.
5. Appropriate funding from existing economic development budgets and seeks sponsorship and grant opportunities from the NSW Government's Small Business Month program to support these initiatives.
 6. Reports back to Council within eight weeks with a detailed schedule, budget, and marketing plan.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Harte left the Chambers at 9:26pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 328530.2025
SUBJECT: Community Impacts of Complying Development Certificates (CDCs)

Background

Residents in Wattle Grove and other parts of Liverpool have raised concerns regarding developments approved under Complying Development Certificates (CDCs). These concerns include:

- Lack of community notification or opportunity to comment before approval is granted;
- Inadequate on-site parking for terrace-style housing, creating pressure on local streets; and
- Increased impacts on residential amenity, such as congestion on roads.

CDC approvals are a state-level planning pathway introduced by the NSW Government, which bypasses Council's development application process. While Council has no authority to refuse or amend CDCs that meet State standards, it has a role in advocating to the State Government for reforms that better balance housing delivery with community amenity.

Under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021, the notification requirements for CDCs are very limited. Certifiers must notify Council and adjoining owners at least two days before works commence, providing only basic details such as the site address, description of works, builder details, and start date. Unlike DAs, there is no pre-approval exhibition period, no invitation for submissions, and no requirement to provide neighbours with copies of plans or supporting documents. This means affected residents often become aware of developments only after approval has already been granted, contributing to ongoing community dissatisfaction.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Notes the concerns raised by residents in Wattle Grove regarding developments approved under CDCs, including inadequate parking and the lack of meaningful notification or access to plans.
2. Acknowledges that these concerns reflect broader community dissatisfaction with the CDC process.
3. Writes to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces and the Office of Local Government expressing Council's concern regarding the impacts of CDCs on existing communities.
4. Calls on the NSW Government to review the CDC framework, with particular regard to:

- Introducing pre-approval neighbour notification and exhibition requirements, including access to plans, consistent with those applying to Development Applications; and
- Reviewing parking requirements for terrace and multi-dwelling housing in established suburbs.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski**

Seconded: Cllr Monaghan

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 331926.2025
SUBJECT: Moratorium on Forced Redundancies for Council Staff

Background

Liverpool Council is facing major restructures while under public inquiry. This uncertainty puts the jobs of staff and vital roles at risk.

Council workers are the backbone of essential services across Liverpool. They keep our city clean, safe, and running efficiently. A guarantee of no forced redundancies during this challenging period is critical to maintain staff morale, protect service delivery, and demonstrate good faith toward employees and the community.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Adopt a policy of no forced redundancies for Council staff for the period commencing on the date of this resolution and ending on the date the Minister for Local Government makes a decision following the conclusion of the current public inquiry affecting Liverpool City Council ("Moratorium Period").

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Reaffirms the organisations legislative obligations and any relevant awards in offering redeployment for any redundancies for council staff, where appropriate.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 341177.2025
SUBJECT: Permanent Ban of Contractor Involved in Asbestos-Contaminated Recycled Topsoil at Pye Hill Reserve and Rickard Road, Chipping Norton

Background

Council recently discovered asbestos contamination within recycled turf underlay material (topsoil) supplied and installed by an external contractor at Pye Hill Reserve, Cecil Hills as part of the Regional Trail and Lookout Place Project.

Following these findings, further investigations have confirmed that the same supplier also provided recycled topsoil material for Rickard Road, Chipping Norton, where asbestos was again detected during testing.

The chronology of events clearly demonstrates a pattern of contamination, non-compliance, and public health risk linked to the same contractor and supplier, including:

- 25 June–16 July 2025: Approximately 380 tonnes of recycled topsoil were delivered and installed at Pye Hill Reserve.
- 20 August 2025: Council's Asbestos Management Officer confirmed the presence of fibro fragments consistent with asbestos material.
- 26 August 2025: Consultant testing confirmed bonded (non-friable) asbestos in the recycled material.
- 28 August 2025: Consultant report recommended full removal and disposal of the contaminated topsoil.
- 3 October 2025: Approximately 530 tonnes of contaminated soil were removed and disposed of at an EPA-licensed landfill.
- Subsequent investigations by the EPA and SafeWork NSW confirmed asbestos contamination at the supplier's facility and in recycled topsoil used across multiple Sydney sites, including Rickard Road, Chipping Norton.

Given these repeated breaches and the associated risk to public health, worker safety, and environmental integrity, it is not in the public interest for Liverpool City Council to continue engaging or accepting material from this contractor or supplier in any future works.

NOTICE OF MOTION (submitted by Cllr Ristevski)

That Council:

1. Immediately prohibit the contractor and/or supplier responsible for the asbestos-contaminated recycled topsoil at Pye Hill Reserve and Rickard Road, Chipping Norton from tendering, supplying, or performing any works on current or future Liverpool City Council projects.
2. Refer all documentation, testing reports, and correspondence relating to this incident to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) for independent review of Council's contractor verification and acceptance procedures.

3. Publicly disclose the findings of the EPA and SafeWork NSW investigations relating to this matter once available, to ensure transparency and accountability to the community.
4. Formally write to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) requesting that the supplier in question be investigated and added to the list of restricted or banned materials suppliers for all NSW local government projects.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division

Vote for: Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Ristevski and Cllr Monaghan.

Vote against: Cllr Harle, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Macnaught
Cllr Adjei.

Cllr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 9:52pm.

ITEM NO: QWN 06
FILE NO: 332101.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Compulsory Work Health and Safety Training – Mayor's Non-Attendance

Please address the following:

1. How much did it cost Liverpool ratepayers for the compulsory Work Health and Safety training session that was specifically organised for the Mayor on 15 September 2025, which he failed to attend?
2. Can Council confirm why this additional training was required to be arranged exclusively for the Mayor, given that all other Councillors attended the sessions provided.
3. What actions, if any, will be taken to recover wasted ratepayer funds caused by the Mayor's failure to fulfil his obligations under mandatory training requirements?

Response provided (by Community and Lifestyle)

1. A Work Health and Safety (WHS) training session was scheduled for the Mayor on 15 September 2025. This session was subsequently cancelled for personal reasons, noting that the mandatory training requirement had already been fulfilled via an online session completed on 7 July 2025. Council was charged \$4150 for this cancellation.
2. In accordance with advice from the training provider, Local Government NSW, the mandatory WHS training could be completed either online or face-to-face. While not required, face-to-face attendance was encouraged by the CEO to provide councillors with a supportive and collaborative learning opportunity. An additional in-person session was arranged for those councillors who had not yet completed the training from 7 July 2025. As the Mayor was unavailable to attend in person on the second date offered, a separate session was scheduled for 15 September 2025. This session was subsequently cancelled for personal reasons, noting that the mandatory training requirement had already been upheld.
3. In accordance with Council's Civic Expenses Policy (4.9), any non-attendance at mandatory training or other events will be reviewed by the CEO, acting reasonably, to determine whether a valid reason was provided.

Where no valid reason exists, the Policy outlines that the Councillor must take all reasonable steps to mitigate costs to Council and reimburse any expenses incurred. The matter will be managed in line with these requirements.

ITEM NO: QWN 07
FILE NO: 328402.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Costs of Adjourned Council Meeting

On Wednesday 24 September 2025, the Ordinary Council Meeting was unable to proceed when the Mayor, the Liberal Councillors, and ALP Councillor Betty Green left the chamber, resulting in a loss of quorum. This forced an adjournment and a subsequent reconvened meeting to be held on Thursday 25 September 2025.

Please address the following:

1. What was the total cost to Liverpool City Council ratepayers of the adjourned meeting and the reconvened meeting on Thursday 25 September 2025?
2. Please provide a detailed breakdown of these costs, including but not limited to:
 - Staff overtime and penalty rates
 - Venue operating costs (lighting, security, cleaning, and technical support)
 - Administrative preparation and re-issuance of meeting materials
 - Any additional contractor or service fees incurred due to the adjournment.

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

The opening paragraph of the QWN is factually incorrect. The fact that there was a temporary loss of quorum did not result in adjournment of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned as a result of the councillors remaining in the chambers, who did not have a conflict, moving a motion to defer the meeting to be held on Thursday 25 September 2025. Accordingly, the additional costs as a result of that action are outlined overleaf.

Response (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

Estimated Costs – Ordinary Council Meetings (24 & 25 September 2025)

A detailed breakdown of costs associated with the adjourned and reconvened meetings is provided in the table below. Staff overtime and penalty rates are still being finalised; however, several staff worked between four and eight additional hours each of the evenings in question and additional hours in the lead up to accommodate the revised meeting requirements and deadlines.

Venue operating costs, including lighting, security, cleaning, and technical support, have been included as hard costs and are readily quantifiable.

Administrative preparation and the re-issuance of meeting materials were completed during standard work hours and are therefore not considered an additional direct cost, though this

diverted staff from their usual duties and created flow-on impacts to other workloads.

No additional contractor or service fees have been identified beyond the below operational impacts.

Category	Ordinary Meeting 24 September 2025	Adjourned Meeting 25 September 2025
Audio Visual Support	\$989	\$989
Security	\$387.20	\$580.80
Catering <i>Includes catering for public and staff/Councillors, and external labour due to existing bookings (25 Sep only)</i>	\$2,198	\$394.36
Table Skirts	\$625	\$625 + Labour: \$624.40
Estimated Total <i>Excludes staff overtime/admin</i>	\$4,469.20	\$3,213.56

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 344618.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Mayor's Proposed Trip to the Middle East

Please address the following:

1. Has the Mayor, or any member of Council staff, sought or received Council funding, approval, or reimbursement for travel to any country in the Middle East within the next six weeks?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

Yes. Two originally, now one Council Staff Member - who will travel to the Australian Saudi Business Forum known as the ANZUK Forum in Riyadh. This forum will be held at the Federation of Saudi Chambers on the 22nd and 23rd of October 2025.

At the time of this report Council Officers understand the Mayor has received his own invitation where he will meet all travel costs and incidentals himself. Thus, he has not sought or received Council funding, approval, or proposed reimbursement for travel to any country.

2. What is the stated purpose and business justification for this trip, and how does it relate to the functions or strategic priorities of Liverpool City Council?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

Project 26

This initiative seeks to position Liverpool as an attractive destination for global investment. Participation in the ANZUK Forum will enable Council to:

- Showcase Liverpool's assets to potential investors and trade partners
- Connect with international stakeholders aligned to our growth sectors
- Explore case studies and practices from giga-projects and high-growth regions
- Position Liverpool on a global stage to explore joint venture opportunities; and
- Demonstrate Liverpool's intent to be globally connected and forward-thinking.

Liverpool 2050

Council's Liverpool 2050 Strategy aims to capitalise on the city's rich diversity by leveraging its multilingual, globally connected workforce to enhance international trade, foster cultural exchange, and deliver more inclusive services that strengthen Liverpool's global competitiveness and economic resilience.

University City

The University of Wollongong (UoW) has a major and expanding presence in Liverpool Council's partnership with UoW stretches over a decade. This has helped shape Council's

strategic objective to develop a 'University City' by strongly marketing the city's assets of young, ambitious and fast-growing communities to education providers. The strategy has met growing success with heightened activity over past few years, most notably the presence of UOW and Western Sydney University and the recently signed MoU with the University of NSW.

The University of Wollongong is a young, dynamic and innovative university that over its almost 50-year history has become one of the leaders of Australia's new generation of universities. UOW has demonstrated commitment to deep engagement with communities and industry in Liverpool and southwest Sydney. Its education and training programs ensure that the next generation of workers in Liverpool are ready for the jobs and industries of the future.

UOW is the first foreign university to receive a Saudi Investment Licence under the country's Vision 2030 program, reflecting its reputation as a trusted global education partner. The license enables UOW Global Enterprises to establish a campus in Riyadh, Saudia Arabia, which the goal of opening the campus in the second half of 2025.

Planning is underway, with collaboration across faculties on the proposed course portfolio. Governance, academic quality, and core UOW values, including academic freedom and cultural respect, remain central to every stage of the process. The UOW Riyadh campus will launch later this year with English Language programs and Foundation programs in 2026 delivered by UOW College, followed by undergraduate degrees in 2027.

3. Which countries and cities are scheduled to be visited, and what are the planned meetings or official engagements in each location?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia as per the ANZUK Forum Agenda. Councils' expectations as to meetings and key performance requirements for the Forum have been detailed to the staff member and will be confirmed via a pre-travel strategy and a post travel report.

4. What is the total estimated cost of the trip, including flights, accommodation, meals, and any allowances, and from which budget item will the expenses be paid?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

Due directly to an innovative and tactical points banking strategy adopted by Council Officers, used regularly for efficiency around Council travel, I expect the total cash cost of incidentals to fall around \$750 AUD for the period of official business. No other expenses are forecast, nor have they been requested. The total cost of travel will be reconciled against our Economic Development Budget and presents great value for money.

5. Has the Mayor booked a return flight to Australia as part of this trip? If so, please provide the date of return.

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

For both operational and security reasons, mature organisations do not disclose the discrete travel plans of executives and officials

6. Are any non-Council entities, lobbyists, or external organisations contributing financially or logistically to this trip? If yes, please identify them.

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

No.

7. Given that Lebanon does not have an extradition treaty with Australia, has Council undertaken any risk assessment regarding travel to that region by elected officials or staff?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

International extradition is the formal legal process through which one country requests the surrender of a suspected or convicted individual from another country. It allows countries to cooperate in criminal matters, ensuring that individuals accused or convicted of crimes face justice. Thus, an extradition scenario is not present.

Lebanon is not in Saudi Arabia.

Whilst the current Australian government travel warning (14/10/2026) for Saudi Arabia is to "Exercise a high degree of caution" due to the volatile security situation in the Middle East, this will be reviewed given the peace deal recently negotiated, and any last-minute adjustments can be made with a revised risk assessment which will remain an operational process.

8. What measurable community benefit does this trip deliver to the residents of Liverpool, and how will those outcomes be reported back to Council?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

Participation in the ANZUK Forum will enable Council to:

- Leverage from Liverpool's strategic national location (including a new international airport) to attract global investment to the Liverpool City Centre
- Promote Liverpool's competitive advantages in allied health, logistics, advanced manufacturing, robotics and professional services

- Position Liverpool alongside other international growth cities by showcasing our integrated approach to economic development, transport connectivity, and innovation ecosystems
- Strengthen international partnerships with Regions and Organisations pursuing similar innovation and urban transformation goals.
- Sell our great City and the wonderful investment opportunities that are emerging at this time in both the commercial, industrial, higher education and Build to Rent (BTR) spaces.

Typically, attendance by Council Officials / Councilors at overseas conferences can yield several measurable community benefits, including:

1. **Knowledge Transfer and Best Practices:** Adoption of innovative policies and practices observed internationally, leading to improved local governance, infrastructure, or service delivery
2. **Economic Development:** New trade, investment, or tourism opportunities resulting from international networking, which can boost local economic growth
3. **Enhanced Partnerships:** Strengthened and new relationships with other municipalities or organisations
4. **Capacity Building:** Increased skills and knowledge of officials, leading to more effective management and a new lens on policy development and application
5. **Funding Opportunities:** Access to grants, sponsorships, or technical assistance from international agencies or partner cities
6. **Global Visibility and Reputation:** An elevated profile of the Liverpool community on the international stage, attracting future investments or collaborations; and
7. **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):** Alignment with global SDGs through knowledge gained and partnerships formed, measurable via progress indicators.

These benefits can then be quantified through key metrics such as any increase in foreign investment and/or local interest triggered by the media reporting on the initiative.

The outcomes will be reported to Council via a Report.

9. Will the full travel itinerary, costings, and meeting records be made publicly available to ensure transparency and accountability?

Response (provided by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer)

All operational requirements as to Councils budget and financial obligations are well practiced and will be adhered with.

Meeting records will remain commercial in confidence for strategic and operational reasons around our wider investment and attraction strategy.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 344724.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Inconsistencies and Updates to Council's Asbestos Register

Please address the following:

1. Why are there two separate versions of Council's Asbestos Register in circulation or on record?
2. Which version is the current and official Asbestos Register adopted by Council?
3. Why has one version not been updated since 2019, while another version was last updated in 2024?
4. What were the circumstances that led to the creation of two differing versions of the register?
5. Who is responsible for maintaining and updating the Asbestos Register, and how frequently is it reviewed?
6. Has Council undertaken any independent audit or verification of the Asbestos Register's accuracy and completeness since 2019?
7. Can Council confirm whether all Council-owned properties and facilities are accurately reflected in the most recent version?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. Council has two registers. The first is the asbestos building register which is specific for Council's buildings and structures, records all asbestos present in the buildings and structures. The second register is specific to land contamination and includes Council's land holdings where soil contamination, including asbestos has been identified.
2. Council is currently completing an update of all its asbestos building registers. A consultant has been engaged and is inspecting Council buildings and structures to provide updated and current asbestos building registers.
The land contamination register is updated as new contaminated sites are identified that require on-going management actions.
3. The asbestos building registers are required to be updated every five years. Council's consultant is currently updating all registers. In addition, the building registers have also been reviewed and maintained periodically since 2019 whenever building maintenance has occurred at a site.

The land contamination register is updated as required when a new contaminated site is identified that requires on-going management actions.

4. The registers are required to be in place for a workplace under the Work Health and Safety Regulation.
5. Council has an Asbestos Management Officer that is responsible for updating the asbestos building register. Council's Coordinator Asbestos and Remediation is responsible for the asbestos land register. The registers are maintained on a regular basis and are updated whenever building work is undertaken (the asbestos building register) or when new contaminated sites requiring on-going management are added (the contaminated land register).
6. The consultant engaged to review the building registers are licensed asbestos assessors. Any updates to the registers are also undertaken by trained and certified consultants from Council's panel. Council typically uses different consultants to update the building registers so the accuracy of the registers is captured by the review process.
7. Yes, all Council owned buildings and facilities are accurately reflected in the most recent version with supporting documentation recorded.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 332075.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Relocation of NSW Police to Council Premises

Please address the following:

1. How much are Liverpool ratepayers being charged to move the New South Wales Police into the Council-owned building at 52 Scott Street, Liverpool?
2. Is this relocation directly connected to the installation of the “panic button” in the Mayor’s office, and if so, can Council explain the rationale behind this decision?
3. Now that New South Wales Police will be located in the same building as this Mayor, will the panic button be removed from the Mayor’s office to save ratepayers the ongoing annual monitoring costs?

Response (provided by Commercial Development)

1. Liverpool ratepayers are not being charged to move the New South Wales Police into Civic Place.

Response (provided by Operations)

2. This button is not connected to this NSW Police move.
3. The button will not be removed.

Note: Memo and previous reports outlining the commercial lease and associated costs to be circulated to Councillors.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 9:59pm.

Clr Karnib left the Chambers at 10:00pm.

Clr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 10:01pm.

ITEM NO: QWN 11
FILE NO: 334573.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Asbestos at Pye Hill Park

Please address the following:

1. Why did Council delay informing its own staff for over a month about the asbestos at Pye Hill Park, and why was the matter only raised after a staff member discovered it from the community on social media?
2. Who within Council made the decision not to notify staff immediately upon asbestos being identified on 28 August?
3. What risk assessments or safety procedures were conducted between 28 August and 30 September to ensure staff and community members were not exposed to asbestos at Pye Hill Park?
4. Why were elected Councillors not briefed about the asbestos discovery at the time Council became aware?
5. What policies or protocols does Council currently have in place for asbestos management and immediate staff notification, and were they followed in this instance?
6. What steps will be taken to ensure transparency and public safety are prioritised in all future asbestos-related matters?
7. What external agencies, if any, were notified by Council of the asbestos discovery at Pye Hill Park, and on what date were they informed?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. Managers responsible for the maintenance of the Pye Hill Reserve were informed of the potential presence of asbestos at the Reserve by email on 21 August 2025. A further update was provided to all relevant managers in a meeting held on 26 August 2025. At this meeting Manager were informed to instruct their teams to stop servicing the site until clearance is provided.
2. All managers responsible for maintaining Pye Hill Reserve were informed of the presence of likely asbestos on 26 August. The information was then passed to relevant coordinators and team leaders to stop servicing the site.
3. Council received preliminary results from its consultant on 26 August 2025 at 6:24 pm indicating that asbestos was detected at low concentrations in some fibro fragments and recycled soil samples.

On 27 August 2027, Council engaged its consultant to place air monitors at the site to

monitor the air for asbestos fibres while Council waited for the consultant's report with recommendations on other management actions required. The air monitoring continued daily (including on weekends) until 25 September 2025 when the recycled material started to be removed by the same contractor that placed the material at the Pye Hill Reserve. The removal contractor engaged its own occupational hygienist to continue air monitoring from 25 September until 3 October 2025 when all the recycled topsoil was removed. All results from air monitoring conducted at the site were below the safety standards.

Council received the consultant's report with recommendations on 28 August 2025 at 10:21 pm. On 29 August, Council's licensed asbestos contractor installed safety fencing around the areas where asbestos was confirmed in the consultant's report. After these areas were fenced off, the contractor proceeded to fence off the entire length of the pathways on both sides.

In addition, from 25 September, exclusion zones with signage were set up around the work sites during the recycled topsoil removal to prevent pedestrian access near these areas.

4. Council worked quickly to engage a consultant and licensed asbestos contractor to investigate and manage the potential asbestos risks. Council does acknowledge that Councillors should have been informed earlier. Councillors will be promptly informed in future as required when similar asbestos matters are identified.
5. Council has various asbestos management procedures under its Asbestos and Waste Management System. The process for staff notification will be reviewed and updated in the relevant procedures.
6. Council has implemented improvements in its procedures when dealing with similar asbestos finds and will ensure these improvements are implemented in all future asbestos-related matters.
7. Council informed the NSW EPA (as the regulator of the asbestos findings from the recycled topsoil material) by email via its pollution line on 5 September 2025. Council did not hear back from the EPA and followed up with another email on 16 September 2025.

The EPA called Council back on 16 September after receiving Council's follow up email and advised Council that they (the EPA) have started their investigation into the recycled topsoil provider.

Safe Work NSW was notified of the recycled topsoil removal on around 18 September 2025.

ITEM NO: QWN 12
FILE NO: 328686.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Cancellation of Extraordinary Council Meeting

In light of the cancellation of the Extraordinary Meeting on 26 September 2025, I request written answers to the following:

1. Reason for Cancellation

Under Clause 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice, the Mayor may cancel a meeting if attending would put the health, safety or welfare of councillors, staff, or members of the public at risk.

- a) Was this clause the specific authority relied upon to cancel the meeting?
- b) If so, what precise health, safety or welfare concerns triggered it?

2. Individuals Feeling Unsafe

- a) Which category of attendees—councillors, council staff, or members of the public—expressed that they did not feel safe?
- b) Was this reported formally to the CEO or Mayor, and when?

3. Distress Button in the Mayor's Office

- a) Is there any connection between the cited safety concerns and the use or installation of the distress/emergency button located in the Mayor's office?

4. Consultation and Notification

- a) Which councillors were consulted before the decision was made?
- b) At what time was the decision finalised and when was notice given to all councillors and the public?

Response (provided by Community and Lifestyle)

1. Reason for Cancellation:

- a) Yes, but not for the reason stated.
- b) Clause 5.14 of the Code of Meeting Practice provides that, ***“where, prior to the commencement of a meeting, it becomes apparent that a quorum may not be present at the meeting, or that the health, safety or welfare of councillors, council staff and members of the public may be put at risk by attending the meeting because of a natural disaster or a public health emergency, the Mayor may, in consultation with the CEO and, as far as is practicable, with each councillor, cancel the meeting.”***

In this case, it became apparent prior to the commencement of the adjourned extraordinary meeting that a quorum was unable to be present, based on previously declared interests. This satisfied the quorum-related condition outlined in Clause 5.14. The meeting was therefore cancelled following consultation with the CEO's delegate and councillors, in accordance with the provisions of the clause.

2. Individuals Feeling Unsafe:

- a) Not applicable, refer to 1b.
- b) Not applicable, refer to 1b.

3. Distress Button in the Mayor's Office:

- a) No.

4. Consultation and Notification:

- a) All Councillors were consulted via email from the Mayor on Thursday 25 September 2025 at 1:23pm. The communication detailed the anticipated lack of quorum for the adjourned extraordinary meeting and referenced the pertinent clauses of the Code of Meeting Practice. Councillors were invited to submit their feedback by 5:30pm the same day, either via return email or by phone.
- b) All Councillors were notified of the meeting cancellation via email at 8:34pm on Thursday 25 September 2025. The cancellation was subsequently confirmed with Executive Services and ELT staff the following morning at 8:22am. Public notification was issued as promptly as practicable, with updates published on the Council's website shortly thereafter.

ITEM NO: QWN 13
FILE NO: 344745.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Absestos Testing and Contractor Liability

Please address the following:

1. Staff Safety and Training
 - a) Why have Council staff who may have been exposed to asbestos during Council works or on Council sites not been subject to medical testing or monitoring to assess potential health impacts?
2. Contractual Liability Clauses
 - a) Do current or past contracts between Council and its contractors contain clauses which effectively transfer liability to Council in circumstances where a contractor provides an asbestos clearance certificate, but asbestos is later discovered on the site?
 - b) If so, who approved those contractual terms and what safeguards exist to prevent Council from bearing liability in such cases?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 November 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 14
FILE NO: 328482.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Liverpool CBD - Mall and Improvement Fund

Following my attendance at the September meeting of Liverpool CBD landlords and property owners, I request written answers to the following questions:

One-Way Mall Option

1. What is the estimated cost to open the Macquarie Street pedestrian mall to a single one-way traffic lane, including provision for on-street parking?

CBD Improvement Fund

2. Please provide a full profit-and-loss statement for the CBD Improvement Fund for the most recent financial year, detailing all revenue sources and expenditure items.

Public Toilet Facility

3. What would be the projected cost to design and construct a publicly accessible toilet within the mall precinct?

Private Security Patrols

4. What is the annual cost to engage licensed security guards to patrol and monitor the mall in a manner comparable to Westfield's security operations?

Big Screen Maintenance

5. What is the cost and timeline to repair and recommission the mall's large digital screen so it operates reliably in the evenings?

Mall Lightning Repairs

6. What is the cost and schedule to inspect and restore all non-functioning lights throughout the mall?

Façade Improvement Program

7. What changes are planned to make the shop-front facade subsidy program more user-friendly for local business and property owners?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 November 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 15
FILE NO: 346057.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Footpath Construction and Asbestos Safety – Rickard Road, Chipping Norton

Please address the following:

Footpath Prioritisation

1. Why was a footpath constructed on Rickard Road, Chipping Norton, when there are other areas within the Liverpool Local Government Area—such as Austral—that are in far greater need of footpath infrastructure, particularly for pedestrian safety and connectivity?
 - a) What process or criteria were used to prioritise Rickard Road over areas with no existing pedestrian access?
 - b) Was the flood-prone nature of Rickard Road considered before approving the project, and if so, what measures were taken to mitigate potential flooding risks to residents and infrastructure?

Asbestos Management and Safety Response

2. Why was the asbestos contamination identified at Rickard Road not fenced off immediately once it was known to Council officers that asbestos was present?
 - a) On what date did Council become aware of the asbestos issue?
 - b) What immediate actions were taken to protect public health and safety following the discovery?
 - c) Were local residents notified, and if so, when and how?
 - d) Has Council reviewed its protocols to ensure a faster and more transparent response to future asbestos incidents?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 November 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 16
FILE NO: 346099.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Itemised Expenditure of the Waste Levy – 2024/2025 Financial Year

Background

Liverpool ratepayers contribute significant funds each year through the Waste Levy, which is intended to support waste management, recycling initiatives, and environmental sustainability programs. To ensure transparency and accountability, it is important for Council and the community to understand exactly how these funds are being allocated and expended.

Please address the following:

1. Can Council provide a fully itemised breakdown of all waste levy income and expenditure for the 2024/2025 financial year, including but not limited to:
 - a) Waste collection and disposal costs
 - b) Recycling Recycling processing fees
 - c) Waste education and community engagement programs
 - d) Environmental compliance and remediation works
 - e) Administrative and overhead expenses
2. Of the total waste levy funds collected, how much has been retained in reserve versus spent during the 2024/2025 financial year?
3. Has any portion of the waste levy been redirected to non-waste-related projects or general revenue, and if so, under what authorisation or resolution of Council?
4. Will Council commit to publishing the waste levy breakdown in the Annual Report or on the Council website for public transparency?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 November 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 17
FILE NO: 347373.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Unrestricted Cash Reserves

Please address the following:

1. Did Council hold \$25,000,000.00 in unrestricted cash reserves as at 30 June 2025?
2. If not, why not?
3. Is Council projected to hold \$25,000,000.00 in unrestricted cash reserves as at 30 June 2026?
4. If not, why not?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. No.
2. The projected cash position reported to Council at its meeting on 21 May 2025, following the Quarter 3 Budget Review, indicated that Council would hold \$33.7 million in internal allocations and \$13.9 million in unrestricted general reserves at 30 June 2025.

At year end, Council held \$33.6 million in internal allocations and \$2.8 million in unrestricted general reserves. The variance from the projected unrestricted reserve balance primarily relates to the timing of a \$7.5 million payment from Built Development, which was received in July 2025.

It is important to note that the NSW Office of Local Government recognises that councils have ready access to funds held as internal allocations and therefore includes these amounts when assessing a council's overall liquidity position.

Building unrestricted general reserves up to \$25 million is challenging unless Council makes a conscious decision to apply for a Special Rate Variation and/or proceeds with the disposal of identified uneconomical assets.

3. No.
4. For reasons outlined in (2) above.

ITEM NO: QWN 18
FILE NO: 347376.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - 2025/26 Financial Position

Please address the following:

1. Council was projected to deliver a \$0.8 million surplus in the original 2025/26 Financial Year Budget, will this be achieved?
2. If not, why not?
3. What is the current projected final budget position?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. Not likely.
2. In the last three months of operations, several significant risks, mostly outside the control of Council, have been identified that will adversely impact the 2025/26 budget results. These include:
 - a. Non-receipt of the Financial Assistance Grant in advance for 2026/27, which was previously anticipated, based on recent advice from NSW Grants Commission.
 - b. Canterbury-Bankstown Council's decision not to make a lump sum contribution towards the ongoing maintenance of the Voyager Point Pedestrian Bridge, following recent negotiations between both parties.
 - c. Accounting for acquisition of software as a service which will be treated as an operating expense as opposed to capitalising intangible assets.
 - d. Unbudgeted make good expenditures arising from the expiry of lease for 35 Scott Street, with negotiations is still ongoing.
3. As a result of the above factors, the current projected final budget position indicates that Council will not achieve the originally budgeted \$0.8 million surplus. Q1 budget review is currently underway, and a revised projection, once there is greater certainty regarding above matters, will be reported to Council at its November 2025 meeting.

MOTION TO NOMINATE A CHAIRPERSON

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Cllr Harle assume Chair of the meeting in the absence of the Deputy Mayor.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers at 10:05pm, and Cllr Harle assumed the Chair.

ITEM NO: QWN 19
FILE NO: 347374.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Asbestos Contamination at Pye Hill Reserve

Please address the following:

1. On what date did Council first become aware of asbestos contamination at Pye Hill Reserve?
 - a) How did Council first become aware of asbestos contamination at Pye Hill Reserve?
2. Was an inspection for asbestos contamination at Pye Hill Reserve carried out?
 - a) If not, why not?
 - b) If so, on what date was that inspection carried out?
 - c) What was the result of that inspection?

Response (provided by Operations)

The answers to these questions have been provided to the Mayor and Councillors in Memos from the Director Operations on 3, 8 & 10 October 2025.

Note: An updated memo to be provided to Councillors outlining the current investigations, including their status, progress and commencement dates.

ITEM NO: QWN 20
FILE NO: 347375.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Independent Legal Advice Following MOU 1 from the Extraordinary Council Meeting held 14 October 2025

Please address the following:

1. How many items of Council business will be required to be accompanied by independent legal advice, confirming the matters are lawful and appropriate and do not contribute to psychosocial hazards pursuant to MOU 1 passed at the 14 October 2025 Extraordinary Council Meeting?
2. Will this advice be provided by internal or external solicitors?
3. Will this result in additional expenditure that was not budgeted for in the 2025/26 Budget?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. A numerical response cannot be provided at this time. An assessment will need to be made on a case-by-case basis.
2. Under the Legal Services Policy, the role of Council's Legal Services Unit includes providing frank, fearless and expert legal advice. General Counsel engages external legal services providers as needed, by reference a range of considerations, including capacity, capability, conflict of interest and risk. Judgment will need to be exercised on a case-by-case basis as to whether external advisors are needed for advice to be sufficiently independent.
3. If external advice is required, that will place upward pressure on the Legal Services budget. It is unclear at this stage whether the Legal Services budget can accommodate any requirement for advice. If it cannot, then an additional source of funding will need to be identified.

ITEM NO: QWN 21
FILE NO: 347368.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Legal Advice and Mayoral Minute 05 from 2 February 2022 Council Meeting

Please address the following:

1. Was legal advice sought, obtained, or provided to Councillors in relation to Mayoral Minute Mayor 05 at the 2 February 2022 Council Meeting?
 a) If not, why not?
2. If legal advice was obtained can that advice be provided under separate, confidential, cover?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

Council's current General Counsel did not commence employment with Council until 28 June 2022. Additional time will be required to conduct searches before providing a response to this question.

Preparing a response will likely require searches by both the Legal Services and IT teams. It is difficult to estimate how much time will be required, but it will probably be more than five hours.

Note: A time breakdown to answer the questions is requested for circulation to Councillors, subject to assessment against relevant Council policy thresholds before provision.

ITEM NO: QWN 22
FILE NO: 347445.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Legal Advice and Mayoral Minute 05 from 24 April 2024 Council Meeting

Please address the following:

1. Was legal advice sought, obtained, or provided to Councillors in relation to Mayoral Minute Mayor 05 at the 24 April 2024 Council Meeting?
 - a) If not, why not?
2. If legal advice was obtained can that advice be provided under separate, confidential, cover?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. No, advice was not requested, and notice is not required for mayoral minutes.
2. Not applicable.

ITEM NO: QWN 23
FILE NO: 347444.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Monaghan - Legal Advice and Mayoral Minute 01 from 29 May 2024 Council Meeting

Please address the following:

1. Was legal advice sought, obtained, or provided to Councillors in relation to Mayoral Minute Mayor 01 at the 29 May 2024 Council Meeting?
 a) If not, why not?
2. If legal advice was obtained can that advice be provided under separate, confidential, cover?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. Oral advice was provided at the meeting. Written was not requested and notice is not required for mayoral minutes.
2. Not applicable.

ITEM NO: QWN 24
FILE NO: 347442.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Status of Report on Mayoral Minute 05 from 24 April 2024 Council Meeting

Please address the following:

1. Was a report completed in relation to matters raised in the Mayoral Minute", Mayor 05, carried at the 24 April 2024 Council meeting?
 a) If not, why not?
2. If so, was a copy of that report provided to Councillors prior to 29 May 2024?
 a) If not, why not?
3. If a report was completed in relation to "matters raised in the Mayoral Minute", Mayor 05, carried at the 24 April 2024 Council meeting can that be provided to Councillors under separate, confidential, cover?

A response to these questions will be provided in the 26 November 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 311306.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Mayor Mannoun - Civic Place Expansion

Item CONF 01 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(d i) of the Local Government Act because it contains commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

A response was provided to the Question with Notice raised in accordance with these provisions.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 321039.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - September Extraordinary Meeting

Item CONF 02 is confidential pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(a) (g) of the Local Government Act because it contains personal matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors); AND advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.

A response was provided to the Questions with Notice raised in accordance with these provisions.

ITEM NO: OPER 02
FILE NO: 321063.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Waste Committee Charter

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Endorse the charter, with the provision that a staff member representing the USU is appointed to the membership.
2. Appoint Councillors Harle, Karnib and Ristevski to the committee.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:21PM BY COUNCILLOR HARLE.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 26 November 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 October 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

<Signature>

Name: Peter Harle

Title: Councillor

Date: 26 November 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 29 October 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr David Day, Head of Governance
Mr Vishwa Nandan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms M'Leigh Brunetta, Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Clare Mongjaay, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:07pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Mayor read the following:
 “In accordance with clause 5.35 of Council’s Code of Meeting Practice, I inform the persons attending this meeting that:
 (a) the meeting is being recorded, livestreamed and made publicly available on the council’s website, and
 (b) persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

In relation to clause 4.1A – Where a public forum is held as part of a Council meeting, it must be conducted in accordance with the other requirements of this Code relating to the Conduct of Council, which means that the public forum will be broadcast via live stream on Council’s webpage and included in the subsequent audio-visual recording of this meeting.”

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The acknowledgements and prayer of the Council were read by Father Paul Monkerud from All Saints Catholic Church.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was sung by Nevaeh Yeend from 2168 Children’s Parliament.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Leave of Absence for Deputy Mayor Dr Betty Green
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

Under Council’s Code of Meeting Practice, councillors who are unable to attend one or more ordinary meetings should request that Council grant a formal leave of absence (Clause 5.4). Acceptance of an apology does not constitute leave of absence for the purposes of the Code or the Act.

Deputy Mayor Dr Betty Green has been placed on medical leave until 12 December 2025. As a consequence, she has been unable to attend the 29 October 2025 Council meeting and will be unable to attend November and December 2025 meetings. Granting leave ensures full compliance with Clause 5.7, which provides that a councillor’s civic office becomes vacant if they are absent for three consecutive ordinary meetings without prior approved leave.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Grant Deputy Mayor Dr Betty Green leave of absence from all ordinary Council meetings from 29 October 2025 to 12 December 2025, noting her certified medical leave;
2. Record this leave of absence in the Council minutes in accordance with the Code of Meeting Practice;
3. Appoint Cllr Harle as Acting Deputy Mayor to perform the functions and duties of the Deputy Mayor during the period of Deputy Mayor Dr Betty Green's approved leave of absence for the period up to 12 December 2025;
4. Continue Deputy Mayor Dr Green payments; and
5. Express our best wishes to Deputy Mayor Dr Green on her recovery.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Harle** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

Page 24 – Item PD 05: Post-Exhibition Report - 1411 The Northern Road, Bringelly: Clr Harte did not second the motion, to be corrected to Clr Harle post meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 02 – Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report.

Reason: Serves as a Director on the Board of one of the successful funding recipients.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Ristevski declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 08 – Minutes of the Extraordinary Civic Advisory Committee held 14 October 2025.

Reason: Named as an unsuccessful candidate for an award.

Clr Ristevski remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Note: As the meeting was adjourned, this item was not debated and was therefore considered when the meeting reconvened on 27 November 2025.

Mr Jason Breton declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following items:

Items: CONF 11 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8)

CONF 12 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW).

Reason: Erring on the side of caution due to potential involvement in Code of Conduct complaints.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers for the duration of both items.

Note: Items CONF 11 and CONF 12 were not debated by Council at its meeting on 26 November 2025. A motion to enter Closed Session was moved prior to consideration of CONF 11. Both items were dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 27 November 2025.

Mr Peter Scicluna declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following items:

Items: CONF 11 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8)

CONF 12 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW).

Reason: Erring on the side of caution in relation to code of conduct matters.

Mr Peter Scicluna left Chambers for the duration of both items.

Note: Items CONF 11 and CONF 12 were not debated by Council at its meeting on 26 November 2025. A motion to enter Closed Session was moved prior to consideration of CONF 11. Both items were dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 27 November 2025.

Council staff left the Chambers for the duration of Items CONF 11 and CONF 12. As the motion to enter Closed Session was proposed, Director Planning and Design, General Counsel, Head of Governance, and Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services remained in the Chambers.

Note: Items CONF 11 and CONF 12 were not debated by Council at its meeting on 26 November 2025. A motion to enter Closed Session was moved prior to consideration of CONF 11. Both items were dealt with when the meeting reconvened on 27 November 2025.

PUBLIC FORUM

Representation – items on agenda

1. **Zainab Hamka** addressed Council on the following item:

Item – NOM 01 – Traffic, Parking, and Safety Concerns – 25 Simone Crescent, Casula.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Zainab Hamka.

2. **Dr Criss Moore** addressed Council on the following item:

Item – PD 01 – Revocation of the Social Impact Assessment Policy 2023.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Dr Criss Moore.

3. **Dr John Grozier** addressed Council on the following item:

Item – PD 01 – Revocation of the Social Impact Assessment Policy 2023.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Dr John Grozier.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Best Practice Statement – Code of Meeting Practice Policy
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

The Office of Local Government has recently issued to a new Model Code of Meeting Practice for Local Councils in NSW (2025 Model Meeting Code) that applies to all meetings of councils and committees of councils.

The primary purpose of a Model Code of Meeting Practice is to establish a uniform, transparent, and effective framework for conducting council meetings, promoting fairness, order, and accountability.

By providing standardised rules and consistent rules for NSW Councils for meetings and debates, it helps ensure consistency across councils, ensure that decisions are informed, inclusive, and made in the best interests of the community, thereby increasing public trust and confidence in local government operations.

The Office of Local Government has advised NSW Councils that they must incorporate the mandatory provisions in the council's code of meeting practice policy by 31 December 2025.

Following extensive consultation with NSW Councils, the Office of Local Government has made changes in new Model Meeting Code regarding the management of mayoral minutes.

Previous restrictions on mayoral minutes under the previous code have been removed providing more agility to respond to community needs and urgent matters. Now, a mayoral minute may be put to a meeting without notice on any matter or topic that the mayor determines should be considered at the meeting without notice.

To demonstrate best practice over and above requirements of the Model Meeting Code, it is proposed that additional robust measures are stipulated and incorporated into Liverpool Council's Code of Meeting Practice Policy to ensure transparency among elected officials.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. Mayoral Minutes should, where practicable, be circulated from the Mayor's Office to all Councillors no less than 48 hours prior to the Council meeting for consideration;
2. All alternative resolutions and or amendments to any notice of motion that has been published in the Council meeting business papers should, where practicable, be circulated by Mayor/Councillors to all other Mayor/Councillors no less than 48 hours

prior to the Council meeting for consideration; and

3. These measures be incorporated into the Liverpool City Council Code of Meeting Practice Policy following advice of the General Counsel.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That:

1. Mayoral Minutes should, where practicable, be circulated from the Mayor's Office to all Councillors no less than 48 hours prior to the Council meeting for consideration;
2. All alternative resolutions and or amendments to any notice of motion that has been published in the Council meeting business papers should, where practicable, be circulated by Mayor/Councillors to all other Mayor/Councillors no less than 48 hours prior to the Council meeting for consideration; and
3. A report be received at a future Council meeting to determine whether Point 1 and 2 of the recommendation can be included in the new Code of Meeting Practice Policy as an aspirational best practice statement or incorporated into the Code.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Vote for: Cllr Harle, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Vote against: Cllr Monaghan and Cllr Ristevski.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 03
SUBJECT: 309 Squadron AAF Cadets
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

Council recently received a 2-part request from Commander Flight Lieutenant Merridy Thompson, representing the 309 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets for Council's consideration:

- a) to bestow the honour of the title 'City of Liverpool' and grant Freedom of Entry upon the 309 Squadron to recognise the strong links between the unit and the Liverpool community and allow them to use the phrase in their new logo and branding.
- b) If the Freedom of Entry is granted, it is proposed that planning would commence to Exercise the Freedom in a parade to mark the anniversary of the unit on 1 July 2027.

HISTORY OF FREEDOM OF ENTRY TO THE CITY OF LIVERPOOL

The City of Liverpool has bestowed Freedom of Entry just 3 times in its 150 years of local government.

- The Australian Army's Royal Australian Engineers were granted Freedom of Entry in 1959 and re-affirmed in 2018 as part of Liverpool's Centenary of Armistice commemoration.
- The Australian Air League's Moorebank Squadron were granted Freedom of Entry in 2022.
- The 2018 and 2022 occasions both featured a parade through the Liverpool Town Centre, a formal challenge outside Liverpool Court House, and community activities at Bigge Park.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Approve the use of 'City of Liverpool' by 309 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets in their new logo and branding; and
2. Grant 'Freedom of Entry into Liverpool' with the associated official parade, ceremony and formalities to coincide with the 309 Squadron's 10-year anniversary on 01 July 2027.

PLANNING AND DESIGN REPORTS

ITEM NO: PD 01

FILE NO: 254610.2025

SUBJECT: Revocation of the Social Impact Assessment Policy 2023

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Harle

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Does not revoke the current Social Impact Assessment Policy (**Attachment 1**);
3. Convenes a workshop in the New Year to discuss ways that this policy could be refined to achieve the outcomes that were discussed at the Governance Committee Meeting. This workshop should include an invitation to all Councillors, relevant staff, other stakeholders including community representatives Dr Criss Moore and Dr John Crozier, and engagement of a professional consultant in the field appointed by staff; and
4. Notes that a post-workshop report will come back to Council for consideration.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 334029.2025

SUBJECT: Office of Local Government - Model Code of Meeting Practice for local Council in NSW (Changes)

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Harle

That Council:

1. Notes, the OLG has advised a new Model Meeting Code must be adopted by 31 December 2025 that incorporates the mandatory provisions;
2. Notes, that Council has placed the draft Code on public exhibition, per section 361 of the Local Government Act 1993, to achieve the December deadline, while concurrently commencing and conducting consultation with Councillors;
3. Notes that, the OLG has advised the Model Code of Meeting Practice reforms include the intention that all material relied upon by the governing body when making decisions is in the business papers or given in response to questions at meetings;
4. Notes that, the OLG has advised, it would be contrary to the intent to hold briefings before the agenda is published;
5. Notes that, the OLG has advised, there should be no briefings session conducted by Council with Councillors;
6. Revert Part 8 back to the Model Code of Meeting Practice; and
7. With the above considerations, adopts the draft Code of Meeting Practice as final.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Councillor Monaghan) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion:

Moved: Cllr Monaghan

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Council:

1. Notes, the OLG has advised a new Model Meeting Code must be adopted by 31 December 2025 that incorporates the mandatory provisions;
2. Notes, that Council has placed the draft Code on public exhibition, per section 361 of the Local Government Act 1993, to achieve the December deadline, while concurrently commencing and conducting consultation with Councillors;
3. Notes that, the OLG has advised the Model Code of Meeting Practice reforms include the intention that all material relied upon by the governing body when making decisions is in the business papers or given in response to questions at meetings;
4. Notes that, the OLG has advised, it would be contrary to the intent to hold briefings before the agenda is published;
5. Notes that, the OLG has advised, there should be no briefings session conducted by Council with Councillors;
6. Implements clause 15.16 rather than 15.15; and
7. With the above considerations, adopts the draft Code of Meeting Practice as final.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 04
SUBJECT: Congratulatory Minute – Employment of Veterans
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

On 25 November 2025, The Honourable Ron Hoenig MP and the Honorable David Harris MP, sent a letter congratulating Liverpool City Council for developing its Veterans Employment Program.

Attached is a copy of this letter.

The Hon Ron Hoenig MP
 Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly
 Vice-President of the Executive Council
 Minister for Local Government



The Hon David Harris MP
 Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty
 Minister for Gaming and Racing
 Minister for Veterans
 Minister for Medical Research
 Minister for the Central Coast

We understand your staff members, Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer; Craig Knappick, Chief People Officer; Philip Smith, Talent Acquisition Lead; and Luke Chesworth, Volunteer and Foundation Roles Coordinator/Convener were instrumental in developing ways to support veterans with the recruitment process. Please pass on our appreciation and we look forward to hearing of your future progress.

Yours sincerely,

The Hon. Ron Hoenig MP
 Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly
 Vice-President of the Executive Council
 Minister for Local Government

The Hon. David Harris MP
 Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty
 Minister for Gaming and Racing
 Minister for Veterans
 Minister for Medical Research Minister for the Central Coast

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His Worship the Mayor
 Ned Mannoun
 Liverpool City Council
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Via email: mayer@liverpool.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mayor,

We are writing to offer our congratulations on your recent support for employment of veterans in your organisation. The work your team has put into developing your Veterans Employment Program is to be commended.

Veterans employment is a high priority for the NSW Government and was identified in the Veterans Strategy launched in 2021 and has been continued as a priority in the NSW Veterans Strategy and Action Plan 2025-2030 as Action 2.6, Local Government Employment Partnership. Stable employment helps veterans to transition to civilian life after serving their country.

In September 2019, the NSW Government launched a Local Government Rank 2 Grade Guide to support the employment of veterans in Local Government. Across New South Wales, Local Governments have been invited to take up the challenge: to support the NSW Government's Veterans Employment Program in recognising the skills and training veterans receive during their Defence career and supporting veterans transitioning to public sector employment.

It is pleasing to see how Liverpool City Council has risen to this challenge. Congratulations on being the 30th council to embrace this opportunity to recognise our veterans.

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Acknowledge the letter received and congratulate staff on this wonderful achievement.

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 26 November 2025 and confirmed on Wednesday, 10 December 2025

Chairperson

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 01

FILE NO: 370228.2025

SUBJECT: Traffic, Parking, and Safety Concerns – 25 Simone Crescent, Casula

At the last Council meeting, I raised serious concerns regarding the development at 25 Simone Crescent, Casula, where 39 residential units were approved with only eight (8) car parking spaces.

This decision has caused significant anxiety within the local community, particularly given that an 80-place childcare centre has also been approved just 50 metres away. This combination of high-density living and increased vehicle movements will put unsustainable pressure on a quiet local street not designed for such traffic volumes.

Rationale

- A development with 39 units and only 8 parking spaces is a recipe for long-term traffic and safety problems.
- The addition of a large childcare centre within 50 metres will intensify congestion and create potential hazards for parents and children.
- Local residents must be involved in determining practical, community-driven solutions.
- Council must act proactively to ensure planning decisions don't compromise the liveability and safety of Casula's neighbourhoods.

Did you know: According to Transport for NSW data, over 90% of Sydney households have at least one car — meaning developments that under-provide parking almost always lead to overflow parking chaos in nearby streets.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Establish a dedicated Task Force to investigate and develop practical solutions to the traffic, parking, and safety concerns associated with the development at 25 Simone Crescent, Casula.
 - The Task Force shall include representatives from Council's Planning, Traffic, and Community departments, as well as local residents and relevant stakeholders.
2. Undertake a comprehensive local traffic impact assessment for Simone Crescent and surrounding streets to identify safety, congestion, and access risks.
3. Report back to Council within 60 days with recommendations that address:
 - Parking adequacy for current and future residents;
 - Safety implications for pedestrians and childcare users;
 - Feasible infrastructure or design improvements to mitigate congestion.
4. Facilitate direct community engagement by holding a public meeting in Casula where residents can voice their concerns and participate in shaping the proposed solutions.

COUNCIL DECISION**Motion:****Moved: Cllr Ristevski****Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Establish a dedicated Task Force to investigate and develop practical solutions to the traffic, parking, and safety concerns associated with the development at 25 Simone Crescent, Casula.
 - The Task Force shall include representatives from Council's Planning, Traffic, and Community departments, as well as local residents and relevant stakeholders.
2. Defer to undertake a comprehensive local traffic impact assessment for Simone Crescent and surrounding streets to identify safety, congestion, and access risks until Point 4 takes place.
3. Report back to Council within 90 days with recommendations that address:
 - Parking adequacy for current and future residents;
 - Safety implications for pedestrians and childcare users;
 - Feasible infrastructure or design improvements to mitigate congestion.
4. Facilitate direct community engagement by holding a public meeting in Casula where residents can voice their concerns and participate in shaping the proposed solutions.
5. Notes its formal opposition to the proposed modification to add an additional unit to the development at 25 Simone Crescent, Casula (DA 550/2024/A).

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Cllr Macnaught left the Chambers at 7:51pm.

Cllr Adjei left the Chambers at 7:52pm.

Cllr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 7:55pm.

Cllr Adjei returned to the Chambers at 7:55pm.

Cllr Harte left the Chambers at 8:00pm.

Cllr Harte returned to the Chambers at 8:04pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 8:15pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 8:39pm with all Councillors present.

MOTION TO CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That NOM 06, NOM 04 and OPER 01 be brought forward as the next items dealt with.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 06
FILE NO: 382186.2025
SUBJECT: Assistance for The Australian-Macedonian Humanitarian Association St Archangel (Gavril) Gabriel

The Australian-Macedonian Humanitarian Association St Archangel Gabriel (AMHA SV) is a Sydney based not-for-profit organisation, registered with the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission that supports vulnerable members of the Australian-Macedonian Community throughout Sydney.

AMHA operates off a platform of volunteers to deliver a wide range of programs services and activities such as providing essential support services such medial and financial support to Macedonian people living both locally and overseas. AMHA SV's core philanthropic focus is supporting children and young adults who are experiencing financial hardship and social isolation who have medical needs including critical surgeries.

Locally, AHMA SV operates from Macedonian Orthodox Church Sveta Bogorodica Prečista located on the corner of Nagel and Atkinson Streets Liverpool. There are currently (based on 2021 ABS data) approximately 3,100 people living within the Liverpool LGA who nominate Macedonian as the place of heritage with 2300 residents nominating Macedonian as their primary language spoken at home.

The AMHA SV relies on local fundraising, donations and bequests to deliver local and regionally based support services.

AMHVA SV will deliver a book launch and community engagement day on 14 November at Liverpool Powerhouse. The purpose of the event is to raise awareness of the organisations activities – there is no commercial or fundraising aspects as part this event.

This NOM seeks Council support to provide funding to cover the costs of venue hire for the use of Liverpool Powerhouse for the 14 November 2025 event. The costs associated with this request would be \$2373.20.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Recognises and acknowledges the work The Australian-Macedonian Humanitarian Association St Archangel (Gavril) Gabriel (AMHA SV), does in supporting vulnerable members of the Australian-Macedonian community living within the Liverpool LGA and more broadly throughout Sydney; and
2. Seeks to provide, by way of an in-kind donation to support local activities of the Charity to the value of \$2,273,20 that will off-set the costs associated with the use of Liverpool powerhouse for a one-off event on 14 November 2025.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 378796.2025
SUBJECT: Community Safety Concerns Relating to NDIS Housing at Francis Street, Bringelly

Concerns have been raised by residents regarding multiple NDIS-supported accommodation properties located at 11, 17, 22, and 24 Francis Street, Bringelly. These dwellings are reportedly being used to house high-needs individuals who require continuous 24-hour care and behavioural supervision.

Residents have reported incidents including:

1. Physical violence and property intrusion affecting neighbouring residents.
2. Instances of occupants exhibiting unsafe behaviour in public areas.
3. Concerns regarding occupant exposure to minors given the close proximity of these homes to a childcare centre located at 18 Francis Street.
4. Reports of individuals walking unclothed in the street and engaging in inappropriate sexual self-stimulation in public view.
5. Allegations that carers on-site are not providing adequate supervision or behavioural management.
6. The nearest operational police response unit at Green Valley Police Station is approximately 30 minutes away, posing a risk in emergency situations.

The nature of these incidents raises issues regarding:

- Resident and child safety.
- Compliance with NDIS provider obligations.
- Adequacy of supervision and staffing ratios.
- Suitability of placement location relative to vulnerable land uses, particularly child care facilities.
- Emergency response capability in a regional setting.

Local residents have reported ongoing distress and a fear for personal safety and property security. Council has an obligation to support community safety by working collaboratively with State and Federal agencies responsible for NDIS regulation and public safety

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Write immediately to the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission requesting a full investigation into the management, supervision standards, and compliance of the NDIS providers responsible for 11, 17, 22, and 24 Francis Street, Bringelly.
2. Request NSW Police Local Area Command to conduct a community safety risk assessment of the precinct and consider increased patrol presence during high-risk periods.

3. Request the Department of Communities and Justice to review the suitability of the current residential placements in close proximity to a childcare centre and family homes.
4. Organise a Community Safety Meeting to develop a coordinated safety response plan with:
 - NSW Police
 - NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission Inspectors
 - Local residents
 - The relevant NDIS provider(s)
 - Community Safety and Compliance Officers
5. Direct Council's Compliance Unit to undertake an urgent review of:
 - Development consent conditions for the premises.
 - Whether the current use is consistent with permitted land use approvals.
 - Any potential non-compliance requiring regulatory enforcement.
6. Prepare an urgent report to Council outlining:
 - Findings of agency correspondence and investigations.
 - Options for enforcement or legal intervention where necessary.
 - Recommendations for Local Planning Policy improvements to ensure that future high-needs accommodation is appropriately located away from vulnerable populations such as childcare centres and schools.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Council:

1. Write immediately to the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission requesting a full investigation into the management, supervision standards, and compliance of the NDIS providers responsible for Francis Street, Bringelly.
2. Request NSW Police Local Area Command to conduct a community safety risk assessment of the precinct and consider increased patrol presence during high-risk periods.
3. Request the Department of Communities and Justice to review the suitability of the current residential placements in close proximity to a childcare centre and family homes.
4. Organise a Community Safety Meeting to develop a coordinated safety response plan with:
 - NSW Police
 - NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission Inspectors
 - Local residents
 - The relevant NDIS provider(s)
 - Community Safety and Compliance Officers

Members of Parliament

5. Direct the CEO to undertake an urgent review of:
 - Development consent conditions for the premises.
 - Whether the current use is consistent with permitted land use approvals.
 - Any potential non-compliance requiring regulatory enforcement.
6. Prepare an urgent report to Council outlining:
 - Findings of agency correspondence and investigations.
 - Options for enforcement or legal intervention where necessary.
 - Recommendations for Local Planning Policy improvements to ensure that future high-needs accommodation is appropriately located away from vulnerable populations such as childcare centres and schools.
7. Refer the communities concerns in relation to residents' concerns from Francis Street, Bringelly to the Crime Prevention and Safety Committee of Liverpool Council to consider whether there are viable options for Council to consider.
8. Write to the local members to advocate on this matter.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 8:52pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 8:54pm.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 01

FILE NO: 363825.2025

SUBJECT: Carnes Hill Aquatic and Recreation Centre Plan of Management for Adoption

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught**

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That Council:

1. Note the Carnes Hill Aquatic and Recreation Centre Public Exhibition, and Public Hearing and Submissions Report.
2. Endorse the Carnes Hill Aquatic and Recreation Centre Plan of Management for the purpose of adoption and implementation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 38 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (LG Act)*.
3. Endorse the categorisation of community land at Carnes Hill Aquatic and Recreation Centre as General Community Use, Park and Natural Area- Bushland.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

MOTION TO MOVE AS A WHOLE

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught**

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That all Questions with Notice, including QWN 07, QWN 08, QWN 09, QWN 10, QWN 11, QWN 12 and QWN 13, be accepted and moved as a whole; and that the following Reports of Committees CTTE 01, CTTE 02 and CTTE 03 (excluding CTTE 04 and CTTE 05) be accepted and moved as a whole, as recommended in the business papers.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 07

FILE NO: 348130.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Footpath Construction and Asbestos Safety – Rickard Road, Chipping Norton

Please address the following:

Footpath Prioritisation

1. Why was a footpath constructed on Rickard Road, Chipping Norton, when there are other areas within the Liverpool Local Government Area—such as Austral—that are in far greater need of footpath infrastructure, particularly for pedestrian safety and connectivity?
 - a) What process or criteria were used to prioritise Rickard Road over areas with no existing pedestrian access?
 - b) Was the flood-prone nature of Rickard Road considered before approving the project, and if so, what measures were taken to mitigate potential flooding risks to residents and infrastructure?

Asbestos Management and Safety Response

2. Why was the asbestos contamination identified at Rickard Road not fenced off immediately once it was known to Council officers that asbestos was present?
 - a) On what date did Council become aware of the asbestos issue?
 - b) What immediate actions were taken to protect public health and safety following the discovery?
 - c) Were local residents notified, and if so, when and how?
 - d) Has Council reviewed its protocols to ensure a faster and more transparent response to future asbestos incidents?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. The shared path along Rickard Road was delivered as the first stage of a broader strategic initiative to improve pedestrian and cyclist connectivity within the area. This project forms part of a planned continuous network that will ultimately link key destinations, including the industrial area along Riverside Road, Alfred Road, and Government Road, as well as the Newbridge Road shared path. The path will also connect to the reserve north of Arthur Street along the Georges River, enhancing access for both commuter and recreational users.

The project was prioritised based on Active Transport Strategy, which considers factors such as network connectivity, safety, usage potential, and alignment with broader regional cycling and walking routes.

In regard to the flood-prone nature of Rickard Road, Council manages safety risks to cyclists and pedestrians by closing the road during flooding events. This ensures public safety and prevents access to the affected area until conditions are deemed safe.

With respect to Austral, it is recognised that the area requires improved pedestrian infrastructure. Austral is, however, transitioning from a rural to an urban environment, and new footpaths and shared paths are being progressively delivered through subdivision and urban development projects.

Approximately two years ago, Council undertook a community survey to assess pedestrian accessibility needs in Austral. The survey identified approximately 6.5 kilometres of temporary footpaths required to enhance connectivity to key destinations, including shops, schools, bus stops, churches, and the railway station. Funding was subsequently allocated for these temporary paths, which have now been completed, significantly improving safety and accessibility for residents.

2. The asbestos contamination in the recycled topsoil at Rickard Road was identified at one location at very low concentrations from a fibro fragment that was removed. Given the low concentration (from a fragment that was removed), the pre-existing asbestos contamination at the site and the asbestos management plan in place, this was considered to be low risk.

- a) Council conducted a delivery audit of the recycled material that was used at Pye Hill Reserve. It was determined that similar material was placed at Rickard Road, Chipping Norton. Council received the consultant's initial report on 24 September 2025.
- b) Due to the very low concentrations of asbestos at the one location, further testing was needed to determine the best management strategy for the material. Signage and barricades were installed around the identified area on 7 October 2025.
- c) Neighbouring residential properties were informed of the asbestos identified area by letter drop on 9 October 2025. A further letter drop has occurred to notify residents that the recycled topsoil will be removed around 14 November 2025.
- d) Council is in the process of reviewing its protocols to ensure improvement in response to future asbestos incidents.

ITEM NO: QWN 08
FILE NO: 361257.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Saudi Arabia Trip

Please address the following:

1. Council Approval Process:
 - a) Why was the recent trip to Saudi Arabia not brought before a Council meeting for consideration and approval, as was required for the Aerotropolis trip to Hong Kong?
 - b) Who authorised the Saudi Arabia trip, and under what delegated authority was this approval given?
 - c) Was any report, briefing paper, or business case prepared for Councillors prior to this trip being undertaken? If so, when will it be made available to all Councillors and the public?
2. Consistency with Previous Decisions and WHS Standards:
 - a) During the Aerotropolis Hong Kong trip discussions, the matter was classified by some Councillors as a Work Health and Safety (WHS) concern, leading to a walk-out by all Liberal Councillors, including this Mayor. Why was the Saudi Arabia trip not treated as a Work Health and Safety issue in the same manner as the Hong Kong Aerotropolis trip?
 - b) What changed in Council's policy, legal advice, or WHS assessment procedures to justify the different treatment of the Saudi Arabia trip? Please provide any formal documentation or advice that informed this change.

Response (Q1 provided by Office of the CEO)

- (a) Section 4.10 of the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy sets out special requirements for interstate and overseas travel. There was no request for Council staff to prepare a report to Council under the Policy.
- (b) No authorisation has been provided under the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy for travel to Saudi Arabia. No claim has been submitted under the Civic Expenses and Facilities Policy for payment of expenses for travel to Saudi Arabia.
- (c) No report has been prepared.

Response (Q2 provided by Corporate Services)

- (a) The aerotropolis trip to Hong Kong was not specifically identified as a WHS concern. Notice of a WHS matter was raised by the Mayor who sought to go into closed session so the details of the matter could be discussed. However, as the Council determined not to go into closed session, the matter was not discussed.
- (b) Refer response (a) above.

ITEM NO: QWN 09
FILE NO: 348109.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Absestos Testing and Contractor Liability

Please address the following:

1. Staff Safety and Training
 - a) Why have Council staff who may have been exposed to asbestos during Council works or on Council sites not been subject to medical testing or monitoring to assess potential health impacts?
2. Contractual Liability Clauses
 - a) Do current or past contracts between Council and its contractors contain clauses which effectively transfer liability to Council in circumstances where a contractor provides an asbestos clearance certificate, but asbestos is later discovered on the site?
 - b) If so, who approved those contractual terms and what safeguards exist to prevent Council from bearing liability in such cases?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. Staff Safety and Training
 1. Previous screening using the icare mobile clinic (lung bus) was completed in around January 2020. The bus was parked at Rose Street depot for several days with many staff able to access the medical testing.

Council may have an opportunity to deliver an additional screening program early next year.

2. Contractual Liability Clauses
 - a) There are no clauses, now or previously, which transfer liability to Council in circumstances where a contractor provides an asbestos clearance certificate, but asbestos is later discovered onsite, rather:
 - i. The Contractor is responsible for all deliverables and defects up to and including issue of the Final Certificate, which occurs after a prescribed defects liability usu. six (6) or twelve (12) months, following issue of Practical Completion.
 - ii. If asbestos was to be found during this period, the circumstances would be subject to a process of discovery, whereby the timing, prevalence and further evident factors would need to be taken into account.
 - iii. Where it could be shown or proven that the contractor was responsible for any occurrence, notwithstanding the provision of a complying certificate, then the

contractor would be responsible for the removal and replacement of the defect material.

- b) There have not been any contractual terms which absolve a contractor on the provision of a complying certificate alone, rather the worksite would be subject to the ongoing monitoring of Site Inspectors and Project Managers
 - i. Where there may be any doubt in the minds of Council's supervising staff regarding the veracity of the certification, then the Council's Representative under the terms of the Contract, would be at liberty to order independent testing or discovery methods
 - ii. Payment for any of these test activities would be subject to the determination of contrary indications, to the provided certification.

ITEM NO: QWN 10
FILE NO: 348310.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Liverpool CBD - Mall and Improvement Fund

Following my attendance at the September meeting of Liverpool CBD landlords and property owners, I request written answers to the following questions:

Please address the following:

One-Way Mall Option

1. What is the estimated cost to open the Macquarie Street pedestrian mall to a single one-way traffic lane, including provision for on-street parking?

CBD Improvement Fund

2. Please provide a full profit-and-loss statement for the CBD Improvement Fund for the most recent financial year, detailing all revenue sources and expenditure items.

Public Toilet Facility

3. What would be the projected cost to design and construct a publicly accessible toilet within the mall precinct?

Private Security Patrols

4. What is the annual cost to engage licensed security guards to patrol and monitor the mall in a manner comparable to Westfield's security operations?

Big Screen Maintenance

5. What is the cost and timeline to repair and recommission the mall's large digital screen so it operates reliably in the evenings?

Mall Lightning Repairs

6. What is the cost and schedule to inspect and restore all non-functioning lights throughout the mall?

Façade Improvement Program

7. What changes are planned to make the shop-front facade subsidy program more user-friendly for local business and property owners?

Response (provided by Operations)

1. An accurate cost estimate could only be developed if a concept or detailed design for a proposed re-configuration of Macquarie Mall to a one-way traffic arrangement, was developed. Given Council's \$60 million backlog of infrastructure renewals over the next 7-years, it is not recommended that funding is spent progressing a detailed design and cost estimate for a re-configuration of Macquarie Mall, at this point in time.

2. Council's Chief Executive Officer has advised that a Notice of Motion is required to produce the profit and loss statement for the CBD Improvement Fund.
3. Council would not support the construction of a publicly accessible toilet within the mall precinct. Public toilets are readily available at Liverpool Plaza, located within the mall precinct and at Westfield Liverpool, a walkable distance from the mall.
4. Council previously produced a report detailing the cost of security guards at the Governance meeting held on 20 August 2025.

Response (provided by Community & Lifestyle)

5. The estimated cost to repair and recommission the mall's large digital screen is approximately \$200,000-300,000. However, given the age of the current technology, many of the components have become obsolete and are no longer supported, making replacement a more viable and cost-effective option. It may be established through a formal inspection of faults that Council consider purchasing new and updated LED panels rather than attempting to repair the existing screen.

In addition, an investment of approximately \$100,000 would be required for a capable audio-visual control system to service both the mall screen and the existing PA system. This would enable efficient and remote programming capabilities, replacing the current system which is manual and limited.

These are preliminary figures based on the current understanding of faults and a white-level inspection. A full diagnostic assessment will be required to determine the true costs and confirm the scope of works.

It should also be noted that the screen's current location presents operational limitations and may not be optimal for long-term activation. Council may undertake a feasibility assessment to evaluate potential relocation options. Relocating the screen could improve its visibility, event scalability, and integration with future outdoor live-site opportunities, while ensuring the Macquarie Mall footprint is used more efficiently.

6. The estimated cost to inspect, repair, and restore all non-functioning lighting throughout the mall is approximately \$200,000-300,000. This includes the replacement of overhead catenary lighting, repairs to wiring damaged by birds, additional bird mitigation (spikes) and the replacement of bulbs.

This does not include equipment necessary to undertake the works, such as boom lifts and site security to ensure safety during repairs.

There is also an opportunity, through strategic investment, to integrate the catenary lighting system with new lighting installations and smart poles being introduced along Macquarie Street.

Again, these figures are preliminary and based on our current understanding and brief review of faults, and requires a diagnostic for accurate scope.

Response (provided by Planning & Design)

7. Council regularly undertakes feedback surveys from applicants at the conclusion of each round of the Façade Improvement Program, and the responses have been consistently positive, indicating that the process and support provided are working well for local businesses.

In addition, the program reaches full subscription each year, with funding consistently fully allocated, which suggests strong engagement and accessibility for eligible applicants.

If there are specific concerns or suggestions regarding user experience or program design, Council can review it further or explore potential refinements in future rounds.

ITEM NO: QWN 11
FILE NO: 348146.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Itemised Expenditure of the Waste Levy – 2024/2025 Financial Year

Liverpool ratepayers contribute significant funds each year through the Waste Levy, which is intended to support waste management, recycling initiatives, and environmental sustainability programs. To ensure transparency and accountability, it is important for Council and the community to understand exactly how these funds are being allocated and expended.

Please address the following:

1. Can Council provide a fully itemised breakdown of all waste levy income and expenditure for the 2024/2025 financial year, including but not limited to:
 - a) Waste collection and disposal costs
 - b) Recycling Recycling processing fees
 - c) Waste education and community engagement programs
 - d) Environmental compliance and remediation works
 - e) Administrative and overhead expenses
2. Of the total waste levy funds collected, how much has been retained in reserve versus spent during the 2024/2025 financial year?
3. Has any portion of the waste levy been redirected to non-waste-related projects or general revenue, and if so, under what authorisation or resolution of Council?
4. Will Council commit to publishing the waste levy breakdown in the Annual Report or on the Council website for public transparency?

A response to these questions was to be published in the 26 November 2025 Council agenda. Responses will now be published in the 10 December 2025 Council Agenda.

ITEM NO: QWN 12
FILE NO: 370318.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Ristevski - Moorebank Recycler Legal Expenditure 2007-2020

Please address the following:

1. How much did LCC spend on legal action from 2007 to 2020 regarding the land referred to as Moorebank Recycler?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

The time required to comply with this request will exceed four hours. This will include:

- searching Content Manager to identify legal action in relation to the land,
- eDiscovery to identify additional records,
- identification of spending records in relation to any legal action, and
- checking spending records to ensure relevance and completeness.

This information is provided in accordance with clause 9.20 of the Code of Meeting Practice so that a notice of motion can be submitted to Council for determination if the information is still required.

ITEM NO: QWN 13
FILE NO: 354317.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Monaghan - Status of Report on Mayoral Minute 05 from 24 April 2024 Council Meeting

Please address the following:

1. Was a report completed in relation to matters raised in the Mayoral Minute, Mayor 05, carried at the 24 April 2024 Council meeting?
 a) If not, why not?
2. If so, was a copy of that report provided to Councillors prior to 29 May 2024?
 a) If not, why not?
3. If a report was completed in relation to "matters raised in the Mayoral Minute", Mayor 05, carried at the 24 April 2024 Council meeting can that be provided to Councillors under separate, confidential, cover?

Response (provided by Corporate Services)

1. A report went to the 28 August 2024 Council Meeting in regard to offensive chants made by attendees in the public gathering on 24 April 2024.
2. No. The matter required an independent investigation and review which was received on Monday 8 July 2024. The report was considered and accepted by the then A/Chief Executive Officer in consultation with other senior Council staff/personnel.
3. The report was completed and presented to Council under confidential cover at the 28 August 2024 Council meeting. A confidential copy of the same report can be provided under confidential cover if approved by the Council.

RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 01

FILE NO: 347918.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee Meeting held on 30 September 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Tourism and CBD Committee Meeting held on 30 September 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 02
FILE NO: 348999.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee held on 7 October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 7 October 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CTTE 03
FILE NO: 361124.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council meeting held Tuesday 14 October 2025.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Liverpool Youth Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14 October 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: NOM 02
FILE NO: 361484.2025
SUBJECT: Fix the Dangerous Section of Fifteenth Avenue

Dangerous road hazards have existed along Fifteenth Avenue near the raised traffic island, The asphalt is cracked, lifted, and deteriorating around the island.

This is a major route. Council vehicles, rangers, waste trucks and staff drive past this spot every day.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Immediately inspects the deteriorated section of road at Fifteenth Avenue surrounding the raised island and prepares an urgent safety report within 14 days.
2. Allocates emergency maintenance funding to repair the cracked and lifted road surface without delay, prioritising public safety over bureaucratic processes.
3. Installs temporary warning signage and safety barriers (if required) until permanent repairs are completed.
4. Provides a public update to residents within 30 days outlining:
 - The cause of inaction to date
 - The repair timeline
 - Long-term plans to ensure this section is properly maintained.
5. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to implement a reporting protocol requiring Council staff and fleet drivers to log and report dangerous road defects they encounter as part of their daily operations.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the response provided by the CEO in the agenda.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 370181.2025
SUBJECT: Amendment to Code of Meeting Practice – Extension of Deadline for Public Forum Applications

Currently, residents wishing to address Council during the Public Forum are required to lodge their applications to speak well in advance of the Council meeting. However, Council agendas are only published seven (7) days prior to the meeting. This short timeframe limits residents' ability to read the reports, consider their relevance, and determine whether they wish to speak.

Council meetings are held for the benefit of the community. The public forum is one of the few opportunities residents have to engage directly with Council and express their views on matters affecting them. We should make this process more accessible, not more difficult.

Extending the lodgement deadline for speaking applications to 12:00pm (noon) on the day of the Council meeting will encourage greater community participation and ensure residents have adequate time to review the agenda and prepare their contributions.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Amend the Code of Meeting Practice to extend the deadline for the lodgement of applications to speak at the Public Forum to 12:00pm on the day of the Council meeting.
2. Direct the CEO to update the relevant procedural documentation and publish the revised lodgement process on Council's website.
3. Notify the community of this change through Council's communication channels, emphasising that this adjustment is designed to improve accessibility, transparency, and community engagement.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Note that the new Code of Meeting Practice reflects that the deadline for lodging applications to speak at the Public Forum is 12:00pm, two full business days prior to the Council meeting (Monday prior to the Council meeting).
2. Direct the CEO to update the relevant procedural documentation and publish the revised lodgement process on Council's website.

3. Notify the community of this change through Council's communication channels, emphasising that this adjustment is designed to improve accessibility, transparency, and community engagement.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 9:11pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 9:13pm.

Clr Harle left the Chambers at 9:16pm.

Clr Harle returned to the Chambers at 9:18pm.

Clr Monaghan left the Chambers at 9:20pm.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 381753.2025
SUBJECT: Assistance for Liverpool Lions Boccia Competition

Liverpool Lions is a locally based sporting club providing opportunities for people with a disability to participated in the sport of Boccia. Boccia is a precision ball sport designed for athletes with physical disabilities that affect motor skills such as cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy. It is a paralympic sport and is similar in concept to Bocce or lawn bowls but adapted to wheelchair users.

Liverpool Lions are a not-for-profit sporting club based at Michael Clarke Recreation Centre. The Club offers weekly sports activities for their membership that consists mostly of people living with a disability within Western Sydney.

Liverpool Lions operates off a shoestring budget. They are reliant on player registration fees, and fundraising activities to support the Clubs initiatives. The cost to delivery the clubs sporting activities is expensive – the primary costs relate to Court Hire within Council owned facilities.

Liverpool Lions are proposing to host their first local Bocce competition series to be held at Michael Clarke Recreation Centre in Carnes Hill in April 2026. The approximate cost to deliver the event is \$7000 that includes costs associated with court hire, trophies and catering.

The event draws on a wide participation base, that includes all metropolitan Sydney and some surrounding regional areas within NSW and ACT, and acts as both a showpiece for Boccia with NSW.

The Club is seeking Council's support to ensure long-term sustainability of the Club through:

1. Financial support to the value of \$7,000 being made up of:
 - A cash component of \$3,500 and
 - an in-kind value of \$3,500 (court hire fees) to deliver on the regional event in April 2026 and reduce the costs passed on to participants; and
2. Reduction in Court Hire fees payable for their weekly court hire at Michael Clarke Recreation Centre.

Available Funds

1. The cash contribution of \$3,500 is proposed to be drawn from Council's Sporting Grants and Donations program; and
2. The costs associated with reductions in court hire costs are proposed to be incurred by the Leisure centre operator.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Macnaught

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and recognises the important role that Liverpool Lions plays in delivering quality and accessible sports programs for people with a disability living within the Liverpool LGA;
2. Provides a cash contribution to the value of \$3,500.00 to support the delivery of the event(s), and that funds are drawn from available from Council's Sporting Grants and Contributions;
3. Instructs the CEO to write to Belgravia Leisure, requesting that all associated venue hire fees are waived as an in-kind contribution for this event up to a value of \$3,500;
4. Supports the creation of a new Court hire fee disability sporting groups within Michael Clarke Recreation Centre, Whitlam Leisure Centre and Michael Wenden Aquatic Centre for disability sporting clubs based within the Liverpool LGA at \$43.00 per hour, representing a 50% reduction from the standard hire fee; and
5. Instructs the CEO to place the new fee on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Adjei

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and recognises the important role that Liverpool Lions plays in delivering quality and accessible sports programs for people with a disability living within the Liverpool LGA;
2. Provides a cash contribution to the value of \$3,500.00 to support the delivery of the event(s), and that funds are drawn from available from Council's Sporting Grants and Contributions;
3. Instructs the CEO to write to Belgravia Leisure, requesting that all associated venue hire fees are waived as an in-kind contribution for this event up to a value of \$3,500;
4. Supports the creation of a new Court hire fee disability sporting groups within Michael Clarke Recreation Centre, Whitlam Leisure Centre and Michael Wenden Aquatic Centre for disability sporting clubs based within the Liverpool LGA at \$43.00 per hour, representing a 50% reduction from the standard hire fee; and
5. Instructs the CEO to place the new fee on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 9:24pm.

Clr Monaghan returned to the Chambers at 9:25pm.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 9:25pm.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

ITEM NO: CEO 01
FILE NO: 355773.2025
SUBJECT: 2024-2025 Annual Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and endorses the Annual Report for 2024-2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Clr Karnib left the Chambers at 9:26pm.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 9:27pm.

Clr Adjei left the Chambers at 9:27pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest.

COMMUNITY AND LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 02

FILE NO: 379078.2025

SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$18,748** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Scalabrini Village Ltd	Live Easy Social Community Market Day	\$8,748
Heart2Help Inc	Community Christmas Lunch/ 10 Week Student Wellbeing Program	\$10,000

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$19,330** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following projects:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Shree Sanatan Dharm Pratinidhi Sabha of Australia	Deepawali Mela 2025	\$10,000
Sule-Amity Graduate Association (SAGA)	SAGA Spring Festival	\$9,330

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Clr Harte returned to the Chambers at 9:27pm.

Clr Adjei returned to the Chambers at 9:28pm.

Clr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 9:28pm.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 01

FILE NO: 333105.2025

SUBJECT: Annual Code of Conduct Complaints Statistics Office of Local Government (OLG) Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That Council:

1. Receive the OLG Complaints Statistics Report; and
2. Note that the OLG Complaints Statistics Report will be submitted to the Office of Local Government by the Complaints Coordinator following consideration of this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Harte returned to the Chambers at 9:29pm.

Cllr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 9:30pm.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 333272.2025
SUBJECT: Tabling Annual Pecuniary Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Note the tabled annual pecuniary interest returns of Councillors and designated persons; and
2. Agree to make redacted copies of the annual pecuniary interest returns available to the public, as set out in the report.

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 03
FILE NO: 364826.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 04
FILE NO: 377091.2025
SUBJECT: Matters arising from the Public Inquiry

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Notes the contents of the report.

Note: It was requested that the minutes reflect a question taken on notice regarding whether Council must comply with the interpretation of the motion in the report, rather than the wording of the motion as it was actually passed.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed Motion (moved by Clr Karnib) therefore lapsed.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: **Moved: Clr Monaghan**

On the ruling that the questions asked by Clr Monaghan regarding the interpretation of the report were out of order as being not succinct and argumentative, noting that clause 9.17 of the Code of Meeting Practice was referenced, which states that questions must be asked 'directly, succinctly, and without argument'.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Foreshadowed Motion:

Moved: Cllr Karnib

Seconded: Cllr Monaghan

That Council:

1. Note the contents in the report; and
2. Obtain independent legal advice (independent of Liverpool City Council) regarding the interpretation of the Notice of Motion passed at the 14 October 2025 Council meeting, moved by Cllr Macnaught.

Cllr Ammoun left the Chambers at 9:53pm.

Cllr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 9:55pm.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 10:18pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed in open session at 10:29pm with all Councillors present.

MOTION TO CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Macnaught

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That items CONF 11 and CONF 12 be brought forward as the next items of business considered.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Vote for: Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Harle.

Vote against: Cllr Ristevski, Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr Karnib.

ITEM NO: CONF 11
FILE NO: 349365.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8)

During discussion, Mr Jason Breton declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in Items CONF 11 and CONF 12, and will leave Chambers for the duration of both items.

Mr Peter Scicluna declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in Items CONF 11 and CONF 12, and will leave Chambers for the duration of both items.

Council staff were advised to leave Chambers for the duration of items CONF 11 and CONF 12, except for Director Planning and Design, General Counsel, Head of Governance and Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services.

Mr Jason Breton and Mr Peter Scicluna left the Chambers at 10:36pm in accordance with their Declarations of Interest. Council staff also left Chambers for the duration of this item.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council move into Closed Session to deal with Item CONF 11 pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(g) and (i) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege; AND alleged contraventions of any code of conduct requirements applicable under section 440.

Note: The motion was debated but no resolution was passed prior to the adjournment of the meeting.

In accordance with section 18.2(b) of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, Mayor Mannoun declared the meeting adjourned at 10:58 pm, to reconvene on Thursday 27 November 2025 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers, Level 1, 50 Scott Street, Liverpool.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 11:00PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 10 December 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 November 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING
HELD ON 27 NOVEMBER 2025
(PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2025)**

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr David Day, Head of Governance
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Katrina Harvey, Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:16pm.

STATEMENT REGARDING WEBCASTING OF MEETING

The Statement regarding webcasting of the meeting was not read at the meeting due to this meeting being adjourned from Wednesday 26 November 2025.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY, PRAYER OF COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION

The Acknowledgements and Prayer of Council were not read at the meeting due to this meeting being adjourned from Wednesday 26 November 2025.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was not played at the meeting due to this meeting being adjourned from Wednesday 26 November 2025.

APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

Consistent with Council's resolution of 26 November 2025, and in accordance with clauses 5.5 and 5.7 of the Code of Meeting Practice and section 234(1)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993, Deputy Mayor Dr Betty Green is recorded as being on an approved leave of absence from 29 October 2025 to 12 December 2025.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (PREVIOUS MEETING)
Nil.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: MOU 01 – Commentary made during Council Meeting held 26 November 2025.

Reason: He is named in the motion.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 11 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8).

Reason: He is mentioned as subject matter in the complaints.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 12 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW).

Reason: He is identified as a complainant in the report.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following items:

Items: CONF 11 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T8)

CONF 12 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW).

Reason: He is identified as a complainant in both reports.

Clr Harte left the Chambers for the duration of both items.

Clr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: CONF 12 – Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW).

Reason: She is identified as a complainant in the report.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers for the duration of this item.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM NO: MAYOR 05

SUBJECT: Motion to Change Order of Business

REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

During discussion, Clr Ristevski requested a change to the order of business. As the meeting had been adjourned while an item from 26 November 2025 was still before Council, Mayor Mannoun moved that the agenda proceed in its original order.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun**

That the order of business proceed as set out in the agenda, commencing with CORP 05, followed by OPER 02, Reports of Committees, and then Confidential Matters.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CORP 05
FILE NO: 364863.2025
SUBJECT: FY 2025/26 - Quarter 1, Budget Review

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Approve the budget recommendations 1, 2 and 4 only.
2. Notes that the Q1 budget review identifies a variance from a projected \$0.8 million surplus to a \$5.6 million deficit.
3. Does not sell the CT Lewis property.
4. Directs the CEO to prepare a public report identifying any efficiencies to discretionary spending.
5. Organise a workshop for Councillors to attend to discuss improvements of properties identified in the report, including the CT Lewis property.
6. Requires the Executive Team to produce a 90 day action plan to restore financial stability without cutting frontline services or community infrastructure.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Cllr Ristevski)

Vote for: Cllr Harle, Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Ristevski and Cllr Monaghan.

Vote against: Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Adjei, Mayor Mannoun, Cllr Harte and Cllr Ammoun.

Note: The motion moved by Cllr Ristevski was lost on Mayor Mannoun's casting vote.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Approve the budget variations identified in this report.

2. Note the projected income and expenditure results for the current financial year.
3. Consider and endorse recommended remedial actions to improve Council's budget performance for 2025/26;
4. Receive a cost benefit analysis related to the contemplated sale of the properties listed in the report including the CT Lewis property at the next Governance Committee Meeting; and
5. Defer the consideration of the sale of CT Lewis to the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

The Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Harte) then became the motion and on being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Harte)

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

ITEM NO: OPER 02

FILE NO: 364847.2025

SUBJECT: Feasibility Study on Vine Covered Carparks

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Harte

Seconded: Cllr Ammoun

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Resolves NOT to proceed with a trial of vine-covered trellis systems, given their high implementation cost, operational demands and limited scalability; and
3. Continues to prioritise and explore opportunities for permanent greening solutions (i.e., tree planting).

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ITEM NO: CTTE 04

FILE NO: 376297.2025

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 11 August 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 11 August 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Macnaught left the Chambers at 7:15pm.

Cllr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 7:16pm.

Cllr Ammoun left the Chambers at 7:16pm.

Cllr Ammoun returned to the Chambers 7:17pm.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 01

SUBJECT: Comments made during Council Meeting held 26 November 2025

Clr Monaghan requested that Mayor Mannoun permit a motion of urgency concerning comments made by Clr Harte during the 26 November 2025 Council meeting.

Clr Monaghan stated that the matter was urgent as it related to comments made during the same meeting, noting this was a reconvened session. He stated that a point of order was raised on his behalf by Clr Karnib but was suggested that it could not be upheld due to the time elapsed. He further indicated that he did not hear the comments at the time but was subsequently made aware of them and considered them offensive.

Motion:

Moved: Clr Monaghan

Seconded:

That Council:

1. Notes the remarks made by Councillor Harte towards myself at this meeting, those comments being “Audika, Audika” and a gesture to his ear;
2. Notes that a point of order was taken by Councillor Karnib at this meeting in relation to those comments that was refused; and
3. Notes that the comments “Audika, Audika” are discriminatory towards the hearing impaired and is highly offensive.

During discussion, Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in the following item. Clr Harte left the Chambers at 7:20pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun advised that the recording of the meeting held on 26 November 2025 would be reviewed before addressing the matter. A recess was then called at 7:23pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open session with all Councillors present at 7:43pm.

Clr Harte offered an unreserved apology to Clr Monaghan for comments made during the previous meeting held 26 November 2025. He noted that he had apologised in person during the recess and wished to do so publicly.

Mayor Mannoun ruled the matter as not urgent and therefore this item was not dealt with at this meeting. Mayor Mannoun stated that the minutes can reflect Points 1-3 of the motion proposed.

Note: The motion was not voted on and no formal seconder was recorded.

ITEM NO: CTTE 05
FILE NO: 388676.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 12 November 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held on 12 November 2025; and
2. Endorse the recommendations in the Minutes.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. In relation to ITEM 01 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - A. Pauses all non essential CBD embellishment projects that do not have secured funding until Council addresses the backlog of local infrastructure issues that directly affect residents, including local roads, footpaths, parks, safety and waste.
 - B. Directs the CEO to prepare a revised and financially realistic CBD upgrade strategy that prioritises staged works capped at available funding, rather than speculative projects based on unfunded assumptions.
 - C. Requires the CEO to publish a clear financial plan identifying:
 - Actual available contributions under the Liverpool City Centre Contributions Plan.
 - Actual balance and projected future balance of the City Development Fund.
 - The expected funding gap and realistic external grant options with timelines.
 - D. Commits to genuine community consultation which identifies ratepayer priorities and reports back to Councillors with themes, rankings and costed options.
 - E. Directs the CEO to report within 60 days on essential infrastructure needs outside the CBD, including a list of overdue works, cost estimates, and options for immediate prioritisation in the 2025/26 budget.
2. In relation to ITEM 03 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - A. Notes the Draft Visitor Economy Strategy 2026–2030, but does not commence public exhibition until full financial projections and measurable performance targets are provided to Councillors and the community.
 - B. Directs the CEO to prepare and attach to the Draft Strategy a clear financial

summary that identifies:

- Current annual spend on tourism, events and visitor economy, including staff and consultants.
 - Projected additional costs to implement the Strategy for each financial year from 2026 to 2030.
 - Proposed funding sources for each major action, including grants, operational budgets and any new funding.
- C. Requires that the updated Draft Strategy include clear, measurable targets for:
- Visitor numbers, overnight stays and visitor spend.
 - Local jobs created in the visitor economy.
 - Safety and amenity improvements that benefit both visitors and residents, including lighting, cleaning and compliance in key precincts.
- D. Requires that at least 50 per cent of new capital and program expenditure under the Strategy directly benefits suburban centres and local parks, not just the CBD, and that this be clearly identified in the implementation plan.
- E. Confirms that implementation of the Strategy must not reduce funding for core services such as roads, footpaths, waste, community safety and local park maintenance, and that no rate rise is proposed to fund the Strategy.
- F. Places the updated Draft Visitor Economy Strategy on public exhibition for no less than 28 days, with a plain English summary, and invites detailed submissions from residents, local businesses and community groups.
- G. Receives a further report at the conclusion of the exhibition period that:
- Summarises community feedback, including key concerns and priorities raised by ratepayers.
 - Sets out any proposed amendments to the Strategy.
 - Presents a final, fully costed Strategy for Council's consideration and possible endorsement.
3. In relation to ITEM 05 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
- A. Notes the report on the updated One Source of Truth system.
- B. Requests that Council provide a quarterly report to Councillors showing:
- i. Average response times to resident enquiries before and after the system launch
 - ii. The most common ratepayer issues raised each quarter
 - iii. Actions taken by Council to resolve recurring issues
- C. Ensures that the One Source of Truth includes clear, plain English explanations on roads, development approvals, parks, waste, footpaths, and maintenance.
- D. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to explore public access options so residents can view verified information directly without needing to wait for staff or Councillors.
- E. Confirms that no additional staffing costs will be created to operate this system and that existing resources are sufficient.

Mayor Mannoun advised that the Foreshadowed motion moved by Cllr Ristevski could be considered as a Motion of Urgency, as it proposed significant changes to committee resolutions and had not been provided to Councillors in advance.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 02

SUBJECT: Amending resolutions from the minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting held 12 November 2025

Cllr Ristevski stated the matter was urgent, referencing Point 1 of his Foreshadowed motion to pause all non-essential CBD embellishment projects until the required reports are received and his motion is resolved. He noted that some property owners in the CBD were dissatisfied with the current works.

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That Council:

1. In relation to ITEM 01 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - A. Pauses all non essential CBD embellishment projects that do not have secured funding until Council addresses the backlog of local infrastructure issues that directly affect residents, including local roads, footpaths, parks, safety and waste.
 - B. Directs the CEO to prepare a revised and financially realistic CBD upgrade strategy that prioritises staged works capped at available funding, rather than speculative projects based on unfunded assumptions.
 - C. Requires the CEO to publish a clear financial plan identifying:
 - Actual available contributions under the Liverpool City Centre Contributions Plan.
 - Actual balance and projected future balance of the City Development Fund.
 - The expected funding gap and realistic external grant options with timelines.
 - D. Commits to genuine community consultation which identifies ratepayer priorities and reports back to Councillors with themes, rankings and costed options.
 - E. Directs the CEO to report within 60 days on essential infrastructure needs outside the CBD, including a list of overdue works, cost estimates, and options for immediate prioritisation in the 2025/26 budget.
2. In relation to ITEM 03 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - A. Notes the Draft Visitor Economy Strategy 2026–2030, but does not commence public exhibition until full financial projections and measurable performance targets are provided to Councillors and the community.

- B. Directs the CEO to prepare and attach to the Draft Strategy a clear financial summary that identifies:
 - Current annual spend on tourism, events and visitor economy, including staff and consultants.
 - Projected additional costs to implement the Strategy for each financial year from 2026 to 2030.
 - Proposed funding sources for each major action, including grants, operational budgets and any new funding.
 - C. Requires that the updated Draft Strategy include clear, measurable targets for:
 - Visitor numbers, overnight stays and visitor spend.
 - Local jobs created in the visitor economy.
 - Safety and amenity improvements that benefit both visitors and residents, including lighting, cleaning and compliance in key precincts.
 - D. Requires that at least 50 per cent of new capital and program expenditure under the Strategy directly benefits suburban centres and local parks, not just the CBD, and that this be clearly identified in the implementation plan.
 - E. Confirms that implementation of the Strategy must not reduce funding for core services such as roads, footpaths, waste, community safety and local park maintenance, and that no rate rise is proposed to fund the Strategy.
 - F. Places the updated Draft Visitor Economy Strategy on public exhibition for no less than 28 days, with a plain English summary, and invites detailed submissions from residents, local businesses and community groups.
 - G. Receives a further report at the conclusion of the exhibition period that:
 - Summarises community feedback, including key concerns and priorities raised by ratepayers.
 - Sets out any proposed amendments to the Strategy.
 - Presents a final, fully costed Strategy for Council's consideration and possible endorsement.
3. In relation to ITEM 05 of the Governance Committee Meeting Minutes:
- A. Notes the report on the updated One Source of Truth system.
 - B. Requests that Council provide a quarterly report to Councillors showing:
 - i. Average response times to resident enquiries before and after the system launch
 - ii. The most common ratepayer issues raised each quarter
 - iii. Actions taken by Council to resolve recurring issues
 - C. Ensures that the One Source of Truth includes clear, plain English explanations on roads, development approvals, parks, waste, footpaths, and maintenance.
 - D. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to explore public access options so residents can view verified information directly without needing to wait for staff or Councillors.
 - E. Confirms that no additional staffing costs will be created to operate this system and that existing resources are sufficient.

Mayor Mannoun ruled the matter as not urgent and therefore this item was not dealt with at this meeting.

Note: The motion was not voted on and no formal seconder was recorded.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 8:00pm.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 8:06pm.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**ITEM NO:** CONF 01**FILE NO:** 336808.2025**SUBJECT:** Granting of an Easement to Drain Water over Council's Public Reserve located at 93 Box Road corner Hume Highway, Casula.**Motion:** **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council move into Closed Session to deal with Item CONF 01 pursuant to the provisions of s10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 8:08pm. The gallery was asked to leave the Chambers.

COUNCIL DECISION**Motion:** **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Approves the granting of an easement to drain water over Lot 21 in DP 1000072, 93 Box Road, corner Hume Highway, Casula on the terms as outlined in the confidential report;
2. Keeps this report confidential pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business;
3. Approves the transfer of the compensation amount into the General Property Reserve; and
4. Authorises its Delegated Officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision.

OPEN SESSION

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council move into Open Session.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Council moved into Open Session at 8:17pm.

Mayor Mannoun then read the resolution for CONF 01 - Granting of an Easement to Drain Water over Council's Public Reserve located at 93 Box Road corner Hume Highway, Casula as shown above that was resolved in Closed Session.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 354026.2025
SUBJECT: Fire and Rescue NSW Referrals

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. In relation to 1 Browne Parade, Warwick Farm.
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 1,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies.
2. In relation to 1 Dampier Place, Prestons:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 2,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies.
3. In relation to 15-17 Castlereagh Street, Liverpool:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 3,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies.
4. In relation to 337 Newbridge Road, Moorebank:
 - a) note the inspection report by Fire and Rescue NSW, as shown in Attachment 4,
 - b) exercise its powers to issue a Fire Safety Order to address the identified fire safety deficiencies.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Notes the four Fire and Rescue NSW inspection reports tabled.
2. Issues Fire Safety Orders to the property owners to rectify all identified non-

compliances within strict timeframes.

3. Requests that owners provide evidence of essential fire services maintenance for the previous three years.
4. Requires a follow-up inspection report for each property within 60 days.
5. Directs the Chief Executive Officer to notify all occupants, tenants, and strata committees about the identified risks.
6. Requests a report outlining:
 - a) How long each building has been non-compliant
 - b) Any previous orders issued to these properties
 - c) Whether routine Council audits detected or missed the issues
7. Requests enforcement action, including penalties, if owners do not complete works within the specified timeframes.
8. Publishes non-confidential information on Council's website to ensure residents are aware of fire safety issues in their local area.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 361643.2025
SUBJECT: Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee - Nomination of Committee Members

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Endorses the appointment of the community members listed in **Attachment 2** to the Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee until the end of the current Council term;
2. Notes that direct engagement with Traditional Custodians and/or Knowledge Holders will be undertaken to seek their interest in joining the Liverpool Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee to provide specialist input into the management of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage across the Liverpool Local Government Area; and
3. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to notify all applicants of the outcome of the selection process.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 365389.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 101 DP 790560, 65 Ninth Avenue, Austral for road widening

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 101 DP 790560, 65 Ninth Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report;
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 101 DP 790560 as “Operational Land” to allow future dedication of that part of the property required for public road;
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 367957.2025
SUBJECT: Payment of Compensation - Dedication of Lot 233 & 234 DP 1255561, War Dogs Road & Muir Road, Edmondson Park as public reserves

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Makes payment of compensation to the former owners of Lot 233 & Lot 234 DP 1255561 on the terms and conditions outlined in this report.
2. Authorises the CEO or his delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 06
FILE NO: 369202.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 8 DP 255157, 100 Eleventh Avenue, Austral for road widening

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 8 DP 255157, 100 Eleventh Avenue, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report;
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 8 DP 255157 as "Operational Land" to allow future dedication of that part of the property required for public road;
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 07
FILE NO: 373320.2025
SUBJECT: Purchase of Lot 7 DP 258224, 6 Carne Close, Austral for road widening

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That Council:

1. Purchase Lot 7 DP 258224, 6 Carne Close, Austral for the price and terms as outlined in this report;
2. Upon settlement classifies Lot 7 DP 258224 as "Operational Land" to allow future dedication of that part of the property required for public road;
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
4. Authorises the CEO or delegate to execute all documents necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 08
FILE NO: 353939.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Extraordinary Civic Advisory Committee held on 14 October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the Minutes of the Extraordinary Civic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 October 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Monaghan left the Chambers at 8:30pm.

Cllr Monaghan returned to the Chambers at 8:30pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 09
FILE NO: 380085.2025
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held on 13 October 2025.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: CONF 10
FILE NO: 383234.2025
SUBJECT: Expressions of Interest Campaign - Bathurst & Northumberland Street Car Parks

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council receive and note the following:

1. An Expression of Interest (EOI) process was undertaken for the redevelopment of the Bathurst and Northumberland Street Carparks.
2. Based on recommendation of the Evaluation Committee's recommendation, five shortlisted companies will progress to Stage 2 – Request for Detailed Proposals.
3. A further report will be presented to Council outlining the assessment of proposals and recommending a preferred company to enter into a Project Development Agreement for the redevelopment

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Monaghan**

That Council:

1. Notes the outcome of the Expression of Interest process for the Northumberland Street and Bathurst Street carparks.
2. Requests that a non-confidential community summary be publicly released outlining:
 - a) The purpose of the project
 - b) How public parking will be protected
 - c) How Council land will be safeguarded
3. Requires a full independent financial impact assessment before proceeding to any final tender decision.
4. Requires that Council conduct community consultation before any sale, lease, or redevelopment of the two carparks.
5. Defers further progression to Stage 2 until the above transparency and safeguard measures are built into the RFT documentation.

Cllr Karnib left the Chambers at 8:36pm.

Cllr Karnib returned to the Chambers at 8:38pm.

ITEM NO: CONF 11
FILE NO: 349365.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report - T8

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council move into Closed Session in accordance with provisions of s10(A)(2)(g) and (i) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege; AND alleged contraventions of any code of conduct requirements applicable under section 440.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski, Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 8:58pm. The gallery left the Chambers at 9:02pm.

During discussion, Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in this item (CONF 11). He also declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in item CONF 12 and will leave the Chambers for the duration of both items.

Clr Harle as the acting Deputy Mayor assumed the Chair at 9:03pm.

During discussion, Clr Harte declared a non-pecuniary, significant interest in both this item (CONF 11) and item CONF 12, and will leave the Chambers for the duration of both items.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers at 9:06pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest.

Mr Jason Breton left the Chambers at 9:06pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest recorded at the 26 November 2025 meeting prior to the adjournment of this item.

Ms Lina Kakish was appointed to act as CEO's delegate for the duration of this item (CONF 11) and CONF 12.

Clr Ammoun left the Chambers at 9:06pm.

Clr Ammoun returned to the Chambers at 9:06pm.

Council staff left the Chambers for the duration of items CONF 11 and CONF 12, except for Director Planning and Design, General Counsel, Head of Governance and Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services.

Clr Harte left the Chambers at 9:07pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest.

Clr Ibrahim left the Chambers at 9:08pm.

Clr Ibrahim returned to the Chambers at 9:09pm.

Clr Ristevski was invited to make a submission in accordance with section 7.49 of the Code of Conduct Procedures.

After making a submission, Clr Ristevski left the Chambers at 9:21pm in accordance with section 7.50 of the Code of Conduct Procedures.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Rejects the investigator's recommendation for censure under section 440G of the Local Government Act 1993 as it considers the conduct to be sufficiently serious to warrant further consideration by the Office of Local Government; and
2. Formally censures Councillor Ristevski under section 440G of the Local Government Act 1993 for the code of conduct breaches contained in the attached final investigation report, and refers the matter to the Office of Local Government under the misconduct provisions of the Local Government Act.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Monaghan) therefore lapsed.

Division

Vote for: Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei, Clr Ammoun and Clr Harle.

Vote against: Clr Monaghan, Clr Karnib and Clr Ibrahim.

Foreshadowed Motion:

Moved: Cllr Monaghan

Seconded: Cllr Karnib

That Council:

1. Defer making any further consideration or action by Council on this matter being related to the conduct of a witness who has given evidence at the Section 438U public inquiry until after the findings and recommendations of the Commissioner have been published; and
2. Affirms the importance of allowing the Public Inquiry into Liverpool City Council to take its natural course in ensuring procedural fairness for all witnesses, officers and stakeholders, and maintaining the integrity of the process in the public interest.

During discussion, Cllr Macnaught declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in item CONF 12, and will leave Chambers for the duration of the item.

RECESS

Cllr Harle, as Chair, called a recess of the meeting at 10:07pm.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

Cllr Harle, as Chair resumed the meeting in Open Session with Cllr Karnib, Cllr Ibrahim, Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Adjei, Cllr Macnaught, Cllr Monaghan and Cllr Ristevski present. Cllr Harle then read the resolution from CONF 11 as shown above that was resolved in Closed Session.

ITEM NO: CONF 12
FILE NO: 349366.2025
SUBJECT: Code of Conduct Investigation Report (T1, T2 & IW)

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council move into Closed Session in accordance with provisions of s10(A)(2)(g) and (i) of the Local Government Act because it contains advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege; AND alleged contraventions of any code of conduct requirements applicable under section 440.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 10:17pm.

Clr Macnaught and Clr Harte left the Chambers at 10:17pm in accordance with their Declarations of Interest.

Clr Ristevski was invited to make a submission in accordance with section 7.49 of the Code of Conduct Procedures.

After making a submission, Clr Ristevski left the Chambers at 10:36pm in accordance with section 7.50 of the Code of Conduct Procedures.

COUNCIL DECISION

That Council:

Motion: **Moved: Clr Ammoun** **Seconded: Clr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Rejects the investigator's recommendation for censure under section 440G of the Local Government Act 1993 as it considers the conduct to be sufficiently serious to warrant further consideration by the Office of Local Government; and
2. Formally censures Councillor Ristevski under section 440G of the Local Government Act 1993 for the code of conduct breaches contained in the attached final investigation report, and refers the matter to the Office of Local Government under the misconduct provisions of the Local Government Act.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Ammoun) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Cllr Monaghan) therefore lapsed.

Division

Vote for: Cllr Adjei, Cllr Ammoun and Cllr Harle.

Vote against: Cllr Monaghan, Cllr Karnib and Cllr Ibrahim.

Note: The motion moved by Cllr Ammoun was carried on the acting Deputy Mayor Cllr Harle's casting vote.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Cllr Monaghan** **Seconded: Cllr Karnib**

That Council:

1. Defer making any further consideration or action by Council on this matter being related to the conduct of a witness who has given evidence at the Section 438U public inquiry until after the findings and recommendations of the Commissioner have been published;
2. Affirms the importance of allowing the Public Inquiry into Liverpool City Council to take its natural course in ensuring procedural fairness for all witnesses, officers and stakeholders, and maintaining the integrity of the process in the public interest; and
3. Notes the unauthorised disclosure by an unidentified member/s of Council staff into Code of Conduct complaints and breaches of Councillor Ristevski's rights under the Privacy and Personal Information Act.

OPEN SESSION

Council resumed in the meeting in Open Session at 10:52pm.

Cllr Ristevski returned to the Chambers at 10:52pm.

Cllr Harle then read the resolution from CONF 12 as shown above that was resolved in Closed Session.

ACTING DEPUTY MAYOR HARLE CLOSED THE MEETING AT 10:54PM.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 10 December 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 November 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

<Signature>

Name: Peter Harle

Title: Acting Deputy Mayor

Date: 10 December 2025

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 27 November 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2025

PRESENT:

Mayor Ned Mannoun
Councillor Harle
Councillor Adjei
Councillor Ammoun
Councillor Harte
Councillor Ibrahim
Councillor Karnib
Councillor Macnaught
Councillor Monaghan
Councillor Ristevski
Mr Jason Breton, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Farooq Portelli, Director Corporate Support
Ms Tina Bono, Director Community & Lifestyle
Ms Lina Kakish, Director Planning & Compliance
Mr Peter Scicluna, Director Operations
Mr David Galpin, General Counsel
Mr Vishwa Nadan, Chief Financial Officer
Ms Justine Young, Acting Manager Civic and Executive Services
Ms Clare Mongjaay, Acting Councillor Executive and Support Officer
Ms Gabriella Rojas, Acting Coordinator Council and Executive Services

The meeting commenced at 6:05pm.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Clr Karnib declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 05 – Notice of Motion - Public Private Partnership with Liverpool Olympic for Hoxton Park Improvements.

Reason: Two of his children played for the referenced soccer club in 2025.

Clr Karnib remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Clr Adjei declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: NOM 05 – Notice of Motion - Public Private Partnership with Liverpool Olympic for Hoxton Park Improvements.

Reason: His children played for the referenced soccer club in 2025.

Clr Adjei remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: PD 02 – Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment - Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool.

Reason: The owner, ABA Group, previously engaged his company to provide professional services related to this parcel of land before his involvement with Council.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers for the duration of the item.

Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item:

Item: COM 02 – Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report.

Reason: The Historical Society appoints the Mayor the symbolic honour of being a patron of the society.

Mayor Mannoun remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

PUBLIC FORUM

Representation – items on agenda

1. Spiros Missiakos addressed Council on the following item:

Item – NOM 05 – Public Private Partnership with Liverpool Olympic for Hoxton Park Improvements.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Spiros Missiakos.

2. Michael Andjelkovic addressed Council on the following item:

Item – PD 03 – Post-Exhibition Report – Serbian Street Naming.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Michael Andjelkovic.

3. Charbel Kazzi addressed Council on the following item:

Item – PD 05 – 25 Simone Crescent, Casula.

Mayor Mannoun granted a three-minute extension of time be given to Charbel Kazzi.

PETITIONS

Nil.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 01
SUBJECT: Condolence Motion - Passing of Reverend Viliame "Bill" Valevatu
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

It is with great sadness, we pause to mourn the recent death of Reverend Viliame "Bill" Valevatu, on 30 November.

As Senior Pastor at Liverpool City Church, Pastor Bill loved serving his community and was devoted to his mission.

Under Pastor Bill's leadership, his church forged a strong relationship with Council, holding services and regular events at the Whitlam Leisure Centre, Francis Greenway Centre, and more recently, at Hilda Davis Senior Citizen's Centre.

In addition to their weekly services, the Liverpool City Church runs outreach programs at the Liverpool Community Centre, providing meals and assistance to disadvantaged families in Liverpool.

Deeply missed by those who knew him, Pastor Bill was a devoted servant of God known for his ability to listen, welcome and comfort all those he came across.

As we join with his Liverpool City Church community in mourning his loss, we celebrate his legacy and trust his memory will continue to inspire others.

I now ask everyone present to please rise for a minute of silence in honour of the late Reverend Viliame Valevatu.

Clr Adjei expressed his condolences, reflecting on his time knowing Reverend Bill in the church community.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Expresses its sadness at the sudden passing of Reverend Villiame "Bill" Valevatu; and
2. A letter of condolence be sent to both his family and to the Liverpool City Church; together with a copy of this condolence motion, as a mark of gratitude and remembrance.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

MAYORAL MINUTE

ITEM: MAYOR 02
SUBJECT: Fifteenth Avenue – Advocacy Position and Update
REPORT OF: Mayor Mannoun

Tonight's Mayoral Minute speaks to one of the most important infrastructure questions facing our city: will Liverpool receive the strategic transport corridor it was promised, or will we accept a diminished version that leaves our community behind?

Earlier this year the Federal and State Government announced a \$1 billion upgrade of Fifteenth Avenue. That scale of investment is welcome - but the question is not how much is being spent. The question is whether the upgrade being delivered will achieve what Liverpool needs.

And right now, based on the current scope, it will not.

Fifteenth Avenue is a generational project. It is the single most direct, logical and efficient corridor linking Liverpool to Western Sydney International Airport, to Bradfield, and to the Aerotropolis. It is the backbone of future housing growth. It is the spine that will determine how our region moves, grows and prospers for the next fifty years.

Yet the upgrade now on the table provides no confirmed connection to the Airport. The upgrade will not extend to the airport - it will fall short at Devonshire Road. It provides no mass-transit corridor, no rapid public-transport spine, no mechanism to get people to jobs, hospitals, education, or opportunity. It is a billion-dollar road upgrade being delivered without the essential ingredient that gives it purpose: FAST Transit.

To quote the media reports – Fifteenth Avenue is going to become “the road to no where”.

There are five fundamental shortcomings of the current proposal: poor planning; no access to the Airport; no public transport; no solution for housing; and no access to jobs. These issues directly undermine our city's ability to grow, to prosper, and to connect our residents with the opportunities that the new airport will create.

Communities in 2168, Miller, Ashcroft, Cartwright and Hinchinbrook - some of the most disadvantaged in the state - stand to benefit enormously from a genuine FAST Transit connection. Without it, they will be left further isolated from jobs and services at a time when they should be placed at the front of Sydney's economic future.

FAST Transit is not a luxury. It is essential infrastructure. It is the transport spine that could support new housing in Austral and Leppington. It is the catalyst for the Miller Masterplan. It is the link that unlocks employment lands, new investment and fair access to opportunity.

And colleagues, this is not merely a Liverpool priority. FAST Transit aligns directly with NSW Government commitments to housing supply, regional jobs, economic participation and ensuring Western Sydney Airport delivers for the people of Western Sydney.

Please understand this: We support investment. We welcome funding. But we will not accept a version of Fifteenth Avenue that leaves the resident of Liverpool behind.

This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity. We owe it to our residents, especially in the suburb of Austral - present and future - to get it right. I commend this Mayoral Minute to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Asserts that the current Fifteenth Avenue Upgrade will not deliver the strategic corridor that has long been promised to the Liverpool community and falls materially short of both Federal and State Government commitments. The present scope provides no confirmed or funded connection from Liverpool CBD to the Airport, Bradfield or the Aerotropolis and is not fit-for-purpose when measured against long-standing plans for a FAST Transit corridor.
2. Notes with concern that no mass-transit or high-frequency public transport link is planned along Fifteenth Avenue, significantly undermining access to the Airport/Bradfield, constraining job opportunities and increasing reliance on already congested road networks.
3. Highlights that despite more than a decade of substantial Council-led planning, an integrated transport solution for Fifteenth Avenue has not progressed, and the current upgrade fails to address Council's five key shortcomings: poor planning, no access to the Airport, no public transport, no solution for housing and no access to jobs.
4. Reaffirms that FAST Transit is essential infrastructure, without which housing supply, population growth and sustainable development across Austral, Leppington, Rossmore and the wider South West Growth Area cannot be delivered responsibly or effectively.
5. Acknowledges that Council has completed extensive technical and strategic work – including corridor protection, concept development and strategic business cases – that clearly demonstrate the feasibility, strategic merit and necessity of delivering the full FAST Corridor to secure genuine regional connectivity.
6. Recognises that a FAST Transit upgrade would deliver significant socioeconomic uplift, particularly for communities in the 2168 postcode, improving access to employment, education and essential services, and reducing entrenched transport disadvantage.

7. Notes that FAST Transit is a critical enabler of the Miller Masterplan and broader urban-renewal initiatives, strengthening investment confidence and supporting the revitalisation of key town-centre precincts.
8. Notes that the delivery of FAST Transit aligns directly with NSW Government priorities including housing supply, regional job creation, equitable transport access and the maximisation of economic returns from Western Sydney International Airport.
9. Reaffirms that FAST Transit is the central east–west backbone required to support future housing, employment lands and sustainable development across Liverpool’s rural-edge transition areas.
10. Advocates for the delivery of a full-scale, comprehensive upgrade to Fifteenth Avenue - including FAST Transit - and commits to continuing strong advocacy and engagement with relevant Federal and State Ministers, as well as Local MPs representing the Liverpool LGA, to secure bipartisan support for this generational project.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved:** **Mayor Mannoun**

That the recommendation be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Division

Vote for: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

Clr Monaghan sought clarification from General Counsel on whether a Mayoral Minute is considered a motion under the Code of Meeting Practice and, if so, whether it can be amended in accordance with the Code.

Clr Monaghan proposed an amendment for consideration to the Mayoral Minute, which reads as follows:

That Council:

1. Directs the CEO to provide a report on the status of the Miller Master Plan.
2. Condemns the former Liberal National Government for more than a decade of neglect for failing to fund or progress upgrades to 15th Avenue.

3. Notes that the former Government refused to reclassify 15th Avenue, Devonshire Road and Moorebank Avenue despite an independent panel recommending all three be upgraded, the only reclassification recommendations rejected statewide and all in Liverpool local government area.
4. Condemns the Shadow Minister for Western Sydney, the honourable Robin Preston MP, for calling the \$1 billion investment into 15th Avenue as and I quote “pork barrelling” in Parliament on 18 September 2025.
5. Notes Council's recent works on 15th Avenue, including the Diamondabout have drawn significant criticism and caused international embarrassment.
6. Notes that in correspondence to the member for Leppington in 2023, Council acknowledged a failure to preserve an adequate corridor and advised that it would continue to assess development applications along 15th Avenue.
7. Commends the Minns Labor Government and the Albanese Labor Government for committing funding and committing to deliver the first stage of this multi stage project.
8. Notes the Government's plan to protect the Transitway corridor and the road alignment to Bradfield to be delivered as part of future stages.

Mayor Mannoun did not accept the proposed amendment and put the Mayoral Minute as originally moved.

Clr Macnaught left the Chambers at 6:48pm.

Clr Macnaught returned to the Chambers at 6:50pm.

NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

ITEM NO: QWN 01

FILE NO: 383094.2025

SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Clr Harle - Update on Abandoned Shopping Trolleys

1. Could I be provided with an update of the recent abandoned shopping trolleys collected by Council and proposed future action? Information to include, where possible:

- Number of trolleys collected
- Fines issues
- Amount collected
- Trolleys returned to owners
- Trolley marked for scrap
- Overall cost to Council

Response (provided by Operations)

Council collected 191 trolleys from the Liverpool CBD trolley collection drive on 24 October 2025. Invoices issued to retailers totalled \$8,797.00. As the invoices were issued last week, no amount has been collected. Zero trolleys have been returned to owners or marked for scrap at the time of this response. The overall cost to Council for this exercise was circa. \$2,500.00.

Council collected 187 trolleys from the Casual Shopping Centre trolley collection drive on 28 November 2025. Invoices that will be issued to retailers totalled \$8,658.10. At the time of the response, no details are available on the amounts paid or trolleys destroyed as this is a recent exercise. The overall cost to Council for this exercise was circa. \$2,500.00.

ITEM NO: QWN 02
FILE NO: 386538.2025
SUBJECT: Question with Notice - Cllr Ristevski - Itemised Expenditure of the Waste Levy – 2024/2025 Financial Year

Background

Liverpool ratepayers contribute significant funds each year through the Waste Levy, which is intended to support waste management, recycling initiatives, and environmental sustainability programs. To ensure transparency and accountability, it is important for Council and the community to understand exactly how these funds are being allocated and expended. Please address the following:

1. Can Council provide a fully itemised breakdown of all waste levy income and expenditure for the 2024/2025 financial year, including but not limited to:
 - a) Waste collection and disposal costs
 - b) Recycling Recycling processing fees
 - c) Waste education and community engagement programs
 - d) Environmental compliance and remediation works
 - e) Administrative and overhead expenses

Responses (provided by Operations and Corporate Services)

	Income (\$)	Expenditure (\$)
a) Waste collection and disposal	52,379,628	
a. Tipping fees		20,747,152
b. Waste Services Contractor		13,687,811
c. Litter and Waste Removal – Household Rubbish		4,359,585
d. Pensioner Rebate		805,639
e. Multi-Unit Dwellings (MUD) Crew		384,972
b) Recycling		
a. CEC Cowpasture Road	96,422	786,932
b. Community Recycling Centre		675,198
c. Mattress Shredder Operation	151,780	370,318
d. Acquisition of Equipment for Micro Factory		314,981
e. Inhouse Recycling Service		163,305
c) Loan Repayments		3,582,765
d) Environment Compliance and remediation work		
a. Illegal Waste Management		420,288
e) Training and Education		29,943
f) Replacement of trucks & equipment		1,442,932
g) Administrative and overhead expenses		
a. Waste Planning & Policy		1,067,836
b. Rates & Other Admin costs		1,183,699
Total	52,627,831	50,023,356

2. Of the total waste levy funds collected, how much has been retained in reserve versus spent during the 2024/2025 financial year?

Response:

\$1,271,847 was transferred to Domestic Waste Reserve in FY 2024/25.

3. Has any portion of the waste levy been redirected to non-waste-related projects or general revenue, and if so, under what authorisation or resolution of Council?

Response:

All funds collected through the Domestic Waste Management Charge (DWMC) are classified as restricted funds under the Local Government Act 1993. These funds are held in a separate Domestic Waste Management Reserve and may only be used for the purpose for which they were raised; that is, for waste management, recycling, resource recovery, and related services. Council does not redirect any portion of the DWMC to general revenue or non-waste related projects.

4. Will Council commit to publishing the waste levy breakdown in the Annual Report or on the Council website for public transparency?

Response:

Council already provides transparent reporting of all waste related income and expenditure through its publicly available Annual Budget and Operational Plan, which clearly sets out the Domestic Waste Management Charge calculation. Further details are also included in Council's Annual Financial Statements, which disclose restricted reserve balances and expenditure, ensuring full accountability and transparency for the community.

ITEM NO: NOM 03
FILE NO: 386981.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Liverpool Community Flag-Display Initiative

Background

The Maitland City Council initiative has received strong community interest by offering households Australian flags and brackets at no charge. Their Council allocated approximately \$10,000 to the program with the goal of encouraging residents to display national pride and strengthen local community identity.

Liverpool is one of the most culturally diverse and rapidly growing communities in Australia. A voluntary flag-display initiative is an opportunity to strengthen unity, foster civic pride and reinforce Liverpool's identity as a confident and forward-looking city.

A pilot program allows Council to assess demand, community sentiment and overall benefit before broader implementation.

Financial Implications – Nil at this stage, detailed costings will be provided in the CEO's report.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Notes the recent initiative by Maitland City Council, which offered free Australian flags and display brackets to residents to encourage community spirit, civic pride and national identity.
2. Recognises that visible community symbols such as the Australian flag contribute to social cohesion, reflect shared values and promote a strong sense of belonging across diverse communities.
3. Approves in principle the establishment of a "Liverpool Community Flag Program" which would provide Australian flags and suitable mounting brackets to residents of the Liverpool Local Government Area at no cost, subject to budget confirmation.
4. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a detailed report for Council within three months outlining:
 - a) Costings for procurement of Australian-made flags and brackets.
 - b) Options for distribution, including collection points, delivery options and installation guidance.
 - c) Eligibility criteria for households.
 - d) A communications and community engagement strategy that incorporates the Liverpool First focus on local identity and civic pride.
 - e) Metrics for evaluating the pilot program, including uptake by suburb, community sentiment, and cost-benefit analysis.

- f) Opportunities to expand the program to community centres, sporting clubs, schools and cultural precincts.
- 5. Ensures that the CEO's report is prepared having regard to the Local Government Act 1993, Council's budget strategy, procurement policies and any statutory requirements related to public symbolism and installation.
- 6. Resolves that upon adoption of the pilot report, the program be launched in alignment with key civic dates that promote community pride such as Australia Day, Foundation Day or ANZAC Day.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded:**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

There was no seconder for this motion and therefore this item lapsed.

ITEM NO: NOM 04
FILE NO: 395937.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Luddenham Show Sponsorship 2026

Background

Luddenham show is an annual event delivered at Luddenham Showground.

The event attracts several thousand attendees across its two days and is the only significant local event delivered in Council's to support the rural communities in Liverpool.

In 2026 the Luddenham show will be held on 28 February – 1 March 2026.

The event relies on sponsorships and other fundraising activities to maintain its continued operation.

Council has been an important past sponsor of this event. This resolution proposes to that Council continues its financial commitment from 2023, and 2024 to ensure that the event is able to continue. The "supreme" sponsorship package allows several benefits to Council including promotion of Council as an event sponsor some of which can be passed on to the community via promotional activities of Council such as Family passes. A list of sponsorship benefits is attached in the Sponsorship Proposal attached.

Regrettably, with the event falling slightly outside of the boundaries of the LGA, the event does not meet the eligibility criteria for a community grant, despite servicing a large portion of Liverpool residence living in rural areas of the community.

Council's Community Grants program has available funds (based on the current report) that can be utilised for this sponsorship.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Harle

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the value of the Luddenham Show in servicing the regional communities within the Liverpool LGA; and
2. Supports the request for sponsorship from the Luddenham Show;
3. Instructs the CEO to execute a "Supreme" sponsorship package for the value of \$6000 (ex GST) to come from Councils Community Grants and Donations Program;
4. Instructs the CEO to execute a plan to maximise Councils return for the sponsorship agreement.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Harte**

That the Notice of Motion be adopted.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: NOM 05
FILE NO: 396378.2025
SUBJECT: Notice of Motion - Public Private Partnership with Liverpool Olympic for Hoxton Park Improvements

Background

Liverpool Olympic is one of the region's strongest community sporting clubs. The Hoxton Park facility requires significant upgrades to meet modern standards. A co-investment model delivers a fair and balanced outcome for ratepayers since Council's contribution is matched in full by the Club.

A 21-year lease offers the Club certainty. Removing annual applications eliminates an unnecessary bureaucratic process. Rent free status is appropriate because the Club will assume responsibility for ongoing maintenance which reduces Council's financial risk and avoids long term cost pressures in the asset budget.

The PPP model strengthens community sport, secures investment in quality infrastructure and provides a lasting benefit for Liverpool residents.

NOTICE OF MOTION – submitted by Councillor Ristevski

That Council:

1. Investigate the viability to enter into a Public Private Partnership with Liverpool Olympic for capital improvements to the Club's home ground at Hoxton Park.
2. Commit to a dollar for dollar contribution up to one million dollars from Council, matched by one million dollars from Liverpool Olympic, for the following upgrades:
 - a) Installation of LED flood lighting.
 - b) Construction of a synthetic playing surface.
 - c) Installation of new perimeter fencing and related safety works.
3. Prepare and execute a 21 year lease with Liverpool Olympic which removes the current requirement for annual licence applications. This provides long term security of tenure for the Club and removes an unnecessary administrative burden on both parties.
4. Grant Liverpool Olympic rent free status for the duration of the 21 year lease. In return the Club will be responsible for full maintenance of the playing surface and associated facilities. This transfers operational risk and ongoing maintenance costs away from ratepayers and ensures long term sustainability of the facility.
5. Incorporate Council's share of the one million dollar contribution into the 2027 financial year budget, and direct the CEO to commence planning work so construction timelines can be confirmed once both parties have allocated their matching contributions.

6. Receive a report by March 2026 outlining:
 - a) Final design concepts
 - b) Agreed funding schedule
 - c) Draft lease terms
 - d) maintenance responsibilities and cost savings to Council over the 21 year period.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion:

Moved: Cllr Ristevski

Seconded: Cllr Monaghan

That Council:

1. Investigate the opportunity to enter into an agreement with Liverpool Olympic for capital improvements to the Club's home ground at Hoxton Park.
2. Investigate a dollar for dollar contribution up to one million dollars from Council, matched by one million dollars from Liverpool Olympic, for the following upgrades:
 - a) Installation of LED flood lighting.
 - b) Construction of a synthetic playing surface.
 - c) Installation of new perimeter fencing and related safety works.
3. Receive a report by March 2026 outlining:
 - a) Final design concepts
 - b) Agreed funding schedule
 - c) Draft lease terms
 - d) Maintenance responsibilities and cost savings to Council over the 21 year period
 - e) Maximum leasing option
 - f) Options for alternative sites if the home ground is not viable, in collaboration with Liverpool Olympic

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

The CBD Improvement Fund plays a significant role in advancing projects, programs and activities within the Liverpool City Centre. Transparent reporting of the Fund's financial position is essential for good governance, informed decision making and public confidence.

Access to a full and clear breakdown of the Fund's financial activity will assist Councillors to properly fulfil their statutory obligations under the Local Government Act 1993 and provide the community with the transparency it deserves.

1. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to prepare and provide to Councillors a complete profit and loss statement for the CBD Improvement Fund for the most recent financial year.
2. Ensures the statement includes a full breakdown of all revenue sources, including but not limited to levies, charges, grants, contributions and interest earned.
3. Ensures the statement includes a full breakdown of all expenditure items, including operational, administrative, maintenance, project based and contracted service costs associated with the Fund.
4. Provides the completed report to Councillors within 30 days and makes the information available to the public on Council's website following its presentation to Council.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Mayor Mannoun left the Chambers at 7:21pm in accordance with their Declaration of Interest, and Cllr Harle as the Acting Deputy Mayor assumed the Chair.

ITEM NO: PD 02
FILE NO: 372114.2025
SUBJECT: Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment - Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Endorses “in principle” the proposed inclusion of a Site-Specific Development Control Plan for 93-145 Hoxton Park Road, 49 & 51 Maryvale Avenue, 260 Memorial Avenue & 20 and 48 Dale Avenue, Liverpool within the Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008;
3. Delegates to the CEO authority to make any minor amendments to the Site-Specific Development Control Plan for 93-145 Hoxton Park Road, 49 & 51 Maryvale Avenue, 260 Memorial Avenue & 20 and 48 Dale Avenue, Liverpool if required;
4. Endorses the public exhibition the Draft Site-Specific Development Control Plan for 93-145 Hoxton Park Road, 49 & 51 Maryvale Avenue, 260 Memorial Avenue & 20 and 48 Dale Avenue, Liverpool (**Attachment 1**) in accordance with the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2025; and
5. Receives a further Report on the outcomes of public exhibition and community consultation of the Draft Site-Specific Development Control Plan for 93-145 Hoxton Park Road, 49 & 51 Maryvale Avenue, 260 Memorial Avenue & 20 and 48 Dale Avenue, Liverpool.
6. Write to the local member for Liverpool advising them of the results and impacts it will have on the Community.

On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Cllr Macnaught) was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Cllr Macnaught)

Vote for: Cllr Harte, Cllr Ammoun, Cllr Macnaught and Cllr Adjei.

Vote against: Clr Harle, Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

Clr Monaghan proposed an amendment to the motion.

Amendment: **Moved:** **Clr Monaghan** **Seconded:** **Clr Ristevski**

1. Notes that during the 2023 State Election Campaign, Clr Ammoun ran for the State seat of Liverpool and displayed election material in the form of posters on that site.

Clr Harle, as the Chair, ruled the amendment out of order.

MOTION OF DISSENT

Motion: **Moved:** **Clr Monaghan**

On the ruling that the proposed amendment to the motion is out of order, noting that Point 6 of the original motion relates to writing to the local member regarding the results and impacts on the community, and that the amendment referenced additional connections to the parcel of land.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared LOST.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Monaghan)

Vote for: Clr Karnib, Clr Ibrahim, Clr Ristevski and Clr Monaghan.

Vote against: Clr Harle, Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught and Clr Adjei.

Mayor Mannoun returned to the Chambers at 7:37pm, and resumed Chair.

ITEM NO: PD 03
FILE NO: 374780.2025
SUBJECT: Post-Exhibition Report - Serbian Street Naming

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this Report;
2. Receives and notes the submissions (**Attachment 3**) received on the proposed street names during the public exhibition period;
3. Supports the banking of Golubac, Nusic, Studenica, Tesla, Uvac and Vlasina as names for future streets in Edmondson Park;
4. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with the formal gazettal process; and
5. Undertake further engagement with interested parties with the suggestions in Attachment 4 for further assessment, and a report to come back to a future Council meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

ITEM NO: PD 04
FILE NO: 385011.2025
SUBJECT: Draft Visitor Economy Strategy 2026-2030

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, regarding the proposed deferral of this item.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Defer this item in accordance with the memo circulated to all Councillors.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

ITEM NO: PD 05
FILE NO: 390041.2025
SUBJECT: 25 Simone Crescent Casula

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, proposing a revised recommendation for consideration.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 7:47pm.

RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open session at 8:07pm.

Cllrs Ibrahim, Monaghan, Karnib, and Harle were not present in the Chambers.

RESCISSION MOTION

At 8:07pm, Cllr Harte submitted a Rescission Motion to the CEO in relation to Item PD 02 – Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment, Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool. The motion was signed by Cllrs Harte, Harle, and Macnaught, and read:

"We, the undersigned Councillors, move a motion of rescission in respect of Item PD 02.

We propose that Council resolve the recommendation."

Signatories:

Cllr Matthew Harte – 10/12/2025

Cllr Peter Harle (Acting Deputy Mayor) – 10/12/2025

Cllr Fiona Macnaught – 10/12/2025

No debate or vote occurred on the Rescission Motion at the time of lodgement.

ITEM NO: PD 06
FILE NO: 304333.2025
SUBJECT: Draft Planning Agreement - Edmondson Park Precincts 3, 5 and 9 - VPA 45

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, regarding the proposed deferral of this item.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Defer this item in accordance with the memo circulated to all Councillors.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Ibrahim, Monaghan, Karnib, and Harle were not present in the Chambers at the time of voting.

Cllrs Ibrahim, Monaghan, Karnib, and Harle returned to the Chambers at 8:08pm.

ITEM NO: PD 07
FILE NO: 410712.2025
SUBJECT: Woodward Park Masterplan

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Endorse the Draft Woodward Park Masterplan at Attachment 1 to be placed on public exhibition.
2. Direct the CEO to:
 - a) convene a Councillor workshop for the Draft Woodward Park Masterplan;
 - b) conduct community and stakeholder engagement on the Draft Woodward Park Masterplan including targeted engagement with:
 - i. Local residents and park users;
 - ii. Sporting clubs and facility tenants;
 - iii. First Nations stakeholders; and
 - iv. Key institutional partners (including Whitlam Leisure Centre operators, nearby schools, health and education providers);
 - c) bring a final report to Council following the Councillor workshop and community consultation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

COMMUNITY & LIFESTYLE REPORTS

ITEM NO: COM 01

FILE NO: 378033.2025

SUBJECT: Capability of promotional flagpoles to fly Australian National Flag

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Ristevski** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receive and note the report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

During discussion, Mayor Mannoun declared a non-pecuniary, less than significant interest in the following item, and remained in the Chambers for the duration of the item.

ITEM NO: COM 02
FILE NO: 400614.2025
SUBJECT: Council Grants Donations and Sponsorship Report

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$4,200** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Grant Program** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
The City of Liverpool & District Historical Society Inc	1900 Liverpool Volunteer Fire Brigade Portrait Restoration	\$4,200

2. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$10,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Community Sponsorship** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
Elevated Culture Foundation	Elevated Culture Festival NSW	\$10,000

3. Endorses the funding recommendation of **\$15,000** (GST exclusive) under the **Matching Grants** for the following project:

Applicant	Project	Recommended
The Salvation Army (NSW) Property Trust	The Salvation Army Liverpool Corps Community Meal Program	\$15,000

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Ammoun**

- On being put to the meeting the motion (moved by Clr Macnaught) was declared CARRIED and the Foreshadowed motion (moved by Clr Ristevski) therefore lapsed.

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 8:17pm.
Note: At the time of the recess, the motion had not been put to the vote.

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open session at 8:21pm with all Councillors present.

At 8:30pm, under clause 15.15 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, Mayor Mannoun expelled Cllr Karnib from the meeting.

Clr Karnib subsequently retired from the meeting at 8:31pm.

Clr Monaghan retired from the meeting at 8:32pm.

Clr Ibrahim retired from the meeting at 8:32pm.

Division called (for the motion moved by Clr Macnaught)

Vote for: Clr Harte, Clr Ammoun, Clr Macnaught, Clr Adjei and Mayor Mannoun.

Vote against: Clr Ristevski.

Note: Clr Harle did not vote for or against the motion. Therefore in accordance with Clause 11.5 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, he is recorded as voting against the motion.

Note: Clrs Karnib, Monaghan and Ibrahim retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

Foreshadowed Motion: **Moved: Clr Ristevski** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Proceed with the two Council meetings in February at 6:00pm as listed in the report;
and
2. Confirm the remaining meeting dates and times for 2026 at the next Council meeting when all Councillors can be present, to ensure a conciliatory approach.

Clr Ristevski retired from the meeting at 8:45pm.

ITEM NO: COM 04
FILE NO: 401836.2025
SUBJECT: Establishment of the Miller Community Sports Hub

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report;
2. Recognises the important role that sport and active recreation play in improving health and wellbeing, strengthening community connections and supporting social inclusion;
3. Supports, in-principle, the establishment of the Miller Community Sports Hub as a locally based sport and active recreation participation and pathways strategy within Miller; and
4. Instructs the CEO to further develop a detailed implementation strategy, including program design, governance, risk management and the identification of appropriate funding sources and partnerships for implementation.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

ITEM NO: COM 05
FILE NO: 402006.2025
SUBJECT: South West Sydney Football World Cup 2026

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Endorse the proposed Southwest Sydney Football World Cup and direct the CEO to commence planning for the event;
2. Co-Sponsor the Festival of the World Event with Fairfield City Council with works in kind support via staff and support services for the event; and
3. Provide complementary access to two football pitches (Moorebank and Ernie Smith Reserve) to the Tournament between the dates mentioned.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM NO: CORP 01
FILE NO: 390218.2025
SUBJECT: Annual Financial Reports 2024/25

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and adopts the 2024-25 audited financial reports.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

ITEM NO: CORP 02
FILE NO: 389258.2025
SUBJECT: Investment Report November 2025

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harle** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Receives and notes this report.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 01
SUBJECT: Preservation of Liverpool's Koala Colonies and Habitat Corridors.

Cllr Macnaught requested that Mayor Mannoun consider a motion of urgency regarding the preservation of Liverpool's koala colonies and habitat corridors.

Liverpool's koalas are important to the future survival of healthy, vibrant colonies along the Goerge's River.

Liverpool is located within an Area of Regional Koala Significance (ARKS). As such we are also connected to the Campbelltown Koala Population, the largest Chlamydia Free population in NSW, and because of this our koala population is designated as a priority population by the NSW Koala Strategy.

For our koalas to survive and thrive, the ability for Koalas to travel along habitat corridors is critical. According to the NSW Chief Scientist, the Georges River Koala Corridor is significant because the corridor is a crucial link for the koalas of Southern Sydney.

In December of 2024, Council voted unanimously to implement a Koala Management Plan to protect our koala colonies, their habitat- the bushland and feed trees they rely on and importantly the habitat corridors koalas that provide safe routes for movement, breeding in finding food.

Ensuring fragmented habitats are connected helps boost genetic diversity, maintains the health and vibrancy of the colony population and provides corridor of escape in the event of

bushfire.

Further fragmentation and loss of habitat corridors in Liverpool means our koalas being forced to attempt travel on local roads- such as Heathcote Road result in increasing risk of death and injury through strike by motor vehicles or heading further southward towards what is accepted as the Chlamydia exclusion zone. Both are serious threats to our koalas.

RECESS

Mayor Mannoun called a recess of the meeting at 8:51pm to consider the motion of urgency.

RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING

Mayor Mannoun resumed the meeting in open session at 9:02pm with all Councillors present.

Clr Macnaught stated that the matter was urgent, noting that a recent planning panel meeting highlighted there is currently no koala management plan in place. She also confirmed that a report was received that day of a deceased koala along Heathcote Road, noting that koala fatalities are now higher on Long Heathcote Road than on Appin Road.

In accordance with Clause 9.5 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, Mayor Mannoun ruled the above matter as urgent and as such a motion to consider the business as urgent was moved.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Macnaught**

That the motion of urgency be considered as business in accordance with Clause 9.5.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Clrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That Council:

1. Reaffirms the commitment to develop and implement a Koala Management Plan.
2. Engages with subject matter experts, including but not limited to representatives of

adjoining Councils (Campbelltown, Sutherland Shire), the Sydney Basin Koala Network, Sutherland Shire Environmental Group, Gandangara Aboriginal Land Council, and WIRES to guide and assist Council in the development and implementation of a Koala Management Plan.

3. Liaise with the appropriate government agencies/departments in seeking funding and support to initiate the required rigorous on-ground ecological assessments research and scoping studies to better understand the number and health of Liverpool's resident koala colonies, habitat corridors and connectivity to strategically conserve koala habitat in our area.
4. Provide a quarterly report to Council of the progress.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Nil.

MOTION OF URGENCY

ITEM: MOU 02

SUBJECT: Clarification of QWN 02 from 18 June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting

Clr Harte requested that Mayor Mannoun consider a motion of urgency regarding responses to QWN 02 from the 18 June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Clr Harte stated that the matter was urgent due to the proprietary considerations of each occasion and as the Council's response warrants further examination by the governing body.

In accordance with Clause 9.5 of the Code of Meeting Practice Policy, Mayor Mannoun ruled the above matter as urgent and as such a motion to consider the business as urgent was moved.

Motion: **Moved: Mayor Mannoun** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That the motion of urgency be considered as business in accordance with Clause 9.5.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Macnaught**

That Council:

1. Notes the response to QWN 02 from the 18 June 2025 Ordinary Council meeting;
and
2. Directs the CEO to circulate the confidential information (as a memo) to Councillors providing (on each occasion);
 - a. The name of the recipient
 - b. Quantum of payment
 - c. Records relating to how the quantum of payment was determined
 - d. Legal advice received for each occasion.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Adjei**

That Council:

1. Move CONF 02 to be the last item dealt with; and
2. Enter closed session to consider CONF 02 pursuant to the provisions of s10(A)(2)(c) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Clrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

ITEM NO: CONF 01
FILE NO: 390536.2025
SUBJECT: Payment of Compensation - Dedication of Lot 30 DP 1241676, Tokyo Road, Austral as drainage reserve

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harte**

That Council:

1. Makes payment of compensation to the former owners of Lot 30 DP 1241676 on the terms and conditions outlined in this report.
2. Authorises the CEO or his delegated officer to execute any document, under Power of Attorney, necessary to give effect to this decision.
3. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Clrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

MOTION TO MOVE AS A WHOLE

Motion: **Moved: Clr Macnaught** **Seconded: Clr Harle**

That CONF 03 and CONF 04 be deferred in accordance with the memo's circulated to all Councillors.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Note: Clrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior o this item and did not participate in the vote.

ITEM NO: CONF 03
FILE NO: 404600.2025
SUBJECT: Information Technology Strategy and Roadmap

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, regarding the proposed deferral of this item.

COUNCIL DECISION

Following the motion to move as a whole (moved by Cllr Macnaught) earlier in the meeting, this item was deferred in accordance with the memos circulated to all Councillors.

ITEM NO: CONF 04
FILE NO: 404597.2025
SUBJECT: Single Source Software Solution

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, regarding the proposed deferral of this item.

COUNCIL DECISION

Following the motion to move as a whole (moved by Cllr Macnaught) earlier in the meeting, this item was deferred in accordance with the memos circulated to all Councillors.

ITEM NO: CONF 05
FILE NO: 198612.2025
SUBJECT: Warren Serviceway Car Park - Free Parking for Community Organisations

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Macnaught** **Seconded: Cllr Harle**

That Council:

1. Does not provide free parking to community groups based in Liverpool as per this report; and
2. Notes that a policy is being developed to investigate methods of providing cost of parking relief to community group applicants in Liverpool.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Councillors voted unanimously for this item.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Council moved into Closed Session at 9:24pm in line with the previous motion moved earlier in the meeting. The gallery left the Chambers.

ITEM NO: CONF 02
FILE NO: 189607.2025
SUBJECT: CT Lewis Centre

Note: A memo was circulated to all Councillors on 10 December 2025, prior to the meeting, proposing a revised recommendation for consideration.

COUNCIL DECISION

Motion: **Moved: Cllr Harte** **Seconded: Cllr Ammoun**

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the challenges and costs now associated to make the site and facility fit for purpose.
2. Acknowledge the asset sits 6 metres away from an identical underutilised class 1 asset (Phillips Park); and
3. Approves the sale of CT Lewis Centre, 75-77 Hill Road, Lurnea (Lot 2 DP 513777, Lot 3 DP 513777 and Lot 3 DP 513777) and 5 Adrian Avenue, Lurnea (Lot 1 DP 513777) by public auction.
4. Agrees to set a reserve price for the auction at the level of the adopted market value specified in the valuation obtained by Council, dated 25 November 2025.
5. Authorises the CEO or delegate to complete all documentation necessary to give effect to these resolutions.
6. Agrees to publish details of the Contract of Sale in line with the requirements of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009.
7. Keeps confidential this report pursuant to the provisions of Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 as this information would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.
8. The proceeds from the disposal of the asset be allocated to the property reserve.
9. Provide a full description of what all the reserves are for to a future Governance Committee Meeting.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared CARRIED.

Cllr Harle requested that his name be recorded as voting against the motion.

Note: Cllrs Karnib, Monaghan, Ibrahim and Ristevski retired from the meeting prior to this item and did not participate in the vote.

OPEN SESSION

Council resumed in the meeting in Open Session with all Councillors present at 9:36pm.

Mayor Mannoun noted that the resolution will be published with the minutes.

At 9:38pm, Cllr Harte withdrew the Rescission Motion lodged earlier in the meeting for Item PD 02 – Site-Specific Liverpool Development Control Plan 2008 Amendment, Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9:41pm.

<Signature>

Name: Ned Mannoun

Title: Mayor

Date: 4 February 2026

I have authorised a stamp bearing my signature to be affixed to the pages of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 10 December 2025. I confirm that Council has adopted these Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.